

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 122

TUESDAY, 7 OCTOBER 1986

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- 1 The House met, at 2 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Madam Speaker (the Honourable Joan Child) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
 - 2 **DEATH OF SIR ROBERT HELPMANN:** Mr Hawke (Prime Minister) referred to the death of Sir Robert Helpmann, and moved—That this House expresses its deep regret at the death, on 28 September 1986, of Sir Robert Helpmann, CBE, dancer, actor, choreographer, director and producer, places on record its appreciation of his long and meritorious service to the Australian Ballet and tenders its profound sympathy to his family in their bereavement.
And Mr Howard (Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion, and Mr Sinclair (Leader of the National Party of Australia), Mr Cohen (Minister for Arts, Heritage and Environment) and Mr Connolly having addressed the House in support thereof, and all Members present having risen, in silence—
Question—passed.
 - 3 **MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS:** Mr Hawke (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the absences abroad of Mr Keating (Treasurer) and Mr Jones (Minister for Science), Mr Hurford (Minister for Immigration and Ethnic Affairs) was acting as Treasurer and Mr Duffy (Minister for Communications) was acting as Minister for Science.
 - 4 **ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY—75TH ANNIVERSARY:** Mr Sinclair (Leader of the National Party of Australia), by leave, moved—That this House—
 - (1) congratulates the Royal Australian Navy on the 75th anniversary of its foundation, noting with deep appreciation—
 - (a) the vital contribution of the RAN to the defence of Australia in 2 world wars and conflicts in Korea and Vietnam;
 - (b) its essential role in the preservation of peace in our region and, through Australian participation in the Western Alliance, around the globe, and
 - (c) the sacrifice of the men and women of the RAN who have given their lives or suffered injury or hardship in the service of their country, and
 - (2) extends its thanks to the naval forces of our allies for their participation in the RAN 75th anniversary celebrations, offers all personnel involved the warmest welcome to Australia and thanks the people of Sydney for their warm and generous reception to the ships and sailors of the RAN and allied navies present there over the past week.

Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
 - 5 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.

6 PAPER: The following paper was presented:

Australian Capital Territory Building Review Committee—Report for 1985-86.

7 FISHERIES—AGREEMENT BETWEEN COMMONWEALTH AND KKFC PROPRIETARY LIMITED—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr Kerin (Minister for Primary Industry) presented the following paper:

Fisheries Act—Copy of agreement between the Commonwealth and KKFC Proprietary Limited—1986-87, dated 28 July 1986.

Mr Young (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the paper. Debate adjourned (Mr N. A. Brown—Deputy Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

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

Mr Beale, Mr Braithwaite, Mr Brumby, Mr Cadman, Mr D. M. Cameron, Mr Carlton, Mr Cross, Mr Downer, Mr Drummond, Dr H. R. Edwards, Mr Hawker, Mr Howard, Mr Howe, Mr Hunt, Mr Jacobi, Mr Kent, Mr Milton, Mr A. A. Morris, Mr Robinson, Mr Rocher, Mr Ruddock, Mr Sharp, Mr Tickner, Dr Watson and Mr Webster—from certain citizens praying that the closure of post office agencies be prevented and their services be extended.

Mr Hawke, Mr Hawker, Mr Hurford, Mr Kent and Mr O'Keefe—from certain citizens praying that family allowance payments be increased and proposed changes to the spouse rebate be rejected.

Mr Drummond and Mr Rocher—from certain citizens in similar terms to the last preceding petition.

Mr R. J. Brown, Mr Hunt and Mr Punch—from certain citizens praying that the Anzac Rifle Range, Malabar, NSW, be retained.

Mr Dobie, Dr H. R. Edwards and Dr Watson—from certain citizens praying that the assets test, capital gains tax, fringe benefits tax and tax on lump sum superannuation be repealed.

Mr Jenkins, Mr Kent and Mr Milton—from certain citizens praying that the US Government be urged to join the Soviet Union's nuclear test ban.

Mr Kent, Mr Milton and 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 Cadman and Mr Gorman—from certain residents of New South Wales praying that the Western Sydney State University be established in conjunction with the NSW Government.

Dr H. R. Edwards and Mr Hawker—from certain citizens praying that the national flag not be changed except by a referendum.

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

Mrs Kelly and Mr Sharp—from certain citizens praying that the members of the Film Censorship Board be replaced.

Mr Kent and Mr Milton—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 Aldred—from certain citizens praying that the decision to phase down the Glen Waverley Rehabilitation Centre, Vic., be reversed.

Mr N. A. Brown—from certain citizens praying that prescription drugs continue to be provided to pensioners without fee.

Mr Brumby—from certain citizens praying that the Flags Amendment Bill receive a speedy passage.

Mr Cadman—from certain citizens praying that the fringe benefits tax legislation be repealed.

- Mr Hunt and Mr Rocher—from certain citizens in similar terms to the last preceding petition.
- Mr Cadman—from certain citizens praying that proclamation of the Australian Bill of Rights Bill be delayed until a referendum has been held.
- Mr Cadman—from certain citizens praying that the decision to close the Wollongong office of the Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs be reversed.
- Mrs Darling—from certain citizens praying that the Government of Sri Lanka be persuaded to pursue a political solution to allow the Tamils to live in peace and dignity and certain other action be taken to aid the Tamils.
- Mrs Darling—from certain residents of Queensland praying that the introduction of the tertiary administration fee be opposed.
- Mr Drummond—from certain citizens praying that sub-section 16 (2) of the Broadcasting and Television Act be amended so that the Australian Broadcasting Tribunal shall consult the public when determining television standards and screening hours.
- Mr Drummond—from certain citizens praying that the Extradition (Foreign States) Act be amended to protect the rights of accused persons.
- Mr Drummond—from certain citizens praying that the fringe benefits tax be cancelled.
- Mr Drummond—from certain residents of Western Australia praying that the 20% sales tax on wine be cancelled.
- Dr H. R. Edwards—from certain citizens praying that the Australian Bill of Rights Bill be repealed.
- Mr Hawker—from certain citizens praying that the Australian Bill of Rights Bill be opposed and certain other action be taken in relation to the Bill.
- Mr Hawker—from certain citizens praying that the commitment to the oil import parity pricing policy be honoured.
- Mr Hawker—from certain citizens praying that the assets test on pensions be repealed.
- Mr Hawker—from certain residents of Victoria praying that the proposed capital gains tax legislation be introduced without delay and that it be rejected.
- Mrs Kelly—from certain citizens praying that 1988 be proclaimed the first International Earth Repair Year.
- Mr Kent—from certain citizens praying that all prescribed medicines be provided to pensioners free of charge.
- Mr Kent—from certain citizens praying that announcers on the Albanian program on radio 3EA be replaced with community representatives.
- Mr Langmore—from certain citizens praying that the Human Rights Commission be given adequate resources for handling complaints and for community education in the areas of human rights and equal opportunity.
- Mr MacKellar—from certain citizens praying that the right of employees to select their own superannuation scheme be guaranteed and certain other action be taken in relation to superannuation.
- Mr Milton—from certain residents of Victoria praying that the decision to sell uranium to France be reversed.
- Mr Ruddock—from certain citizens praying that funding for English as a second language programs be restored to the 1985 level.
- Mr Snow—from certain citizens praying that both the Australian Bill of Rights Bill and the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission Bill be rejected.
- Dr Theophanous—from certain citizens praying that the amalgamation of the ABC and the SBS be opposed.
- Mr Tickner—from certain citizens praying that an Australian republic be created on or before 1 January 1988.

Mr Tickner—from certain citizens praying that the Lucas Heights nuclear reactor be closed down and no new reactors built.

Mr Tickner—from certain citizens; and from certain residents of Sutherland Shire, NSW, praying that an additional nuclear reactor not be constructed at Lucas Heights or elsewhere within Australia.

Mr Tickner—from certain citizens praying that the export of kangaroo products be banned and action be taken to prohibit the commercial killing of kangaroos.

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

Petitions received.

- 9 **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE:** A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:

25 September 1986—Message No. 328—Health Legislation Amendment (No. 2) 1986.

- 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:

25 September 1986—Message No. 181—Parliamentary Commission of Inquiry (Repeal) 1986.

- 11 **DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—FRINGE BENEFITS TAX:**

The House was informed that Mr Howard (Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The damage to business, farmers and individuals caused by the fringe benefits tax".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Howard addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

- 12 **ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS:** Mr Milton (Chairman) presented the following report from the Standing Committee on Environment and Conservation:

Relocation of naval facilities to Jervis Bay—Report, dated September 1986, together with extracts from the minutes of proceedings.

Ordered—That the report be printed.

Mr Milton, Mr Webster, Mr Chynoweth, Mr Sinclair (Leader of the National Party of Australia) and Mr Sharp, by leave, made statements in connection with the report.

- 13 **PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE—13TH REPORT:** Mr Brumby (Chairman) presented the 13th Report from the Publications Committee (sitting in conference with the Publications Committee of the Senate). The report is as follows:

13TH 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:

Advance to the Minister for Finance—Statement of Heads of Expenditure and the amounts charged thereto, pursuant to section 36A of the *Audit Act 1901*, for the year ended 30 June 1986.

Advisory Council for Inter-government Relations Act—Advisory Council for Inter-government Relations—Population Monitoring and Forecasting: Intergovernmental Issues, Concerns and Options—Report 12.

Archives Act—

Advisory Council on Australian Archives—Annual Report 1985-86.

Australian Archives—Annual Report 1985-86.

Australian Bureau of Statistics Act—Australian Statistics Advisory Council—Annual Report 1985-86.

Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation Act—Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation—Annual Report 1985-86.

Australian Meat and Live-stock Research and Development Corporation Act—Australian Meat and Live-stock Research and Development Corporation—Annual Report 1985-86.

Australian Overseas Projects Corporation Act and the Australian Trade Commission (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act—Australian Overseas Projects Corporation—Final Report for period 1 July 1985 to 5 January 1986.

Bankruptcy Act—Annual Report 1984-85.

Commonwealth Capital Works—Approved Program 1986-87, dated August 1986.

Defence Act—

Army and Air Force Canteen Service Board of Management—Report (5th) for period 29 January 1985 to 27 January 1986.

Royal Military College—Annual Report for period 12 February 1985 to 31 January 1986.

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet—Annual Report 1985-86.

Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Act and Australian Trade Commission (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act—Export Finance and Insurance Corporation—Final Report for period 1 July 1985 to 5 January 1986.

Governor-General Act—Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General—Annual Report 1985-86.

Inter-State Commission Act—Inter-State Commission—Annual Report 1985-86.

Marine Sciences and Technologies Grants and Queen's Fellowships Scheme—Marine Research Allocations Advisory Committee—Report on Grants approved and Fellowships awarded for 1986.

Overseas Telecommunications Act—Overseas Telecommunications Commission (Australia)—Annual Report 1985-86.

Portfolio Program Statements, 1986-87.

Public Service Act—Department of the House of Representatives—Annual Report 1985-86.

Repatriation Act and Veterans' Entitlements Act—Veterans' Review Board—Annual Report 1985-86.

Services Trust Fund Act—Royal Australian Air Force Welfare Trust Fund—Annual Report (38th) 1985 by Trustees.

Telecommunications Act—Australian Telecommunications Commission—Annual Report (11th) 1985-86.

J. M. BRUMBY
Chairman

25 September 1986

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

Question—put and passed.

14 INCOME TAX RATES 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—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Carlton, viz.—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "whilst not declining to give the Bill a second reading, the House is of the opinion that—*

(1) the Government's taxation policy, in particular its fringe benefits and capital gains taxes, is causing damage and confusion to business and farmers;

- (2) the Government's failure to deliver tax cuts on 1 September 1986 as promised in 1985 has caused additional hardship to families, and
 (3) this Government is the highest taxing Government in history with tax receipts estimated to reach 25.5% of GDP"—

Debate resumed.

Closure: Mr Hurford (Acting Treasurer) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 65

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

NOES, 46

Mr Aldred	Mr Conquest	Mr Hodgman	Mr Rocher
Mr Andrew*	Mr Cowan	Mr Hunt	Mr Ruddock
Mr Blunt	Mr Downer	Mr Katter	Mr Sharp
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Drummond	Mr McArthur	Mr Sinclair
Mr N. A. Brown	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr McGauran	Mr Slipper
Mr Burr	Mr Everingham	Mr McVeigh	Mr Smith
Mr Cadman	Mr Fife	Mr Miles	Mrs Sullivan
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Millar	Mr Tucke
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hall	Mr Nehl	Dr Watson
Mr Carlton	Mr Halverson	Mr Porter	Mr White
Mr Cobb	Mr Hicks*	Mr Reith	
Mr Coleman	Mr Hodges	Mr Robinson	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 65

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

NOES, 47

Mr Aldred	Mr Conquest	Mr Hodges	Mr Robinson
Mr Andrew*	Mr Cowan	Mr Hodgman	Mr Rocher
Mr Blunt	Mr Dobie	Mr Hunt	Mr Ruddock
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Downer	Mr Katter	Mr Sharp
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Drummond	Mr McArthur	Mr Sinclair
Mr Burr	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr McGauran	Mr Slipper
Mr Cadman	Mr Everingham	Mr McVeigh	Mr Smith
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Fife	Mr Miles	Mrs Sullivan
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Millar	Mr Tuckey
Mr Carlton	Mr Hall	Mr Nehl	Dr Watson
Mr Cobb	Mr Halverson	Mr Porter	Mr White
Mr Coleman	Mr Hicks*	Mr Reith	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

Mr Hurford moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Mr Reith addressing the House—

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 65

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

NOES, 45

Mr Aldred	Mr Cowan	Mr Hunt	Mr Sharp
Mr Blunt	Mr Downer	Mr Katter	Mr Sinclair
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Drummond	Mr McArthur	Mr Slipper
Mr N. A. Brown	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr McGauran	Mr Smith
Mr Burr	Mr Everingham	Mr McVeigh	Mr Spender
Mr Cadman	Mr Fife	Mr Miles	Mrs Sullivan
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Nehl	Mr Tuckey
Mr E. C. Cameron*	Mr Hall	Mr Porter	Dr Watson
Mr Carlton	Mr Halverson	Mr Reith	Mr White
Mr Cobb	Mr Hicks*	Mr Robinson	
Mr Coleman	Mr Hodges	Mr Rocher	
Mr Conquest	Mr Hodgman	Mr Ruddock	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

Mr Hurford (Acting Treasurer) moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.
Debate ensued.

Mr Reith addressing the House—

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 65

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

NOES, 45

Mr Aldred	Mr Cowan	Mr Hunt	Mr Sharp
Mr Andrew*	Mr Downer	Mr Katter	Mr Sinclair
Mr Blunt	Mr Drummond	Mr McArthur	Mr Slipper
Mr Braithwaite	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr McGauran	Mr Smith
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Everingham	Mr McVeigh	Mr Spender
Mr Burr	Mr Fife	Mr Miles	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Cadman	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Nehl	Mr Tuckey
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hall	Mr Porter	Dr Watson
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Halverson	Mr Reith	Mr White
Mr Cobb	Mr Hicks*	Mr Robinson	
Mr Connolly	Mr Hodges	Mr Rocher	
Mr Conquest	Mr Hodgman	Mr Ruddock	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

- 16 **TAXATION LAWS (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.

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

Mr Hodgman addressing the House—

Closure: Mr Hurford 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 third time—was put accordingly, and passed—Bill read a third time.

- 17 **MEDICARE LEVY 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 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—

- (1) condemns the Prime Minister for breaking his promise that for the term of Labor's next Government, the Medicare levy would not be increased;

- (2) notes with concern that the Government continues to perpetuate the myth that the levy pays for Medicare health services when in fact it only pays approximately 40% of the cost of Medicare with the balance being funded out of general revenue, and
- (3) condemns the Government for its total failure to take action to contain the massive blow-out in Medicare health costs”.

Debate continued.

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

The bushnursing hospital 1985—Poem by Les Horsfield.

Debate continued.

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

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

AYES, 64

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

NOES, 46

Mr Aldred	Mr Conquest	Mr Hodgman	Mr Rocher
Mr Andrew*	Mr Cowan	Mr Hunt	Mr Ruddock
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Downer	Mr Katter	Mr Sinclair
Mr N. A. Brown	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr Lloyd	Mr Slipper
Mr Burr	Mr Everingham	Mr McArthur	Mr Smith
Mr Cadman	Mr Fife	Mr McGauran	Mr Spender
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr McVeigh	Mrs Sullivan
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr P. S. Fisher	Mr Miles	Mr Tuckey
Mr Carlton	Mr Hall	Mr Nehl	Dr Watson
Mr Cobb	Mr Halverson	Mr Porter	Mr White
Mr Coleman	Mr Hicks*	Mr Reith	
Mr Connolly	Mr Hodges	Mr Robinson	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

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

18 **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE:** A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:

7 October 1986—Message No. 329—Trade Union Training Authority Amendment 1986.

19 **TAXATION LAWS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 3) 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 having been resumed by Mr Carlton—

20 **ADJOURNMENT:** It being 10.15 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

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

Mr Cohen (Minister for Arts, Heritage and Environment) required the debate to be extended.

The debate continuing until 11.08 p.m., Madam Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at 10 a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 7 October 1986:

Affirmative Action (Equal Employment Opportunity for Women) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 282.

Air Navigation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 284.

Bounty and Subsidy Acts—Returns for 1985-86, pursuant to the following Acts—Automatic Data Processing Equipment Bounty.

Bounty (Agricultural Tractors).

Bounty (Agricultural Tractors and Equipment).

Bounty (Bed Sheetting).

Bounty (Berry Fruits).

Bounty (Books).

Bounty (Commercial Motor Vehicles).

Bounty (Computers).

Bounty (Electric Motors).

Bounty (High Alloy Steel Products).

Bounty (Injection-moulding Equipment).

Bounty (Metal-working Machine Tools).

Bounty (Metal Working Machines and Robots).

Bounty (Paper).

Bounty (Penicillin).

Bounty (Printed Fabrics).

Bounty (Ships).

Bounty (Steel Mill Products).

Bounty (Textile Yarns).

Bounty (Tractor Cabs).

Bounty (Two-Stroke Engines).

Nitrogenous Fertilizers Subsidy.

Phosphate Fertilizers Subsidy.

Ship Construction Bounty.

Subsidy (Grain Harvesters and Equipment).

Bounty (Metal Working Machines and Robots) Act—Declaration pursuant to sub-sections 8 (2) and (4), dated 28 September 1986.

Canberra College of Advanced Education Act—Statute—No. 60—Courses and Awards Amendment (No. 2) 1986.

Christmas Island Act—Regulations—1986—No. 2 (Christmas Island Assembly Ordinance).

Commonwealth Inscribed Stock Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 264.

Companies Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 247.

Customs Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 248.

Defence Act—Determination—1986—No. 57—Intermediate Term Duty Living Allowance and other allowances.

Designs Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 263.

Excise Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 249.

Export Inspection (Establishment Registration Charge) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 252.

Export Inspection (Quantity Charge) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 251.

- Export Inspection (Service Charge) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 253.
- Health Insurance Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 275.
- Home and Community Care Act—Agreement between the Commonwealth and the State of Queensland, pursuant to sub-section 3 (2), dated 9 July 1986.
- Lands Acquisition Act—
Land acquired for telecommunications services purposes—Parish of Scarsdale, Vic.
Statements (3) of lands acquired by agreement authorised under sub-section 7 (1).
- Liquefied Petroleum Gas (Grants) Act—Determination pursuant to sub-section 6A (3) fixing wholesale price of liquefied petroleum gas, dated 24 September 1986.
- Live-stock Slaughter (Export Inspection Charge) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 254.
- National Library Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 285.
- Navigation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, Nos. 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274.
- Patents Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, Nos. 259, 260.
- Proclamations by His Excellency the Governor-General fixing the dates on which the following Acts and sections of Acts shall come into operation—
Affirmative Action (Equal Employment Opportunity for Women) Act 1986—1 October 1986.
Commonwealth Education Institutions (Overseas Students) Amendment Act 1985—1 October 1986.
Health Legislation Amendment Act 1986—Sections 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 20 and 21, and sub-section 47 (2)—26 September 1986.
Shipping Registration Amendment Act 1984—Section 8—1 October 1986.
- Public Service Act—
Determinations—1986—Nos. 69, 70, 73, 74.
Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 256.
- Quarantine Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 283.
- Radiocommunications Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 278.
- Radiocommunications (Frequency Reservation Certificate Tax) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 276.
- Radiocommunications (Receiver Licence Tax) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 279.
- Radiocommunications (Temporary Permit Tax) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 280.
- Radiocommunications (Test Permit Tax) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 277.
- Radiocommunications (Transmitter Licence Tax) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 281.
- Remuneration Tribunals Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 258.
- Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinance—1986—No. 56—Credit (Amendment) (No. 3).
- Shipping Registration Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, Nos. 267, 268.
- Superannuation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, Nos. 250, 265, 266.
- Telecommunications Act—
Australian Telecommunications Commission—By-laws—
Telecommunications (Charging Zones and Charging Districts)—Amendment No. 71.
Telecommunications (Community Calls)—Amendment No. 45.
Regulation—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 257.
- Trade Marks Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, Nos. 261, 262.
- Trade Practices Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 255.
- Wool Industry Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1986, No. 286.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Adermann, Mr J. J. Brown, Mr I. M. D. Cameron, Mr Charles, Dr Charlesworth, Mr Cleeland, Mr Dubois, Mr Hawker, Mr Hayden, Mr Jacobi*, Mr Jones, Mr Jull, Mr Keating, Mr Lamb, Mr MacKellar, Mr Macphee, Mr Mildren, Mr Moore, Mr Peacock, Mr Punch, Mr Shack, Mr Shipton*, Mr Wilson and Mr Wright.

* On leave

A. R. BROWNING
Clerk of the House of Representatives