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ViP PROGRAM TARGETS COMMUNITY GROUPS INTERESTED IN PARLIAMENTARY PROCESS

The federal Member for Kooyong, Josh Frydenberg is encouraging local community groups to visit Canberra and experience Parliament House as part of the Venture into Parliament (ViP) program.

Run by the Parliamentary Education Office (PEO), the ViP program is aimed at adult community groups who are interested in how the federal parliamentary system works. The program is held at Australia's Parliament House during sitting weeks.

Josh Frydenberg said that while many schools visit Canberra and participate in the parliamentary education role-play program and guided tour, many community groups in his electorate would also find the experience an informative one.

The Venture into Parliament program is free, and enables community groups to observe Question Time in the House of Representatives and/or Senate chamber, participate in a parliamentary role-play where group members take on a role as a Member of Parliament or parliamentary official in a simulated chamber and take a behind-the-scenes tour of Parliament House.

The PEO is a dedicated educational unit that has been producing educational publications and resources for teachers and students since 1988. Role-play is the PEO's principle teaching strategy enabling students to feel as well as to know what it is like to be a parliamentarian.

Community groups within the Kooyong electorate such as Rotary, Probus and RSL clubs interested in participating in the ViP program in 2012, should contact Josh Frydenberg's office on 03 9882 3677.