

AUSTRALIA
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 25

WEDNESDAY, 16 OCTOBER 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 PETITIONS: The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:

Mr Erwin, Mr Fisher, Mr Macphee, Mr Mathews and Mr Nixon—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House ask the Australian Commission on Advanced Education to consider in its 1976–78 Triennium Report an allocation of funds for the provision of Union Facilities at the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology.

Mr Jones (Minister for Transport) and Dr Klugman—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 Hodges and Mr McVeigh—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government take no measures to interfere with existing television program standards or to permit easier entry into Australia, or production in Australia, of pornographic material.

Mr Coates—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House urge the Government (1) to grant at least \$10 million immediate emergency aid to the Sahelian region of Africa and continue to assist in the long term agricultural and social development of the region and (2) to take a leading part in initiatives to set up world food and fertilizer funds at the World Food Conference in November.

Mr Dawkins—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House urge the Government to (1) justify existing relations with Indonesia, particularly the aid program and (2) examine ways to control private investment and to direct official aid so as to benefit the economically and politically weaker sections of the Indonesian people.

Mr Hodges—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House not admit into the law of this land the principle that marriage is only temporary and the family no longer the fundamental unit of society.

Mr Hodges—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House not proceed with the Human Rights Bill.

Mr Jarman—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government immediately increase, as an interim measure, current grants made to children in non-government schools to at least 50 per cent of the cost of educating children in government schools.

Mr Lusher—from certain electors of the Division of Hume praying that greater consideration be given to those provisions of the Family Law Bill which could place in an unjust and unfair position a woman who performs in a praiseworthy manner her duties of wife, mother and home-maker.

Mr MacKellar—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House take action against the Government's decision to recognise the sovereignty of the Soviet Union over the Baltic States of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

- Mr McLeay—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government take no measures to interfere with the existing national health scheme.
- Mr Mathews—from certain electors of Australia praying that the House take immediate steps to restore education benefits to parents, at least to the 1973-74 level, either by increasing taxation deductions or through taxation rebates.
- Mr Millar—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House not admit into the law of this land the Family Law Bill in its present form.
- Mr Morris—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House pass the Family Law Bill without delay.
- Mr Nixon—from certain citizens of Australia praying that sub-clause 10 (3) of the Human Rights Bill 1973 be amended by adding the following words: "and no revenue derived in any way from any Australian citizen shall be appropriated by the Australian Government, or by a State Government, or by a Municipal Government, for the propagation or support of any religion".

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 Wine Board—Interim report for year 1973-74.

Demand for recreation workers—Report for the Department of Tourism and Recreation by C.P.S. Services, dated May 1974.

The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute:

Australian Wool Commission Act and Wool Industry Act—Australian Wool Commission—Reports and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Reports for year 1971-72 and period 1 July to 31 December 1972.

Repatriation Act—Repatriation Commission—Report for year 1973-74.

5 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—TAXATION DEDUCTION FOR DEPENDENT EDUCATION EXPENSES: Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr Killen had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The indecisiveness of the Government's Budget decision to reduce the level of taxation deduction for dependent education expenses".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Killen addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

6 SOCIAL SERVICES BILL (NO. 3) 1974: Mr Hayden (Minister for Social Security), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to Social Services.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hayden 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.

7 STATES GRANTS (SCHOOLS) BILL 1974: Mr Barnard (Acting Minister for Education), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to Increase the Financial Assistance payable to the States in relation to Schools.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Barnard 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 NORTHERN TERRITORY (STABILIZATION OF LAND PRICES) BILL 1974: Dr Patterson (Minister for the Northern Territory), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to Stabilize the Price of Land in the Northern Territory required, or likely to be required, in connexion with Urban Development.

Bill read a first time.

Dr Patterson 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.

- 9 LIVE-STOCK SLAUGHTER LEVY BILL 1974: Dr Patterson (Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Live-stock Slaughter Levy Act 1964–1973*.

Bill read a first time.

Dr Patterson 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.

- 10 LIVE-STOCK SLAUGHTER LEVY COLLECTION BILL 1974: Dr Patterson (Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Live-stock Slaughter Levy Collection Act 1964–1973*.

Bill read a first time.

Dr Patterson 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.

- 11 STEVEDORING INDUSTRY BILL 1974: Mr C. R. Cameron (Minister for Labor and Immigration), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend section 7 of the *Stevedoring Industry Act 1956–1973*.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Cameron 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.

- 12 REPATRIATION ACTS AMENDMENT BILL 1974: Mr Bowen (Minister representing the Minister for Repatriation and Compensation), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to Repatriation and related Matters.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 13 CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS NO. 14 (1974): Mr Bowen (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved Customs Tariff Proposals No. 14 (1974).

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

- 14 CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION (ORGANIZATIONS) 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 by Mr Fraser who moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “the House is of opinion that the Bill should not be proceeded with until the Minister informs the House (a) whether or not the trade unions would accept the conditions for non-incorporated registration of State branches as laid down by the Honourable Mr Justice Sweeney and (b) of the position of the States concerning proposed complementary legislation”.

Debate continued.

Debate adjourned (Mr Riordan), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

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

Petroleum—Royal Commission—First Report—Shortages of petroleum products.

- 16 CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION (ORGANIZATIONS) 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—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Fraser, viz.*—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “the House is of opinion that the Bill should not be proceeded with until the Minister informs the House (a) whether or not the trade unions would accept the conditions for non-incorporated registration of State branches as laid down by the Honourable Mr Justice Sweeney and (b) of the position of the States concerning proposed complementary legislation”—

Debate resumed.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

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

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Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Riordan
Mr Barnard	Mr Davies	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Bennett	Mr Dawkins	Mr Kerin	Mr Sherry
Mr Berinson	Mr Duthie	Dr Klugman	Mr Stewart
Mr Bowen	Mr Enderby	Mr Lamb	Mr Thorburn
Mr Bryant	Dr Everingham	Mr Luchetti	Mr Uren
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr McKenzie	Mr Wallis
Dr Cass	Mr Fry	Mr Martin	Mr Whan
Mrs Child	Mr Fulton	Mr Mathews	Mr Willis
Mr Clayton	Mr Garrick	Mr Morris	Mr Young
Mr Coates	Dr Gun	Mr Morrison	
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Mulder	
Mr Connor	Mr Innes	Mr Oldmeadow	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Crean	Mr Jacobi	Dr Patterson	Mr James
Mr Cross	Dr Jenkins	Mr Reynolds	Mr Nicholls

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Mr Adermann	Mr Fisher	Mr Katter	Mr Millar
Mr Bonnett	Dr Forbes	Mr Kelly	Mr O’Keefe
Mr Bungey	Mr Fraser	Mr Killen	Mr Ruddock
Mr Cadman	Mr Garland	Mr King	Mr Sinclair
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Giles	Mr Lucock	Mr Staley
Mr Chipp	Mr Graham	Mr Lusher	Mr Street
Mr Connolly	Mr Hewson	Mr Lynch	Mr Sullivan
Mr Drummond	Mr Hodges	Mr MacKellar	Mr Viner
Mr Drury	Mr Holten	Mr McLeay	Mr Wentworth
Dr Edwards	Mr Howard	Mr McMahon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Ellicott	Mr Hyde	Mr McVeigh	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Erwin	Mr Jarman	Mr Macphee	Mr I. L. Robinson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Clause 4 debated and agreed to.

Clause 5 debated and agreed to.

Clause 6 debated and agreed to.

Clause 7 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 8 to 14, by leave, taken together, and agreed to, after debate.

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

Mr Wentworth rising to address the committee—

Closure: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) moved—That the question be now put.

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

And the question—That the remainder of the Bill be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed.
Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Scholes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr C. R. Cameron (Minister for Labor and Immigration), the House adopted the report.

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

Mr Wentworth rising to address the House—

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

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

And the question—That the Bill be now read a third time—was put accordingly, and passed—Bill read a third time.

17 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE: A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:

16 October 1974—Message No. 67—Australian Shipping Commission 1974.

18 PAPUA NEW GUINEA LOAN (INTERNATIONAL BANK) 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. 50, dated 19 September 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 Crean (Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

19 PAPUA NEW GUINEA LOANS GUARANTEE 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.

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 51, dated 2 October 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 Crean (Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

20 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 1974–75: The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

In the committee

Schedule 2—

Proposed expenditure—Parliament, \$9,952,000—debated.

Mr King addressing the committee—

It being half-past ten o'clock p.m.—Progress to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Giles reported accordingly.

21 ADJOURNMENT: The question was accordingly 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 16 October 1974, pursuant to statute:

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinance—1974—No. 36—Legislative Assembly (No. 3).

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Beazley, Mr Bouchier, Dr J. F. Cairns, Mr Calder, Mr Collard, Mr Corbett, Mr England, Mr L. K. Johnson, Mr Keogh, Mr Nixon and Mr Wilson.

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