

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA  
 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 94

TUESDAY, 20 APRIL 1971

- 1 The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Sir William Aston) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 THE HONOURABLE MEMBER FOR REID (MR UREN)—ADVICE OF COMMITMENT TO, AND RELEASE FROM, PRISON: Mr Speaker informed the House that he had received the following letter from the Clerk of the Central Court of Petty Sessions, Sydney:

Central Court of Petty Sessions,  
 Sydney,  
 16th April, 1971.

The Honourable Sir William Aston, K.C.M.G., M.P.,  
 Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
 Parliament House,  
 Canberra, A.C.T.

Dear Mr. Speaker,

I have to inform you that:—

- (a) in criminal proceedings brought by Mr. Thomas Uren (whom I believe to be a member of the House of Representatives) under Section 493 of the Crimes Act, 1900, as amended against Constable of Police No. 3136 (later identified as Ivano Girardi) for assault it was, on 5th January, 1971, adjudged by order of this Court that Mr. Uren pay the defendant's costs in the sum of eighty dollars, three months being allowed for payment, and pursuant to section 82 (2) of the Justices Act 1902, as amended, it was further adjudged that in default of payment within that time Mr. Uren be imprisoned and so kept for forty days;
- (b) payment was not made within that time and a warrant to commit Mr. Uren to prison was, pursuant to section 87 of the Justices Act 1902, as amended, issued on 8th April, 1971;
- (c) pursuant to that warrant, Mr. Uren was, on 10th April, 1971, duly taken and committed to prison;
- (d) Mr. Uren was, pursuant to section 94 of the Justices Act 1902, as amended, released from prison on 12th April, 1971 after the balance of the sum ordered to be paid by him by way of costs was duly paid.

The warrant of commitment was executed, and the imprisonment of Mr. Uren occurred, during the Easter holidays. Official advice from the Chief Superintendent, Department of Corrective Services, Long Bay of the execution of the warrant and of Mr. Uren's subsequent discharge from prison was received by me this day. A copy of the statement from the Chief Superintendent containing that advice is attached hereto.

Yours faithfully,  
 (Sgd) K. CLARKE  
 Clerk of Petty Sessions.

Mr Speaker stated that the statement attached to the letter was a formal return which he did not propose to read.

- 3 PRIVILEGE—COMMITMENT TO PRISON OF THE HONOURABLE MEMBER FOR REID (MR UREN)—  
 REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES: Mr Bryant raised a matter of privilege with respect to the commitment to prison of the honourable Member for Reid (Mr Uren) on 10 April 1971 which had been reported to the House by Mr Speaker, and moved—That the matter of the commitment to prison of the honourable Member for Reid (Mr Uren) be referred to the Committee of Privileges.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and passed.
- 4 PETITIONS: Mr Enderby presented a petition from certain residents of the Australian Capital Territory praying that a Committee of Inquiry, on which are represented the Department of Education and Science, institutions of tertiary education, practising educators, and the Canberra community, be instituted to inquire into the form that an Australian Capital Territory Education Authority should take, the educational principles and philosophy that should underly it, and its mode of operation and administration.  
 Petition received and read.  
 Mr Fox presented a petition from certain residents of Victoria praying that the export of products made from kangaroos be banned and the Commonwealth Government take necessary steps to have all wildlife in Australia brought under its control.  
 Petition received.
- 5 MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS: Mr McMahon (Prime Minister) informed the House of the following ministerial arrangements during the respective absences abroad of Mr Gorton (Minister for Defence), Mr Bury (Minister for Foreign Affairs) and Mr Sinclair (Minister for Primary Industry):  
 Sir Alan Hulme (Postmaster-General) was acting as Minister for Defence;  
 Mr Swartz (Minister for National Development) was acting as Minister for Foreign Affairs; and  
 Senator Drake-Brockman (Minister for Air) was acting as Minister for Primary Industry and would be represented in this House by Mr Holten (Minister for Repatriation).
- 6 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice being asked—  
*Member named and suspended:* Mr Speaker named the honourable Member for Reid (Mr Uren) for again interjecting after a warning had been given by the Chair.  
 Mr Swartz (Leader of the House) moved—That the honourable Member for Reid be suspended from the service of the House.  
 The House proceeded to divide, but the Tellers appointed for the “Noes” refusing to act, Mr Speaker declared the question resolved in the affirmative.  
 The honourable Member was, therefore, suspended at sixteen minutes past three o'clock p.m. for twenty-four hours under standing order 305, and he accordingly withdrew from the Chamber.  
 Questions without notice continued.
- 7 STATEMENT BY MEMBER: Mr J. F. Cairns, by leave, made a statement with reference to an answer given by Mr Lynch (Minister for Labour and National Service) to a question without notice concerning incidents which had occurred in or near the office of the Department of Labour and National Service, Melbourne, and the imprisonment for trespass of five women.
- 8 EMPLOYMENT TRAINING—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND PAPER: Mr Lynch (Minister for Labour and National Service), by leave, made a ministerial statement with reference to an employment training scheme for persons displaced by technological change, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:  
 Employment training scheme for persons displaced by technological change—  
 Ministerial statement, 20 April 1971.  
 Mr C. R. Cameron and Mr Hurford, by leave, also made statements with reference to the matter.

9 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE: Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:

7 April 1971—Message—

No. 144—Social Services 1971.

No. 145—Repatriation 1971.

No. 146—Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances 1971.

10 MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILLS: Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:

6 April 1971—Message No. 109—Criminology Research 1971.

7 April 1971—Message No. 110—

Social Services 1971.

Repatriation 1971.

Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances 1971.

11 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REPORTS—STATEMENT BY MEMBER: Mr Kelly (Chairman) brought up the following reports from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:

Interim Report relating to the proposed construction of a Community College at Darwin. (Second report of 1971).

Report relating to the proposed construction of domestic accommodation, No. 2 Stores Depot, R.A.A.F., at Chester Hill, N.S.W. (Third report of 1971)—

and, by leave, made a statement in connection with the interim report on the Community College at Darwin, N.T.

Ordered—That the reports be printed.

12 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—ROAD TOLL IN AUSTRALIA: Mr Deputy Speaker informed the House that Mr Jones had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The failure of the Commonwealth Government to initiate a national policy to reduce Australia's tragic road toll".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Jones addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

13 DRIED FRUITS LEVY COLLECTION BILL 1971—SENATE'S AMENDMENT: The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole to consider the amendment made by the Senate.

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*In the committee*

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT MADE BY THE SENATE

Page 5, clause 11, line 2, leave out "five", insert "three".

Mr Holten (Minister representing the Acting Minister for Primary Industry) moved—

That the amendment be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Mr Patterson moved, as an amendment—That the following words be added to the motion: "with the following amendment: Omit 'three', insert 'one'".

Debate continued.

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.

The committee divided (the Chairman, Mr Lucock, in the Chair)—

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Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison
Mr Bennett	Mr Davies	Mr Jenkins	Mr Nicholls
Mr Berinson	Mr Everingham	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Patterson
Mr Birrell	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Foster	Mr Jones	Mr Stewart
Mr Bryant	Mr A. D. Fraser	Mr Keating	Mr Wallis
Mr J. F. Cairns	Mr Fulton	Mr Kennedy	
Mr Collard	Mr Garrick	Mr Keogh	
Mr Connor	Mr Grassby	Mr Kirwan	
Mr Cope	Mr Gun	Mr Klugman	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Crean	Mr Hansen	Mr Luchetti	Mr Duthie
Mr Cross	Mr Hurford	Mr Martin	Mr James

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Mr Adermann	Mr England	Mr Hunt	Mr Pettitt
Mr Anthony	Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Reid
Mr Barnes	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Jarman	Mr Robinson
Mr Bate	Mr Forbes	Mr Jess	Mr Staley
Mr Bonnett	Mr J. M. Fraser	Mr Katter	Mr Street
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr Giles	Mr Kelly	Mr Swartz
Mr Brown	Mr Graham	Mr Lynch	Mr Turner
Mr Buchanan	Mr Hallett	Mr Mackay	Mr Whittorn
Mr Calder	Mr Hamer	Mr MacKellar	
Mr Chipp	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Howson	Mr McLeay	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Dobie	Mr Hughes	Mr Nixon	Mr Fox
Mr Drury	Sir A. Hulme	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Turnbull

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the motion be agreed to—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Lucock reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Holten, the House adopted the report.

- 14 PUBLIC ORDER (PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY) BILL 1971: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned (Mr Kennedy), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 15 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Bowen (Attorney-General) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at two minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 20 April 1971, pursuant to statute:

Australian National University Act—Statute—No. 98—Staff Superannuation Amendment No. 8.

Australian Wool Commission Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1971, No. 41.

Commonwealth Banks Act—Appointment certificate—L. J. Armstrong, P. F. Le Lievre.

Customs Act and Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1971, No. 40.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land, etc., acquired for national television translator station purposes—Mudgee, N.S.W.

National Health Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1971, No. 43.

- Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Crown Lands Ordinance—Statement of reasons by Minister for revocation of Howley Commonage Reserve, N.T.
- Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinances—1971—  
 No. 20—Customs Tariff (Batteries).  
 No. 21—Imports (General Levy) (Amendment).  
 No. 22—Sorcery.
- Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1971, No. 39.
- Public Service Act—  
 Appointment—Department of Labour and National Service—K. V. Hampton.  
 Regulations—Statutory Rules 1971, No. 42.
- Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations—1971—  
 No. 74—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.  
 No. 75—Australian Broadcasting Commission Senior Officers' Association; and Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.  
 No. 91—Transport Workers' Union of Australia.  
 Nos. 92, 93 and 94—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.  
 No. 95—Commonwealth Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).  
 No. 96—Australian Institute of Marine and Power Engineers.  
 No. 97—Professional Radio Employees' Institute of Australasia.  
 No. 98—Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners of Australia.  
 No. 99—Federated Storemen and Packers' Union of Australia; and Federated Ironworkers' Association of Australia.  
 No. 100—Professional Radio Employees' Institute of Australasia.  
 No. 101—Hospital Employees' Federation of Australia.  
 No. 102—Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.  
 No. 104—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.  
 No. 105—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service; and Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.  
 No. 106—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.  
 No. 107—Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.  
 No. 108—Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.  
 No. 109—Federated Clerks' Union of Australia.
- Seat of Government (Administration) Act—National Memorials Ordinance—Determination naming a Division of the Canberra City District, dated 24 March 1971.

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MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Bury, Mr Calwell, Mr Corbett\*, Mr Garland, Mr Gorton, Mr Hayden, Mr Killen, Mr Lloyd, Mr Scholes, Mr Sherry\* and Mr Sinclair.

\* On leave

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A. G. TURNER,  
 Clerk of the House of Representatives