THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 50

TUESDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 1984

- 1 The House met, at 3 p.m., according to the terms of the resolution of 8 December 1983. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Dr H. A. Jenkins) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 RESIGNATION OF MEMBERS AND ISSUE OF WRITS: Mr Speaker informed the House that he had, on 19 December 1983, received a letter from the Honourable Leslie Royston Johnson and that he had, on 18 January 1984, received letters from the Right Honourable John Douglas Anthony, CH, and the Honourable Anthony Austin Street, resigning their seats as Members for the Electoral Divisions of Hughes and Richmond, in the State of New South Wales, and the Electoral Division of Corangamite, in the State of Victoria, respectively. Mr Speaker stated that on 25 January 1984 he had issued writs for the election of Members to serve for the said Electoral Divisions. The dates in connection with the elections were fixed as follows:

Date of nominations		•	Friday, 3 February 1984.
Date of polling .			Saturday, 18 February 1984.
Return of writs .			On or before Friday, 30 March 1984.

- 3 RETURNS TO WRITS—HUGHES, RICHMOND AND CORANGAMITE DIVISIONS: Mr Speaker announced that he had received returns to the writs which he had issued on 25 January 1984 for the election of Members to serve for the Electoral Divisions of Hughes and Richmond, in the State of New South Wales, and Corangamite, in the State of Victoria, to fill the vacancies caused by the resignations of the Honourable Leslie Royston Johnson, the Right Honourable John Douglas Anthony, CH, and the Honourable Anthony Austin Street, respectively. By the endorsement on the writs, it was certified that Robert Edward Tickner had been elected as the Member to serve for the Division of Hughes, Charles William Blunt had been elected as the Member to serve for the Division of Richmond and Fergus Stewart McArthur had been elected as the Member to serve for the Division of Corangamite.
- 4 OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF ALLEGIANCE BY MEMBERS: Charles William Blunt, Fergus Stewart McArthur and Robert Edward Tickner were introduced, and made and subscribed the oath or affirmation of allegiance, as required by law.
- 5 MINISTERIAL CHANGE: Mr Hawke (Prime Minister) informed the House that Mr Young had been appointed Special Minister of State and Leader of the House on 21 January 1984.
- 6 LEADERSHIP OF THE NATIONAL PARTY OF AUSTRALIA: Mr Sinclair informed the House that the Parliamentary Party of the National Party of Australia had elected him as its Leader and Mr Hunt as its Deputy Leader.
- 7 DEATHS OF FORMER MEMBER (MR L. G. WALLIS) AND FORMER SENATOR (MR F. P. McMANUS): Mr Hawke (Prime Minister) referred to the deaths of Mr L. G. Wallis

and Mr F. P. McManus and moved—That this House expresses its deep regret at the deaths of Laurie George Wallis, a former Member for the Division of Grey, on 10 January 1984 and Francis Patrick McManus, CMG, a former Senator for Victoria, on 28 December 1983, places on record its appreciation of their long and meritorious public service and tenders its profound sympathy to their families in their bereavement.

And Mr Peacock (Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion, and Mr Sinclair (Leader of the National Party of Australia) and other Members having addressed the House in support thereof, and all Members present having risen, in silence—

Question-passed.

8 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES: The Speaker informed the House that, as a result of the resignation of Mr Johnson the office of Chairman of Committees was now vacant—

Mr Chynoweth then moved—That Mrs Child be appointed Chairman of Committees of this House, which motion was seconded by Mr Mountford.

Mr Dobie moved—That Mr Millar be appointed Chairman of Committees of this House, which motion was seconded by Mr Robinson.

There being no further proposal-

Debate ensued.

The House proceeded to ballot; and the ballot being concluded, Mr Speaker reported the result, as follows:

Mrs Child was thereupon declared elected as Chairman.

- Mr Hawke (Prime Minister), Mr Peacock (Leader of the Opposition), Mr Sinclair (Leader of the National Party of Australia) and Mr Millar congratulated Mrs Child, who made her acknowledgments to the House.
- 9 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—BAHA'IS—PERSECUTION IN IRAN: Mr Simmons having given a notice of motion relating to the persecution of members of the Baha'i faith in Iran—

Mr Young (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Simmons moving forthwith the motion of which he has given notice for the next sitting.

Question—put and passed.

10 BAHA'IS—PERSECUTION IN IRAN: Mr Simmons moved — That this House—

- (1) notes that despite continuing international requests to the Government of Iran to cease the religious persecution of Baha'is, breaches of human rights continue unabated in Iran, and
- (2) requests the Australian Government to continue its efforts in international forums to dissuade the Government of Iran from such religious persecutions consistent with the resolution of this House on 8 September 1983.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

- 11 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 12 REFORMING THE AUSTRALIAN PUBLIC SERVICE—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr Dawkins (Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Public Service Matters) presented the following paper:

Reforming the Australian Public Service—Statement of the Government's intentions, dated December 1983.

Mr Young (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the paper.

Debate adjourned (Mr Sinclair—Leader of the National Party of Australia), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 13 ABORIGINAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION—ANNUAL REPORT 1982-83 AND COMMENTS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS: Mr Holding (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs) presented the following papers:
 - Aboriginal Development Commission Act—Aboriginal Development Commission—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1982-83 and comments by National Aboriginal Conference, dated 14 February 1984.

Mr Young (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the papers.

- Debate adjourned (Mr Porter), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 14 PAPERS: The following papers were presented:

Criminology Research Act-

- Australian Institute of Criminology-Board of Management-11th Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1982-83.
- Criminology Research Council-11th Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1982-83.
- Freedom of Information Act—Report by the Attorney-General on the operation of the Act for period 1 December 1982 to 30 June 1983, together with statement by Senator Evans, Attorney-General.

Joint Coal Board-Interim report for year 1982-83.

Law Reform Commission Act-Law Reform Commission-

- Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1982-83.
- Report No. 22—Privacy, together with statement by Senator Evans, Attorney-General—

Volume 1—Background. Volume 2—Proposals.

15 DRUG TRAFFICKING—ROYAL COMMISSION REPORT—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr Bowen (Minister representing the Attorney-General) presented the following paper:

Drug trafficking—Report of Royal Commission of Inquiry—Government response. Mr Young (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the paper.

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

16 SPECIAL COMMISSION OF INQUIRY—REPORT INTO ALLEGATIONS BY RT HON. I. MCC. SINCLAIR—STATEMENT BY MEMBER: Mr Sinclair (Leader of the National Party of Australia), by leave, made a statement concerning the report of the NSW Special Commission of Inquiry by Mr Justice Cross into certain allegations made by the Rt Hon. I. McC. Sinclair.

Paper: Mr Sinclair, by leave, presented the following paper:

- Special Commission of Inquiry, NSW—Copy of Letters Patent authorising and requiring Mr Justice Cross to inquire into and report on certain allegations made by the Rt Hon. I. McC. Sinclair, dated 8 November 1983.
- 17 LEADER OF THE NATIONAL PARTY OF AUSTRALIA (MR SINCLAIR)—RESOLUTION OF CENSURE: Mr Bowen (Minister for Trade), by leave, moved—That this House censures the Right Honourable the Leader of the National Party of Australia for conduct unworthy of a Member of this House in that on 29 October 1983, when addressing the Annual Meeting of the Federal Council of the National Party of Australia, he made serious allegations against 2 citizens which were subsequently found to be false as evidenced by the findings of the special commission of inquiry by Mr Justice Cross.

Debate ensued. Question—put.

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	AYES	, 70	
Mr Baldwin	Mr Duffy	Mr Keating	Mr Punch
Mr Beazley	Mr R. F. Edwards	Mrs Kelly	Mr Reeves
Mr Beddall	Dr Everingham	Mr Kent	Mr Saunderson
Mr Bilney	Ms Fatin	Mr Keogh	Mr Scholes
Mr Blanchard	Mr Free	Mr Kerin	Mr Scott
Dr Blewett	Mr Fry	Dr Klugman	Mr Simmons
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Gayler	Mr Lindsay	Mr Snow
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Gear	Ms McHugh	Mr Staples
Mr Brumby	Mr Gorman	Mr McLeay	Mr Steedman
Mr Campbell	Mr Griffiths	Mr Maher	Dr Theophanous
Mr Charles	Mr Hand	Mrs Mayer	Mr Tickner
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Hawke	Mr Mildren	Mr Uren
Mrs Child	Mr Hayden	Mr Milton	Mr Wells
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Hollis	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr West
Mr Cohen	Mr Howe	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr Cross	Mr Humphreys*	Mr Morrison	Mr Young
Mr Cunningham*	Mr Hurford	Mr Mountford	Ŭ
Mrs Darling	Mr Jones	Mr O'Neil	
	NOES	, 50	
Mr Adermann	Mr Cowan	Mr Hunt	Mr Peacock
Mr Aldred	Mr Dobie	Mr Katter	Mr Porter
Mr Andrew	Mr Drummond	Mr Lloyd	Mr Robinson
Mr Blunt	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr Lusher	Mr Rocher
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Fife	Mr McArthur	Mr Ruddock
Mr Burr	Mr Fisher	Mr McGauran	Mr Shipton
Mr Cadman	Mr Goodluck	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Groom	Mr McVeigh	Mr Spender
Mr E. C. Cameron*	Mr Hall	Mr Macphee	Mr Tuckey
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hawker	Mr Millar	Mr White
Mr Carlton	Mr Hicks*	Mr Moore	Mr Wilson
Mr Coleman	Mr Hodgman	Mr Newman	

The House divided (the Speaker, Dr Jenkins, in the Chair)-

* Tellers

Mr O'Keefe

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Howard

- 18 ADJOURNMENT NEGATIVED: It being 10.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.
 - Mr Young (Leader of the House) requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate-

Question-put and negatived.

Mr Connolly

- 19 **PETITIONS:** The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
 - Mr Adermann, Mr Andrew, Mr Beazley, Mr Bilney, Mr Blanchard, Dr Blewett, Mr Braithwaite, Mr R. J. Brown, Mr Burr, Mr E. C. Cameron, Mr I. M. D. Cameron, Mr Campbell, Mr Chynoweth, Mr Cohen, Mr Connolly, Mr Dobie, Mr Duffy, Dr H. R. Edwards, Mr Fife, Mr Fisher, Mr Gayler, Mr Griffiths, Mr Groom, Mr Hall, Mr Hawker, Mr Hicks, Mr Howard, Mr Humphreys, Mr Jacobi, Mr Kerin, Mr MacKellar, Mr McLeay, Mr Morrison, Mr Peacock, Mr Porter, Mr Robinson, Mr Ruddock, Mr Scholes, Mr Sinclair, Mr Spender, Mr Snow, Mr Uren, Mr White and Mr Wilson—from certain citizens praying that chiropractic services be included in Medicare when it is introduced.
 - Mr Aldred, Mr Bilney, Mr Blanchard, Mr J. J. Brown, Mr R. J. Brown, Mr E. C. Cameron, Mr Charles, Mrs Child, Mr Chynoweth, Mrs Darling, Mr R. F. Edwards, Dr H. R. Edwards, Mr Griffiths, Mr Groom, Mr Holding, Mr Hollis, Mr Humphreys, Mr Howard, Mrs Kelly, Mr Kent, Ms McHugh, Mr Ruddock and Mr Wilson—from certain citizens praying that the ban on the export of kangaroo products be re-applied.

- Mr Baldwin, Mr Cohen, Mr Dobie, Dr H. R. Edwards, Mr Fife, Mr Hicks, Mr Hollis, Mr Keating, Mrs Kelly, Mr Lusher, Ms McHugh, Mr Maher, Mr P. F. Morris, Mr Morrison, Mr O'Keefe, Mr Punch, Mr Robinson, Mr Ruddock, Mr Simmons, Mr Sinclair, Mr Snow and Mr Spender—from certain parents representing government schools in New South Wales praying that an adequate general recurrent resource base for government schools be created and a planned program of improvements in government schools throughout the coming decade be ensured.
- Mrs Child, Mr Free, Mr Fry, Mr Griffiths, Mr Groom, Mr Hawke, Mr Holding, Mrs Kelly, Mr Kerin, Ms McHugh, Mr Mildren, Mr Newman, Mr O'Keefe, Mr Punch and Mr Saunderson—from certain citizens in similar terms to the last preceding petition.
- Mr R. J. Brown, Mr Cohen, Mr Dobie, Mr Hunt, Mr Lusher, Dr Klugman, Mr Morrison, Mr Peacock, Mr Punch, Mr Robinson, Mr Ruddock and Mr Simmons—from certain citizens praying that the nation's total dependence on God the Creator in accordance with the Constitution and the standing orders of the House of Representatives be reaffirmed.
- Mr Andrew, Mr Bilney, Mr Hall, Mr Hurford, Mr Jacobi, Mrs Kelly, Mr Porter and Mr Wilson—from certain citizens praying that parent clubs in government schools be granted exemption from bank account debits tax.
- Mr Adermann, Mr Andrew, Mr Braithwaite, Mr I. M. D. Cameron, Mr Campbell, Mr Hicks, Mr Porter and Mr Wilson—from certain elected representatives and officers of local governments praying that the Local Government (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Act be amended to provide a real term minimum guarantee to local government general revenue sharing arrangements.
- Mr Shipton—from certain citizens in the same terms as the last preceding petition.
- Mr Hawker, Mr Holding, Mr Keating, Mrs Kelly, Mr Mildren and Mr Peacock—from certain residents of Victoria praying that Victorian parent clubs be recognised as education auxiliaries and be exempted from bank account debits tax.
- Mrs Child, Mr Kent and Mr Steedman—from certain citizens praying that the Omega base in Victoria be closed.
- Mr Aldred—from certain citizens praying that religious and human rights persecution in the Soviet Union be condemned.
- Dr Blewett—from certain electors of the Division of Bonython praying that a referendum be called before further steps are taken to increase the number of Members and Senators in Parliament.
- Mr Braithwaite—from certain citizens praying that Australia Day be celebrated on 26 January each year and that a public holiday be declared on that day, regardless of which day of the week it falls.
- Mr J. J. Brown—from certain citizens praying that certain action be taken to facilitate the staging of the 1988 Olympic Games for the Disabled within Australia.
- Mr R. J. Brown—from certain members of the NSW State Superannuation Fund praying that the Government not proceed with its proposed method of taxing lump sum superannuation benefits.
- Mr Burr—from certain citizens praying that the Standing Committee on Environment and Conservation bring down an interim report on aircraft noise at Launceston as a matter of urgency.
- Mr I. M. D. Cameron—from certain citizens praying that recurrent funding for government schools be increased and funding for special programs to assist primary school children with learning difficulties be provided, as promised.
- Mr Cohen—from certain citizens praying that the Broadcasting and Television Act be amended in relation to program standards.
- Mrs Darling-from certain citizens praying that the Sex Discrimination Bill be passed.

Mrs Darling—from certain residents of Queensland praying that legislation be enacted to ban the advertising of alcohol from commercial television and radio.

- Dr H. R. Edwards—from certain residents of New South Wales praying that Parents and Citizens Associations and other such bodies be granted exemption from the Bank Account Debits Tax Administration Act.
- Mr Griffiths—from certain citizens praying that foreign aid be reoriented to eliminate chronic poverty in Australia's region and that both recipient countries and types of aid be chosen systematically, based on the commitment of the recipient government to help the poor.
- Mr Groom—from certain citizens praying that the Government refrain from ratifying the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women.
- Mr Hayden—from certain residents of the Divisions of Fadden and Oxley praying that the current services offered by the Roadvale Post Office, Qld, be retained.
- Mr Hicks-from certain citizens praying that legislation be enacted to permit the biological control of Paterson's Curse.
- Mr E. C. Cameron and Mr Fife—from certain electors of the Divisions of Indi and Farrer, respectively, in similar terms to the last preceding petition.
- Mr Katter—from certain residents of North West Queensland praying that the assistance for isolated children allowance for secondary boarding school students be increased to allow low income remote area families the same educational rights as other families.
- Mr Kent—from certain citizens praying that the Macedonian language be used in Government multi-lingual publications and be taught in secondary schools and tertiary institutions.
- Mr Kent—from certain residents of Victoria praying that the export of live animals for slaughter be banned.
- Mr Lindsay—from certain citizens praying that all foreign bases be removed from Australia.
- Mr Lindsay—from certain citizens praying that the Federal Government pay half the total cost of a pipeline to pump water from the Haughton main irrigation channel to the Ross River Dam, Qld.
- Mr McVeigh—from certain citizens praying that Federal funding be provided for the Oaks Nursing Home so that both private and children's wards can be restored at the Warwick Hospital, Qld.
- Mr Maher—from certain citizens praying that the Government's needs based funding policy for, and primary obligation to, non-government schools be reaffirmed and the Australian Schools Commission's recommendations for funding of non-government schools be accepted.
- Mr Mildren—from certain citizens praying that no further action be taken in respect of territorial or local government in the Australian Capital Territory until the findings of the inquiry into ACT finances have been made public and a further referendum of electors has been held.
- Mr Milton—from certain citizens praying that the Government be urged to support negotiated solutions to the conflicts in El Salvador and Nicaragua, place pressure on the United States Government to withdraw its forces from Central America and take certain other action in respect of Central America.
- Mr Moore—from certain citizens praying that reference to God as it is presently worded in the oath of allegiance be neither removed nor deleted.
- Mr Braithwaite—from certain electors of the Division of Dawson in similar terms to the last preceding petition.
- Mr Morrison—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 Ruddock—from certain citizens praying that a select committee be established to investigate the creation of a Ministry of Peace and Nuclear Disarmament.

- Mr Simmons—from certain citizens praying that the proposed closure of Telecom Australia's Manual Assistance Centre at Parkes, NSW, be halted, pending a full and open inquiry into the needs of affected subscribers and certain other matters.
- Mr Steedman—from certain citizens praying that government funding to all non-government schools in Australia be restored.
- Mr White—from certain citizens praying that the Australian Broadcasting Corporation implement a regular service on the Gold Coast, Qld, staffed by local residents.
- Mr Young—from certain citizens praying that the Government's taxation portion be removed from home purchasers' payments and transferred to a small levy or taxation deduction from all wages and income.

Petitions received.

PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—BEEF AND STEEL EXPORTS: The Deputy Speaker informed the House that Mr Hunt (Deputy Leader of the National Party of Australia) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The confusion and concern caused by the Prime Minister's actions and statements in Japan and China about beef and steel exports".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support-

Mr Hunt rising to address the House-

Mr Young (Leader of the House) moved—That the business of the day be called on. Question—put and passed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—SEX DISCRIMINATION BILL 1983: Message No. 176, dated 16 December 1983, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for "An Act relating to discrimination on the ground of sex, marital status or pregnancy or involving sexual harassment".

Bill read a first time.

Mr Young (Special Minister of State) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

- 8 December 1983—Message No. 143—Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (No. 2) 1983.
- 9 December 1983—Message No. 145—States Grants (Education Assistance— Participation and Equity) 1983.

13 December 1983—Message—

No. 146-States Grants (Schools Assistance) 1983.

No. 147-States Grants (Tertiary Education Assistance) Amendment 1983.

14 December 1983—Message—

No. 148—Health Legislation Amendment (No. 2) 1983.

No. 149-Remuneration and Allowances Amendment 1983.

No. 150-Bounty (Room Air Conditioners) Amendment 1983.

No. 151-Prices Surveillance 1983.

No. 152-Postal and Telecommunications Amendment 1983.

No. 153-Industrial Research and Development Incentives Amendment 1983.

No. 154—Australian Industry Development Corporation Amendment 1983.

No. 155-Management and Investment Companies 1983.

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No. 156-Steel Industry Authority 1983.

No. 157-Bounty (Steel Mill Products) 1983.

No. 158-Bounty (High Alloy Steel Products) 1983.

No. 159—Australian Shipping Commission Amendment 1983.

No. 160-Inter-State Commission Amendment 1983.

No. 161—Australian National Railways Commission 1983.

No. 162—Australian National Railways Commission (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) 1983.

16 December 1983—Message—

- No. 165-Radiocommunications 1983.
- No. 166—Radiocommunications (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) 1983.
- No. 167-Radiocommunications Taxes Collection 1983.
- No. 168—Radiocommunications (Frequency Reservation Certificate Tax) 1983 (without requests).
- No. 169—Radiocommunications (Receiver Licence Tax) 1983 (without requests).
- No. 170—Radiocommunications (Temporary Permit Tax) 1983 (without requests).
- No. 171-Radiocommunications (Test Permit Tax) 1983 (without requests).
- No. 172—Radiocommunications (Transmitter Licence Tax) 1983 (without requests).
- No. 173-Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Amendment 1983.
- No. 174—Life Insurance Amendment 1983.
- No. 175-Insurance Amendment 1983.

23 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:

8 December 1983—Message—

No. 100—Companies and Securities Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) 1983.

No. 101-

Representation 1983.

Bank Account Debits Tax Legislation Amendment 1983.

No. 102-Public Accounts Committee Amendment 1983.

13 December 1983—Message No. 103—Migration Amendment 1983.

- 14 December 1983-Message No. 104-
- Director of Public Prosecutions 1983.

Director of Public Prosecutions (Consequential Amendments) 1983.

16 December 1983-Message-

No. 105-Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment (No. 2) 1983.

No. 106-Taxation Administration Amendment 1983.

No. 107—Telecommunications (Interception) Amendment 1983.

21 December 1983-Message-

No. 108-

States Grants (Education Assistance—Participation and Equity) 1983. States Grants (Schools Assistance) 1983.

States Grants (Tertiary Education Assistance) Amendment 1983. No. 109-

Industrial Research and Development Incentives Amendment 1983. Australian Industry Development Corporation Amendment 1983. Management and Investment Companies 1983.

No. 110-

Steel Industry Authority 1983.

Bounty (Steel Mill Products) 1983.

Bounty (High Alloy Steel Products) 1983.

22 December 1983-Message-

No. 111-

Australian Shipping Commission Amendment 1983. Remuneration and Allowances Amendment 1983. Insurance Amendment 1983.

Radiocommunications 1983.

Radiocommunications (Frequency Reservation Certificate Tax) 1983.

Radiocommunications (Receiver Licence Tax) 1983.

Radiocommunications Taxes Collection 1983.

Radiocommunications (Temporary Permit Tax) 1983.

Radiocommunications (Test Permit Tax) 1983.

Radiocommunications (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) 1983.

Radiocommunications (Transmitter Licence Tax) 1983.

No. 112—

Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Amendment 1983.

Health Legislation Amendment (No. 2) 1983.

Australian National Railways Commission 1983.

Australian National Railways Commission (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) 1983.

Inter-State Commission Amendment 1983.

Life Insurance Amendment 1983.

No. 113-Commonwealth Electoral Legislation Amendment 1983.

No. 114---

Prices Surveillance 1983.

Bounty (Room Air Conditioners) Amendment 1983.

Postal and Telecommunications Amendment 1983.

- 24 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE: Message No. 144, dated 13 December 1983, from the Senate was reported acquainting the House that Senators Dame Margaret Guilfoyle and Reynolds had been appointed members of the Joint Committee of Public Accounts.
- 25 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—TAXATION (UNPAID COMPANY TAX) ASSESSMENT AMENDMENT BILL 1983 [NO. 3]: The following message from the Senate was reported:

Message No. 163

Mr Speaker,

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Taxation (Unpaid Company Tax) Assessment Act 1982'", 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.

> D. McCLELLAND President

The Senate,

Canberra, 14 December 1983

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

26 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—REFERENDUM (CONSTITUTION ALTERATION) AMENDMENT BILL 1983: The following message from the Senate was reported:

Message No. 164

Mr Speaker,

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Referendum (Constitution Alteration) Act 1906'", and acquaints the House that the Senate insists upon its Amendment No. 4 disagreed to by the House of Representatives. The Senate desires the reconsideration of the Bill in respect of the Amendment. D. McCLELLAND President

The Senate,

Canberra, 15 December 1983

Ordered—That consideration of the message be made an order of the day for the next sitting.

27 COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION—29TH COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE—REPORT OF DELEGATION FROM COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA BRANCH: Mr Fry, by leave, presented the following paper:

> Commonwealth Parliamentary Association—29th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference, Nairobi, Kenya, October-November 1983—Report of Delegation from Commonwealth of Australia Branch—

and, by leave, moved-That the paper be printed.

Question—put and passed.

28 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Young (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Question-put and passed.

And then the House, at 10.58 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 10 a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 28 February 1984:

Acts Interpretation Act—Statements relating to extension of specified period for presentation of periodic report—

Australian Dairy Corporation, report for year 1982-83.

Australian Wool Corporation, report for year 1982-83.

- Commissioner for Superannuation and Superannuation Fund Investment Trust, reports for year 1982-83.
- Air Force Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1983, No. 340.

Apple and Pear Stabilization Act-Regulation-Statutory Rules 1983, No. 324.

Audit Act-Regulation-Statutory Rules 1984, No. 4.

Australian Bureau of Statistics Act—Australian Bureau of Statistics—Proposal for collection of information—1984—No. 1—Monthly survey of non-trade foreign receipts and payments.

Australian Capital Territory Representation (House of Representatives) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1983, No. 314.

Australian National University Act-Statutes-

No. 170-Faculties (The Faculties) Amendment No. 18.

No. 171—Faculties (The Faculties) Amendment No. 19.

No. 172—Academic and Ceremonial Dress Amendment No. 10.

Australian War Memorial Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1983, No. 343.

Automatic Data Processing Equipment Bounty Act-Return for year 1982-83.

Bounty (Agricultural Tractors) Act-

Regulations—Statutory Rules 1983, No. 345.

Return for year 1982-83.

Bounty (Bed Sheeting) Act-Return for year 1982-83.

Bounty (Berry Fruits) Act-Return for year 1982-83.

Bounty (Books) Act-Return for year 1982-83.

Bounty (Commercial Motor Vehicles) Act-Return for year 1982-83.

Bounty (Drilling Bits) Act—Return for year 1982-83.

Bounty (Injection-moulding Equipment) Act—Return for year 1982-83.

Bounty (Metal-working Machine Tools) Act-Return for year 1982-83.

Bounty (Non-adjustable Wrenches) Act—Return for year 1982-83.

- Bounty (Paper) Act-Return for year 1982-83.
- Bounty (Penicillin) Act-Return for year 1982-83.
- Bounty (Printed Fabrics) Act-Return for year 1982-83.
- Bounty (Refined Tin) Act-Return for year 1982-83.
- Bounty (Room Air Conditioners) Act—Return for year 1982-83.
- Bounty (Ships) Act-Return for year 1982-83.
- Bounty (Steel Products) Act-Return for year 1982-83.
- Bounty (Textile Yarns) Act-Return for year 1982-83.
- Canberra College of Advanced Education Act—Statute—No. 52—Courses and Awards Amendment (No. 2) 1983.
- Cocos (Keeling) Islands Act—Ordinance—1983—No. 1—Local Government (Amendment).
- Commonwealth Banks Act-Appointment certificate-Smith, S.E.
- Commonwealth Electoral Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1984, No. 16.
- Commonwealth Electoral Act and Referendum (Constitution Alteration) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1983, No. 313.
- Companies (Acquisition of Shares) Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1983, No. 318.
- Companies Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1983, No. 316.
- Companies (Fees) Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1983, No. 317.
- Customs Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules-
 - 1983—Nos. 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332.
 - 1984—Nos. 13, 18.
- Dairy Industry Stabilization Levy Act-Regulation-Statutory Rules 1983, No. 347.
- Defence Act-Determinations-

1983—

- No. 29-Allowance for Loss on Sale of Vehicle.
- No. 30-Higher Duties Allowance and other Allowances.
- No. 31-Settling In and Settling Out Allowance.
- No. 32-In Port Allowance.
- No. 33-Woomera Allowance.
- No. 34—Broken Hill Allowance.
- No. 35—District Allowance, Recreation Leave, Recreation Leave Bonus and Long Service Leave.
- No. 36—Settling In and Settling Out Allowance.
- No. 37-Married Trainee's Allowance and other Allowances.
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MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Jacobi.

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D. M. BLAKE Clerk of the House of Representatives

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