

AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 5

WEDNESDAY, 7 MARCH 1973

- 1 The House met, at two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable J. F. Cope) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 PETITIONS: The Clerk announced that the following honourable Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
 - Mr Edwards—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 Turner—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.
 Petitions received.
- 3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 4 PAPERS: The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute:
 - Chicken Meat Research Act—Australian Chicken Meat Research Committee—Third Annual Report, for year 1971–72.
 - Dairy Produce Export Control Act—Australian Dairy Produce Board—Forty-seventh Annual Report, for year 1971–72.
- 5 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE: Messages from the Senate were reported acquainting the House of the appointment of Senators to the following committees:
 - 6 March 1973—Message—
 - No. 1—Joint Committee on the Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings—Senators Hannan and O'Byrne.
 - No. 2—Joint Committee of Public Accounts—Senators Fitzgerald, Guilfoyle and McAuliffe.
 - No. 3—Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works—Senators Georges, Jessop and Poyser.
- 6 CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS NOS. 1 TO 5 (1973): Dr Cairns (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved Customs Tariff Proposals Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 (1973).
 Debate adjourned (Mr Chipp), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 7 COMMONWEALTH BANKS BILL 1973: Mr Crean (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Commonwealth Banks Act 1959–1968* to remove the Limitation on the Amount of Housing Loans to Individuals.
 Bill read a first time.
 Mr Crean moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate adjourned (Mr Chipp), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 8 COMPENSATION (COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYEES) BILL 1973: Mr C. R. Cameron (Minister for Labour), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to Compensation in respect of Employees of the Commonwealth and certain other Persons by reason of Injury or Disease occurring in Circumstances connected with their Employment. Bill read a first time.
Mr Cameron moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Peacock), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 9 STATES GRANTS (ABORIGINAL ADVANCEMENT) BILL 1973: Mr Bryant (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *States Grants (Aboriginal Advancement) Act 1972*. Bill read a first time.
Mr Bryant moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Peacock), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 10 DEFENCE SERVICE HOMES BILL 1973: Mr L. R. Johnson (Minister for Housing), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *War Service Homes Act 1918–1971*. Bill read a first time.
Mr Johnson moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Bonnett), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 11 SOCIAL SERVICES BILL 1973: 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 by Mr Bonnett who moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof: “whilst not opposing the provisions of the Bill, this House is of the opinion that (a) the Bill leaves unresolved the Prime Minister’s policy undertaking to raise the basic pension rate to 25 per cent of average weekly earnings and (b) the adjustments to the rate of and basis of entitlement for unemployment benefit will disturb economically desirable employment patterns in our society”.
Debate continued.
Debate adjourned (Mr Collard), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.
- 12 PAPERS: The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:
Tariff Board—Reports—
Cathode ray tube display terminals.
Cotton yarns—By-law.
Disinfectants, insecticides, fungicides, weed-killers, etc.—By-law.
Severally ordered to be printed.
The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:
Tariff Board Act—Special Advisory Authority—Report—Phthalic anhydride.
Ordered to be printed.
- 13 UNITED STATES DEFENCE INSTALLATIONS IN AUSTRALIA—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—PAPER NOTED: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Daly (Leader of the House)—That the House take note of the paper (*presented on 28 February*), viz.:
United States defence installations in Australia—Ministerial statement, 28 February 1973—
Debate resumed by Dr Forbes who moved, as an amendment—That the following words be added to the motion: “and, recognising that the paper acknowledges (i) that the installations in Central Australia are not part of a weapons system and are not able to be used to attack any country and that the U.S. Naval Communications Installation at North-West Cape is used for the purpose of defence communication;

(ii) that the Australian national interest and independence are not jeopardised by the continuance of the agreements under which the installations remain in Australia, and (iii) that it is necessary to preserve secrecy with respect to certain aspects of these installations, the House welcomes and approves the Government's clear declaration that it has no intention to repudiate the treaties under which the installations were established".

Debate continued.

Closure: Mr Calder moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

And the question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—being accordingly put—

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

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Mr Adermann	Mr Erwin	Mr Katter	Mr Peacock
Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Kelly	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Killen	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Bouchier	Dr Forbes	Mr King	Mr Sinclair
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr Fraser	Mr Lloyd	Mr Staley
Mr Bury	Mr Garland	Mr Lucock	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Giles	Mr Lynch	Mr Turner
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Gorton	Mr MacKellar	Mr Viner
Mr Chipp	Mr Graham	Mr McLeay	Mr Wentworth
Mr Cooke	Mr Hallett	Mr McMahan	Mr Whittorn
Mr Corbett	Mr Hewson	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wilson
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drummond	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon	Mr England
Mr Edwards	Mr Jarman	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Fox

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Mr Armitage	Mr Cross	Dr Jenkins	Mr Olley
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Daly	Mr L. K. Johnson	Dr Patterson
Mr Barnard	Mr Davies	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Riordan
Mr Beazley	Mr Doyle	Mr Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr Bennett	Mr Duthie	Mr Keating	Mr Sherry
Mr Berinson	Mr Enderby	Mr Keogh	Mr Stewart
Mr Birrell	Dr Everingham	Mr Kerin	Mr Thorburn
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr FitzPatrick	Dr Klugman	Mr Uren
Mr Bryant	Mr Fulton	Mr Lamb	Mr Wallis
Dr Cairns	Mr Garrick	Mr Luchetti	Mr Whan
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Grassby	Mr McKenzie	Mr Willis
Dr Cass	Dr Gun	Mr Martin	
Mr Coates	Mr Hayden	Mr Mathews	
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris	
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morrison	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mulder	Mr Hansen
Mr Crean	Mr James	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr Nicholls

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the House take note of the paper—put and passed.

- 14 SOCIAL SERVICES BILL 1973: 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—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Bonnett, viz.*—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof: "whilst not opposing the provisions of the Bill, this House is of the opinion that (a) the Bill leaves unresolved the Prime Minister's policy undertaking to raise the basic pension rate to 25 per cent of average weekly earnings and (b) the adjustments to the rate of and basis of entitlement for unemployment benefit will disturb economically desirable employment patterns in our society"—

Debate resumed.

Amendment negatived.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 1, dated 28 February 1973, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Hayden (Minister for Social Security), the Bill was read a third time.

15 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Hayden (Minister for Social Security) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at ten minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Reynolds.

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