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#### THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 30

## THURSDAY, 7 MAY 1981

- 1 The House met, at 10.30 a.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 Armitage, Mr Beazley, Mr R. J. Brown, Mr Campbell, Dr Cass, Mr Charles, Mrs Child, Mr Duffy, Mr Free, Mr Holding, Mr Humphreys, Mr Jacobi, Mrs Kelly, Mr Kent, Mr J. L. McMahon, Mr Mildren, Mr Milton, Mr Mountford and Mr Scott—from certain residents of the Northern Territory praying that the offer of Darwin or any other location as a base or depot for American B-52 bombers be withdrawn and any future request by the United States Government for the use of bases in Australia be rejected.
  - Mr Jacobi, Mr C. K. Jones, Mr J. L. McMahon, Mr Morris and Mr Mountford—from certain citizens praying that any proposal to sell Trans Australia Airlines be rejected.
  - Mr J. L. McMahon, Mr Millar and Mr Scott—from certain citizens praying that the House recognise the importance of the hotel industry and that any proposal to increase the excise on beer be rejected.
  - Mr Beazley—from certain citizens praying that steps be taken to allow child-care expenses as a deductible item from taxpayers' assessable income.
  - Mr Charles—from certain citizens praying that any proposal to deny unemployment benefits to unemployed persons under 18 years of age be unconditionally withdrawn and that certain other action be taken in regard to unemployment benefits and employment policies.
  - Mrs Child—from certain citizens praying that sanitary products for women be brought under the scrutiny of the Australian Drug Evaluation Committee and certain other actions be taken in regard to the possible threat posed to the health of women by toxic shock syndrome.
  - Mr Cunningham—from certain residents of Victoria praying that musicians dismissed from the A.B.C. Melbourne Showband be reinstated and that funds be made available to enable the band to continue.
  - Mrs Darling—from certain citizens praying that supplementary assistance be indexed to increases in the cost of living by the same biannual process applied to increases in the pension.
  - Mrs Darling—from certain citizens praying that the decision to close the Rosemount Repatriation Hospital, Qld, be reversed.
  - Mrs Darling—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.
  - Mrs Darling—from certain citizens praying that the importation and use of the chemical sprays 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T be banned until all doubts about the harmful effects of their use are resolved by scientific investigation.

- Mr Falconer—from certain citizens praying that insulin syringes for diabetics be made available on the National Health Scheme and insulin prescriptions revert to 10 bottles.
- 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 legislation be enacted to require the production of annual statistics on the numbers of live animals involved in research and that the National Health and Medical Research Council be required to develop humane and responsible standards of conduct for research using live animals in laboratories.
- 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, Old, be refused.
- Mr Hurford—from certain citizens praying that fees for post-secondary education not be introduced and students be assured that no such options are under consideration for the 1981 Budget.
- Mr Jarman—from certain citizens praying that ex-servicewomen who volunteered for service in the 1939-45 war but were not sent to war zones be considered eligible for defence service home loans.
- Dr Klugman—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 Ruddock—from certain citizens praying that militant unions not be permitted to hold the country to ransom and that a forceful and resolute stand be taken against union militancy.

Petitions received.

- 3 Suspension of standing orders—Motion of condemnation of Government: Mr Hayden (Leader of the Opposition) having given notice of a motion expressing condemnation of the Government—
  - Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Leader of the Opposition moving forthwith the motion of which he has given notice for the next sitting.

Question-put and passed.

- 4 MOTION OF CONDEMNATION OF GOVERNMENT: Mr Hayden (Leader of the Opposition) moved—That this House condemns the Government for—
  - (1) its erratic and unstable behaviour, its preoccupation with its internal dissension and the paralysis of the proper functions of Government and of this Parliament because of the Government's total distraction with these problems;
  - (2) the unfair and inequitable manner proposed for the elimination or reduction in important community programs;
  - (3) the serious damage caused to the Federal system by savage and unfair reductions in funding provided for the States;
  - (4) the deceitful way in which the States were deprived of \$70 million to which the Australian people were entitled, and
  - (5) the extraordinary behaviour of the Prime Minister and Treasurer in seeking to publicly humiliate the Premiers through "shoddy" "leaks" to the media.

Debate ensued.

Mr Keating rising to address the House-

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

## The House divided (the Speaker, Sir Billy Snedden, in the Chair)-

### Ayes, 69

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

#### Noes, 49

| Mr Armitage    | Mr Dawkins    | Dr Jenkins       | Mr Morris      |
|----------------|---------------|------------------|----------------|
| Mr Beazley     | Mr Duffy      | Mr Johnson*      | Mr Morrison    |
| Dr Blewett     | Dr Everingham | Mr B. O. Jones   | Mr Mountford   |
| Mr Bowen       | Mr Free       | Mr C. K. Jones   | Mr Scholes     |
| Mr J. J. Brown | Mr Fry        | Mr Keating       | Mr Scott       |
| Mr R. J. Brown | Mr Hawke      | Mrs Kelly        | Dr Theophanous |
| Mr Campbell    | Mr Hayden     | Mr Kent          | Mr Uren        |
| 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       |                |
| Mrs Darling    | Mr Jacobi     | Mr Milton        |                |

\*Tellers

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, Sir Billy Snedden, in the Chair)-

## Ayes, 49

| Mr Armitage    | Mr Dawkins    | Dr Jenkins       | Mr Morris      |
|----------------|---------------|------------------|----------------|
| Mr Beazley     | Mr Duffy      | Mr Johnson*      | Mr Morrison    |
| Dr Blewett     | Dr Everingham | Mr B. O. Jones   | Mr Mountford   |
| Mr Bowen       | Mr Free       | Mr C. K. Jones   | Mr Scholes     |
| Mr J. J. Brown | Mr Fry        | Mr Keating       | Mr Scott       |
| Mr R. J. Brown | Mr Hawke      | Mrs Kelly        | Dr Theophanous |
| Mr Campbell    | Mr Hayden     | Mr Kent          | Mr Uren        |
| 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       |                |
| Mrs Darling    | Mr Jacobi     | Mr Milton        |                |

| Noes, 69            |             |                     |              |
|---------------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Mr Adermann         | Mr Dean     | Mr Jull             | Mr Porter    |
| Mr Anthony          | Mr Dobie    | Mr Katter           | Mr Robinson  |
| Mr Baume            | Dr Edwards  | Mr Killen           | Mr Rocher    |
| Mr Birney           | Mr Falconer | Mr Lloyd            | Mr Ruddock   |
| Mr Bourchier        | Mr Fife     | Mr Lusher           | Mr Sainsbury |
| Mr Bradfield        | Mr Fisher*  | Sir Phillip Lynch   | Mr Shack     |
| Mr Braithwaite      | Mr Fraser   | Mr MacKellar        | Mr Shipton   |
| Mr N. A. Brown      | Mr Giles    | Mr MacKenzie        | Mr Sinclair  |
| Mr Bungey           | Mr Goodluck | Mr McLean           | Mr Spender   |
| Mr Burr             | Mr Hall     | Sir William McMahon | Mr Street    |
| Mr Cadman           | Mr Harris   | Mr McVeigh          | Mr Tambling  |
| Mr D. M. Cameron    | Mr Hicks    | Mr Macphee          | Mr Thomson   |
| Mr E. C. Cameron    | Mr Hodges*  | Mr Millar           | Mr Tuckey    |
| Mr I. M. D. Cameron | Mr Hodgman  | Mr Moore            | Mr Viner     |
| Mr Carlton          | Mr Howard   | Mr Newman           | Mr White     |
| Mr Chapman          | Mr Hunt     | Mr Nixon            |              |

\*Tellers

Mr O'Keefe

Mr Peacock

And so it was negatived.

Mr Coleman

Mr Cowan

5 Messages from the Senate: Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:

6 May 1981—Message—

No. 72-Trade Marks Amendment 1981.

Mr Hyde

Mr Jarman

No. 73—Designs Amendment 1981.

No. 75-Repatriation (Pharmaceutical Benefits) Amendment 1981.

6 GRIEVANCE DEBATE: Pursuant to the provisions of standing order 106, the order of the day having been read—

Ouestion proposed—That grievances be noted.

Debate ensued.

It being 12.45 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 106. Question—That grievances be noted—put and passed.

7 MIGRANTS—ELECTORAL RIGHTS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—PAPER NOTED: Mr Macphee (Minister for Immigration and Ethnic Affairs), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House of agreement reached, between all Australian Ministers responsible for immigration and ethnic affairs matters, regarding the rights of migrants to enrol and vote at elections, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

Migrants-Electoral rights-Ministerial statement, 7 May 1981.

Mr Fife (Minister for Education) moved—That the House take note of the paper. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

8 PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—CONSUMER INTERESTS—IMPACT OF GOVERNMENT DECISIONS: Mr Deputy Speaker informed the House that Mr Hurford had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The Fraser Government's further abandonment of consumer interests by, among other means, the disbanding of the Prices Justification Tribunal and the reduction in the consumer protection functions of the Trade Practices Commission".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Hurford rising to address the House-

Mr Macphee (Minister for Immigration and Ethnic Affairs) moved—That the business of the day be called on.

Question-put.

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

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|                     | Ayes, 63      |                     |                |
| Mr Adermann         | Mr Cowan      | Mr Hyde             | Mr Porter      |
| Mr Anthony          | Mr Dean       | Mr Jull             | Mr Robinson    |
| Mr Baume            | Mr Dobie      | Mr Killen           | Mr Rocher      |
| Mr Birney           | Dr Edwards    | Mr Lloyd            | Mr Ruddock     |
| Mr Bourchier        | Mr Falconer   | Mr Lusher           | Mr Sainsbury   |
| Mr Bradfield        | Mr Fife       | Sir Phillip Lynch   | Mr Shack       |
| Mr Braithwaite      | Mr Fisher*    | Mr MacKellar        | Mr Shipton     |
| Mr Bungey           | Mr Giles      | Mr MacKenzie        | Mr Sinclair    |
| Mr Burr             | Mr Goodluck   | Mr McLean           | Mr Spender     |
| Mr Cadman           | Mr Hall .     | Sir William McMahon | Mr Street      |
| 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 Nixon            | Mr Viner       |
| Mr Chapman          | Mr Howard     | Mr O'Keefe          | Mr White       |
| Mr Coleman          | Mr Hunt       | Mr Peacock          |                |
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| 3.6 4 %             | Noes, 46      |                     | 37 37          |
| Mr Armitage         | Mr Dawkins    | Mr Johnson*         | Mr Morris      |
| Mr Beazley          | Mr Duffy      | Mr B. O. Jones      | Mr Morrison    |
| Dr Blewett          | Dr Everingham | Mr C. K. Jones      | Mr Mountford   |
| Mr J. J. Brown      | Mr Free       | Mr Keating          | Mr Scholes     |
| Mr R. J. Brown      | Mr Fry        | Mrs Kelly           | Mr Scott       |
| Mr Campbell         | Mr Hawke      | Mr Kent             | Dr Theophanous |
| Mr Charles          | Mr Holding    | Mr Kerin            | Mr Uren        |
| Mrs Child           | Mr Howe       | Dr Klugman          | Mr West        |
| Mr Cohen            | Mr Humphreys* | Mr McLeay           | Mr Willis      |
| Mr Cross            | Mr Hurford    | Mr J. L. McMahon    | Mr Young       |
| Mr Cunningham       | Mr Jacobi     | Mr Mildren          |                |
| Mrs Darling         | Dr Jenkins    | Mr Milton           |                |
| * Tellers           |               |                     |                |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

9 WOOL INDUSTRY AMENDMENT BILL 1981: Mr Nixon (Minister for Primary Industry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Wool Industry Act* 1972. Bill read a first time.

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

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

10 FISH (EXPORT INSPECTION CHARGE) BILL 1981: Mr Nixon (Minister for Primary Industry) presented a Bill for an Act to impose a charge upon the inspection of fish for export. Bill read a first time.

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

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

11 FISH (EXPORT INSPECTION CHARGE) COLLECTION BILL 1981: Mr Nixon (Minister for Primary Industry) presented a Bill for an Act to make provision for the collection of the charge imposed by the Fish (Export Inspection Charge) Act 1981.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

12 DRIED FRUIT (EXPORT INSPECTION CHARGE) BILL 1981: Mr Nixon (Minister for Primary Industry) presented a Bill for an Act to impose a charge upon the export of dried fruit. Bill read a first time.

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

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

13 Dried Fruit (Export Inspection Charge) Collection Bill 1981: Mr Nixon (Minister for Primary Industry) presented a Bill for an Act to make provision for the collection of the charge imposed by the *Dried Fruit (Export Inspection Charge) Act* 1981.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

14 PLANT VARIETY RIGHTS BILL 1981: Mr Nixon (Minister for Primary Industry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the granting of proprietary rights to persons originating new plant varieties, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

15 INCOME TAX LAWS AMENDMENT BILL 1981: Mr Howard (Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to income tax.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

16 INCOME TAX (DIVERTED INCOME) BILL 1981: Mr Howard (Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to impose tax on certain income derived under tax avoidance schemes. Bill read a first time.

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

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

17 Customs Amendment Bill 1981: Mr Moore (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Customs Act 1901.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

18 Excise Amendment Bill 1981: Mr Moore (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Excise Act 1901.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

19 PAPER: Mr Moore (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs), pursuant to statute, presented the following paper:

Industries Assistance Commission Act—Temporary Assistance Authority—Report—Certain parts for hearing aids, dated 9 January 1981 (No. 52).

20 CENSUS AND STATISTICS AMENDMENT BILL 1981: 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 Willis, viz.—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "whilst not declining to give the Bill a second reading, the House is of the opinion that the Bill is deficient in that it fails to give effect to the recommendation of the Australian Law Reform Commission's Report Privacy and the census that identified census information should be held in Archives with access forbidden for 75 years, except for strictly limited access for purposes of medical research"—

Amendment negatived.

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr MacKellar (Minister for Health), the Bill was read a third time.

21 Message from the Senate—National Health (Pharmaceutical Benefits) Amendment Bill 1981: The following message from the Senate was reported:

Mr Speaker,

Message No. 74

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the 'National Health Act 1953' in relation to pharmaceutical benefits", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the Amendments indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which Amendments the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate,

Canberra, 6 May 1981

C. L. LAUCKE,
President

Ordered—That the amendments be taken into consideration, in committee of the whole House, forthwith.

#### In the committee

#### SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE

No. 1—Page 4, clause 4, proposed sub-section 98BA (1), lines 22 to 23, leave out "(not being intervals of more than 12 months)".

No. 2—Page 4, clause 4, proposed section 98BA, at end of proposed section, add the following new sub-section:

"'(4) The Tribunal shall ensure that its findings resulting from its second or any subsequent inquiry, and the reasons for them, are issued not later than 12 months after the date on which the Tribunal issued its findings resulting from its first inquiry or from the last inquiry held by it, as the case may be.".

On the motion of Mr MacKellar (Minister for Health), the amendments were agreed to, after debate.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Millar reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr MacKellar, the House adopted the report.

22 CUSTOMS AMENDMENT (TENDERS) BILL 1981: 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 Moore (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs), the Bill was read a third time.

23 CUSTOMS SECURITIES (PENALTIES) BILL 1981: 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 Moore (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs), the Bill was read a third time.

24 Customs Undertakings (Penalties) Bill 1981: 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 Moore (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs), the Bill was read a third time.

25 STATES GRANTS (SCHOOLS ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT BILL 1981: 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 Dawkins who moved, as an amendment—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "whilst not denying the Bill a second reading, the House condemns the reduction in the activities of the Schools Commission as announced in the Review of Commonwealth Functions in that:

- the contraction of the information collection and dissemination activities of the Commission constitutes an obstacle to the debate on education policy and will limit accountability for education expenditure, and
- (2) the withdrawal of the administrative functions of the Commission at the State level will limit and downgrade the services the Commission provides particularly to the non-government sector".

Debate continued.

Amendment negatived.

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

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 39, dated 1 May 1981, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue and moneys 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.

26 STATES GRANTS (TERTIARY EDUCATION ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT BILL 1981: 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 Dawkins who moved, as an amendment—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "whilst not denying the Bill a second reading, the House condemns the ill-considered and grossly inequitable changes to the funding, organisation and financing of students in tertiary education as announced in the Review of Commonwealth Functions, in that:

- the re-introduction of fees is not only a breach of an election undertaking but will
  grossly disadvantage students with limited means and will compromise Australia's
  research effort;
- (2) the gutting of the Tertiary Education Assistance Scheme will confirm tertiary education as the preserve of the rich, and
- (3) the heavy handed threat in the review to 30 colleges of advanced education is based on the wholly false premise that the consolidation of single purpose colleges will result in cost savings in spite of the Tertiary Education Commission's advice to the contrary".

Amendment negatived.

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

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 40, dated 1 May 1981, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue and moneys 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.

27 COMMONWEALTH FUNCTIONS—REVIEW—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House)—That the House take note of the paper (presented on 30 April 1981), viz.:

Commonwealth functions—Review—Ministerial statement, 30 April 1981—Debate resumed.

Mr West addressing the House—

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

Mr Hodgman (Minister for the Capital Territory) requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—

Question—put and negatived.

Mr West continued his speech.

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

28 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Hodgman (Minister for the Capital Territory) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Debate extended: It being 11 p.m., the debate was interrupted.

Mr Hodgman required the debate to be extended.

The debate continuing until 11.03 p.m., Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House until Tuesday next at 2.15 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Connolly, Mr Drummond, Mr Groom, Mr Wallis and Mr Wilson.

J. A. PETTIFER,

Clerk of the House of Representatives