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Speaker Burke, Tony, MP

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Mr BURKE (Watson—Manager of Opposition Business) (09:31): I seek leave to move the following motion, which may well have the unanimous support of the House:

That the House:

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(b) the Treasurer introduced legislation containing a \$107 million black hole;

(c) the Senate ran out of legislation to debate; and

(d) for the first time in the history of the Federation, an Opposition second reading amendment passed the House of Representatives, meaning the House, and all Government Members, voted unanimously that the Government has failed to close tax loopholes and increase transparency in Australia; and

(2) given the House has resolved the Government must explain these failures, therefore calls on the Minister for Revenue to attend the House to explain why the Government has failed to close tax loopholes and increase transparency in Australia.

Leave not granted.

Ms Macklin interjecting—

The SPEAKER: The member for Jagajaga is warned!

Mr BURKE: I move:

That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Manager of Opposition Business from moving the following motion forthwith—That the House:

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If you cannot manage the parliament, you cannot govern the country—and they cannot govern the country.