

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 207

THURSDAY, 26 OCTOBER 1972

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- 1 The House met, at ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Sir William Aston) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
 - 2 **PETITIONS:** The Clerk announced that the following honourable Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
 - Mr Gorton, Mr Keating and Mr Reid—from certain citizens of the Commonwealth praying that Australia's official development assistance in 1972-73 be increased to at least \$240 million, and that Australia's aid and trade policies be reviewed to benefit developing countries.
 - Mr Beazley, Mr Bennett and Mr Berinson—from certain citizens of Australia praying that this House take immediate steps to ensure that emergency finance from the Commonwealth will be given to the States for their public education services which provide schooling for 78 per cent of Australia's children.
 - Mr McMahon (Prime Minister) and Mr Grassby—from certain electors of New South Wales praying that this House will immediately make a substantial Federal emergency grant to all State Governments for education services and carry out a public national survey to determine needs of the States after 1975.
 - Mr Bennett—from certain residents of Western Australia praying that this House will take immediate steps to grant taxation concessions to mothers who are forced to pay fees to have their children retained in day care and family care centres.
 - Mr L. F. Bowen—from certain employees of the Australian aircraft industry in New South Wales and citizens of Australia praying that the Federal Government take immediate action to ensure the re-equipment of the armed forces with Australian designed and produced aircraft and accessories.
 - Mr Bryant—from certain citizens of the Commonwealth praying that this House will at once take steps to dedicate as a National Park an area of at least 1,436 square miles as recommended by the Northern Territory Reserves Board.
 - Mr Bryant—from certain citizens of the Commonwealth praying that the contract let to an American controlled company for the advertising rights for the Victorian Pink Pages Telephone Directories be revoked in the national interest.
 - Mr Enderby—from certain residents of the Australian Capital Territory praying that the strip of land on the whole western side of Melrose Drive, Canberra, be reserved for development as parkland.
 - Mr Klugman—from certain citizens of Australia praying that this House provide the finance to enable State Education Departments and local government authorities to establish pre-school and after-school centres and facilities for training the staff for these centres.
 - Mr Solomon—from certain citizens of Australia praying that this House will, in regard to the use of Commonwealth funds to aid church schools, restore to the Australian people true religious freedom which can exist only when Church and State are legally separated both in form and substance.

Mr Uren—from certain citizens of Australia praying that this House urge the Government, in consultation with Aborigines, to grant land rights to Aborigines. Petitions received.

3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.

4 PAPERS: The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Australian Post Office—Financial and Statistical Bulletin for year 1971–72.

International Labour Conference—

Fifty-second Session, 1968 and Fifty-third Session, 1969—Statement in relation to the Conventions and Recommendations adopted at the Sessions.

Fifty-fourth Session, Geneva, June 1970—Reports of the Australian Government, Employers' and Workers' Delegates.

Tariff Board—Report—Parts for ball point pens—By-Law.

Technical Training Institutions—Statement of Commonwealth financial assistance given to the States under the States Grants (Technical Training) Acts of 1964, 1965 and 1968.

The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute:

Aboriginal Enterprises (Assistance) Act—Commonwealth Capital Fund for Aboriginal Enterprises—Fourth Annual Report, for year 1971–72.

Bankruptcy Act—Fifth Annual Report, for year 1971–72.

Commonwealth Police Act—Commonwealth Police Force—Report for year 1971–72.

National Fitness Act—Report for 1971.

Services Trust Funds Act—

Australian Military Forces Relief Trust Fund—Twenty-fifth Annual Report by the Trustees, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1971–72.

Royal Australian Air Force Welfare Trust Fund—Twenty-fourth Annual Report by the Trustees, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1971–72.

Royal Australian Navy Relief Trust Fund—Report by the Trustees, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1971–72.

States Grants (Science Laboratories) Act—Statement of schools assisted by grants for year 1971–72.

States Grants (Teachers Colleges) Act—Statement of Payments under the Act for year 1971–72.

States Grants (Technical Training) Act—Statement of Payments under the Act for year 1971–72.

Wool (Deficiency Payments) Act—Report for year 1971–72.

5 PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES—POWERS OVER AND PROTECTION AFFORDED TO WITNESSES—REPORT AND MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr McMahon (Prime Minister), by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

Parliamentary committees—Powers over and protection afforded to witnesses—Paper prepared by the Attorney-General, Senator the Honourable I. J. Greenwood, Q.C., and the Solicitor-General, Mr R. J. Ellicott, Q.C., dated October 1972—

and, by leave, made a ministerial statement in connection with the paper.

6 DEFENCE FORCES RETIREMENT BENEFITS LEGISLATION—REPORT OF JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr McMahon (Prime Minister), by leave, made a ministerial statement concerning the outcome of the Government's consideration of the report of the Joint Select Committee on Defence Forces Retirement Benefits Legislation, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

Defence Forces Retirement Benefits Legislation—Report of Joint Select Committee—Ministerial statement, 26 October 1972.

Mr Chipp (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the paper.
Debate ensued.

Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for speech: Mr Fairbairn (Minister for Defence) moved, by leave—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Barnard (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) concluding his speech without limitation of time.

Question—put and passed.

Debate continued by Mr Barnard who moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof: “this House is of the opinion that all the recommendations of the Joint Select Committee on Defence Forces Retirement Benefits Legislation should be adopted but that accrued rights should be preserved where they are more advantageous than the recommendations of the committee”.

Debate continued.

Mr Giles moved—That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Lucock, in the Chair)—

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| Sir C. Adermann | Mr Dobie | Mr L. H. Irwin | Mr Peacock |
| Mr Anthony | Mr G. D. Erwin | Mr Jarman | Mr Pettitt |
| Mr Barnes | Mr Fairbairn | Mr Katter | Mr Robinson |
| Mr Bate | Mr Forbes | Mr Kelly | Mr Sinclair |
| Mr Bonnett | Mr J. M. Fraser | Mr Killen | Mr Snedden |
| Mr N. H. Bowen | Mr Garland | Mr King | Mr Solomon |
| Mr Brown | Mr Giles | Mr Lloyd | Mr Staley |
| Mr Bury | Mr Hallett | Mr Lynch | Sir R. Swartz |
| Mr K. M. K. Cairns | Mr Hamer | Mr Mackay | Sir W. Turnbull |
| Mr Calder | Mr Holten | Mr MacKellar | Mr Wentworth |
| Mr D. M. Cameron | Mr Howson | Mr Maisey | |
| Mr Chipp | Mr Hughes | Mr McLeay | <i>Tellers:</i> |
| Mr Corbett | Sir A. Hulme | Mr Nixon | Mr England |
| Sir J. Cramer | Mr Hunt | Mr O’Keefe | Mr Fox |

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| Mr Armitage | Mr Cross | Mr Jenkins | Mr Reynolds |
| Mr Barnard | Mr Davies | Mr L. K. Johnson | Mr Scholes |
| Mr Bennett | Mr Enderby | Mr L. R. Johnson | Mr Sherry |
| Mr Berinson | Mr Everingham | Mr Jones | Mr Stewart |
| Mr Birrell | Mr FitzPatrick | Mr Keating | Mr Uren |
| Mr Bryant | Mr Foster | Mr Kennedy | Mr Wallis |
| Mr J. F. Cairns | Mr Grassby | Mr Keogh | Mr Webb |
| Mr Calwell | Mr Griffiths | Mr Kirwan | |
| Mr C. R. Cameron | Mr Gun | Mr Klugman | |
| Mr Cass | Mr Hansen | Mr Luchetti | |
| Mr Cohen | Mr Hayden | Mr Morrison | <i>Tellers:</i> |
| Mr Connor | Mr Hurford | Mr Nicholls | Mr Cope |
| Mr Crean | Mr Jacobi | Mr Patterson | Mr Duthie |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an order of the day for the next sitting.

7 PAPER—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: The following paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Defence Forces Retirement Benefits Fund—Report on the fourth quinquennial investigation by the Commonwealth Actuary, as at 30 June 1969.

Mr Snedden (Treasurer), by leave, made a ministerial statement in connection with the report.

- 8 GENERAL INSURANCE LEGISLATION—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—PAPER NOTED: Mr Snedden (Treasurer), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to general insurance legislation before the House, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:
General insurance legislation—Ministerial statement, 26 October 1972.
Mr Chipp (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the paper.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
- 9 SOCIAL SERVICE CASES—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr Wentworth (Minister for Social Services), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to cases concerning the payment of social service benefits raised by Mr Crean and Mr Griffiths at question time.
Mr Crean and Mr Griffiths, by leave, also made statements with reference to the matter.
- 10 PAPER: The following paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:
Tariff Board—Report—Pyrethrum.
Ordered to be printed.
- 11 PAPER—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:
Metric Conversion Act—Metric Conversion Board—Second Annual Report, for year 1971–72, together with report by Minister on the operation of the Act.
Mr J. M. Fraser (Minister for Education and Science), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the activities of the Metric Conversion Board.
Ordered—That the paper be printed.
Mr Crean, by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.
- 12 WILDLIFE CONSERVATION—SELECT COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS: Mr Fox (Chairman) brought up the Report from the Select Committee on Wildlife Conservation, together with the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee.
Ordered—That the report be printed.
Mr Fox and Mr Jenkins, by leave, made statements in connection with the report.
- 13 JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS: Mr G. D. Erwin (Chairman) brought up the following report from the Joint Committee on Publications:
Report relating to departmental publishing activities together with extracts from the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee.
Ordered—That the report be printed.
Mr Erwin and Mr L. R. Johnson, by leave, made statements in connection with the report.
- 14 AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORTS—STATEMENT BY MEMBER: Mr Hallett brought up the following reports from the Joint Committee on the Australian Capital Territory:
Report on the fifty-first series of variations of the plan of lay-out of the City of Canberra and its environs.
Report that the Committee is unable to complete its inquiries into State and Municipal Costs and Revenues in the Australian Capital Territory, and Aspects of a Statutory Authority to administer education in the Australian Capital Territory.
Severally ordered to be printed.
Mr Hallett, by leave, made a statement in connection with the reports.

- 15 **ROAD SAFETY—SELECT COMMITTEE—REPORT (UNFINISHED INQUIRY)—STATEMENT BY MEMBER:** Mr Fox (Chairman) brought up a Report, together with Minutes of Proceedings, from the Select Committee on Road Safety, being a report that the Committee had been unable to complete its inquiry.
 Ordered to be printed.
 Mr Fox, by leave, made a statement in connection with the report.
- 16 **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE—REPORTS—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS:** Mr Hurford (Acting Chairman) brought up the following reports from the Joint Committee of Public Accounts:
 One hundred and forty-first Report—Expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue Fund (Appropriation Acts 1971–72).
 One hundred and forty-second Report—Treasury Minute on the One hundred and twenty-fourth Report together with a summary of that report.
 Severally ordered to be printed.
 Mr Hurford, Mr Jarman and Mr Dobie, by leave, made statements in connection with the reports.
- 17 **ORDER OF THE DAY NO. 1—GRIEVANCE DEBATE:** It being past fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m., order of the day No. 1 (Grievance debate—pursuant to standing order 106) was not called on.
- 18 **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY:** Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 2 and 3, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
- 19 **CRIMES (HIJACKING OF AIRCRAFT) BILL 1972:** The order of the day having been read for the second reading—Mr N. H. Bowen (Minister representing the Attorney-General) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.
 Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.
 On the motion of Mr Bowen, the Bill was read a third time.
- 20 **EXTRADITION (COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES) BILL 1972:** The order of the day having been read for the second reading—Mr N. H. Bowen (Minister representing the Attorney-General) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.
 Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.
 On the motion of Mr Bowen, the Bill was read a third time.
- 21 **EXTRADITION (FOREIGN STATES) BILL 1972:** The order of the day having been read for the second reading—Mr N. H. Bowen (Minister representing the Attorney-General) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.
 Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.
 On the motion of Mr Bowen, the Bill was read a third time.
- 22 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—NOTICES CONCERNING APPROVAL OF WORKS:** Mr Chipp (Minister representing the Minister for Works) moved, by leave—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent notices Nos. 1 to 12, government business, being called on and moved together and one question being put in relation to the twelve motions.
 Question—put and passed.
- 23 **APPROVAL OF WORKS:** Mr Chipp (Minister representing the Minister for Works) moved the following motions together:
 That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1972*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred

to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Development of R.A.A.F. Base at Amberley, Qld.

That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1972*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Development of R.A.A.F. Base at Townsville, Qld.

That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1972*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Construction of Commonwealth Offices at Port Moresby.

That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1972*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Construction of a new runway and associated works at Port Moresby Airport.

That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1972*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Airport development works at Nadzab—Lae, Papua New Guinea.

That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1972*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: New out-patients clinic at Greenslopes Repatriation General Hospital, Qld.

That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1972*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Construction of patients and staff accommodation at Kingshome Rehabilitation Centre, Taringa, Qld.

That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1972*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Proposed rehabilitation centre at Camperdown, N.S.W.

That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1972*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Construction of Commonwealth office block at Alice Springs, N.T.

That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1972*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Development of a jungle training centre at Canungra, Qld.

That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1972*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Construction of a telephone exchange at Sydney East.

That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1972*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Construction of a telephone exchange at Woolloongabba, Qld.

Debate ensued.

Mr D. M. Cameron moved, as an amendment—That, in the motion relating to the construction of a telephone exchange at Woolloongabba, Qld, all words after “That” be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof: “because the telephone exchange proposed is a high-rise building in a non high-rise area and makes inadequate provision for car parking, the construction of a telephone exchange at Woolloongabba, Qld, be referred back to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works”.

Debate continued.

Ordered—That Mr L. R. Johnson be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Mr D. M. Cameron, by leave, again addressed the House.

Amendment negatived.

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

24 PAPERS: The following paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Tariff Board—Report—Magnet winding wire.

The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:

Petroleum Search Subsidy Act—Thirteenth Annual Statement, for year 1971–72.

Severally ordered to be printed.

25 NATIVE MEMBERS OF THE FORCES BENEFITS BILL 1972: 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.

Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Holten (Minister for Repatriation), the Bill was read a third time.

26 REPATRIATION (TORRES STRAIT ISLANDERS) BILL 1972: 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—

Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Holten (Minister for Repatriation), the Bill was read a third time.

27 PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE—TWENTY-SECOND REPORT: Mr G. D. Erwin (Chairman) brought up the Twenty-second Report from the Publications Committee (sitting in conference with the Publications Committee of the Senate). The Report is as follows:

TWENTY-SECOND REPORT

The Publications Committee has the honour to report that it has met in conference with the Publications Committee of the Senate.

The Joint Committee, having considered the Petitions and Papers presented to Parliament since the meeting of the committee on 28 September 1972, recommends that the following be printed:

Aboriginal Enterprises (Assistance) Act—Commonwealth Capital Fund for Aboriginal Enterprises—Fourth Annual Report, for year 1971–72.

Air Navigation Act—Minister for Civil Aviation—Twelfth Annual Report, for year 1971–72.

Australian Capital Territory Electricity Supply Act—Australian Capital Territory Electricity Authority—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General’s Report, for year 1971–72.

- Australian Coastal Shipping Commission Act—Australian Coastal Shipping Commission—Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1971–72.
- Australian National Airlines Act—Australian National Airlines Commission—Twenty-seventh Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1971–72.
- Australian Parliamentary Delegation—Report of visit to Japan and Korea of delegation led by the Honourable M. G. Mackay, M.P., Minister for the Navy, 20 February to 2 March 1972.
- Australian Parliamentary Delegation—Report of visit to the United States of America and Mexico of delegation led by the Honourable P. Howson, M.P., Minister for the Environment, Aborigines and the Arts, 25 June to 18 July 1972.
- Australian Post Office—Financial and Statistical Bulletin for year 1971–72.
- Australian Tourist Commission Act—Australian Tourist Commission—Fifth Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1971–72.
- Australian War Memorial Act—Board of Trustees of the Australian War Memorial—Ninth Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1971–72.
- Australia's natural resources—Minerals, forests, water and energy—Ministerial statement and associated documents, 28 September 1972.
- Bankruptcy Act—Fifth Annual Report, for year 1971–72.
- Canned Fruits Export Marketing Act—Australian Canned Fruits Board—Forty-sixth Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for 1971.
- Commonwealth Grants Commission Act—Commonwealth Grants Commission—Thirty-ninth Report (1972) together with a Special Report on an application by the State of Queensland for financial assistance for the year 1971–72 from the Commonwealth under section 96 of the Constitution.
- Commonwealth Hansard—Its Establishment and Development, 1901–1972 (Second edition).
- Commonwealth Parliamentary Association—Summary report of proceedings of the First Australian Parliamentary Seminar held at Parliament House, Canberra, 11 to 16 September 1972.
- Commonwealth Police Act—Commonwealth Police Force—Report for year 1971–72.
- Commonwealth Serum Laboratories Act—Commonwealth Serum Laboratories Commission—Eleventh Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1971–72.
- Compensation (Commonwealth Employees) Act—Commissioner for Employees' Compensation—First Annual Report, for year 1971–72.
- Decentralisation—Commonwealth-State Officials' Committee—Report dated June 1972.
- Defence Forces Retirement Benefits Act—Defence Forces Retirement Benefits Board—Twenty-fourth Annual Report, for year 1971–72.
- Defence Forces Retirement Benefits Fund—Report on the fourth quinquennial investigation by the Commonwealth Actuary, as at 30 June 1969.
- Frequency modulation broadcasting—Australian Broadcasting Control Board—Report dated June 1972.
- Gold-Mining Industry Assistance Act—Eighteenth Annual Statement concerning the operation of Act and payment of subsidy, for year 1971–72.
- Homes Savings Grant Act—Secretary, Department of Housing—Eighth Annual Report, for year 1971–72.

- International Labour Conference—
Fifty-second Session, 1968 and Fifty-Third Session, 1969—Statement in relation to the Conventions and Recommendations adopted at the Sessions.
Fifty-fourth Session, Geneva, June 1970—Reports of the Australian Government, Employers' and Workers' Delegates.
- Meat Research Act—Australian Meat Research Committee—Sixth Annual Report, for year 1971–72.
- Medical Research Endowment Act—National Health and Medical Research Council—Report for 1971.
- National Fitness Act—Report for 1971.
- National Library Act—Council of the National Library of Australia—Twelfth Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1971–72.
- Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Crown Lands Ordinance (No. 5) 1972 (Ordinance—1972—No. 57), together with statement of reasons for withholding assent to part of the Ordinance and assenting to the remainder.
- Northern Territory Legislature and Executive—Transfer of Functions—
Outline of Proposals.
Indicative financial statements.
- Overseas Telecommunications Act—Overseas Telecommunications Commission (Australia)—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year ended 31 March 1972.
- Parliamentary committees—Powers over and protection afforded to witnesses—Paper prepared by the Attorney-General, Senator the Honourable I. J. Greenwood, Q.C., and the Solicitor-General, Mr R. J. Ellicott, Q.C., dated October 1972.
- Post and Telegraph Act—Australian Post Office—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1971–72.
- Poultry Industry Assistance Act—Seventh Annual Report, for year 1971–72.
- Qantas Airways Limited—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year ended 31 March 1972.
- Repatriation Act—War Pensions Entitlement Appeal Tribunals—Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4—Reports for year 1971–72.
- Representation Act—Certificate of the Chief Electoral Officer of the numbers of the people of the Commonwealth and of the several States as at 30 June 1972.
- Road accident situation in Australia—National review—Report to the Minister for Shipping and Transport by the Expert Group on Road Safety, dated September 1972.
- Science and Industry Endowment Act—Report by Auditor-General on accounts of Science and Industry Endowment Fund, for year 1971–72.
- Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Law Reform Commission Ordinance—Law Reform Commission of the Australian Capital Territory—
Reports—
Civil Procedure of the Court of Petty Sessions, dated September 1972.
Imperial Acts in force in the Australian Capital Territory, dated 25 August 1972.
New South Wales Acts in force in the Australian Capital Territory, dated 18 October 1972.
- Services Trust Funds Act—
Australian Military Forces Relief Trust Fund—Twenty-fifth Annual Report by the Trustees, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1971–72.
Royal Australian Air Force Welfare Trust Fund—Twenty-fourth Annual Report by the Trustees, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1971–72.

- Royal Australian Navy Relief Trust Fund—Report by the Trustees, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1971-72.
- Sheltered Employment (Assistance) Act—Details of approved sheltered workshops at 31 August 1972.
- States Grants (Science Laboratories) Act—Statement of schools assisted by grants for year 1971-72.
- States Grants (Teachers Colleges) Act—Statement of Payments under the Act for year 1971-72.
- States Grants (Technical Training) Act—Statement of Payments under the Act for year 1971-72.
- Sugar Agreement Act—Fruit Industry Sugar Concession Committee—Forty-first Annual Report, and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure certified by the Auditor-General of the Commonwealth, for year 1971-72.
- Superannuation Act—Superannuation Board—Forty-ninth Annual Report, for year 1970-71.
- Tariff Board—Report—Parts for ball-point pens—By-Law.
- Tariff Board Act—Tariff Board—Report for year 1971-72, together with Summary of Recommendations and statement of action taken in respect of the Recommendations.
- Technical Training Institutions—Statement of Commonwealth financial assistance given to the States under the States Grants (Technical Training) Acts 1964, 1965 and 1968.
- War Service Homes Act—Director of War Service Homes—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1971-72.
- Wool (Deficiency Payments) Act—Report for year 1971-72.

G. D. ERWIN,
Chairman

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Mr Erwin moved, by leave—That the report be agreed to.

Question—put and passed.

- 28 AUSTRALIA'S NATURAL RESOURCES—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS—
PAPER NOTED: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Katter (Minister for the Army)—That the House take note of the paper (*presented on 28 September 1972*), viz.:
- Australia's natural resources—Minerals, forests, water and energy—Ministerial statement and associated documents, 28 September 1972—
- Debate resumed.
- Mr Jacobi moved, as an amendment—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof: "this House condemns the Government for its failure to prepare and publish plans to (a) ensure world prices for exports of natural resources, (b) promote processing industries located and controlled in Australia and (c) protect the environment from damage as a result of resource developments".
- Debate continued.
- Amendment negatived.
- Question—That the House take note of the paper—put and passed.
- 29 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE: Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:
- 26 October 1972—Message—
- No. 383—Wool Industry 1972.
- No. 384—Wool (Deficiency Payments) 1972.
- No. 385—States Grants (Fruit-growing Reconstruction) 1972.
- No. 386—Apple and Pear Stabilization 1972.
- No. 387—Nitrogenous Fertilizers Subsidy 1972.

30 SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT: Mr Chipp (Leader of the House) moved—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until a date and hour to be fixed by Mr Speaker, which time of meeting shall be notified by Mr Speaker to each Member by telegram or letter.
Question—put and passed.

31 LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO ALL MEMBERS: Mr Chipp (Leader of the House) moved—That leave of absence be given to every Member of the House of Representatives from the determination of this sitting of the House to the date of its next sitting.
Question—put and passed.

32 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Chipp (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Papers: Mr McLeay, in accordance with standing order 321, having called for documents quoted from by Mr Wentworth (Minister for Social Services)—

Mr Wentworth laid upon the Table the following papers:

Australian Labor Party—Documents relating to Shortland electorate pre-selection ballots.

Debate continued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at nineteen minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until a date and hour to be fixed by Mr Speaker, and to be notified by him to each Member by telegram or letter as determined by resolution of the House at this sitting.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 26 October 1972, pursuant to statute:

Australian Film Development Corporation Acts—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1972, No. 176.

Interim Forces Benefits Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1972, No. 179.

International Organizations (Privileges and Immunities) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1972, No. 175.

Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Town Planning Ordinance (No. 3) 1971, together with statement of reasons for withholding assent to the Ordinance.

Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1972, No. 177.

Public Service Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1972, No. 178.

Repatriation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1972, No. 180.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinance—1972—No. 34—Standard Time and Summer Time.

Superannuation Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1972, No. 174.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Buchanan, Mr Collard, Mr Daly, Mr Drury, Mr A. D. Fraser, Mr Garrick, Mr Gorton, Mr Graham, Mr James, Mr Reid, Mr Turner and Mr Whittorn.

N. J. PARKES,
Clerk of the House of Representatives

APPENDIX 1

Messages from the Senate

Messages from the Senate returning the following Bills without amendment were received after the adjournment of the House on 26 October 1972:

26 October 1972—

- No. 388—Excise Tariff (No. 3) 1972 (*without requests*).
- No. 389—Excise Tariff Validation 1972 (*without requests*).

27 October 1972—

- No. 390—Appropriation (No. 1) 1972–73 (*without requests*).
- No. 391—Appropriation (No. 2) 1972–73.
- No. 392—National Health 1972.

30 October 1972—

- No. 393—National Urban and Regional Development Authority 1972.
- No. 394—Metal Working Machine Tools Bounty 1972.
- No. 395—States Grants (Special Assistance) 1972.
- No. 396—Restrictive Trade Practices 1972.

31 October 1972—

- No. 397—Child Care 1972.
- No. 398—Compensation (Commonwealth Employees) 1972.
- No. 399—United States Naval Communication Station (Civilian Employees) 1972.
- No. 400—Seamen's Compensation 1972.
- No. 401—Companies (Foreign Take-overs) 1972.
- No. 402—States Grants (Universities) 1972.
- No. 403—States Grants (Advanced Education) (No. 2) 1972.
- No. 404—States Grants (Universities) (No. 2) 1972.
- No. 405—States Grants (Advanced Education) (No. 3) 1972.
- No. 406—Airlines Agreements 1972.
- No. 407—Australian National Airlines 1972.
- No. 408—Pollution of the Sea by Oil 1972.
- No. 409—Pollution of the Sea by Oil (Shipping Levy) 1972 (*without requests*).
- No. 410—Pollution of the Sea by Oil (Shipping Levy Collection) 1972.
- No. 411—Customs Tariff (No. 4) 1972 (*without requests*).
- No. 412—Customs Tariff (No. 5) 1972 (*without requests*).
- No. 413—Customs Tariff Validation (No. 2) 1972 (*without requests*).
- No. 414—Native Members of the Forces Benefits 1972.
- No. 415—Repatriation (Torres Strait Islanders) 1972.

APPENDIX 2

Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General

ASSENT TO BILLS

The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General intimating that His Excellency in the name of Her Majesty had assented to the following Bills, were received after the adjournment of the House on 26 October 1972:

26 October 1972—

- No. 282—Loans (Qantas Airways Limited) Act 1972.
States Grants (Aboriginal Advancement) Act 1972.
- No. 283—Air Navigation (Charges) Act 1972.

27 October 1972—

- No. 284—Crimes (Hijacking of Aircraft) Act 1972.
Extradition (Commonwealth Countries) Act 1972.
Extradition (Foreign States) Act 1972.

31 October 1972—

- No. 285—Appropriation Act (No. 1) 1972–73.
Appropriation Act (No. 2) 1972–73.
Apple and Pear Stabilization Act 1972.
Nitrogenous Fertilizers Subsidy Act 1972.
States Grants (Schools) Act 1972.
States Grants (Independent Schools) Act (No. 2) 1972.
Wool (Deficiency Payments) Act 1972.
Wool Industry Act 1972.
States Grants (Fruit-growing Reconstruction) Act 1972.
Delivered Meals Subsidy Act 1972.
National Health Act 1972.
- No. 286—Metal Working Machine Tools Bounty Act 1972.
States Grants (Special Assistance) Act 1972.
National Urban and Regional Development Authority Act 1972.
Restrictive Trade Practices Act 1972.

2 November 1972—

- No. 287—Excise Tariff (No. 3) 1972.
Excise Tariff Validation Act 1972.
Child Care Act 1972.
Compensation (Commonwealth Employees) Act 1972.
United States Naval Communication Station (Civilian Employees) Act 1972.
Seamen's Compensation Act 1972.
States Grants (Universities) Act 1972.
States Grants (Universities) Act (No. 2) 1972.

2 November 1972—continued

No. 287—States Grants (Advanced Education) Act (No. 2) 1972.

(contd) States Grants (Advanced Education) Act (No. 3) 1972.

Airlines Agreements Act 1972.

Australian National Airlines Act 1972.

Pollution of the Sea by Oil Act 1972.

Pollution of the Sea by Oil (Shipping Levy) Act 1972.

Pollution of the Sea by Oil (Shipping Levy Collection) Act 1972.

Companies (Foreign Take-overs) Act 1972.

Customs Tariff (No. 4) 1972.

Customs Tariff (No. 5) 1972.

Customs Tariff Validation Act (No. 2) 1972.

Native Members of the Forces Benefits Act 1972.

Repatriation (Torres Strait Islanders) Act 1972.

APPENDIX 3

Dissolution of the House of Representatives and Issue of Writs

Extract from the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette*, No. 104

Dated 2 November 1972

PROCLAMATION

Commonwealth of
Australia to wit
PAUL HASLUCK
Governor-General

By His Excellency the Governor-General in and
over the Commonwealth of Australia.

WHEREAS by section five of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia it is, amongst other things, provided that the Governor-General may, by Proclamation, dissolve the House of Representatives:

NOW THEREFORE I, Sir Paul Meernaa Caedwalla Hasluck, the Governor-General aforesaid, do by this my Proclamation dissolve the House of Representatives as at noon on the second day of November, One thousand nine hundred and seventy-two:

And I discharge senators from attendance as from that time on that date and until the day appointed for holding the next session of the Parliament.

(L.S.) GIVEN under my Hand and the Great Seal of the Commonwealth this second day of November in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and seventy-two, and in the twenty-first year of Her Majesty's reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

WILLIAM McMAHON
Prime Minister

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!