

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 30

TUESDAY, 21 MAY 1985

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- 1 The House met, at 2 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Dr H. A. Jenkins) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.
- 3 **PAPERS:** The following papers were presented:
  - Administrative Review Council—Report No. 22—The relationship between the Ombudsman and the Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
  - Royal Australian Air Force Veterans' Residences Act—Royal Australian Air Force Veterans' Residences Trust—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1983-84.
- 4 **HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE MIGRATION ACT—REPORT BY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Bowen (Attorney-General) presented the following paper:
  - Human Rights Commission Act—Human Rights Commission—Report No. 13—Human rights and the *Migration Act 1958*, dated 17 April 1985.Mr Young (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the paper.  
Debate adjourned (Mr MacKellar), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 5 **QUEENSLAND ELECTRICITY SUPPLY AND RELATED INDUSTRIAL LEGISLATION—REPORT BY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Bowen (Attorney-General) presented the following paper:
  - Human Rights Commission Act—Human Rights Commission—Report No. 14—Queensland electricity supply and related industrial legislation, dated 15 May 1985.Mr Young (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the paper.  
Debate adjourned (Mr MacKellar), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 6 **COMMONWEALTH GRANTS COMMISSION—SPECIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE NORTHERN TERRITORY—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Young (Special Minister of State) presented the following paper:
  - Commonwealth Grants Commission Act—Commonwealth Grants Commission—Special assistance for the Northern Territory—5th Report (1985).Mr Jones (Minister for Science) moved—That the House take note of the paper.  
Debate adjourned (Mr MacKellar), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

**7 ELECTORAL REFORM—JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE— 2ND REPORT— GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Young (Special Minister of State) presented the following paper:

Joint Select Committee on Electoral Reform—2nd Report, dated 17 August 1984—Government response—Statement by Mr Young, Special Minister of State.

Mr Jones (Minister for Science) moved—That the House take note of the paper.

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

**8 FEDERATED SHIP PAINTERS AND DOCKERS' UNION—REPORTS OF ROYAL COMMISSION—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND PAPER—PAPERS NOTED:** Mr Young (Special Minister of State), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House of the Government's response to the reports of the Royal Commission into the Federated Ship Painters and Dockers' Union, and presented the following papers:

Federated Ship Painters and Dockers' Union—Royal Commission—Reports—Government response—

Ministerial statement, 21 May 1985.

Schedule of Government's responses to recommendations.

Mr Jones (Minister for Science) moved—That the House take note of the papers.

*Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for speech:* Mr Jones, by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr N. A. Brown speaking for a period not exceeding 24 minutes.

Question—put and passed.

Debate ensued.

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

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

Mr Beale, Mr Charles, Mrs Child, Mr Halverson, Mr Hawke, Mr Hawker, Mr Howe, Mr Kent, Mr Macphee and Dr Theophanous—from certain citizens praying that the national flag not be changed except by a referendum.

Mr Fife—from certain citizens in similar terms.

Mrs Darling, Mr MacKellar and Mr Tickner—from certain citizens praying that wild horses be protected from industry and indiscriminate slaughter.

Mr Burr and Mr Cadman—from certain citizens praying that the rights of private enterprise be protected and any inequitable additional taxes be rejected.

Mr Cadman and Mr Drummond—from certain citizens praying that the Social Security and Repatriation Assets Test Abolition Bill be passed.

Mrs Child and Mr Hollis—from certain citizens praying that efforts for nuclear disarmament be intensified, US military bases on Australian soil be removed and the Pacific and Indian Oceans be kept nuclear free.

Dr H. R. Edwards and Mr Hodgman—from certain citizens praying that sales tax be replaced by a broad based consumption tax with a uniform ad valorem rate.

Mr Andrew—from certain citizens praying that sales tax be removed from all Australian produced wines and that certain other action be taken in support of grape producers.

Mr Andrew—from certain citizens in similar terms to the last preceding petition.

Mr Cadman—from certain citizens praying that a referendum be held on strengthening Australia's defence relationship with the United States.

Mr E. C. Cameron—from certain citizens praying that certain action be taken against the importation and distribution of pornographic and obscene materials.

Mr E. C. Cameron—from certain residents of the Division of Indi praying that the Territory Education Assistance allowance be raised to the level of the unemployment benefit.

- Mr Charles—from certain citizens praying that the tax threshold be raised to \$10 000 and certain other action be taken in support of low income earners and those on social welfare.
- Mrs Darling—from certain citizens praying for the continuation of the public inquiry into the legislation relating to video classification.
- Mr Free—from certain citizens praying that water be supplied at strategic roadside points in arid areas.
- Mr Goodluck—from certain citizens praying that the price of petrol be reduced by 3 cents per litre.
- Mr Hawker—from certain citizens praying that the assets test on pensions be repealed.
- Mr Hodgman—from certain citizens praying that the number of teachers of English as a second language be increased.
- Mr Hodgman—from certain citizens praying that compulsory National Service be re-introduced.
- Mr Hodgman—from certain citizens praying that certain action be taken with respect to the classification and restriction of films, video tapes and printed material.
- Mr Hodgman—from certain residents of Tasmania praying that legislation be enacted to ban the advertising of alcohol from commercial television and radio.
- Mr Humphreys—from certain citizens praying that 1989 be proposed as the International Year for Repairing the Earth and certain other action be taken in support of world peace.
- Mr Kent—from certain citizens praying that the Government support the stand taken by the New Zealand Government on nuclear vessels and that the policy of developing zones of peace and nuclear free zones in the Indian and Pacific Oceans be implemented.
- Mr Lloyd—from certain electors of the Division of Murray praying that the importation of dairy products be banned forthwith.
- Mr Rocher—from certain citizens praying that the existing national flag remain sacrosanct.
- Mr Hodgman—from certain citizens in similar terms to the last preceding petition.
- Mr Porter—from certain residents of South Australia praying that commercial television reception in Pinnaroo, SA, and adjacent areas be upgraded.
- Mr Slipper—from certain citizens praying that family allowance payments be restored to their former level.

Petitions received.

- 10 MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILL:** A message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bill:  
20 May 1985—Message No. 40—First Home Owners Amendment 1985.
- 11 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—SMALL BUSINESS:** The Deputy Speaker informed the House that Mr Tuckey had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The confusing effect of Government policies on the confidence and viability of the small business sector".  
The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—  
Mr Tuckey addressed the House.  
Discussion ensued.  
Discussion concluded.
- 12 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE—REPORT:** Mr Tickner presented the following report from the Joint Committee of Public Accounts:  
229th Report—Reports of the Auditor-General—1981-82 and September 1982.

**13 AUSTRALIAN CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION—PARTICIPATION BY COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENT:** Mr Bowen (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, moved—That the House of Representatives, recognising the desirability of a thorough review of the Australian Constitution in the light of experience since its establishment and of modern day requirements, agrees that the Commonwealth Parliament continue its participation in the Australian Constitutional Convention established to review the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution and accordingly resolves:

- (1) That, for the purposes of the Convention—
  - (a) a delegation from the Commonwealth Parliament take part in the deliberations of the Convention, and comprise 12 members of the Parliament of whom 4 shall be members of the Senate and 8 shall be Members of the House of Representatives;
  - (b) the 8 Members of the House of Representatives comprise 4 members of the Australian Labor Party, 3 members of the Liberal Party of Australia and one member of the National Party of Australia.
- (2) That—
  - (a) the Prime Minister and 3 other Members of the House of Representatives, being members of the Australian Labor Party, nominated by him;
  - (b) the Leader of the Opposition and 2 other Members of the House, being members of the Liberal Party of Australia, nominated by him; and
  - (c) the Leader of the National Party of Australia or another Member of the House, being a member of the National Party of Australia, nominated by the Leader of that Party,  
be members of the Delegation.
- (3) That the Prime Minister or his nominee be the Leader of the Delegation, and the Leader of the Opposition or his nominee be the Deputy Leader.
- (4) That a member of the Delegation cease to be such a member if—
  - (a) he ceases to be a member of the Commonwealth Parliament;
  - (b) the House of the Parliament of which he is a member terminates his appointment; or
  - (c) he resigns as a member of the Delegation by writing addressed to the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House of Representatives, as the case requires.
- (5) That where, because of illness or any other cause, a member of the Delegation is not available to attend a meeting, or part of a meeting, of the Convention, the Leader or senior available member of that member's Party may nominate an alternative member and the member so nominated shall be a member of the Delegation for that meeting, or that part of that meeting.
- (6) That, in the event of a member of the Delegation ceasing to be such a member, the Leader of that member's Party in the House from which that member was drawn may nominate another member (being a member of the House of which the first-mentioned member is or was a member) to replace the first-mentioned member.
- (7) That the Leader of the Delegation from time to time make a report for presentation to each House of the Parliament on matters arising out of the Convention, and that the Deputy Leader of the Delegation may make an accompanying report.
- (8) That a message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of the resolution agreed to by the House of Representatives.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

**14 CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION (ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY) BILL 1985:** Mr Willis (Minister for Employment and Industrial Relations), pursuant to notice, presented a

Bill for an Act relating to the prevention and settlement of disputes in the electricity industry.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 15 **FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS OF COMMONWEALTH—APPROVAL OF VARIATION OF STATEMENT:** Mr Hurford (Minister Assisting the Treasurer), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with sub-section 49 (2) of the *Audit Act 1901*, the House approves the variation to the form of the Statement of Financial Transactions of the Commonwealth presented to the House on 15 May 1985.

Question—put and passed.

- 16 **COMMONWEALTH OFFICES, WILLIAM STREET, MELBOURNE—UPGRADING OF ACCOMMODATION—APPROVAL OF WORK:** Mr West (Minister for Housing and Construction), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969* and by reason of the urgent nature of the work, it is expedient that the following proposed work be carried out without it having been referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works: Upgrading of accommodation, Commonwealth Offices, 11 William Street, Melbourne.

Question—put and passed.

- 17 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—BILLS—LIMITATION OF DEBATE:** Mr Young (Leader of the House) moved—That, in relation to the proceedings on the following Bills, so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Leader of the House making one declaration of urgency and moving one motion for the allotment of time in respect of all the Bills:

Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill (No. 1) 1985;

Social Security Legislation Amendment Bill 1985;

National Health Amendment Bill 1985;

Local Government (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Amendment Bill 1985;

Defence (Re-establishment) Amendment Bill 1985, and

Repatriation Legislation Amendment Bill 1985.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 76

Mr Baldwin	Mrs Darling	Mr Hurford	Mr A. A. Morris
Mr Beazley	Mr Dubois	Mr Jacobi	Mr P. F. Morris
Mr Beddall	Mr Duffy	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Bilney	Mr Duncan	Mr Jones	Mr O'Neil
Mr Blanchard	Mr R. F. Edwards	Mrs Kelly	Mr Price
Dr Blewett	Ms Fatin	Mr Kent	Mr Punch
Mr Bowen	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Keogh	Mr Saunderson
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mr Kerin	Mr Scholes
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Gayler	Dr Klugman	Mr Scott
Mr Brumby	Mr Gear	Mr Lamb	Mr Simmons
Mr Campbell	Mr Gorman	Mr Langmore	Mr Snow
Mr Charles	Mr Grace	Mr Lee	Mr Staples
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Griffiths	Mr Lindsay	Dr Theophanous
Mrs Child	Mr Hand	Ms McHugh	Mr Tickner
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Hawke	Mr McLeay	Mr Uren
Mr Cleeland	Mr Holding	Mr Maher	Mr West
Mr Cohen	Mr Hollis	Mr Martin	Mr Willis
Mr Cross	Mr Howe	Mrs Mayer	Mr Wright
Mr Cunningham*	Mr Humphreys*	Mr Milton	Mr Young

## NOES, 62

Mr Adermann	Mr Dobie	Mr Hunt	Mr Ruddock
Mr Aldred	Mr Downer	Mr Jull	Mr Shack
Mr Andrew	Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr Sharp
Mr Beale	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr Lloyd	Mr Shipton
Mr Blunt	Mr Everingham	Mr McArthur	Mr Sinclair
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Fife	Mr McGauran	Mr Slipper
Mr Burr	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr MacKellar	Mr Smith
Mr Cadman	Mr P. S. Fisher	Mr McVeigh	Mr Spender
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Goodluck	Mr Macphee	Mrs Sullivan
Mr E. C. Cameron*	Mr Hall	Mr Miles	Mr Tuckey
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Halverson	Mr Millar	Dr Watson
Mr Cobb	Mr Hawker	Mr Moore	Mr Webster
Mr Coleman	Mr Hicks*	Mr Peacock	Mr White
Mr Connolly	Mr Hodges	Mr Porter	Mr Wilson
Mr Conquest	Mr Hodgman	Mr Reith	
Mr Cowan	Mr Howard	Mr Rocher	

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative by an absolute majority.

- 18 DECLARATION OF BILLS AS URGENT BILLS—LIMITATION OF DEBATE:** Mr Young (Leader of the House) declared that the Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill (No. 1) 1985, the Social Security Legislation Amendment Bill 1985, the National Health Amendment Bill 1985, the Local Government (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Amendment Bill 1985, the Defence (Re-establishment) Amendment Bill 1985 and the Repatriation Legislation Amendment Bill 1985 were urgent Bills.

Question—That the Bills be considered urgent Bills—put.

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

## AYES, 76

Mr Baldwin	Mrs Darling	Mr Hurford	Mr A. A. Morris
Mr Beazley	Mr Dubois	Mr Jacobi	Mr P. F. Morris
Mr Beddall	Mr Duffy	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Bilney	Mr Duncan	Mr Jones	Mr O'Neil
Mr Blanchard	Mr R. F. Edwards	Mrs Kelly	Mr Price
Dr Blewett	Ms Fatin	Mr Kent	Mr Punch
Mr Bowen	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Keogh	Mr Saunderson
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mr Kerin	Mr Scholes
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Gayler	Dr Klugman	Mr Scott
Mr Brumby	Mr Gear	Mr Lamb	Mr Simmons
Mr Campbell	Mr Gorman	Mr Langmore	Mr Snow
Mr Charles	Mr Grace	Mr Lee	Mr Staples
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Mr Chynoweth	Mr Hawke	Mr McLeay	Mr Uren
Mr Cleeland	Mr Holding	Mr Maher	Mr West
Mr Cohen	Mr Hollis	Mr Martin	Mr Willis
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## NOES, 63

Mr Adermann	Mr Cowan	Mr Howard	Mr Rocher
Mr Aldred	Mr Dobie	Mr Hunt	Mr Ruddock
Mr Andrew	Mr Downer	Mr Jull	Mr Shack
Mr Beale	Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr Sharp
Mr Blunt	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr Lloyd	Mr Shipton
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Everingham	Mr McArthur	Mr Sinclair
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Fife	Mr McGauran	Mr Slipper
Mr Burr	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr MacKellar	Mr Smith
Mr Cadman	Mr P. S. Fisher	Mr McVeigh	Mr Spender
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Goodluck	Mr Macphee	Mrs Sullivan
Mr E. C. Cameron*	Mr Hall	Mr Miles	Mr Tuckey
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Halverson	Mr Millar	Dr Watson
Mr Cobb	Mr Hawker	Mr Moore	Mr Webster
Mr Coleman	Mr Hicks*	Mr Peacock	Mr White
Mr Connolly	Mr Hodges	Mr Porter	Mr Wilson
Mr Conquest	Mr Hodgman	Mr Reith	

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

*Allotment of time:* Mr Young then moved—That the time allotted in connection with the Bills be as follows:

- (1) Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill (No. 1) 1985—For the remaining stages, until 6.30 p.m. this day.
- (2) Social Security Legislation Amendment Bill 1985—For the remaining stages, until 8.45 p.m. this day.
- (3) National Health Amendment Bill 1985—For the remaining stages, until 9.30 p.m. this day.
- (4) Local Government (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Amendment Bill 1985—For the remaining stages, until 10.15 p.m. this day.
- (5) Defence (Re-establishment) Amendment Bill 1985—For the remaining stages, until 11 p.m. this day.
- (6) Repatriation Legislation Amendment Bill 1985—For the remaining stages, until 11.45 p.m. this day.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

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

## AYES, 72

Mr Baldwin	Mrs Darling	Mr Hurford	Mr A. A. Morris
Mr Beddall	Mr Dubois	Mr Jacobi	Mr P. F. Morris
Mr Bilney	Mr Duffy	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr O'Neil
Mr Blanchard	Mr Duncan	Mr Jones	Mr Price
Dr Blewett	Mr R. F. Edwards	Mrs Kelly	Mr Punch
Mr Bowen	Ms Fatin	Mr Kent	Mr Sanderson
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Keogh	Mr Scholes
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mr Kerin	Mr Scott
Mr Brumby	Mr Gayler	Mr Lamb	Mr Simmons
Mr Campbell	Mr Gear	Mr Langmore	Mr Snow
Mr Charles	Mr Gorman	Mr Lee	Mr Staples
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Grace	Mr Lindsay	Dr Theophanous
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Mr Cleeland	Mr Hawke	Mr Maher	Mr West
Mr Cohen	Mr Holding	Mr Martin	Mr Willis
Mr Cross	Mr Hollis	Mrs Mayer	Mr Wright
Mr Cunningham*	Mr Humphreys*	Mr Milton	Mr Young

## NOES, 60

Mr Adermann	Mr Cowan	Mr Hodgman	Mr Rocher
Mr Aldred	Mr Dobie	Mr Howard	Mr Ruddock
Mr Andrew	Mr Downer	Mr Hunt	Mr Shack
Mr Beale	Mr Drummond	Mr Jull	Mr Sharp
Mr Blunt	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr Katter	Mr Shipton
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Mr Cobb	Mr Hawker	Mr Moore	Mr Webster
Mr Coleman	Mr Hicks*	Mr Porter	Mr White
Mr Conquest	Mr Hodges	Mr Reith	Mr Wilson

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

- 19 **STATUTE LAW (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) BILL (NO. 1) 1985:** 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.

*Limitation of debate:* At 6.30 p.m., the Deputy Speaker having called the attention of the House to the fact that the time allotted for the remaining stages of the Bill had expired—

Question—That the remaining stages of the Bill be agreed to—put and passed—Bill read a third time.

- 20 **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY:** Ordered—That order of the day No. 2, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

- 21 **SOCIAL SECURITY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1985:** 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.

*Limitation of debate:* At 8.45 p.m., the Deputy Speaker having called the attention of the House to the fact that the time allotted for the remaining stages of the Bill had expired—

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

Further question—That the remaining stages of the Bill be agreed to—put and passed—Bill read a third time.

- 22 **NATIONAL HEALTH AMENDMENT BILL 1985:** 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 Porter who moved, as an amendment—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 notes that this measure—(1) breaks yet another Government election promise—that being to reduce the cost of pharmaceuticals to those suffering from chronic illnesses or disabilities, and, (2) in fact exacerbates the problems of the chronically ill and disabled”.

Debate continued.

*Limitation of debate:* At 9.30 p.m., the Deputy Speaker having called the attention of the House to the fact that the time allotted for the remaining stages of the Bill had expired—

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



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

Question—That the remaining stages of the Bill be agreed to—put and passed—Bill read a third time.

**23 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PERSONAL INCOME TAX SHARING) AMENDMENT BILL 1985:**

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 Everingham who moved, as an amendment—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 this legislation represents a further breach of the Government’s election commitments”.

Debate continued.

*Limitation of debate:* At 10.15 p.m., the Deputy Speaker having called the attention of the House to the fact that the time allotted for the remaining stages of the Bill had expired—

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

Further 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. 41, dated 16 May 1985, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

Question—That the remaining stages of the Bill be agreed to—put and passed—Bill read a third time.

**24 DEFENCE (RE-ESTABLISHMENT) AMENDMENT BILL 1985:** 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 Sinclair (Leader of the National Party of Australia) who moved, as an amendment—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, this House condemns the further erosion in terms of service for servicemen and women that the Bill represents, and calls on the Government to act urgently to restore equity in those conditions of service and adequately reward servicemen and women for the service they render to Australia”.

Debate continued.

*Limitation of debate:* At 11 p.m., the Deputy Speaker having called the attention of the House to the fact that the time allotted for the remaining stages of the Bill had expired—

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

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

Question—That the remaining stages of the Bill be agreed to—put and passed—Bill read a third time.

**25 REPATRIATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1985:** 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.

*Limitation of debate:* At 11.45 p.m., the Deputy Speaker having called the attention of the House to the fact that the time allotted for the remaining stages of the Bill had expired—

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

Question—That the remaining stages of the Bill be agreed to—put and passed—Bill read a third time.

- 26 **PARLIAMENT (POWERS, PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES) BILL 1985:** Mr Spender, by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to declare the powers, privileges and immunities of the Senate and of the House of Representatives, and of the members and the committees of each of those Houses, and for other purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Debate adjourned (Mr Young—Leader of the House), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

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

21 May 1985—Message—

No. 50—Appropriation (No. 3) 1984-85 (*without requests*).

No. 51—Appropriation (No. 4) 1984-85.

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

Mr McVeigh rising to address the House—

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

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

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

And then the House, at 11.57 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 10 a.m.

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**PAPER:** The following paper was deemed to have been presented on 21 May 1985:  
Commonwealth Teaching Service Act—Determination—1985—No. 2.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Dawkins, Mr Hayden, Mr Keating, Mr Mildren and Mr Mountford.

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