

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 11

WEDNESDAY, 4 MARCH 1981

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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 RETURNS TO WRITS—CURTIN AND MCPHERSON DIVISIONS: Mr Speaker announced that he had received returns to the writs which he had issued on 27 January 1981 for the election of Members to serve for the Electoral Divisions of Curtin, in the State of Western Australia, and McPherson, in the State of Queensland, to fill the vacancies caused by the resignation of the Honourable Ransley Victor Garland and the death of the Honourable Eric Laidlaw Robinson, respectively. By the endorsement on the writs, it was certified that Allan Charles Rocher had been elected as the Member to serve for the Division of Curtin and that Peter Nicholson Duckett White had been elected as the Member to serve for the Division of McPherson.
 - 3 OATHS OF ALLEGIANCE BY MEMBERS: Allan Charles Rocher and Peter Nicholson Duckett White were introduced, and made and subscribed the oath of allegiance required by law.
 - 4 DEATH OF SENATOR J. W. KNIGHT: Mr Fraser (Prime Minister) referred to the death of Senator J. W. Knight, and moved—That the House expresses its deep regret at the death this day of Senator John William Knight, a Senator for the Australian Capital Territory from 1975 and Government Whip in the Senate from 1980, places on record its appreciation of his long and meritorious public service, and tenders its profound sympathy to his widow and the members of his family in their bereavement.
And Mr Hayden (Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion, and Mr Anthony (Leader of the National Country Party of Australia) and other Members having addressed the House in support thereof, and all Members present having risen, in silence—
Question—passed.
 - 5 SUSPENSION OF SITTING AS MARK OF RESPECT: As a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased Senator, the sitting was thereupon suspended until 8 p.m.
 - 6 RESUMPTION OF SITTING: At 8 p.m., Mr Speaker resumed the Chair.
 - 7 PETITIONS: The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
Mr Cunningham, Mr Free, Mr Howe, Mr J. L. McMahon, Mr Mountford and Mr Wallis—from certain citizens praying that funding of children's services be restored to at least the real value of funding allocated in the 1975-76 Budget and future allocations be spent in full for the purposes designated.
Mr Beazley, Mr Bungey, Mr Dean and Mr McLean—from certain residents of Western Australia praying that steps be taken to formulate an airline policy providing for greater competition so that prices and service are determined by free market forces.

- Mr Bowen, Mr Kent and Mr Wallis—from certain citizens praying that the Metric Conversion Act be repealed and the traditional and familiar weights and measures be restored.
- Mr B. O. Jones and Mr Scholes—from certain employees of the Government Aircraft Factory, Avalon Airfield, Vic., praying that the building of an intractable waste disposal unit in proximity to the Avalon Airfield area not be proceeded with.
- Mrs Kelly and Mr Morris—from certain citizens praying that any moves to disallow the Public Service Arbitrator's Determination No. 503 of 1980 and to exclude arbitral jurisdiction over any aspects of redundancy, redeployment, retrenchment and retirement be rejected.
- Dr Blewett—from certain citizens praying that the Government fulfil its stated policy of self-determination and self-management for Aborigines and use the powers conferred on it by the 1967 referendum to intervene on behalf of the Aboriginal people in any conflict with any State or Territory government.
- Dr Blewett—from certain citizens praying that the Kelvinator/Dick Emery television advertisements be withdrawn and legislation be enacted to ban the use of racist stereotypes in advertising.
- Mr Cowan—from certain citizens praying that steps be taken to allow child-care expenses as a deductible item from taxpayers' assessable income.
- Mr Cowan—from certain citizens praying that the Travelling Post Office service be retained in New South Wales.
- Mr Dean—from certain homeless citizens in Townsville, Qld, praying for the establishment of a night shelter in Townsville.
- Mr Free—from certain electors of the Electoral Division of Macquarie praying that Telecom Australia be directed to provide an adequate service to subscribers and users in the 047 telephone zone.
- Mr Holding—from certain citizens praying that funding be reinstated immediately to the Alice Springs Women's Centre Collective Incorporated for the continued operation of the Alice Springs Refuge.
- Mr Humphreys—from certain citizens praying that legislation be introduced to require labelling of perfumes, cosmetics and toilet preparations to indicate any use of animal ingredients during manufacture.
- Mr Humphreys—from certain citizens praying that Service Pensions be extended to all merchant seamen who served in theatres of war.
- Mr Humphreys—from certain citizens praying that requests for export permits covering mineral sand products from Moreton Island, Qld, be refused.
- Mr C. K. Jones—from certain citizens praying that section 79 (1) of the Family Law Act be amended to allow Family Courts to be made open to the public and to permit publication of the details of their proceedings, provided that the names of parties and other identifying information are prohibited from disclosure.
- Mr Kerin—from certain citizens praying that plant variety rights legislation not be introduced until full and informed public discussion of the issues has taken place.
- Sir Phillip Lynch—from certain citizens praying that the imperial system of weights and measures be restored.
- Mr MacKellar—from certain members of the Order of the White Cross International praying that any proposal to allow private patent ownership of plant and animal life be rejected.
- Mr Mildren—from certain citizens praying for the prohibition of oil exploration within the Great Barrier Reef region and that the entire region be declared a Marine Park.
- Mr Morris—from certain citizens praying that any proposal to legislate for the establishment of plant breeders' rights in Australia be rejected.
- Mr Morris—from certain citizens praying that steps be taken to secure the release of the South Korean opposition leader, Mr Kim Dae Jung, and all other political prisoners in South Korea and hasten the restoration of democracy in South Korea.

Petitions received.

8 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice being asked—

Distinguished visitor: Mr Speaker informed the House that Madame Simone Veil, President of the European Parliament, was within the precincts. With the concurrence of Members, the distinguished visitor was provided with a seat on the floor of the House.

Questions without notice continued.

Distinguished visitors: Mr Speaker informed the House that a delegation from the European Parliament, led by Mr Hemmo Muntingh, was present in the gallery. On behalf of the House, Mr Speaker extended to the visitors a very warm welcome.

Questions without notice continued.

- 9 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—EDUCATION—SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS: Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr Dawkins had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The failure of the Government to provide adequate support for students in secondary and tertiary education”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Dawkins addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

- 10 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS MOVED: Mr Morris moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent notice No. 1, general business, relating to a motion of censure of the Minister for Transport, being called on forthwith.

Closure of Member: Mr Fife (Minister for Education) moved—That the honourable Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 65

Mr Adermann	Mr Dean	Mr Jull	Mr Robinson
Mr Anthony	Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr Rocher
Mr Baume	Mr Falconer	Mr Killen	Mr Ruddock
Mr Birney	Mr Fife	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Bradfield	Mr Fisher*	Mr Lusher	Mr Shack
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Giles	Sir Phillip Lynch	Mr Shipton
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Goodluck	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bungey	Mr Groom	Mr McLean	Mr Spender
Mr Burr	Mr Hall	Sir William McMahon	Mr Tambling
Mr Cadman	Mr Harris	Mr McVeigh	Mr Thomson
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hicks	Mr Macphee	Mr Tuckey
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hodges*	Mr Moore	Mr Viner
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hodgman	Mr Newman	Mr White
Mr Carlton	Mr Howard	Mr Nixon	Mr Wilson
Mr Chapman	Mr Hunt	Mr O’Keefe	
Mr Connolly	Mr Hyde	Mr Peacock	
Mr Cowan	Mr Jarman	Mr Porter	

NOES, 50

Mr Armitage	Mrs Darling	Mr Jacobi	Mr Milton
Mr Beazley	Mr Dawkins	Dr Jenkins	Mr Morris
Dr Blewett	Mr Duffy	Mr Johnson*	Mr Morrison
Mr Bowen	Dr Everingham	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Mountford
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Fry	Mr Keating	Mr Scott
Mr Campbell	Mr Hawke	Mrs Kelly	Mr Uren
Dr Cass	Mr Hayden	Mr Kent	Mr Wallis
Mr Charles	Mr Holding	Mr Kerin	Mr West
Mrs Child	Mr Howe	Dr Klugman	Mr Willis
Mr Cohen	Mr Humphreys*	Mr McLeay	Mr Young
Mr Cross	Mr Hurford	Mr J. L. McMahon	
Mr Cunningham	Mr Innes	Mr Mildren	

*Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Dawkins (seconder) addressing the House—

Closure of Member: Mr Fife moved—That the honourable Member be not further heard.

Question—put and passed.

Mr Hayden (Leader of the Opposition) addressing the House—

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

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

And the question—That the motion for the suspension of the standing orders be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 49

Mr Armitage	Mrs Darling	Dr Jenkins	Mr Morris
Mr Beazley	Mr Dawkins	Mr Johnson*	Mr Morrison
Dr Blewett	Mr Duffy	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Mountford
Mr Bowen	Dr Everingham	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mr Keating	Mr Scott
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Fry	Mrs Kelly	Mr Uren
Mr Campbell	Mr Hawke	Mr Kent	Mr Wallis
Dr Cass	Mr Holding	Mr Kerin	Mr West
Mr Charles	Mr Howe	Dr Klugman	Mr Willis
Mrs Child	Mr Humphreys*	Mr McLeay	Mr Young
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr J. L. McMahon	
Mr Cross	Mr Innes	Mr Mildren	
Mr Cunningham	Mr Jacobi	Mr Milton	

NOES, 65

Mr Adermann	Mr Dean	Mr Jull	Mr Robinson
Mr Anthony	Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr Rocher
Mr Baume	Mr Falconer	Mr Killen	Mr Ruddock
Mr Birney	Mr Fife	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Bradfield	Mr Fisher*	Mr Lusher	Mr Shipton
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Giles	Sir Phillip Lynch	Mr Sinclair
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Goodluck	Mr MacKellar	Mr Spender
Mr Bungey	Mr Groom	Mr McLean	Mr Tambling
Mr Burr	Mr Hall	Sir William McMahon	Mr Thomson
Mr Cadman	Mr Harris	Mr McVeigh	Mr Tucker
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hicks	Mr Macphee	Mr Viner
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hodges*	Mr Moore	Mr White
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hodgman	Mr Newman	Mr Wilson
Mr Carlton	Mr Howard	Mr Nixon	
Mr Chapman	Mr Hunt	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Connolly	Mr Hyde	Mr Peacock	
Mr Cowan	Mr Jarman	Mr Porter	

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

11 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS MOVED: Mr Beazley moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the honourable Member for Swan from moving general business notice No. 37 which stands in his name.

Closure of Member: Mr Fife (Minister for Education) moved—That the honourable Member be not further heard.

Question—put and passed.

Mr Morris (seconder) addressing the House—

Closure of Member: Mr Fife moved—That the honourable Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 62

Mr Adermann	Mr Dean	Mr Jull	Mr Robinson
Mr Baume	Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr Rocher
Mr Birney	Mr Falconer	Mr Killen	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bradfield	Mr Fife	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Fisher*	Mr Lusher	Mr Shack
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Giles	Mr MacKellar	Mr Shipton
Mr Bungey	Mr Goodluck	Mr McLean	Mr Sinclair
Mr Burr	Mr Groom	Sir William McMahan	Mr Spender
Mr Cadman	Mr Hall	Mr McVeigh	Mr Tambling
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Harris	Mr Macphee	Mr Thomson
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hicks	Mr Moore	Mr Tuckey
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hodges*	Mr Newman	Mr Viner
Mr Carlton	Mr Hodgman	Mr Nixon	Mr White
Mr Chapman	Mr Hunt	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Wilson
Mr Connolly	Mr Hyde	Mr Peacock	
Mr Cowan	Mr Jarman	Mr Porter	

NOES, 49

Mr Armitage	Mrs Darling	Dr Jenkins	Mr Morris
Mr Beazley	Mr Dawkins	Mr Johnson*	Mr Morrison
Dr Blewett	Mr Duffy	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Mountford
Mr Bowen	Dr Everingham	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mr Keating	Mr Scott
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Fry	Mrs Kelly	Mr Uren
Mr Campbell	Mr Hawke	Mr Kent	Mr Wallis
Dr Cass	Mr Holding	Mr Kerin	Mr West
Mr Charles	Mr Howe	Dr Klugman	Mr Willis
Mrs Child	Mr Humphreys*	Mr McLeay	Mr Young
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr J. L. McMahon	
Mr Cross	Mr Innes	Mr Mildren	
Mr Cunningham	Mr Jacobi	Mr Milton	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Dawkins addressing the House—

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

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

And the question—That the motion for the suspension of the standing orders be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 49

Mr Armitage	Mrs Darling	Dr Jenkins	Mr Morris
Mr Beazley	Mr Dawkins	Mr Johnson*	Mr Morrison
Dr Blewett	Mr Duffy	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Mountford
Mr Bowen	Dr Everingham	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mr Keating	Mr Scott
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Fry	Mrs Kelly	Mr Uren
Mr Campbell	Mr Hawke	Mr Kent	Mr Wallis
Dr Cass	Mr Holding	Mr Kerin	Mr West
Mr Charles	Mr Howe	Dr Klugman	Mr Willis
Mrs Child	Mr Humphreys*	Mr McLeay	Mr Young
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr J. L. McMahon	
Mr Cross	Mr Innes	Mr Mildren	
Mr Cunningham	Mr Jacobi	Mr Milton	

NOES, 62

Mr Adermann	Mr Drummond	Mr Jull	Mr Robinson
Mr Baume	Mr Falconer	Mr Katter	Mr Rocher
Mr Birney	Mr Fife	Mr Killen	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bradfield	Mr Fisher*	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Giles	Mr Lusher	Mr Shack
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Goodluck	Mr MacKellar	Mr Shipton
Mr Burr	Mr Groom	Mr McLean	Mr Sinclair
Mr Cadman	Mr Hall	Sir William McMahon	Mr Spender
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Harris	Mr McVeigh	Mr Tambling
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hicks	Mr Macphee	Mr Thomson
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hodges*	Mr Moore	Mr Tuckey
Mr Carlton	Mr Hodgman	Mr Newman	Mr Viner
Mr Chapman	Mr Howard	Mr Nixon	Mr White
Mr Connolly	Mr Hunt	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Wilson
Mr Cowan	Mr Hyde	Mr Peacock	
Mr Dean	Mr Jarman	Mr Porter	

* Tellers

And so it was negated.

12 CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS NOS. 1 TO 3 (1981): Mr Moore (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs) moved Customs Tariff Proposals Nos. 1, 2 and 3 (1981).

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

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

Debate ensued.

Mr Beazley rising to address the House—

Closure: Mr Fife 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, 56

Mr Adermann	Mr Connolly	Mr Hunt	Mr Peacock
Mr Baume	Mr Cowan	Mr Hyde	Mr Porter
Mr Birney	Mr Dean	Mr Jarman	Mr Robinson
Mr Bradfield	Mr Drummond	Mr Jull	Mr Rocher
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Falconer	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Fife	Mr Lusher	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Bungey	Mr Fisher*	Mr MacKellar	Mr Shack
Mr Burr	Mr Groom	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Shipton
Mr Cadman	Mr Hall	Mr McLean	Mr Spender
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Harris	Sir William McMahon	Mr Tambling
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hicks	Mr McVeigh	Mr Tuckey
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hodges*	Mr Macphee	Mr Viner
Mr Carlton	Mr Hodgman	Mr Moore	Mr White
Mr Chapman	Mr Howard	Mr Newman	Mr Wilson

NOES, 44

Mr Armitage	Mr Cunningham	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mildren
Mr Beazley	Mrs Darling	Dr Jenkins	Mr Milton
Dr Blewett	Mr Dawkins	Mr Johnson*	Mr Morris
Mr Bowen	Mr Duffy	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Morrison
Mr J. J. Brown	Dr Everingham	Mr Keating	Mr Mountford
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mrs Kelly	Mr Scholes
Mr Campbell	Mr Hawke	Mr Kent	Mr Scott
Dr Cass	Mr Holding	Mr Kerin	Mr Wallis
Mr Charles	Mr Howe	Dr Klugman	Mr West
Mrs Child	Mr Humphreys*	Mr McLeay	Mr Willis
Mr Cross	Mr Hurford	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Young

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 56

Mr Adermann	Mr Connolly	Mr Hunt	Mr Peacock
Mr Baume	Mr Cowan	Mr Hyde	Mr Porter
Mr Birney	Mr Dean	Mr Jarman	Mr Robinson
Mr Bradfield	Mr Drummond	Mr Jull	Mr Rocher
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Falconer	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Fife	Mr Lusher	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Bungey	Mr Fisher*	Mr MacKellar	Mr Shack
Mr Burr	Mr Groom	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Shipton
Mr Cadman	Mr Hall	Mr McLean	Mr Spender
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Harris	Sir William McMahon	Mr Tambling
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hicks	Mr McVeigh	Mr Tuckey
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hodges*	Mr Macphee	Mr Viner
Mr Carlton	Mr Hodgman	Mr Moore	Mr White
Mr Chapman	Mr Howard	Mr Newman	Mr Wilson

NOES, 44

Mr Armitage	Mr Cunningham	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mildren
Mr Beazley	Mrs Darling	Dr Jenkins	Mr Milton
Dr Blewett	Mr Dawkins	Mr Johnson*	Mr Morris
Mr Bowen	Mr Duffy	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Morrison
Mr J. J. Brown	Dr Everingham	Mr Keating	Mr Mountford
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mrs Kelly	Mr Scholes
Mr Campbell	Mr Hawke	Mr Kent	Mr Scott
Dr Cass	Mr Holding	Mr Kerin	Mr Wallis
Mr Charles	Mr Howe	Dr Klugman	Mr West
Mrs Child	Mr Humphreys*	Mr McLeay	Mr Willis
Mr Cross	Mr Hurford	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Young

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House, at 10.56 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 10.30 a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 4 March 1981, pursuant to statute:

Customs Tariff Act—Orders—

Developing Country—

Nos. 8, 9 (1980).

Nos. 1, 2 (1981).

Forum Island Country—No. 1 (1980).

Dairy Industry Stabilization Levy Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1981, No. 25.

Judiciary Act—Rules of Court—Statutory Rules 1981, No. 24.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—

Ordinances—1981—

No. 2—Police (Amendment).

No. 3—Motor Traffic (Amendment).

Regulations—1981—

No. 4—(Dentists Registration Ordinance).

No. 5—(Pharmacy Ordinance).

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Bouchier and Mr Street.

J. A. PETTIFER,

Clerk of the House of Representatives