

## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 105

TUESDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 1982

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- 1 The House met, at 1.45 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Right Honourable Sir Billy Snedden) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 **AUSTRALIAN MEAT INDUSTRY—REPORT OF ROYAL COMMISSION—PAPERS AND MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Mr Fraser (Prime Minister), by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:
- Australian Meat Industry—Report of Royal Commission, dated September 1982.
- Suspension of standing orders—Ministerial statement:* Sir James Killen (Leader of the House) moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Fraser making a statement to the House forthwith.
- Debate ensued.
- Question—put and passed, with the concurrence of an absolute majority.
- Mr Fraser made a ministerial statement in connection with the report, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following papers:
- Australian Meat Industry—Royal Commission—  
Extract from transcript of evidence of 13-14 July 1982 (pp. 10240-10342).  
Ministerial statement, 21 September 1982.
- Record of telephone conversation between Mr W. A. Buettel, member of the committee of inquiry to examine Commonwealth and State meat inspection systems, and Mr L. P. Duthie, Secretary, Department of Primary Industry, dated 19 September 1982.
- Sir James Killen moved—That the House take note of the papers.
- Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for speech:* Sir James Killen, by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Hayden (Leader of the Opposition) speaking for a period not exceeding 62 minutes.
- Question—put and passed.
- Debate adjourned (Mr Hayden), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.
- 3 **PAPERS:** The following papers were presented:
- By Mr Speaker, pursuant to statute:
- Commonwealth Banks Act—Commonwealth Banking Corporation, Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia, Commonwealth Savings Bank of Australia and Commonwealth Development Bank of Australia—Reports and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1981-82.
- By command of His Excellency the Governor-General:
- Defence Report, for year 1981-82.

Management of a National Liquid Fuels Supply Emergency—Report by the National Petroleum Advisory Committee, dated October 1981—  
Report.

Statement by Senator Carrick (Minister for National Development and Energy).

Technical appendix—Guideline procedures.

Pursuant to statute:

Australian Bureau of Statistics Act—

Australian Bureau of Statistics—Report for year 1981-82.

Australian Statistics Advisory Council—Report for year 1981-82.

**4 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:

19 September 1982—Message—

No. 185—Air Navigation (Charges) Amendment 1982.

No. 186—Remuneration and Allowances Amendment 1982.

**5 NEW PARLIAMENT HOUSE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT:** Mr Speaker (Joint Chairman) presented the following report from the Joint Standing Committee on the New Parliament House:

Proposed work in the Parliamentary zone—Stage 1 of extensions to the National Library—Report, dated 16 September 1982.

Ordered to be printed.

**6 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—WAGE MOVEMENTS:** Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr Hawke had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The Government's impetus to uncontrolled wage movements and its attempt now to blame such movements for its own abject failure in the management of the Australian economy".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Hawke addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

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

Mr Humphreys—from certain citizens praying that requests for export permits covering mineral sand products from Moreton Island, Qld, be refused.

Mr Humphreys—from certain citizens praying that the importation of marine mammal by-products be banned and an international ban on the slaughter of marine mammals be supported.

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 carcass trade be promoted and that exports of live animals for slaughter be banned.

Mr Humphreys—from certain citizens praying that the telephone rental concession be extended to all pensioners not deriving significant gains through sharing accommodation.

Mr Humphreys—from certain citizens praying that action be taken to institute policies which will reduce mortgage repayments and preserve and maintain home ownership.

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 researchers using live animals in laboratories.

Mr Kent—from certain residents of Victoria praying that the export of live animals for slaughter be banned.

Mr Shipton—from certain citizens praying that the Queensland Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islanders (Self-Management and Land Rights) Bill be dealt with as an urgent matter and passed into law.

Dr Theophanous—from certain electors of the Electoral Division of Burke praying that the rights of Australian workers in the automotive industry be protected by rejecting any proposal to reduce the level of tariff protection for the industry.

Mr West—from certain citizens praying that steps be taken to prevent sand mining on Moreton Island, Qld, and that action be taken to declare Moreton Island a national park.

Petitions received.

- 8 **R.A.A.F. BASE, DERBY, W.A.—DEVELOPMENT—STAGE 1—APPROVAL OF WORK:** Mr Hunt (Minister for Transport and Construction), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Development of R.A.A.F. Base, Derby, W.A., stage 1.

Question—put and passed.

- 9 **BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT—REDEVELOPMENT—REMAINDER OF WORKS OF PHASE 1—APPROVAL OF WORK:** Mr Hunt (Minister for Transport and Construction), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, it is expedient to carry out the following elements of the work known as the redevelopment of Brisbane International Airport, remainder of works of phase 1, which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament:

- (1) main aircraft apron;
- (2) building and facilities including control tower, administrative area, fire stations, maintenance depot, electricity, water supply and sewerage;
- (3) general aviation runway and apron pavements, and a general aviation maintenance area, and
- (4) access roads, carparks and landscaping.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 10 **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY:** Ordered—That order of the day No. 1, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

- 11 **ASIAN DEVELOPMENT FUND BILL 1982:** The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—  
Debate resumed.

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

*Message from the Governor-General:* Message No. 187, dated 25 August 1982, 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 Street (Minister for Foreign Affairs), the Bill was read a third time.

- 12 **LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS (GRANTS) AMENDMENT BILL 1982:** The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

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

*Message from the Governor-General:* Message No. 188, dated 20 August 1982, 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 Hodgman (Minister Assisting the Minister for Industry and Commerce), the Bill was read a third time.

**13 AUSTRALIAN MEAT INDUSTRY—REPORT OF ROYAL COMMISSION—PAPERS AND MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—PAPERS NOTED:** The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Sir James Killen (Leader of the House)—That the House take note of the papers (*presented this day*), viz.:

Australian Meat Industry—Royal Commission—

Extract from transcript of evidence of 13-14 July 1982 (pp. 10240-10342).

Ministerial statement, 21 September 1982.

Record of telephone conversation between Mr W. A. Buettel, member of the committee of inquiry to examine Commonwealth and State meat inspection systems, and Mr L. P. Duthie, Secretary, Department of Primary Industry, dated 19 September 1982.

Report, dated September 1982—

Debate resumed by Mr Hayden (Leader of the Opposition) who moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “this House censures the Prime Minister for his inability to maintain ministerial responsibility in his Government, thereby causing widespread malpractice and corruption”.

Debate continued.

*Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for speech:* Sir James Killen, by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Nixon (Minister for Primary Industry) speaking for a period not exceeding 30 minutes.

Question—put and passed.

*Paper:* Mr Nixon, by leave, during his speech, presented the following paper:

*Bulletin* article, dated 22 September 1981—Memorandum from R. W. Gee, Director, Bureau of Animal Health, to Minister for Primary Industry, dated 15 September 1981.

*Suspension of standing orders—Further extension of time for speech:* Sir James Killen, by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Nixon completing his speech.

Question—put and passed.

Debate continued.

Ordered—That Mr Kerin be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

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

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

## AYES, 64

Mr Adermann	Mr Connolly	Mr Hyde	Mr Peacock
Mr Anthony	Mr Cowan	Mr Jarman	Mr Porter
Mr Baume	Mr Dean	Mr Jull	Mr Rocher
Mr Birney	Mr Fife	Mr Katter	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bouchier	Mr Fisher*	Sir James Killen	Mr Sainsbury*
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Fraser	Mr Lloyd	Mr Shack
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Giles	Mr Lusher	Mr Shipton
Mr Bungey	Mr Goodluck	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr Burr	Mr Groom	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Spender
Mr Cadman	Mr Hall	Mr McVeigh	Mr Street
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Harris	Mr Macphee	Mr Tambling
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hicks	Mr Millar	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 Coleman	Mr Hunt	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Wilson

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Mr Armitage	Mr Dawkins	Dr Jenkins	Mr Morris
Mr Beazley	Mr Duffy	Mr Johnson*	Mr Morrison
Dr Blewett	Mr Free	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Mountford
Mr Bowen	Mr Hawke	Mr Keating	Mr Scott
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Hayden	Mrs Kelly	Mr Uren
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Holding	Mr Kent	Mr Wallis
Mr Charles	Mr Howe	Mr Kerin	Mr West
Mrs Child	Mr Humphreys*	Mr McLeay	Mr Young
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Maher	
Mr Cross	Mr Innes	Mr Mildren	
Mr Cunningham	Mr Jacobi	Mr Milton	

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the House take note of the papers—put and passed.

14 **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY:** Ordered—That order of the day No. 4, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

15 **APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 1982-83—BUDGET DEBATE:** 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 Milton addressing the House—

*Adjournment negated:* It being 10 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Sir James Killen (Leader of the House) requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—

Question—put and negated.

Mr Milton continued his speech.

Several Members rising to address the House—

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

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

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

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

*In the committee*

Schedule 2—

Ordered—That the proposed expenditures for the purposes and services in the Schedule be considered in the following order, either separately or together, as shown:

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, and  
Department of the Vice-President of the Executive Council } together.

Department of Foreign Affairs.  
Department of Defence, and  
Department of Defence Support } together.

Department of Trade and Resources, and  
Department of National Development and Energy } together.

Department of Transport and Construction, and  
Department of Aviation } together.

Department of Employment and Industrial Relations.

Department of Education.

Department of the Treasury,  
Department of Finance, and  
Advance to the Minister for Finance } together.

Department of Home Affairs and Environment, and  
Department of the Capital Territory } together.

Department of Communications.

Department of Administrative Services.

Department of Primary Industry.

Department of Science and Technology.

Department of Social Security,  
Department of Health, and  
Department of Veterans' Affairs } together.

Attorney-General's Department.

Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs, and  
Department of Aboriginal Affairs } together.

Department of Industry and Commerce.

Proposed expenditures—

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, \$68,043,000—

Department of the Vice-President of the Executive Council, \$105,000—

together—

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr Giles reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said committee.

16 **ADJOURNMENT:** Sir James Killen (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until 10.30 p.m.—Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at 1.45 p.m.

**PAPERS:** The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 21 September 1982, pursuant to statute:

Defence Act—Determinations—1982—

No. 29—Sinai Allowance.

No. 30—Sea-going and other allowances.

No. 31—Service Allowance.

No. 32—Higher Duties and other allowances.

States Grants (Petroleum Products) Act—Amendment of the schedule to the subsidy scheme in relation to the State of South Australia, dated 13 September 1982.

Telecommunications Act—Australian Telecommunications Commission—By-laws—  
Telecommunications (Charging Zones and Charging Districts)—Amendment  
No. 26.

Telecommunications (Community Calls)—Amendment No. 20.

Telecommunications (General)—Amendments Nos. 30, 31, 32, 33.

Telecommunications (Telex Charging Areas).

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Bradfield, Mr Campbell, Mrs Darling, Mr Dobie\*, Mr Drummond, Dr Edwards, Dr Everingham\*, Mr Falconer, Mr Fry, Mr C. K. Jones, Dr Klugman, Sir Phillip Lynch\*, Mr McLean, Mr McMahon, Mr Robinson, Mr Scholes, Dr Theophanous and Mr Willis.

\* On leave

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**D. M. BLAKE,**  
Clerk of the House of Representatives