

## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 156

TUESDAY, 25 MARCH 1980

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

Mr Braithwaite, Mr Bryant, Mr Burns, Mr E. C. Cameron, Dr Cass, Mr Corbett, Mr Dean, Mr Fisher, Mr Howe, Mr Innes, Mr B. O. Jones, Mr Lloyd, Mr Martyr, Mr Moore, Mr Scholes and Mr Shipton—from certain citizens praying that the National Women's Advisory Council be abolished.

Mr Burns, Mr Goodluck and Mr Jacobi—from certain citizens praying that taxation laws be amended to increase incentives to persons providing for their own retirement benefits.

Mr Bowen and Mr J. L. McMahon—from certain citizens praying that the National Women's Advisory Council be maintained and Federal Government support for its activities be increased.

Mr Bungey and Mr Innes—from certain citizens praying that the National Women's Advisory Council and its recommendations be supported.

Mr E. C. Cameron and Mr Nixon—from certain citizens praying for the abolition of the export parity pricing policy for LPG consumed in Australia and that certain other action be taken in relation to the pricing of LPG.

Mr J. E. McLeay and Mr Moore—from certain citizens praying that tax laws be reformed to allow joint incomes to be equally divided, for taxation purposes, between husband and wife.

Mr Adermann—from certain citizens praying that certain religious organizations be investigated with a view to introducing appropriate legislation to restrict their activities.

Mr Holding—from certain citizens praying that a treaty be negotiated between the Aboriginal people of Australia and the Commonwealth.

Mr Innes—from certain citizens praying that there be no Australian military ties with ASEAN and other countries.

Mr Innes—from certain citizens praying that the decision to suspend reconstruction aid to, and cultural exchanges with, the Socialist Republic of Vietnam be reversed.

Mr Innes—from certain citizens praying that fees for tertiary study not be re-introduced and that the Tertiary Education Assistance Scheme not be threatened by the introduction of a loans scheme of student financing.

Mr Innes—from certain citizens praying that laws be passed to outlaw discrimination in employment and in the provision of unemployment benefits, based upon race, ethnic origin, marital status and sex.

Mr Innes—from certain citizens praying that action be taken to prohibit the use of public moneys for the killing of the unborn.

Mr Innes—from certain citizens praying that action be taken to have telephone subscribers in the 047 zone included in the Sydney telephone district.

Mr Innes—from certain electors of Victoria praying that the *Commonwealth Employees (Employment Provisions) Act 1977* be repealed.

Mr L. R. Johnson—from certain sports men and women and others praying that the participation of a full Australian contingent at the Moscow Olympic Games be ensured.

Mr J. E. McLeay—from certain citizens praying that a humane policy be adopted to assist refugees to enter Australia.

Mr J. L. McMahon—from certain citizens praying that there be no extension of Kingsford-Smith Airport, Sydney.

Mr J. L. McMahon—from certain citizens praying that pensions and benefits be increased and adjusted quarterly and that greater taxation relief be given to pensioners and others on low incomes.

Mr J. L. McMahon—from certain residents of New South Wales praying that the 1980 level of education expenditure to Government schools be restored and increased in real terms.

Petitions received.

### 3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice being asked—

*Distinguished visitors:* Mr Speaker informed the House that a delegation from the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea, led by Vice-Speaker, the Honourable Koh Heung Moon, was present in the gallery. On behalf of the House, Mr Speaker extended to the visitors a warm welcome.

Questions without notice continued.

### 4 JOB OPPORTUNITIES—COSTING OF AUSTRALIAN LABOR PARTY'S PROGRAM: Mr Hayden (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, moved—That this House deplores the wilful and inexcusable misrepresentation of the costing of the Australian Labor Party's job opportunities program by the Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs.

Debate ensued.

Mr Carlton moved, as an amendment—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "this House deplores the misrepresentation of the Leader of the Opposition for failing accurately to cost the A.L.P.'s job opportunities program, and thereby imposing a cruel hoax on those people seeking employment".

Mr Holding rising to address the House—

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 78

Mr Adermann	Mr Corbett*	Mr Hunt	Mr Neil
Mr Aldred	Mr Cotter	Mr Hyde	Mr Newman
Mr Baillieu	Mr Dean	Mr Jarman	Mr Nixon
Mr Baume	Mr Dobie	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Birney	Mr Drummond	Mr Johnston	Mr Peacock
Mr Bouchier	Dr Edwards	Mr Jull	Mr Porter
Mr Bradfield	Mr Falconer	Mr Katter	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Fife	Mr Killen	Mr Ruddock
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Bungey	Mr Fraser	Mr Lucock	Mr Shack
Mr Burns	Mr Garland	Mr Lusher	Mr Shipton
Mr Burr	Mr Giles	Mr Lynch	Mr Simon
Mr Cadman	Mr Gillard	Mr MacKellar	Mr Staley
Mr Cairns	Mr Goodluck	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr McLean	Mr Thomson
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Groom	Mr J. E. McLeay	Mr Viner
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Haslem	Sir William McMahon	Mr Wilson
Mr Carlton	Mr Hodges*	Mr McVeigh	Mr Yates
Mr Chapman	Mr Hodgman	Mr Martyr	
Mr Connolly	Mr Howard	Mr Moore	

NOES, 34

Mr Armitage	Dr Everingham	Dr Jenkins	Mr Martin
Dr Blewett	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr L. K. Johnson*	Mr Morris
Mr Bowen	Mr Fry	Mr L. R. Johnson*	Mr Scholes
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Holding	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Uren
Mr Bryant	Mr Howe	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Wallis
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Hurford	Mr Kerin	Mr West
Dr Cass	Mr Innes	Dr Klugman	Mr Willis
Mr Cohen	Mr Jacobi	Mr L. B. McLeay	
Mr Dawkins	Mr James	Mr J. L. McMahon	

\*Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the amendment be agreed to—being accordingly put—  
The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Millar, in the Chair)—

AYES, 79

Mr Adermann	Mr Corbett*	Mr Howard	Mr Moore
Mr Aldred	Mr Cotter	Mr Hunt	Mr Neil
Mr Baillieu	Mr Dean	Mr Hyde	Mr Newman
Mr Baume	Mr Dobie	Mr Jarman	Mr Nixon
Mr Birney	Mr Drummond	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Bouchier	Dr Edwards	Mr Johnston	Mr Peacock
Mr Bradfield	Mr Ellicott	Mr Jull	Mr Porter
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Falconer	Mr Katter	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Fife	Mr Killen	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bungey	Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Burns	Mr Fraser	Mr Lucock	Mr Shack
Mr Burr	Mr Garland	Mr Lusher	Mr Shipton
Mr Cadman	Mr Giles	Mr Lynch	Mr Simon
Mr Cairns	Mr Gillard	Mr MacKellar	Mr Staley
Mr Calder	Mr Goodluck	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Street
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Graham	Mr McLean	Mr Thomson
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Groom	Mr J. E. McLeay	Mr Viner
Mr Carlton	Mr Haslem	Sir William McMahon	Mr Wilson
Mr Chapman	Mr Hodges*	Mr McVeigh	Mr Yates
Mr Connolly	Mr Hodgman	Mr Martyr	

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Mr Armitage	Dr Everingham	Mr James	Mr J. L. McMahon
Dr Blewett	Mr FitzPatrick	Dr Jenkins	Mr Martin
Mr Bowen	Mr Fry	Mr L. K. Johnson*	Mr Morris
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Hayden	Mr L. R. Johnson*	Mr Scholes
Mr Bryant	Mr Holding	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Uren
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Howe	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Wallis
Dr Cass	Mr Hurford	Mr Kerin	Mr West
Mr Cohen	Mr Innes	Dr Klugman	Mr Willis
Mr Dawkins	Mr Jacobi	Mr L. B. McLeay	

\*Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Motion, as amended, viz.: That this House deplores the misrepresentation of the Leader of the Opposition for failing accurately to cost the A.L.P.'s job opportunities program, and thereby imposing a cruel hoax on those people seeking employment—agreed to.

5 PAPERS: The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute:

Non-government Schools (Loans Guarantee) Act—Report for 1979.

Stevedoring Industry Finance Committee Act—Stevedoring Industry Finance Committee—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1978–79.

6 AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND—MEETING OF PRIME MINISTERS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr Fraser (Prime Minister), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House of the subject of talks held between himself and the Prime Minister of New Zealand, the Rt Hon. R. D. Muldoon, M.P., on 20 and 21 March 1980.

Mr Bowen (Deputy Leader of the Opposition), by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.

Mr Fraser, by leave, made a further statement on the subject.

- 7 DEPARTMENT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY LIBRARY—REPORT—STATEMENT BY MR SPEAKER:  
Mr Speaker presented the following paper:  
Department of the Parliamentary Library—Annual Report for 1979.  
Mr Speaker made a statement in connection with the report.
- 8 DEFENCE PROGRAM—MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON LOGISTIC SUPPORT—  
MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS: Mr Killen  
(Minister for Defence), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the nation's  
defence program, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, pre-  
sented the following papers:  
Defence program—  
Memorandum of understanding on logistic support between Australia and  
the United States of America, dated 18 March 1980.  
Ministerial statement, 25 March 1980.  
Mr Thomson (Minister for Science and the Environment) moved—That the House take  
note of the papers.  
*Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for speech:* Mr Thomson, by leave,  
moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr  
Scholes speaking for a period not exceeding 52 minutes.  
Question—put and passed.  
Debate ensued.  
Debate adjourned (Mr Bungey), and the resumption of the debate made an order of  
the day for the next sitting.
- 9 MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILLS: Messages from His Excel-  
lency the Governor-General were announced informing the House that His Excel-  
lency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:  
19 March 1980—Message No. 234—Defence Service Homes Amendment 1980.  
24 March 1980—Message—  
No. 236—  
Loan (War Service Land Settlement) 1980.  
Commonwealth Grants Commission Amendment 1980.  
No. 237—Commonwealth Serum Laboratories Amendment 1980.
- 10 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—GENERAL REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS: Mr Bungey  
(Chairman) presented the following report from the Parliamentary Standing Com-  
mittee on Public Works:  
Public Works Committee Act—Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public  
Works—43rd General Report.  
Ordered to be printed.  
Mr Bungey and Mr L. K. Johnson, by leave, made statements in connection with the  
report.
- 11 INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION—PRAGUE MEETINGS AND CARACAS CONFERENCE, 1979—  
PAPER—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS: Dr Edwards, by leave, presented the following  
paper:  
Inter-Parliamentary Union—Spring meetings, Prague, Czechoslovakia, April 1979,  
and 66th Conference, Caracas, Venezuela, September 1979—Report of the  
Australian Delegation.  
Ordered to be printed.  
Dr Edwards, by leave, made a statement in connection with the report.  
Mr C. K. Jones, by leave, also making a statement in connection with the report—  
*Closure of Member moved:* Mr Bouchier moved—That the honourable Member be  
not further heard.  
Question—put and negatived.  
Mr C. K. Jones continued his speech.  
Mr Hodgman, by leave, also made a statement in connection with the report.

12 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION BILL 1979: The following message from the Senate was reported:

Message No. 407

Mr Speaker,

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act relating to Human Rights*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has disagreed to the Amendments made in such Bill by the House of Representatives, for the Reasons shown in the annexed Schedule.

The Senate desires the reconsideration by the House of Representatives of the Bill in respect of the said Amendments.

C. L. LAUCKE  
President

The Senate,  
Canberra, 25 March 1980

Ordered—That the message be taken into consideration, in committee of the whole House, at the next sitting.

13 PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—FOREIGN OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OF AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES: Mr Deputy Speaker informed the House that Mr Willis had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The increasing degree of foreign ownership and control of Australian industry and resources under the Fraser Government".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Willis rising to address the House—

Mr Fife (Minister for Education) moved—That the business of the day be called on.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 71

Mr Adermann	Mr Connolly	Mr Hodges*	Mr Moore
Mr Aldred	Mr Corbett*	Mr Hodgman	Mr Neil
Mr Baillieu	Mr Cotter	Mr Howard	Mr Newman
Mr Baume	Mr Dean	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon
Mr Birney	Mr Dobie	Mr Hyde	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Bourchier	Mr Drummond	Mr Jarman	Mr Peacock
Mr Bradfield	Dr Edwards	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr Porter
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Ellicott	Mr Johnston	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bungey	Mr Falconer	Mr Jull	Mr Ruddock
Mr Burns	Mr Fife	Mr Katter	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Burr	Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr Shack
Mr Cadman	Mr Garland	Mr Lucock	Mr Shipton
Mr Cairns	Mr Giles	Mr Lynch	Mr Staley
Mr Calder	Mr Gillard	Mr MacKellar	Mr Street
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Goodluck	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Thomson
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Graham	Mr J. E. McLeay	Mr Wilson
Mr Carlton	Mr Groom	Mr McVeigh	Mr Yates
Mr Chapman	Mr Haslem	Mr Martyr	

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Mr Armitage	Mr FitzPatrick	Dr Jenkins	Mr J. L. McMahon
Dr Blewett	Mr Fry	Mr L. K. Johnson*	Mr Martin
Mr Bowen	Mr Holding	Mr L. R. Johnson*	Mr Morris
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Howe	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr Bryant	Mr Humphreys	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Uren
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Innes	Mr Kerin	Mr Wallis
Mr Dawkins	Mr Jacobi	Dr Klugman	Mr West
Dr Everingham	Mr James	Mr L. B. McLeay	Mr Willis

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

14 CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS NO. 6 (1980): Mr Garland (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs) moved Customs Tariff Proposals No. 6 (1980).

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

- 15 PAPER: Mr Garland (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs), by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

Industries Assistance Commission—Report—Removal of Primage Duty, dated 24 November 1978.

Ordered to be printed.

- 16 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PERSONAL INCOME TAX SHARING) AMENDMENT BILL 1980: 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.

Mr Wilson addressing the House—

*Adjournment negatived:* It being 10.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Mr Ellicott (Minister for Home Affairs) requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—

Question—put and negatived.

Debate continued.

The House continuing to sit until after 12 midnight—

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Debate continued.

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

*Message from the Governor-General:* Message No. 238, dated 22 February 1980, 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 Fife (Minister for Education), the Bill was read a third time.

- 17 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Fife (Minister for Education) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Several Members rising to address the House—

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

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

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at 12.38 a.m., adjourned until this day at 2.15 p.m.

**PAPERS:** The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 25 March 1980, pursuant to statute:

Defence Amendment Act—Interim Determinations—Statutory Rules 1980, Nos. 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60.

Export Market Development Grants Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1980, No. 53.

Life Insurance Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1980, No. 54.

Naval Defence Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1980, No. 49.

Public Service Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1980, No. 52.

Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations accompanied by statements regarding possible inconsistency with the law—1980—Nos. 35 to 39—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).

No. 40—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.

No. 41—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.

- Nos. 42 and 43—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).  
No. 44—Association of Professional Engineers, Australia.  
No. 45—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.  
No. 46—Association of Professional Engineers, Australia.†  
No. 47—Amalgamated Metal Workers' and Shipwrights Union and others.  
No. 48—Federated Storemen and Packers Union of Australia.  
No. 49—Association of Professional Engineers, Australia and another.  
No. 50—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.  
No. 51—Professional Officers' Association, Australian Public Service.  
No. 52—Association of Officers of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation and another.  
No. 53—Amalgamated Metal Workers' and Shipwrights Union and others.  
No. 54—Federated Liquor and Allied Industries Employees Union of Australia.  
No. 55—Australian Theatrical and Amusement Employees Association.  
No. 56—Professional Musicians Union of Australia.  
No. 57—Australian Broadcasting Commission Senior Officers' Association and another.  
Nos. 58 to 60—Australian Journalists Association.  
No. 61—Royal Australian Nursing Federation.†  
No. 62—Association of Professional Engineers, Australia and others.  
No. 63—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.  
Nos. 64 and 65—Hospital Employees Federation of Australia.  
No. 66—Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.  
No. 67—Actors' and Announcers' Equity Association of Australia.  
No. 68—Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service and others.  
No. 69—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.  
No. 70—Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners of Australia and others.†  
(† Not accompanied by statement)
- Quarantine Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1980, No. 51.  
Seat of Government (Administration) Act—  
Ordinances—1980—  
No. 4—Court of Petty Sessions (Amendment).  
No. 5—Coroners (Amendment).  
No. 6—Companies (Amendment).  
No. 7—Betting (Totalizator Agency) (Amendment).  
Regulations—1980—No. 3 (Adoption of Children Ordinance and others).  
States Grants (Petroleum Products) Act—Amendments of the schedules to the subsidy schemes in relation to the States of New South Wales and Victoria, dated 13 March 1980.  
Student Assistance Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1980, No. 50.

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MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Anthony, Mr Keating, Mr I. L. Robinson and Mr Short.

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