AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 16

WEDNESDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 1974

- 1 The House met, at twelve o'clock noon, pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable J. F. Cope) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 MOTION OF CENSURE OF GOVERNMENT—PRECEDENCE TO NOTICE OF MOTION: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) informed the House that he accepted the notice of motion given on 23 August by Mr Snedden (Leader of the Opposition) as a motion of censure of the Government for the purposes of standing order 110.
- 3 MOTION OF CENSURE OF GOVERNMENT: Mr Snedden (Leader of the Opposition) moved, pursuant to notice—That the Government be censured for its avoidance of the processes of debate in the House of Representatives when the country is alarmed about unemployment, industrial strikes, vacuum in leadership and properly expects that these issues be debated.

Debate ensued.

Mr Anthony (Leader of the Australian Country Party) rising to address the House-

Closure: Mr Nicholls moved-That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

	Ayes,	63	
Mr Armitage	Mr Cross	Mr L. K. Johnson	Dr Patterson
Mr Barnard	Mr Daly	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Beazley	Mr Davies	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Bennett	Mr Dawkins	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Bowen	Mr Duthie	Mr Keogh	Mr Sherry
Mr Bryant	Mr Enderby	Mr Kerin	Mr Stewart
Dr J. F. Cairns	Dr Everingham	Dr Klugman	Mr Thorburn
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Uren
Dr Cass	Mr Fulton	Mr Luchetti	Mr Wallis
Mrs Child	Mr Garrick	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan
Mr Clayton	Dr Gun	Mr Martin	Mr Whitlam
Mr Coates	Mr Hayden	Mr Mathews	Mr Willis
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris	Mr Young
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morrison	Tellers:
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mulder	Mr James
Mr Crean	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr Nicholls
	Noes,		
Mr Adermann	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Katter	Mr E. L. Robin son
Mr Anthony	Mr Fisher	Mr Kelly	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bonnett	Dr Forbes	Mr Killen	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bourchier	Mr Fraser	Mr King	Mr Snedden
Mr Bungey	Mr Garland	Mr Lloyd	Mr Staley
Mr Cadman	Mr Giles	Mr Lucock	Mr Street
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Gorton	Mr Lusher	Mr Sullivan
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr MacKellar	Mr Wilson
Mr Connolly	Mr Hewson	Mr McLeay	
Mr Drummond	Mr Hodges	Mr McVeigh	
Mr Drury	Mr Holten	Mr Macphee	
Dr Edwards	Mr Howard	Mr Millar	Tellers:
Mr Ellicott	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Erwin	Mr Hyde	Mr Peacock	Mr I. L. Robinson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

	Ayes, 53		
Mr Adermann	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Katter	Mr Peacock
Mr Anthony	Mr Fisher	Mr Kelly	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bonnett	Dr Forbes	Mr Killen	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bourchier	Mr Fraser	Mr King	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bungey	Mr Garland	Mr Lloyd	Mr Snedden
Mr Cadman	Mr Giles	Mr Lucock	Mr Staley
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Gorton	Mr Lusher	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr Lynch	Mr Sullivan
Mr Connolly	Mr Hewson	Mr MacKellar	Mr Wilson
Mr Drummond	Mr Hodges	Mr McLeay	
Mr Drury	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	note;
Dr Edwards	Mr Howard	Mr Macphee	Tellers:
Mr Ellicott	Mr Hunt	Mr Millar	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Erwin	Mr Hyde	Mr Nixon	Mr I. L. Robinson
	Noes, 62	11.	
Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Barnard	Mr Davies	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Beazley	Mr Dawkins	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Bennett	Mr Duthie	Mr Keogh	Mr Sherry
Mr Bowen	. Mr Enderby	Mr Kerin	Mr Stewart
Mr Bryant	Dr Everingham	Dr Klugman	Mr Thorburn
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Uren
Dr Cass	Mr Fulton	Mr Luchetti	Mr Wallis
Mrs Child	Mr Garrick	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan
Mr Clayton	Dr Gun	Mr Martin	Mr Whitlam
Mr Coates	Mr Hayden	Mr Mathews	Mr Willis
Mr Cohen .	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris	Mr Young .
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morrison	
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mulder	Tellers:
Mr Crean	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr James
Mr Cross	Mr L. K. Johnson	Dr Patterson	Mr Nicholls

And so it was negatived.

- 4 Pertrions: The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
 - Mr Uren (Minister for Urban and Regional Development), Mr Armitage, Mr D. M. Cameron, Mrs Child, Mr Fairbairn and Mr Fisher—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government increase child endowment in the September Budget.
 - Mr Beazley (Minister for Education), Mr Kerin and Mr Morris—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government hasten to introduce a universal health scheme so that health care services in Australia can function efficiently and economically.
 - Mr Enderby (Minister for Manufacturing Industry) and Mr Fry—from certain residents of the Australian Capital Territory praying that the House urge the Government not to proceed with the introduction of self-government for the Australian Capital Territory until the residents of the Territory are consulted, by means of a referendum, on the issue.
 - 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 Beazley—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government conduct an inquiry into the Ermolenko affair, and make public the results of such an inquiry.

- Mr Collard—from certain citizens of Australia praying that Parliament (1) take any steps necessary either to direct the Commonwealth Banking Corporation to preserve and restore the Palace Hotel, St George's Terrace, Perth, or itself to acquire, preserve and restore the hotel on its present site and (2) make available any funds necessary to purchase the entire contents of the hotel from the owners.
 - Mr Garland—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government ensure that the publication and availability of pornographic literature and films are restricted and that people are made aware of the dangers to the community of such material.
 - Mr Hurford—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House reverse the Government's decision to recognise the Soviet Union's sovereignty over the Baltic States of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.
 - Mr Kerin—from certain citizens of New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory praying that the House reject the Armco proposals or any other proposals for heavy industry at Jervis Bay.

Petitions received.

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

Defence Service Homes-Interim Report of Director for year 1973-74.

Department of Education—Report for 1973.

Department of Health—Report of Director-General of Health for year 1973-74. Schools Commission—Report on supplementary funds for programs administered by the Schools Commission dated August 1974.

The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute:

Defence Act—Royal Military College of Australia—Report for period 1 February 1973 to 31 January 1974.

Science and Industry Research Act—Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization—Twenty-sixth Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1973-74.

Social Services Act—Department of Social Security—Second Annual Report of the Director-General, for year 1973-74.

- 6 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—ROYAL COMMISSION INTO ALLEGED PAYMENTS TO MARITIME UNIONS: Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr Fraser had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The failure of the Government, in formulating the terms of reference for the Royal Commission into alleged indemnity payments involving maritime unions, to include—
 - (1) Charges that the Minister for Transport had approved the indemnity payments twelve months ago.
 - (2) The silence of the Minister for Labor and Immigration and the Minister for Transport from 26 July to early September when publicity was given to indemnity payments.
 - (3) The failure of both Ministers to take appropriate action under the law.
 - (4) The indemnity payments admitted to have been made to the Waterside Workers' Federation".

Speaker's ruling: Mr Speaker that part (4) of the proposed matter of public importance was out of order as, in his opinion, it was covered by the terms of reference of the Royal Commission, but that discussion could ensue on the remaining parts.

Those parts of the proposed matter ruled in order having received the necessary support—

Mr Fraser rising to address the House-

Mr Daly (Leader of the House) moved—That the business of the day be called on. Question—put.

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

Ayes, 61			
Mr Armitage	Mr Cross	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Barnard	Mr Daly	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Riordan
Mr Beazley	Mr Davies	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Bennett	Mr Dawkins	Mr Keogh	Mr Sherry
Mr Bowen	Mr Duthie	Mr Kerin	Mr Stewart
Mr Bryant	Mr Enderby	Dr Klugman	Mr Thorburn
Dr J. F. Cairns	Dr Everingham	Mr Lamb	Mr Uren
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Luchetti	Mr Wallis
Dr Cass	Mr Fulton	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan
Mrs Child	Mr Garrick	Mr Martin	Mr Willis
Mr Clayton	Dr Gun	Mr Mathews	Mr Young
Mr Coates	Mr Hayden	Mr Morris	
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Morrison	
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Mulder	Tellers:
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr James
Mr Crean	Dr Jenkins	Dr Patterson	Mr Nicholls
	Noes, 51		
Mr Adermann	Mr Erwin	Mr Hunt	Mr Millar
Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Hyde	Mr Nixon
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Katter	Mr Peacock
Mr Bourchier	Dr Forbes	Mr Kelly	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bungey	Mr Fraser	Mr Killen	Mr Ruddock
Mr Cadman	Mr Garland	Mr King	Mr Sinclair
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Giles	Mr Lloyd	Mr Staley
Mr Calder	Mr Gorton	Mr Lusher	Mr Street
Mr Connolly	Mr Graham	Mr Lynch	Mr Sullivan
Mr Drummond	Mr Hewson	Mr MacKellar	Mr Wilson
Mr Drury	Mr Hodges	Mr McLeay	Tellers:
Dr Edwards	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Ellicott	Mr Howard	Mr Macphee	Mr I. L. Robinson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

7 Suspension of standing orders moved: Mr Fraser moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the honourable Member for Wannon discussing the matter of public importance, parts (1) to (4).

Debate ensued.

The time allowed by standing order 91 for debate on the motion having expired—Question—put.

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

	Ayes	s , 53	
Mr Adermann	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Katter	Mr Peacock
Mr Anthony	Mr Fisher	Mr Kelly	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bonnett	Dr Forbes	Mr Killen	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bourchier	Mr Fraser	Mr King	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bungey	Mr Garland	Mr Lloyd	Mr Staley
Mr Cadman	Mr Giles	Mr Lucock	Mr Street
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Gorton	Mr Lusher	Mr Sullivan
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr Lynch	Mr Wentworth
Mr Connolly	Mr Hewson	Mr MacKellar	Mr Wilson
Mr Drummond	Mr Hodges	Mr McLeay	
Mr Drury	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	
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Mr Ellicott	Mr Hunt	Mr Millar	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Erwin	Mr Hyde	Mr Nixon	Mr I. L. Robinson

	Noes.	62	
Mr Armitage	Mr Cross	Mr L. K. Johnson	Dr Patterson
Mr Barnard	Mr Daly	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Beazley	Mr Davies	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Bennett	Mr Dawkins	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Bowen	Mr Duthie	Mr Keogh	Mr Sherry
Mr Bryant	Mr Enderby	Mr Kerin	Mr Stewart
Dr J. F. Cairns	Dr Everingham	Dr Klugman	Mr Thorburn
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Uren
Dr Cass	Mr Fulton	Mr Luchetti	Mr Wallis
Mrs Child	Mr Garrick	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan
Mr Clayton	Dr Gun	Mr Martin	Mr Willis
Mr Coates	Mr Hayden	Mr Mathews	Mr Young
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris	_
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morrison	Tellers:
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mulder	Mr James
Mr Crean	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr Nicholls

And so it was negatived.

- 8 Suspension of standing orders—Wool Tax Bills: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) moved, pursuant to notice—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent five Wool Tax Bills—
 - (a) being presented and read a first time together and one motion being moved without delay and one question being put in regard to, respectively, the second readings, the committee's report stage, and the third readings, of all the Bills together, and
 - (b) the consideration of the Bills in one committee of the whole.

Question—put and passed.

- 9 Wool Tax Bills (Nos. 1 to 5) 1974: Mr Crean (Treasurer) presented the following Bills:
 - A Bill for an Act to amend the Wool Tax Act (No. 1) 1964-1973;
 - A Bill for an Act to amend the Wool Tax Act (No. 2) 1964-1973;
 - A Bill for an Act to amend the Wool Tax Act (No. 3) 1964-1973;
 - A Bill for an Act to amend the Wool Tax Act (No. 4) 1964-1973; and
 - A Bill for an Act to amend the Wool Tax Act (No. 5) 1964-1973.

Bills together read a first time.

Mr Crean moved—That the Bills 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.

10 TENNANT CREEK HOSPITAL, N.T.—APPROVAL OF WORK: Mr L. R. Johnson (Minister for Housing and Construction) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act* 1969–1974, 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 redevelopment of Tennant Creek Hospital, N.T.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 11 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY: Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 1 and 2, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
- 12 Broadcasting and Television Bill 1974: 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 Morrison (Minister representing the Minister for the Media), the Bill was read a third time.

13 ASIAN DEVELOPMENT FUND BILL 1974: 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. 27, dated 15 July 1974, 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 Morrison (Minister for Science), the Bill was read a third time.

Suspension of sitting: At four minutes past five o'clock p.m., Mr Speaker left the Chair. Resumption of sitting: At eight o'clock p.m., Mr Speaker resumed the Chair.

14 PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS IN REPLY: Mr Speaker reported that, accompanied by honourable Members, he had waited that day upon His Excellency the Governor-General at Government House, and had presented to him the Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Right Honourable Sir Paul Hasluck, G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., K. st. J., on the Opening of the First Session of the Twenty-ninth Parliament, agreed to by the House on 2 August, and that His Excellency had been pleased to make the following reply:

MR SPEAKER,

Thank you for your Address in Reply which you have just presented to me. It will be my pleasure and my duty to convey to Her Majesty The Queen the message of loyalty from the House of Representatives, to which the Address gives expression.

15 PAPUA NEW GUINEA BILL 1974: 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 Morrison (Minister assisting the Minister for Foreign Affairs in matters relating to Papua New Guinea), the Bill was read a third time.

16 Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Bill 1974: 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 Morrison (Minister assisting the Minister for Foreign Affairs in matters relating to Papua New Guinea), the Bill was read a third time.

17 Message from the Senate—Parliamentary Committee System—Joint Committee: The following message from the Senate was reported:

Message No. 39

MR SPEAKER,

The Senate, having considered Message No. 7 of the House of Representatives, has agreed to the following Resolutions in connection therewith, viz.:

- (1) That the Senate concurs in the Resolution transmitted to the Senate by Message No. 7 of the House of Representatives relating to the appointment of a Joint Committee to report on and make recommendations for a Parliamentary Committee System, subject to the following modifications—
 - (a) paragraph (2), leave out the paragraph, insert the following paragraph:
 - "(2) That the Committee consist of four Members of the House of Representatives nominated by the Prime Minister, two Members of the House of Representatives nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the House of Representatives, one Member of the House of Representatives nominated by the Leader of the Australian Country Party

in the House of Representatives, three Senators nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate, two Senators nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate and one Senator nominated by the Leader of the Australian Country Party in the Senate."; and

(b) paragraph (6), leave out the paragraph, insert the following paragraph: "(6) That the committee elect as Deputy-Chairman one of the members nominated by the Leader of the Opposition being a member from a different House than the Chairman, and that the member so elected act as Chairman of the committee at any time when the Chairman is not present at a meeting of the committee.".

(2) That the provisions of the Resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the Standing Orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the

Standing Orders.

The Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the Senate's modifications of the Resolution transmitted to the Senate by the House.

The Senate. Canberra, 17 September 1974

President

Ordered—That the message be taken into consideration forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Bowen (Special Minister of State) the modifications were agreed to.

- 18 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY: Ordered—That order of the day No. 7, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
- 19 PECUNIARY INTERESTS OF MEMBERS OF THE PARLIAMENT—PROPOSED JOINT COMMITTEE: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Bowen (Special Minister of State)-
 - (1) That a Joint Committee be appointed to inquire into and report on the arrangements to be made relative to the declaration of the interests of the Members of the Parliament and the registration thereof, and, in particular-
 - (a) what classes of pecuniary interest or other benefit are to be disclosed;
 - (b) how the register should be compiled and maintained and what arrangements should be made for public access thereto, and
 - (c) what classes of person (if any) other than Members of the Parliament ought to be required to register;

and to make recommendations upon these and any other matters which are relevant to the implementation of the said resolution.

- (2) That the committee consist of three Members of the House of Representatives nominated by the Prime Minister, two Members of the House of Representatives nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the House of Representatives, two Senators nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate, one Senator nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate and one Senator nominated by the Leader of the Australian Country Party in the Senate.
- (3) That every nomination of a member of the committee be forthwith notified in writing to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- (4) That the members of the committee hold office as a joint committee until the House of Representatives expires by dissolution or effluxion of time.
- (5) That the committee elect as Chairman of the committee one of the members nominated by the Prime Minister,
- (6) That the Chairman of the committee may, from time to time, appoint another member of the committee to be the Deputy Chairman of the committee, and that the member so appointed act as Chairman of the committee at any time when the Chairman is not present at a meeting of the committee.

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- (7) That five members of the committee constitute a quorum of the committee.
- (8) That the committee have power to send for persons, papers and records.

- (9) That the committee have power to move from place to place, and to sit during any recess.
- (10) That the committee have power to authorise publication of any evidence given before it and any document presented to it.
- (11) That in matters of procedure the Chairman or Deputy Chairman presiding at a meeting have a deliberative vote, and, in the event of an equality of voting, have a casting vote, and that, in other matters, the Chairman or Deputy Chairman have a deliberative vote only.
- (12) That the committee report within the shortest reasonable period and that any member of the committee have power to add a protest or dissent to any report.
- (13) That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.
- (14) That a message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of this resolution and requesting that it concur and take action accordingly—
- Debate resumed by Mr Killen who moved the following amendment: Paragraph 1, omit "on the arrangements to be made", substitute "whether arrangements should be made".

Debate continued.

Mr Killen, by leave, again addressed the House.

Amendment agreed to.

On the motion, by leave, of Mr Bowen, the following further amendment was made: Paragraph 12, after "period" insert ", not later than 90 days after the members of the committee are appointed,".

Motion, as amended, agreed to.

20 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

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

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 18 September 1974, pursuant to statute:

Agricultural Tractors Bounty Act-Return for year 1973-74.

Apple and Pear Stabilization Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1974, No. 146. Australian Apple and Pear Corporation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1974, No. 151

Banking Act-Regulation-Statutory Rules 1974, No. 155.

Book Bounty Act—Return for year 1973-74.

Cellulose Acetate Flake Bounty Act—Return for 1973.

Film and Television School Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1974, No. 154.

Meat Export Charge Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1974, No. 147.

Metal Working Machine Tools Bounty Act—Return for year 1973-74.

Nitrogenous Fertilizers Subsidy Act—Return for year 1973-74.

Papua New Guinea (Staffing Assistance) Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1974, No. 156.

Petroleum and Minerals Authority Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1974, No. 145.

Phosphate Fertilizers Bounty Act—Return for year 1973-74.

Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1974, Nos. 148, 152, 153.

Public Service Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1974, No. 149.

Superannuation Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1974, No. 150.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Chipp, Mr Corbett, Mr England, Mr Fry, Mr Jarman and Mr Viner.

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