

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 41

TUESDAY, 15 AUGUST 1978

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- 1 The House met, at 2.15 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Right Honourable Sir Billy Snedden) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 **DEATH OF HIS HOLINESS POPE PAUL VI:** Mr Fraser (Prime Minister) referred to the death of His Holiness Pope Paul VI, and moved—That this House notes the death, on 6 August 1978, of His Holiness Pope Paul VI, and expresses its profound regret at his passing.
And Mr Hayden (Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion and Mr Anthony (Leader of the National Country Party of Australia) and Mr Lynch (Minister for Industry and Commerce) having addressed the House in support thereof, and all Members present having risen, in silence—
Question—passed.
- 3 **RESIGNATION OF MEMBER AND ISSUE OF WRIT (WERRIWA DIVISION):** Mr Speaker announced that, on 31 July 1978, he had received from the Honourable Edward Gough Whitlam, A.C., Q.C., a letter resigning his seat as Member for the Electoral Division of Werriwa, in the State of New South Wales, and that he had today issued a writ for the election of a Member to serve for the said Electoral Division. The dates in connection with the election were fixed as follows:
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| Date of nomination | | Friday, 1 September 1978. |
| Date of polling | | Saturday, 23 September 1978. |
| Date of return of writ | | On or before Friday, 27 October 1978. |
- 4 **LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY—PRESENTATION OF MACE—REPLY TO JOINT ADDRESS TO HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN:** Mr Speaker informed the House that he had received a letter from His Excellency the Governor-General advising that Her Majesty The Queen was pleased to direct that a Mace be presented by and on behalf of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia to the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory to mark the conferring of responsible self-government on the Northern Territory.
- 5 **PETITIONS:** The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
- Mr Carlton, Mr FitzPatrick, Mr Gillard, Mr Graham, Mr Hunt, Mr C. K. Jones, Dr Klugman, Mr Lucock, Sir William McMahon, Mr O'Keefe and Mr Stewart—from certain citizens praying that no measures be taken to implement those recommendations of the Royal Commission on Human Relationships that will further undermine and weaken marriage, child-care or the family.
- Mr Bouchier, Mr Falconer, Mr Garland, Mr Johnston, Dr Klugman, Mr Lynch, Mr McLean, Mr Short and Mr Viner—from certain citizens praying that Government benefits under Schedule 6469 not be removed.
- Mr Ellicott, Mr Howard, Mr L. R. Johnson, Mr I. L. Robinson, Mr Short, Mr Staley and Mr Stewart—from certain citizens praying that item 6469 be removed from the standard medical benefits table.
- Mr Hyde, Mr Martyr, Mr Shack and Mr Viner—from certain citizens praying that the means test on aged pensions be abolished.

- Mr Aldred and Mr Hayden—from certain members and ex-members of the citizens forces of Australia praying for the resumption of the award of several distinctive reserve forces decorations and medals for long service and good conduct.
- Mr Baume and Mr Lusher—from certain citizens praying that the Broadcasting and Television Act be amended in relation to program standards.
- Mr Lucock and Mr O'Keefe—from certain citizens praying that the *Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1935* be amended to exempt flight simulators and all aircraft parts and equipment.
- Mr Porter and Mr O'Keefe—from certain citizens praying that lone fathers receive a pension on the same basis as supporting mothers.
- Mr Bowen—from certain citizens praying that federal funding to the States for subsidising pre-school centres be restored to the levels of value which existed prior to 1976.
- Mr Bowen—from certain citizens praying that the Family Allowance be indexed and not reduced.
- Mr Bowen—from certain citizens praying that the provision of English classes for migrants be increased.
- Mr N. A. Brown—from certain citizens praying that support be given for the establishment of immunotherapy clinics in Australia.
- Mr C. R. Cameron—from certain citizens praying that the threatened deportation of Chilean people from Australia not be carried out.
- Mr Carlton—from certain citizens praying for the award of a medal to members of the World War II *Jaywick* and *Rimau* commando expeditions.
- Dr Cass—from certain citizens praying that government benefits under schedule 6469 not be withdrawn for first trimester abortions.
- Mr Cotter—from certain citizens of Western Australia praying that legislation to tax people living in subsidised housing not be enacted.
- Dr Everingham—from certain citizens praying that Aboriginal land rights in the States be recognized in a manner similar to their recognition in the Northern Territory and that certain other action be taken in connection with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander affairs in Queensland.
- Mr FitzPatrick—from certain citizens praying that the recommendations of the Commonwealth Bureau of Roads for the funding of local roads in New South Wales be adopted.
- Mr Hayden—from certain citizens praying that the imperial system of weights and measures be restored.
- Mr Holding—from certain citizens praying that Radio 3CR Melbourne be required to adhere to the broadcasting standards laid down for all other radio stations and that legislation be enacted against incitement to racial hatred and violence.
- Mr Hunt—from certain citizens praying that Medibank be restored to its original status as a universal health care fund.
- Mr L. R. Johnson—from certain citizens praying that an additional reactor not be constructed at the Australian Atomic Energy Establishment at Lucas Heights, N.S.W.
- Mr L. R. Johnson—from certain citizens praying that the income tax law be amended to allow for claims for sillage removal expenses.
- Mr L. R. Johnson—from certain citizens praying for the provision of funds for the construction and maintenance of an aged persons complex in the Electoral Division of Hughes.
- Mr B. O. Jones—from certain citizens praying that the National Health Act and the Health Insurance Act be amended to include, under Medibank Standard health insurance cover, physiotherapy and chiropody costs incurred by aged pensioners.
- Mr Morris—from certain citizens praying that child endowment payments not be taxed or removed.

Mr Shack—from certain citizens praying for the implementation of the recommendations of the Committee of Inquiry into Public Libraries.

Mr Wallis—from certain electors of the Division of Grey praying that KLM Royal Dutch Airlines be permitted to continue its service to and from Australia.

Mr Wilson—from certain citizens praying for the initiation of a national family policy and the use of the concept of family impact statements as a means of highlighting family needs.

Petitions received.

- 6 MINISTERIAL CHANGES: Mr Fraser (Prime Minister) informed the House that, on 7 August 1978, Senator Withers ceased to be Minister for Administrative Services, Vice-President of the Executive Council and Leader of the Government in the Senate and Senator Durack (Attorney-General) had been appointed Minister for Administrative Services. Senator Carrick (Minister for Education) had been appointed Leader of the Government in the Senate and His Excellency the Governor-General had approved the appointment of Senator Carrick as Vice-President of the Executive Council.

Mr Fraser also informed the House that, on 4 July 1978, Mr Garland (Minister for Special Trade Representations) had resigned as Minister for Veterans' Affairs and that Mr Adermann (Minister for the Northern Territory) had been appointed in his place. Mr Adermann would continue as Minister for the Northern Territory until 1 October 1978 when it was intended to abolish that portfolio and transfer residual functions to the Minister for Home Affairs.

- 7 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice being asked—

Paper: Mr Street (Minister for Employment and Industrial Relations), by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

Telecom industrial dispute—Copy of briefing notes for Minister.

Questions without notice continued.

- 8 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—PRESENTATION OF PAPERS—MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE: Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent:

- (1) the Prime Minister forthwith presenting to the House a copy of the report of the Royal Commission of Inquiry into matters in relation to electoral redistribution Queensland, 1977, and certain related documents, and
- (2) the Prime Minister moving a motion in relation to those papers and debate on the motion proceeding forthwith.

Question—put and passed.

- 9 ELECTORAL REDISTRIBUTION OF QUEENSLAND, 1977—ROYAL COMMISSION OF INQUIRY—PAPERS—PAPERS NOTED: Mr Fraser (Prime Minister) presented the following papers: Electoral redistribution of Queensland, 1977—Royal Commission of Inquiry—Copies of letters from—

Senator Durack (Attorney-General) to—

Mr D. M. Cameron M.P., dated 11 May 1978.

The Hon. Mr Justice D. G. P. McGregor, dated 11 May 1978.

Senator Durack and Mr M. H. Byers, Solicitor-General, to Mr Fraser, dated 23 April 1978.

The Hon. Mr Justice D. G. P. McGregor to Senator Durack, dated 12 May 1978.

Mr K. W. Pearson, Chief Australian Electoral Officer, to Senator Durack, dated 24 April 1978.

Senator R. G. Withers (Minister for Administrative Services) to Senator Durack, dated 21 April 1978.

Maps Nos. 1 to 4.

Report, dated 3 August 1978—

and moved—That the House take note of the papers.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

10 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE: Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:

8 June 1978—Message—

- No. 66—Northern Territory (Self-Government) 1978.
- No. 67—Ashmore and Cartier Islands Acceptance Amendment 1978.
- No. 68—Remuneration Tribunals Amendment 1978.
- No. 69—Lands Acquisition Amendment 1978.
- No. 70—Pay-roll Tax (Territories) Assessment Amendment (No. 2) 1978.
- No. 71—Ombudsman Amendment 1978.
- No. 72—Northern Territory Supreme Court Amendment (No. 2) 1978.
- No. 73—Administrative Appeals Tribunal Amendment 1978.
- No. 74—Administrative Decisions (Judicial Review) Amendment 1978.
- No. 75—Commonwealth Motor Vehicles (Liability) Amendment 1978.
- No. 76—Compensation (Commonwealth Government Employees) Amendment 1978.
- No. 77—Air Accidents (Commonwealth Government Liability) Amendment 1978.
- No. 78—Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment (No. 3) 1978.
- No. 79—Wool Industry Amendment 1978.
- No. 80—Wool Tax Amendment (Nos. 1 to 5) 1978 (*without requests*).
- No. 81—Commonwealth Banks Amendment 1978.

9 June 1978—Message—

- No. 82—Primary Industry Bank Amendment 1978.
- No. 83—Housing Assistance 1978.
- No. 84—States and Northern Territory Grants (Bluetongue Virus Control) 1978.
- No. 85—Australian Science and Technology Council 1978.
- No. 86—Ministers of State Amendment 1978.
- No. 87—Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment (No. 2) 1978.
- No. 88—Tasmania Grant (The Mount Lyell Mining and Railway Company Limited) Amendment 1978.
- No. 89—States (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Amendment 1978.
- No. 90—Commonwealth Grants Commission Amendment 1978.
- No. 91—Income Tax (Arrangements with the States) 1978.
- No. 92—National Health Amendment 1978.
- No. 93—Health Insurance Amendment 1978.
- No. 94—Health Insurance Levy Assessment Amendment 1978.
- No. 95—Hospitals and Health Services Commission (Repeal) 1978.
- No. 96—Trade Union Training Authority Amendment 1978.
- No. 97—Public Service Arbitration Amendment 1978.

10 June 1978 a.m.—Message—

- No. 98—Dairy Industry Stabilization Amendment 1978.
- No. 99—Dairy Industry Stabilization Levy Amendment 1978 (*without requests*).
- No. 100—Dairy Produce Amendment 1978.
- No. 101—Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (Federal Court of Australia) 1978.

11 MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILLS: Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:

7 June 1978—Message—

- No. 44—
 - Estate Duty Assessment Amendment 1978.
 - Estate Duty Amendment 1978.
 - Gift Duty Assessment Amendment 1978.
 - Gift Duty Amendment 1978.

- No. 45—
International Sugar Agreement 1978.
Loan Amendment 1978.
- 9 June 1978—Message—
No. 46—
Environment Protection (Alligator Rivers Region) 1978.
National Parks and Wildlife Conservation Amendment 1978.
Environment Protection (Northern Territory Supreme Court) 1978.
Atomic Energy Amendment 1978.
Environment Protection (Nuclear Codes) 1978.
- No. 47—
States Grants (Schools Assistance) Amendment 1978.
States Grants (Tertiary Education Assistance) Amendment 1978.
- 12 June 1978—Message—
No. 48—
Acts Interpretation Amendment 1978.
Administrative Changes (Consequential Provisions) 1978.
Loan Consolidation and Investment Reserve Amendment 1978.
Ordinances and Regulations (Notification) 1978.
Statutory Rules Publication Amendment 1978.
Seat of Government (Administration) Amendment 1978.
- No. 49—
Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Amendment 1978.
Appropriation (No. 3) 1977-78.
Appropriation (No. 4) 1977-78.
Supply (No. 1) 1978-79.
Supply (No. 2) 1978-79.
- No. 50—
States Grants (Urban Public Transport) 1978.
Customs Tariff Amendment (No. 2) 1978.
Excise Tariff Amendment 1978.
Customs Tariff Validation 1978.
Broadcasting Stations Licence Fees Amendment 1978.
Television Stations Licence Fees Amendment 1978.
Broadcasting and Television Amendment 1978.
- 15 June 1978—Message No. 51—Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (Federal Court of Australia) 1978.
- 20 June 1978—Message No. 52—Maritime College 1978.
- 21 June 1978—Message No. 53—Pay-roll Tax (Territories) Assessment Amendment 1978.
- 22 June 1978—Message No. 54—
Aboriginal Councils and Associations Amendment 1978.
Income Tax Assessment Amendment 1978.
Northern Territory (Self-Government) 1978.
Ashmore and Cartier Islands Acceptance Amendment 1978.
Remuneration Tribunals Amendment 1978.
Lands Acquisition Amendment 1978.
Pay-roll Tax (Territories) Assessment Amendment (No. 2) 1978.
Ombudsman Amendment 1978.
Northern Territory Supreme Court Amendment (No. 2) 1978.
Administrative Appeals Tribunal Amendment 1978.
Administrative Decisions (Judicial Review) Amendment 1978.
Commonwealth Motor Vehicles (Liability) Amendment 1978.
Compensation (Commonwealth Government Employees) Amendment 1978.
Air Accidents (Commonwealth Government Liability) Amendment 1978.
Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment (No. 3) 1978.

Wool Industry Amendment 1978.
 Wool Tax Amendment (Nos. 1 to 5) 1978.
 Commonwealth Banks Amendment 1978.
 Primary Industry Bank Amendment 1978.
 Housing Assistance 1978.
 States and Northern Territory Grants (Bluetongue Virus Control) 1978.
 Australian Science and Technology Council 1978.
 Ministers of State Amendment 1978.
 Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment (No. 2) 1978.
 Tasmania Grant (The Mount Lyell Mining and Railway Company Limited) Amendment 1978.
 States (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Amendment 1978.
 Commonwealth Grants Commission Amendment 1978.
 Income Tax (Arrangements with the States) 1978.
 National Health Amendment 1978.
 Health Insurance Amendment 1978.
 Health Insurance Levy Assessment Amendment 1978.
 Hospitals and Health Services Commission (Repeal) 1978.
 Trade Union Training Authority Amendment 1978.
 Public Service Arbitration Amendment 1978.
 Dairy Industry Stabilization Amendment 1978.
 Dairy Industry Stabilization Levy Amendment 1978.
 Dairy Produce Amendment 1978.

- 12 CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS NOS. 15 TO 19 (1978): Mr Ellicott (Minister for Home Affairs) moved Customs Tariff Proposals Nos. 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 (1978).

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

- 13 MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL, PROPOSED EXPENDITURE, APPROPRIATION FOR PAYMENT OF INCREASES IN SALARIES AND WAGES, AND APPROPRIATION FOR LOAN CONSOLIDATION AND INVESTMENT RESERVE, FOR YEAR 1978-79—APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1978-79—BUDGET SPEECH: Message No. 55, dated 15 August 1978, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced:

- (a) transmitting to the House of Representatives particulars of proposed expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending on 30 June 1979, and recommending an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly; and
- (b) further recommending to the House of Representatives an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending on 30 June 1979, for the payment of such increases in salaries and wages and payments in the nature of salary, for which provision is made in the attached particulars of proposed expenditure as have become payable or become payable, or have commenced or commence to be paid, during that year in accordance with any law, or in accordance with an award, order or determination made under a law; and
- (c) further recommending to the House of Representatives an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund in respect of the year ending on 30 June 1979, for the purposes of the Loan Consolidation and Investment Reserve established by the *Loan Consolidation and Investment Reserve Act 1955*, of such sums as the Minister for Finance from time to time determines.

Mr Howard (Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to appropriate certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending on 30 June 1979. Bill read a first time.

Mr Howard moved—That the Bill be now read a second time, and delivered the budget speech.

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

14 MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL, CERTAIN PROPOSED EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR 1978-79—APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 2) 1978-79: Message No. 56, dated 15 August 1978, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced transmitting to the House of Representatives particulars of certain proposed expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue Fund in respect of the year ending on 30 June 1979, and recommending an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

Mr Howard (Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to appropriate a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for certain expenditure in respect of the year ending on 30 June 1979.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

15 PAPERS: Mr Howard (Treasurer), by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following papers:

Australia's official development assistance to developing countries 1978-79.

Civil works program 1978-79.

Estimates of receipts and summary of estimated expenditure for the year ending 30 June 1979.

Government securities on issue at 30 June 1978.

Income tax statistics.

National accounting estimates of receipts and outlays of Commonwealth Government authorities.

National income and expenditure 1977-78.

Payments to or for the States, the Northern Territory and local government authorities 1978-79.

Severally ordered to be printed.

Mr Staley (Minister for Post and Telecommunications), by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following papers:

Australian Postal Commission—Service and business outlook for year 1978-79.

Australian Telecommunications Commission—Service and business outlook for year 1978-79.

Severally ordered to be printed.

16 HEALTH INSURANCE ARRANGEMENTS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr Hunt (Minister for Health), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to health insurance changes arising from the Budget.

Dr Klugman, by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.

17 SALES TAX AMENDMENT BILLS (Nos. 1 to 9) 1978: Mr E. L. Robinson (Minister for Finance) presented the following Bills:

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Sales Tax Act* (No. 1) 1930;

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Sales Tax Act* (No. 2) 1930;

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Sales Tax Act* (No. 3) 1930;

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Sales Tax Act* (No. 4) 1930;

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Sales Tax Act* (No. 5) 1930;

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Sales Tax Act* (No. 6) 1930;

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Sales Tax Act* (No. 7) 1930;

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Sales Tax Act* (No. 8) 1930, and

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Sales Tax Act* (No. 9) 1930.

Bills together read a first time.

Mr E. L. Robinson moved—That the Bills be now read a second time.

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

- 18 CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS NO. 20 (1978) AND EXCISE TARIFF PROPOSALS NO. 2 (1978):
Mr Fife (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs) moved—
Customs Tariff Proposals No. 20 (1978) and
Excise Tariff Proposals No. 2 (1978).
Debate adjourned (Dr Klugman), and the resumption of the debate made an order of
the day for the next sitting.
- 19 CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 3) 1978: Mr Fife (Minister for Business and
Consumer Affairs) presented a Bill for an Act relating to duties of Customs.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Fife moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Dr Klugman), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the
day for the next sitting.
- 20 EXCISE TARIFF PROPOSALS NO. 3 (1978): Mr Fife (Minister for Business and Consumer
Affairs) moved Excise Tariff Proposals No. 3 (1978).
Debate adjourned (Mr Scholes), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the
day for the next sitting.
- 21 EXCISE AMENDMENT BILL 1978: Mr Fife (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs)
presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Excise Act* 1901 to provide for rebates of
Excise duty imposed on stabilized crude petroleum oil.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Fife moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Scholes), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the
day for the next sitting.
- 22 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Fife (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs) moved—That the
House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
And then the House, at 10.24 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 2.15 p.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 15 August 1978,
pursuant to statute:

- Aboriginal Councils and Associations Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978,
No. 137.
Agricultural Tractors Bounty Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 101.
Air Force Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 89.
Air Navigation Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 140.
Australian Capital Territory Supreme Court Act—Rules of Court—Statutory
Rules 1978, No. 86.
Canberra College of Advanced Education Act—Statute—No. 37—Election of
Staff Members of Council Amendment No. 2.
Commonwealth Banks Act—Appointment certificates—P. D. Buckland, B. V. Cole,
M. Henderson, A. Moldovan.
Commonwealth Motor Vehicles (Liability) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules
1978, No. 105.
Customs Tariff Act—Order—Developing Country—No. 14 (1978).
Dairy Industry Stabilization Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 97.
Dairy Industry Stabilization Levy Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 98.
Dairy Produce Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 99.
Dairying Industry Research and Promotion Levy Act—Regulations—Statutory
Rules 1978, No. 100.
Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, Nos. 87, 139.
Defence Act, Naval Defence Act and Air Force Act—Regulations—Statutory
Rules 1978, Nos. 90, 91, 116, 117, 138.

- Defence Force Retirement and Death Benefits Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, Nos. 80, 118.
- Financial Corporations Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 115.
- Health Insurance Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, Nos. 95, 96.
- Historic Shipwrecks Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 93.
- Income Tax Assessment Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 85.
- Industrial Research and Development Incentives Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 112.
- Lands Acquisition Act—
Land acquired for—
Defence purposes—Parish of Woorragee North, Vic.
Development of Canberra and its environs—A.C.T.
National parks and uranium mining purposes—N.T.
Navigational purposes—Leigh Creek, S.A.
Road widening purposes—Hundred of Bagot, N.T.
Telecommunications purposes—
Balmoral, Vic.
Forrestdale, W.A.
Mundine, N.S.W.
South Nanango, Qld.
Springwood, N.S.W.
Statements (6) of lands acquired by agreement authorised under sub-section 7 (1).
- Live-stock Export Charge Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 145.
- Live-stock Export Charge Collection Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 146.
- Live-stock Slaughter Levy Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 143.
- Live-stock Slaughter Levy Collection Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 144.
- Long Service Leave (Commonwealth Employees) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, Nos. 110, 111.
- Maternity Leave (Australian Government Employees) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 107.
- National Health Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 142.
- Naval Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 88.
- Navigation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, Nos. 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136.
- Norfolk Island Act—Ordinance—1978—No. 7—Provident Account Amendment.
- Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Ordinances—1978—
No. 13—Petroleum Products Subsidy.
No. 14—Magistrates.
No. 15—Alsatian Dogs Ordinance Repeal.
No. 16—Matrimonial Causes Ordinance Repeal.
No. 17—Traffic.
No. 18—Allocation of Funds (Appropriation) (No. 3) 1977–78.
No. 19—Fire Brigades Arbitral Tribunal.
No. 20—Fisheries.
No. 21—Motor Vehicles (No. 2).
No. 22—Oaths.
No. 23—Crown Lands.
No. 24—Special Purposes Leases.
No. 25—Ombudsman (Northern Territory) 1977.
No. 26—Annual Holidays.
No. 27—Electricity Commission.
No. 28—Electrical Workers and Contractors.
No. 29—Local Government Elections (1978) Validating.

- No. 30—Lottery and Gaming (No. 2).
- No. 31—Police and Police Offences.
- No. 32—Public Service.
- No. 33—Stamp.
- No. 34—Supply of Services.
- No. 35—Housing.
- No. 36—Housing Loans.
- No. 37—Financial Administration and Audit.
- No. 38—Supply (No. 1) 1978–79.
- No. 39—Contracts.
- No. 40—Territory Development.
- No. 41—Consumer Protection.
- No. 42—Landlord and Tenant (Control of Rents).
- No. 43—Territory Motor Vehicles (Liability).
- No. 44—Motor Vehicles (No. 3).
- No. 45—Justices.
- No. 46—Claims by and against the Government.
- No. 47—Pay-roll Tax.
- No. 48—Stamp Duty.
- No. 49—Taxation (Administration).
- No. 50—Ports.
- No. 51—Museums and Art Galleries.
- No. 52—Lottery and Gaming (No. 3).
- No. 53—Tourist Board.
- Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 102.
- Ombudsman Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, Nos. 103, 104.
- Papua New Guinea (Staffing Assistance) Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 92.
- Postal Services Act—Australian Postal Commission—By-laws—Postal—1978—Amendment No. 3.
- Public Service Act—
 - Appointments—Department—
 - Employment and Industrial Relations—J. D. Cross.
 - Transport—J. Death.
 - Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, Nos. 83, 84, 109.
- Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations accompanied by statements regarding possible inconsistency with the law—
 - 1977—No. 918—Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service and others.
 - 1978—
 - No. 329—Federated Clerks Union of Australia.
 - No. 330—Transport Workers' Union of Australia.
 - No. 331—Australian Public Service Artisans' Association.
 - No. 332—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.
 - No. 333—Federated Storemen and Packers Union of Australia and another.
 - No. 334—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.
 - No. 335—Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization Technical Association.
 - No. 336—Australian Journalists Association.
 - No. 337—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.
 - No. 338—Amalgamated Metal Workers' and Shipwrights Union and others.
 - No. 339—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.
 - No. 340—Civil Air Operations Officers' Association of Australia.
 - No. 341—Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization Technical Association.

- No. 342—Association of Professional Engineers, Australia.
No. 343—Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
Nos. 344 and 345—Commonwealth Police Officers' Association.
No. 346—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).
Nos. 347 and 348—Amalgamated Metal Workers' and Shipwrights Union and others.
No. 349—Association of Officers of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization and another.
No. 350—Association of Professional Engineers, Australia and another.
No. 351—Association of Officers of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization.
No. 352—Professional Radio and Electronics Institute of Australasia.
No. 353—Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service and others.
No. 354—Amalgamated Metal Workers' and Shipwrights Union and others.
No. 355—Commonwealth Foremen's Association of Australia, Commonwealth Public Service.†
Nos. 356 and 357—Commonwealth Foremen's Association of Australia, Commonwealth Public Service.
No. 358—Transport Workers' Union of Australia.
No. 359—Australian Workers' Union.†
No. 360—Federated Miscellaneous Workers Union of Australia.†
No. 361—Amalgamated Metal Workers' and Shipwrights Union and others.†
No. 362—Federated Ironworkers' Association of Australia.
No. 363—Federated Liquor and Allied Industries Employees Union of Australia.
No. 364—Federated Ship Painters and Dockers Union of Australia.†
No. 365—Hospital Employees Federation of Australia.†
No. 366—Federated Furnishing Trade Society of Australasia.†
No. 367—Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners of Australia.†
No. 368—Federated Engine Drivers' and Firemen's Association of Australia.†
No. 369—Transport Workers' Union of Australia.†
No. 370—Australian Workers' Union.†
No. 371—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.†
No. 372—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.
No. 373—Amalgamated Metal Workers' and Shipwrights Union and others.†
No. 374—Amalgamated Metal Workers' and Shipwrights Union and others.
No. 375—Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
No. 376—Commonwealth Foremen's Association of Australia, Commonwealth Public Service.
No. 377—Association of Professional Engineers, Australia and others.
No. 378—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia and others.
No. 379—Professional Radio and Electronics Institute of Australasia.
No. 380—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.
No. 381—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia and another.
No. 382—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).
No. 383—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.
Nos. 384 and 385—Meat Inspectors Association, Commonwealth Public Service.

- No. 386—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
 No. 387—Federated Clerks Union of Australia.
 No. 388—Commonwealth Foremen's Association of Australia, Commonwealth Public Service and another.
 No. 389—Commonwealth Foremen's Association of Australia, Commonwealth Public Service.
 No. 390—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).
 No. 391—Telecommunication Technical Officers Association.
 No. 392—Australian Journalists Association.
 No. 393—Federated Storemen and Packers Union of Australia.
 No. 394—Australian Public Service Artisans' Association and another.
 No. 395—Federated Clerks Union of Australia.†
 No. 396—Industrial Arbitration Registrars' Association.
 No. 397—Professional Radio and Electronics Institute of Australasia.
 No. 398—Hospital Employees Federation of Australia.
 No. 399—Commonwealth Police Officers' Association.
 Nos. 400 and 401—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
 No. 402—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service and another.
 No. 403—Australian Theatrical and Amusement Employees Association.
 No. 404—Hospital Employees Federation of Australia.
 No. 405—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
 No. 406—Arbitration Inspectors' Association.
 No. 407—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
 No. 408—Royal Australian Nursing Federation,
 No. 409—Commonwealth Police Officers' Association.
 No. 410—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.
 No. 411—Printing and Kindred Industries Union.
 No. 412—Australian Workers' Union.
 No. 413—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
 No. 414—Federated Miscellaneous Workers Union of Australia.
 No. 415—Amalgamated Metal Workers' and Shipwrights Union and others.
 Nos. 416 and 417—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).
 No. 418—Hospital Employees Federation of Australia.
 No. 419—Amalgamated Metal Workers' and Shipwrights Union and another.
 No. 420—Professional Officers' Association, Australian Public Service and another.
 No. 421—Amalgamated Metal Workers' and Shipwrights Union and others.
 No. 422—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.
 No. 423—Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Jointers of Australia and others.
 No. 424—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
 No. 425—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.
 No. 426—Australian Public Service Artisans' Association.
 No. 427—Federated Clerks Union of Australia.
 No. 428—Australian Journalists Association.
 No. 429—Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
 Nos. 430 and 431—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
 No. 432—Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.

- No. 433—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia and another.
- No. 434—Printing and Kindred Industries Union.
- No. 435—Customs Officers' Association of Australia, Fourth Division.
- No. 436—Commonwealth Works Supervisors Association.
- No. 437—Professional Radio and Electronics Institute of Australasia.
- No. 438—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.
- No. 439—Association of Professional Engineers, Australia.
- No. 440—Transport Workers' Union of Australia.
- No. 441—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.
- No. 442—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia
- No. 443—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.†
- No. 444—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).
- No. 445—Customs Officers' Association of Australia, Fourth Division and another.
- No. 446—Merchant Service Guild of Australia.
- No. 447—Australian Institute of Marine and Power Engineers.
- No. 448—Transport Workers' Union of Australia.
- No. 449—Association of Professional Engineers, Australia and others.
- No. 450—Professional Radio and Electronics Institute of Australasia.
- No. 451—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.
- No. 452—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.
- No. 453—Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners of Australia.
- No. 454—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.
- No. 455—Australian Public Service Artisans' Association.
- No. 456—Amalgamated Metal Workers' and Shipwrights Union and others.
- († Not accompanied by statement)

Remuneration Tribunals Act—Remuneration Tribunal—Determinations—
1978/4—Holders of public offices on the Inquiry into Whales and Whaling and other bodies.

1978/5—Holders of public offices on the Human Rights Commission and another body.

Schools Commission Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 81.

Science and Industry Research Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 119.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinances—1978—

- No. 16—Termination of Pregnancy.
- No. 17—Scaffolding and Lifts (Amendment).
- No. 19—Police Pensions (Amendment).
- No. 20—Long Service Leave (Amendment).
- No. 21—Remuneration (Amendment).

States Grants (Petroleum Products) Act—Amendment of the schedules to the subsidy schemes in relation to the States of New South Wales, Queensland, Victoria and Western Australia, dated 17 July 1978.

Student Assistance Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 108.

Superannuation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, Nos. 106, 141.

Telecommunications Act—Australian Telecommunications Commission—

By-laws—

Telecommunications (Charging Zones and Charging Districts)—Amendments Nos. 24, 25.

Telecommunications (General)—Amendment No. 15.

Telecommunications (Staff)—Amendments Nos. 22, 23.

Territory Authorities (Financial Provisions) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 82.

Trade Commissioners Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, Nos. 94, 113, 114, 120, 121.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr C. R. Cameron, Dr Cass, Mr Gillard, Mr Hodges, Mr Jacobi, Mr Keating, Mr Lucock and Mr J. L. McMahon.

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Clerk of the House of Representatives