

AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 46

WEDNESDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER 1973

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- 1 The House met, at half-past eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable J. F. Cope) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
 - 2 PETITIONS: The Acting Clerk announced that the following honourable Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
 - Mr D. M. Cameron and Mr McLeay—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government take no measures to interfere with the existing national health scheme.
 - Mr Drury—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government take no measures to interfere with the basic principles of the existing national health scheme.
 - Mr Jarman—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House acknowledge the right of every Australian child to equal grants of Government money spent on education and so instruct the proposed National Schools Commission.Petitions received.
 - 3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
 - 4 STATEMENT BY MEMBER—LEAVE TO MAKE NOT GRANTED: Mr Lucock asked leave to make a statement.
Objection being raised, leave not granted.
 - 5 PAPERS: The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:
 - Australian Meat Research Committee—Interim Annual Report, for year 1972–73.
 - Scientific and Technical Co-operation Agreement between Australia and the United States of America—Report for period October 1968 to June 1972.The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:
 - Broadcasting and Television Act—Australian Broadcasting Commission—Forty-first Annual Report and financial statement, for year 1972–73.
 - 6 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS MOVED: Mr Peacock moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the honourable Member for Kooyong moving that this House condemns the Government and the Minister for Defence for damaging the morale of the armed forces and significantly reducing Australia's defence capacity.
Debate ensued.
The time allowed by standing order 91 for debate on the motion having expired—
Question—put.

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

AYES, 45

Mr Adermann	Mr Erwin	Mr Lloyd	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Lucock	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Lynch	Mr Street
Mr Bourchier	Mr Gorton	Mr MacKellar	Mr Turner
Mr Bury	Mr Graham	Mr McLeay	Mr Viner
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hallett	Mr McMahan	Mr Whittorn
Mr Cooke	Mr Hewson	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wilson
Mr Corbett	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Katter	Mr Nixon	
Mr Drummond	Mr Kelly	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drury	Mr Killen	Mr Peacock	Mr England
Mr Edwards	Mr King	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr Giles

NOES, 58

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

And so it was negatived.

7 **NORTHERN TERRITORY—JOINT COMMITTEE:** Mr Deputy Speaker informed the House of the following nominations of Senators and Members to be members of the Joint Committee on the Northern Territory:

Senators Keeffe and McLaren had been nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate, Senator Marriott had been nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate and Senator Webster had been nominated by the Leader of the Australian Country Party in that House.

Mr FitzPatrick, Mr James and Mr Wallis had been nominated by the Prime Minister, Mr Kelly had been nominated by the Leader of the Opposition and Mr Calder had been nominated by the Leader of the Australian Country Party in this House.

8 **PAPER:** Mr Barnard (Minister for Defence), by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

Defence Forces strengths, 1959-60 to 1972-73.

9 **MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILL:** A message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bill:

18 September 1973—Message No. 73—Death Penalty Abolition 1973.

10 **SOCIAL WELFARE COMMISSION BILL 1973:** Mr Hayden (Minister for Social Security), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to establish a Social Welfare Commission.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hayden moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

- 11 STATES GRANTS (HOUSING ASSISTANCE) BILL (NO. 2) 1973: Mr L. R. Johnson (Minister for Housing), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to Authorize Advances to the States of Financial Assistance in connexion with Housing and to Authorize the Borrowing of Certain Moneys by the Treasurer.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Johnson moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

- 12 MEAT EXPORT CHARGE BILL 1973: The order of the day having been read for the further consideration of the Bill in committee, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Remainder of Bill agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Scholes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Grassby (Minister representing the Minister for Primary Industry), the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

- 13 MEAT EXPORT CHARGE COLLECTION 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—

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

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Clauses 1 and 2, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 3—

Mr Sinclair (Deputy Leader of the Australian Country Party), by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Page 2, after the definition of “exporter” add the following definition:

“‘export meat inspection costs’ means all expenses incurred in qualifying meat for export through procedures for which Australia is financially responsible;”.

Page 2, after the definition of “month” add the following definition:

“‘the Charge Act’ means the *Meat Export Charge Act 1973*.”.

Debate continued.

Amendments negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 4 agreed to.

Proposed new clauses—

Mr Sinclair moved, by leave—That the following new clauses be inserted in the Bill:

“4A. (1) An account is hereby established to be known as the Meat Export Charge Trust Account. Meat Export
Charge Trust
Account.

(2) The Meat Export Charge Trust Account is a Trust Account for the purposes of section 62A of the *Audit Act 1901–1969*.

“4B. There shall be paid into the Meat Export Charge Trust Account— Moneys to be
paid into
Trust Account.

(a) all amounts being charges levied on meats exported from Australia; and

(b) all penalties levied under section 7 of this Act.

"4c. (1) Moneys standing to the credit of the Meat Export Charge Trust Account may be expended with the approval of the Minister in payment of export meat inspection costs. Application of the Trust Account.

(2) The amounts to be fixed from time to time for the purposes of sections 6 and 7 of the Charge Act shall be determined after consideration of the moneys then standing to the credit of the Meat Export Charge Trust Account.

"4d. (1) The Minister shall, as soon as practicable after 30 June 1974, and after each succeeding 30 June, cause a report to be prepared on the operation of this Act and be laid before each House of the Parliament. Annual report.

(2) For the purposes of sub-section (1), the period that commences on the commencement of this Act and ends on 30 June 1974, shall be deemed to be a year."

Debate ensued.

Question—That the new clauses proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

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

AYES, 44

Mr Adermann	Mr Erwin	Mr Killen	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr King	Mr Street
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr Turner
Mr Bouchier	Mr Fraser	Mr Luccock	Mr Viner
Mr Bury	Mr Giles	Mr Lynch	Mr Whittorn
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Gorton	Mr McMahan	Mr Wilson
Mr Cooke	Mr Graham	Mr McVeigh	
Mr Corbett	Mr Hallett	Mr Maisey	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hewson	Mr Nixon	
Mr Drummond	Mr Holten	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drury	Mr Katter	Mr Peacock	Mr England
Mr Edwards	Mr Kelly	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr MacKellar

NOES, 57

Mr Armitage	Mr Crean	Mr James	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Cross	Dr Jenkins	Mr Reynolds
Mr Barnard	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Riordan
Mr Beazley	Mr Doyle	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Scholes
Mr Bennett	Mr Duthie	Mr Jones	Mr Stewart
Mr Berinson	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Thorburn
Mr Birrell	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Uren
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kerin	Mr Wallis
Mr Bryant	Mr Garrick	Mr Lamb	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	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morrison	Mr Hansen
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mulder	Mr Nicholls

And so it was negatived.

Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Luchetti reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Grassby (Minister representing the Minister for Primary Industry), the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

14 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY: Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 3 and 4, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

15 POST AND TELEGRAPH REGULATIONS 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,

Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.
The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

On the motion of Mr Nixon, the following amendment was made: Schedule 1, page 3, item 8, sub-item (g), omit paragraph (b) of proposed sub-regulation 5A of regulation 46, substitute the following paragraph:

“(b) it is a publication other than a publication which has a substantial proportion of its printed copies posted by the proprietor, printer, or publisher to *bona fide* subscribers in a country area within the meaning of that paragraph.”.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Scholes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr L. F. Bowen (Postmaster-General), by leave, the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

- 16 POST AND TELEGRAPH 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—Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.
The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

On the motion of Mr Nixon, the following amendment was made: Clause 9, page 3, line 14, omit paragraph (b) of proposed sub-section (2ABA), substitute the following paragraph:

“(b) it is a publication other than a publication which has a substantial proportion of its printed copies posted by the proprietor, printer or publisher to *bona fide* subscribers in a country area within the meaning of that paragraph.”.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Scholes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr L. F. Bowen (Postmaster-General), by leave, the House adopted the report.

Mr Bowen moved, by leave—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

- 17 PAY-ROLL TAX (TERRITORIES) 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.
Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.
Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.
On the motion of Mr Stewart (Minister assisting the Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

- 18 STATES GRANTS (PETROLEUM PRODUCTS) 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.

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

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 74, dated 22 August 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 L. F. Bowen (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), the Bill was read a third time.

- 19 SEAS AND SUBMERGED LANDS BILL 1973 [No. 2]: 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.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

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In the committee.

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Mr Fairbairn moved the following amendment: Pages 4–54, omit Part III, comprising clauses 17 to 111.

Question—That the Part proposed to be omitted stand part of the Bill—put.

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

AYES, 57

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

NOES, 45

Mr Adermann	Mr Erwin	Mr King	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Luccock	Mr Street
Mr Bury	Mr Fraser	Mr Lynch	Mr Turner
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr MacKellar	Mr Viner
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hallett	Mr McLeay	Mr Whitton
Mr Cooke	Mr Hewson	Mr McMahon	Mr Wilson
Mr Corbett	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hunt	Mr Maisey	
Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr Nixon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drury	Mr Kelly	Mr O'Keefe	Mr England
Mr Edwards	Mr Killen	Mr Peacock	Mr Giles

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be agreed to—put.

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

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Mr Armitage	Mr Crean	Mr James	Mr Mulder
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Cross	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Barnard	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Olley
Mr Beazley	Mr Doyle	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Bennett	Mr Duthie	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Berinson	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Stewart
Mr Birrell	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Thorburn
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Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Lucock	Mr Street
Mr Bury	Mr Fraser	Mr Lynch	Mr Turner
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr MacKellar	Mr Viner
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hallett	Mr McLeay	Mr Whittorn
Mr Cooke	Mr Hewson	Mr McMahon	Mr Wilson
Mr Corbett	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hunt	Mr Maisey	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr Nixon	Mr England
Mr Drury	Mr Kelly	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Giles
Mr Edwards	Mr Killen	Mr Peacock	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Scholes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Connor (Minister for Minerals and Energy), the House adopted the report.

Mr Connor moved, by leave—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Question—put.

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

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Mr Barnard	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Olley
Mr Beazley	Mr Doyle	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Bennett	Mr Duthie	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Berinson	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Stewart
Mr Birrell	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Thorburn
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kerin	Mr Wallis
Mr Bryant	Mr Garrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Whan
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Grassby	Mr Luchetti	Mr Willis
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Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Lucock	Mr Street
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Lynch	Mr Turner
Mr Bury	Mr Fraser	Mr MacKellar	Mr Viner
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr McLeay	Mr Whittorn
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hallett	Mr McMahon	Mr Wilson
Mr Cooke	Mr Hewson	Mr McVeigh	
Mr Corbett	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon	
Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drury	Mr Kelly	Mr Peacock	Mr England
Mr Edwards	Mr King	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr Giles

And so it was resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a third time.

- 20 SEAS AND SUBMERGED LANDS (ROYALTY ON MINERALS) BILL 1973 [No. 2]: 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.

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

AYES, 56

Mr Armitage	Mr Crean	Mr James	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Cross	Dr Jenkins	Mr Olley
Mr Barnard	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Beazley	Mr Doyle	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Riordan
Mr Bennett	Mr Duthie	Mr Jones	Mr Stewart
Mr Berinson	Mr Enderby	Mr Keogh	Mr Thorburn
Mr Birrell	Dr Everingham	Mr Kerin	Mr Wallis
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Whan
Mr Bryant	Mr Garrick	Mr Luchetti	Mr Willis
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Grassby	Mr McKenzie	
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Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Lucock	Mr Street
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Lynch	Mr Turner
Mr Bury	Mr Fraser	Mr MacKellar	Mr Viner
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr McLeay	Mr Whittorn
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hallett	Mr McMahon	Mr Wilson
Mr Cooke	Mr Hewson	Mr McVeigh	
Mr Corbett	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon	
Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drury	Mr Kelly	Mr Peacock	Mr England
Mr Edwards	Mr King	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr Giles

And so it was resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Connor (Minister for Minerals and Energy), the Bill was read a third time.

- 21 PAPUA NEW GUINEA (No. 2), PAPUA NEW GUINEA (APPLICATION OF LAWS), WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY, AND METEOROLOGY BILLS 1973: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bills be now read a second time—

Mr Peacock addressing the House—

22 ADJOURNMENT: It being fifteen minutes past ten o'clock p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until eleven o'clock p.m.—Mr Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at ten o'clock a.m.

PAPER: The following paper was deemed to have been presented on 19 September 1973, pursuant to statute:

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for development and control of Darwin—County of Palmerston, Northern Territory.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Dr Cairns, Mr Chipp, Dr Forbes, Mr Fox, Mr Garland, Mr Hamer, Mr Jarman, Dr Patterson, Mr Snedden, Mr Staley and Mr Wentworth.

J. A. PETTIFER,
Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives