

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

No. 97

THURSDAY, 8 MAY 1986

- 1 The House met, at 9 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Madam Speaker (the Honourable Joan Child) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 **SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:** Mr Young (Leader of the House) moved—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 20 May 1986, unless Madam Speaker fixes an alternative day or hour of meeting.
 Question—put and passed.
- 3 **PRECEDENCE TO GOVERNMENT BUSINESS:** Mr Young (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—That government business shall take precedence of general business for this sitting.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put.
 The House divided (the Speaker, Mrs Child, in the Chair)—

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

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

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

- 4 **FRINGE BENEFITS TAX ASSESSMENT BILL 1986:** 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 Cowan addressing the House—
 It being 2 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 101, as amended by sessional order, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.
- 5 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.
- 6 **NEW PARLIAMENT HOUSE—PROVISION OF SMALLWARES—STATEMENT BY MADAM SPEAKER:** Madam Speaker informed the House that, further to her statement to the House on 18 March 1986, the Joint House Department would advertise in the national press seeking expressions of interest from prospective suppliers of smallwares.
- 7 **DISPLAY OF CONSTITUTIONAL DOCUMENTS—STATEMENT BY MADAM SPEAKER:** Madam Speaker informed the House that the Australia Act Proclamation signed by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II would be placed on permanent display in King's Hall. Madam Speaker also informed the House that both Presiding Officers had supported a proposal by the Prime Minister that a display of important constitutional documents be mounted in the new Parliament House in the bicentenary year.
- 8 **PETITION TO GOVERNMENT OF USSR—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS:** Mr Griffiths, by leave, presented the following paper:
 Copy of petition to the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, from certain parliamentary representatives of the Australian people, concerning rights of the Jewish community within the USSR.
 Mr Griffiths and Dr Klugman, by leave, made statements in connection with the paper.
- 9 **PAPER:** The following paper was presented:
 Australian Institute of Aboriginal Studies Act—Council of the Australian Institute of Aboriginal Studies—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for 1984-85.
- 10 **PAPER:** Mr Hodgman, by leave, during a personal explanation, presented the following paper:
 Entertainment expenses—News release by Mr Hodgman, dated 7 October 1985.
- 11 **COST RECOVERY ARRANGEMENTS FOR INTERSTATE LAND TRANSPORT—REPORT BY INTER-STATE COMMISSION—PAPER AND MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:** Mr P. F. Morris (Minister for Transport) presented the following paper:
 Inter-State Commission Act—Inter-State Commission—Report of an investigation of cost recovery arrangements for interstate land transport, dated 24 April 1986—
 and, by leave, made a ministerial statement in connection with the report.
 Mr Lloyd, by leave, also made a statement in connection with the report.
- 12 **PETITIONS:** The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
 Mr Free, Mr Gorman, Mr Grace and Mr Price—from certain residents of New South Wales praying that the Western Sydney State University be established in conjunction with the NSW Government.
 Mr Blunt, Mr Nehl and Mr Robinson—from certain residents of the Divisions of Richmond, Cowper and Page, respectively, praying that the superannuation

- claim of the trade union movement be rejected and superannuation be allowed to develop without trade union domination.
- Mr Blunt, Mr Nehl and Mr Robinson—from certain residents of the Divisions of Richmond, Cowper and Page, respectively, praying that the Australian Bill of Rights Bill be repealed.
- Mr Slipper—from certain residents of the Division of Fisher in similar terms to the last preceding petition.
- Mr E. C. Cameron and Mr Shipton—from certain citizens praying that the national flag not be changed except by a referendum.
- Dr H. R. Edwards—from certain citizens in similar terms to the last preceding petition.
- Ms McHugh and Mr Tickner—from certain citizens praying that an additional nuclear reactor not be constructed at Lucas Heights, NSW, or elsewhere within Australia.
- Mr Blunt—from certain citizens; and Mr Slipper—from certain residents of the Division of Fisher praying that the existing national flag remain sacrosanct.
- Mr Blunt—from certain residents of the Division of Richmond praying that a bi-partisan commitment to world-wide nuclear disarmament be made.
- Mr Cadman—from certain citizens praying that proclamation of the Australian Bill of Rights Bill be delayed until a referendum has been held.
- Mr D. M. Cameron—from certain citizens praying that the Australian Bill of Rights Bill and the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission Bill not be enacted until a referendum has been held.
- Mr Duncan—from certain residents of South Australia praying that the closure of the Lincoln Court Shopping Centre Post Office be reconsidered.
- Mr P. S. Fisher—from certain residents of the Division of Mallee praying that the proposed capital gains tax legislation be introduced without delay and that it be rejected.
- Mr Halverson—from certain citizens; and Mr Blunt—from certain residents of the Division of Richmond praying that no cut backs be made to the portfolio of Veterans' Affairs and certain action be taken to assist ex-servicemen and women.
- 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 Lee—from certain citizens praying that a Medicare office be established in Wyong, NSW, as soon as possible.
- Mr Martin—from certain electors of the Division of Macarthur praying that a larger and more modern telephone exchange be established in the Lakesland area, NSW.
- Mr Nehl—from certain citizens praying that the Australian Bill of Rights Bill and associated bills be rejected, the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission be abolished and ratification of the Covenant on Civil and Political Rights be withdrawn.
- Mr Punch—from certain citizens praying that the standard pension be raised to 25% of average weekly earnings and certain other action be taken to assist pensioners and low income earners.
- Mr Scott—from certain citizens praying that importation of cobalt 60 and other radioactive substances be banned and regulations permitting irradiation of food in Australia be disallowed.
- Mr Scott—from certain citizens praying for official recognition of the African National Congress and the South West Africa Peoples Organisation and that certain other financial and humanitarian support be given to the South African and Namibian people.

Mr Slipper—from certain citizens praying that measures be taken to reduce the burden of imposed costs and regulation on Australian horticultural growers.

Mr Slipper—from certain citizens praying that family allowance payments be restored to their former level.

Mr Slipper—from certain residents of Queensland praying that the capital gains tax proposal be abandoned.

Mr Slipper—from certain residents of the Division of Fisher, and from certain residents of Queensland, praying that the right to work be acknowledged and protected and that certain other action be taken to protect workers.

Mr Slipper—from certain residents of the Division of Fisher praying that home loan interest rates be tax deductible.

Mr Slipper—from certain residents of the Division of Fisher praying that the 1985 tax proposals outlined in the Government's White Paper be rejected.

Mr Slipper—from certain residents of the Division of Fisher praying that means be sought for the protection of the people's interests to reverse the decision to hand Ayers Rock over to an Aboriginal Land Council.

Mr Tickner—from certain citizens praying that new initiatives be taken to encourage all member states of the United Nations to conclude a treaty banning all nuclear weapons tests and that certain other action be taken in relation to nuclear weapons tests.

Mr Tickner—from certain citizens praying that anti-monopolisation measures and certain other action be taken to assist price control.

Dr Watson—from certain residents of Queensland praying that no action be taken to change the national flag.

Petitions received.

- 13 **DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—REGIONAL COMMERCIAL TELEVISION:** The House was informed that Mr Macphee had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The confusion, lack of clear direction and delays associated with the Government's policies on regional commercial television".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Macphee addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

- 14 **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY:** Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 2 to 4, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

- 15 **HEALTH LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1986:** Dr Blewett (Minister for Health), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend various laws relating to health, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Dr Blewett moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper: Dr Blewett presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

- 16 **BOUNTIES BILL 1986:** Mr Jones (Minister representing the Minister for Industry, Technology and Commerce), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the payment of bounties on the production of goods, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper: Mr Jones presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

- 17 **FRINGE BENEFITS TAX ASSESSMENT BILL 1986:** 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 Rocher was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed. Debate adjourned, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

- 18 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER 103:** Mr Young (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That standing order 103 (11 o'clock rule) be suspended for this sitting.

Question—put and passed.

- 19 **BILLS—LIMITATION OF DEBATE—VARIATION OF ALLOTMENT OF TIME:** Mr Young (Leader of the House) moved—That the time allotted in connection with the Fringe Benefits Tax Assessment Bill 1986, the Fringe Benefits Tax Bill 1986, the Fringe Benefits Tax (Application to the Commonwealth) Bill 1986 and the Fringe Benefits Tax (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 1986 be varied as follows:

- (1) Fringe Benefits Tax Assessment Bill 1986—
 - (a) For the second reading, until 10.50 p.m. this day.
 - (b) For the committee stage, until 10.55 p.m. this day.
 - (c) For the remaining stages of the Bill, until 11 p.m. this day.
- (2) Fringe Benefits Tax Bill 1986—For the remaining stages of the Bill, until 11.05 p.m. this day.
- (3) Fringe Benefits Tax (Application to the Commonwealth) Bill 1986—For the remaining stages of the Bill, until 11.10 p.m. this day.
- (4) Fringe Benefits Tax (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 1986—For the remaining stages of the Bill, until 11.15 p.m. this day.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 20 **PARLIAMENTARY COMMISSION OF INQUIRY BILL 1986:** Mr Bowen (Attorney-General), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the establishment of a Parliamentary Commission of Inquiry.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper: Mr Bowen presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Leave granted for debate to ensue.

Declaration of Bill as urgent Bill: Mr Young (Leader of the House) declared that the Bill was an urgent Bill.

Question—That the Bill be considered an urgent Bill—put and passed.

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

- (a) For the second reading, until 9.20 p.m. this day.
- (b) For the committee stage, until 9.25 p.m. this day.
- (c) For the remaining stages of the Bill, until 9.30 p.m. this day.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

Debate ensued on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 143, dated 7 May 1986, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Mr Spender, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Clause 3, page 2, line 5, omit from the definition of "Judge", "a court created by the Parliament", substitute "the Federal Court of Australia".

Clause 5—

Page 2, line 34, omit "made in precise terms".

Pages 2 and 3, omit sub-clause (3).

Page 3, omit sub-clause (4), substitute the following sub-clause:

"(4) The Commission shall not consider the issues dealt with in the trials leading to the acquittal of the Honourable Lionel Keith Murphy of certain criminal charges on 5 July 1985 and 28 April 1986 except to the extent that the Commission considers necessary for the proper examination of the other issues arising in the course of the Commission's inquiry."

Clause 6—

Page 3, line 18, before "evidence" (second occurring) insert "*prima facie*".

Page 3, omit sub-clause (2), substitute the following sub-clause:

"(2) In the conduct of its inquiry, the Commission shall inform itself of the matters necessarily incidental to the carrying out of its functions in such manner as it thinks fit."

Clause 7, page 3, line 27, omit "private", substitute "public".

Clause 8, pages 3 and 4, omit the clause, substitute the following clause:

Report to Parliament

"8. (1) The Commission shall report to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives in accordance with this Act, and such report shall include—

- (a) the Commission's findings of fact;
- (b) the material on which those findings of fact were based;
- (c) the Commission's conclusions as to whether any conduct of the Honourable Lionel Keith Murphy has been such as to amount, in the opinion of the Commission, to proved misbehaviour within the meaning of section 72 of the Constitution; and
- (d) the Commission's reasons for the foregoing.

"(2) The Commission shall submit with its report the complete record of evidence and all other material presented to the Commission.

"(3) The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall as soon as practicable thereafter, cause copies of the report, the record of evidence and all other material presented to the Commission to be laid before the Senate and the House of Representatives.

"(4) If the Commission is of the opinion that, if any of its findings or conclusions, or any of the evidence given before the Commission were to be laid before the Houses of Parliament—

- (a) the conduct of an investigation of a breach or possible breach, of the law, may be prejudiced;
- (b) the existence or identity of a confidential source of information in relation to the enforcement or administration of the law may be disclosed or a person enabled to ascertain the existence or identity of that source; or
- (c) there may be prejudice to the physical safety, of a person,

the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives may, prior to the report being laid before the Houses of Parliament, the record of evidence and all other material presented to the Commission before the Senate and the House of Representatives, communicate to the Senate and the House of Representatives the opinion of the Commission and, if there is a resolution by each of the Senate and the House of Representatives that the

material referred to in the relevant opinion of the Commission not be laid before the Senate and the House of Representatives, the relevant material shall not be laid before the Houses of Parliament.”

Clause 14—

Page 7, after sub-clause (6) insert the following sub-clause:

“(6A) For the purpose of removing doubt, it is hereby declared that any Member of the House of Representatives and any Senator has standing to appear before the Commission and to put such submissions in writing to the Commission as of right either personally or by his or her representative.”

Page 7, sub-clause (7), line 30, after “virtue” (first occurring) insert “of subsection (4), by virtue”.

Page 8, sub-clause (10), line 12, omit “not” (twice occurring).

Page 8, sub-clause (10), line 12, omit “and”, substitute “but”.

Page 8, sub-clause (10), line 13, after “if” insert “not”.

Page 8, paragraph 11 (b), after “contravention of” insert “a direction under”.

Clause 21, page 10, sub-clause (3), line 22, omit “as a witness” (first occurring), substitute “or making written submissions to the Commission”.

Debate continued.

Limitation of debate: At 9.25 p.m., the Deputy Chairman having called the attention of the committee to the fact that the time allotted for the committee stage had expired—

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put.

The committee divided (the Deputy Chairman, Mr Keogh, in the Chair)—

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

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

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Further question—That the Bill be agreed to and that the Bill be reported without amendment—put and passed.

The House resumed; Mr Keogh reported accordingly.

Limitation of debate: The time allotted for the remaining stages having expired—
Question—That the report be adopted and that the Bill be now read a third time—put and passed—Bill read a third time.

- 21 **FRINGE BENEFITS TAX ASSESSMENT BILL 1986:** 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 10.50 p.m., the Deputy Speaker having called the attention of the House to the fact that the time allotted for the second reading had expired—

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

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

AYES, 73

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

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

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a second time.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Limitation of debate: The time allotted for the committee stage having expired—

Question—That the Bill and the amendment circulated by the Government be agreed to, and that the Bill be reported with an amendment—put and passed.

The amendment circulated by the Government was accordingly made in the Bill, and is as follows:

Clause 47, page 41, at the end of the clause add the following sub-clause:

“(8) Where—

- (a) a residual benefit provided in respect of the employment of an employee arose out of priority of access, for a child or children of the employee to a child care facility operated by an eligible organisation within the meaning of section 4 of the *Child Care Act 1972*;
 - (b) the employer of the employee, or an associate of the employer, made a contribution, under the scheme administered by the Commonwealth and known as the Children's Services Program, to obtain that priority of access; and
 - (c) a grant has been made to the eligible organisation in respect of the child care facility under section 11 of the *Child Care Act 1972*,
- the residual benefit is an exempt benefit.”

The House resumed; Mr Millar reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Howe (Minister for Social Security), by leave, the House adopted the report.

Mr Howe, by leave, moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

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 Bill be now read a third time—put and passed—Bill read a third time.

- 22 **FRINGE BENEFITS TAX BILL 1986:** 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.

Mr Keating (Treasurer) moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

- 23 **FRINGE BENEFITS TAX (APPLICATION TO THE COMMONWEALTH) BILL 1986:** 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.

Mr Keating (Treasurer) moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

- 24 **FRINGE BENEFITS TAX (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) BILL 1986:** 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 Keating (Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

- 25 **AUSTRALIA CARD—JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS:** Mr Porter (Deputy Chairman) presented the report of the Joint Select Committee on an Australia Card, dated May 1986, incorporating a dissenting report, together with the transcript of evidence and written replies received to questions asked by the committee.

Mr Porter, Mr R. J. Brown, Mr Blunt and Mr Brumby, by leave, made statements in connection with the report.

Mr Saunderson, by leave, making a statement in connection with the report—

The House continuing to sit until after 12 midnight—

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Mr Saunderson continued his statement.

26 PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE—10TH REPORT: Mr Brumby (Chairman) presented the 10th Report from the Publications Committee (sitting in conference with the Publications Committee of the Senate). The report is as follows:

10TH REPORT

The Publications Committee has the honour to report that it has met in conference with the Publications Committee of the Senate.

The joint committee, having considered petitions and papers presented to Parliament since the last meeting of the committee, and papers previously presented, recommends that the following be printed:

Alleged Telephone Interceptions—Royal Commission (Commissioner: The Hon.

Mr Justice D. G. Stewart)—Final Report (Vol. 1), dated 30 April 1986.

Commonwealth Grants Commission Act—Commonwealth Grants Commission—1st Report (1986) on Cocos (Keeling) Islands Inquiry.

Department of Community Services—Policy Co-ordination Unit—Annual Report 1984-85.

Human Rights Commission Act—Human Rights Commission—Annual Report 1984-85, including Annual Reports of the operations of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975* and the *Sex Discrimination Act 1984*.

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Mr Brumby, by leave, moved—That the report be agreed to.

Question—put and passed.

27 ADJOURNMENT: Dr Blewett (Minister for Health) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 12.18 a.m., adjourned until Tuesday, 20 May 1986, at 2 p.m., in accordance with the resolution agreed to at this sitting.

PAPER: The following paper was deemed to have been presented on 8 May 1986:

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Variation of plan of lay-out of City of Canberra and its environs, dated 8 May 1986.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Beazley, Mr I. M. D. Cameron, Mr Campbell, Mr Conquest, Mrs Darling, Mr Everingham, Mr Fife, Mr Hurford, Mr Nehl and Mr Staples.

A. R. BROWNING
Clerk of the House of Representatives