

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 77

THURSDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER 1988

1 The House met, at 10 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Madam Speaker (the Honourable Jean Child) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

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

Mr Aldred, Mr Beale, Dr Blewett, Mr N. A. Brown, Mr Burr, Mr Cohen, Mr Dobie, Dr Hewson, Mr Howard, Mr Kent, Dr Klugman, Mr Millar, Mr P. F. Morris, Mr Rocher, Mr Ruddock, Mr Sinclair, Mr Tuckey, Mr Webster and Dr Woods, from 56, 15, 54, 181, 59, 27, 98, 264, 75, 26, 27, 25, 27, 16, 302, 80, 302, 880 and 27 petitioners, respectively, praying that the decision to place certain pharmaceutical drugs on the authority only listing be abandoned.

Mr Halverson, from 334 petitioners, in similar terms.

Mr Adermann, Mr Beddall, Mr Blunt, Mr Humphreys, Mr Lindsay, Mr Millar and Mr White, from 113, 18, 69, 34, 21, 36 and 133 petitioners, respectively, praying that the May and November adjustment dates for the aged pension be restored and certain other action be taken in relation to the pension.

Mr Beale, Mr Beddall, Mr McArthur, Mr Peacock and Mr White, from 10, 50, 132, 48 and 83 petitioners, respectively, praying that a request be made to the Rumanian Government to abandon plans to destroy 7000 villages.

Mr Adermann and Mr N. A. Brown, from 12 and 114 petitioners, respectively, in similar terms.

Mr Andrew, Mr Rocher and Mr Webster, from 15, 32 and 251 petitioners, respectively, praying that legislation be passed to make participation in Government statistical surveys voluntary and to protect the privacy of Australians.

Mr Rocher, from 156 petitioners, in similar terms.

Mr Howard, Mr McArthur and Mr Webster, from 188, 26 and 108 petitioners, respectively, praying that the decision to place certain drugs on the "Authorities Required" list be reversed.

Mr Lamb, Mr Langmore and Mr Sinclair, from 48, 140 and 122 petitioners, respectively, praying that mining and mineral exploration in the Kakadu conservation zone be halted and certain other action be taken in relation to Kakadu National Park.

Mr Adermann and Mr Millar, from 17 and 74 petitioners, respectively, praying that the film "The Last Temptation of Christ" be prevented from being registered for screening in Australia.

Mr Sinclair, from 287 petitioners, in similar terms.

Mr Andrew and Mr McArthur, from 79 and 98 petitioners, respectively, praying that legislation which would reduce pension entitlements and access to fringe benefits does not apply retrospectively in relation to certain forms of investment.

- Mr Webster, from 58 petitioners, in similar terms.
- Mr Beale and Mr Macphee, from 27 and 33 petitioners, respectively, praying that the importation and possession of child pornography be made a criminal offence and certain other action be taken in relation to pornography in the ACT.
- Mr Brumby and Mr Lloyd, from 28 residents of the Division of Bendigo and 21 residents of the Division of Murray, respectively, praying that local government be allocated more resources to address the problem of deteriorating road networks.
- Mr Tuckey, from 2300 petitioners, in similar terms.
- Mr Chynoweth and Mr Macphee, from 12 and 39 petitioners, respectively, praying that the Flags Amendment Bill receive a speedy passage.
- Mr Duncan and Mr Sinclair, from 1341 and 50 petitioners, respectively, praying that Western Tasmania Stage 2 immediately be nominated for World Heritage listing.
- Mr T. A. Fischer and Mr Lloyd, from 780 and 15 petitioners, respectively, praying that television stations be compelled to reduce the incidence of crime and violence broadcast by 50 per cent.
- Mr T. A. Fischer and Mr Lloyd, from 161 and 5 petitioners, respectively, praying that the hire and sale of R, X and the proposed Non-Violent Erotica rated videos be banned.
- Mr Rocher and Mr Shack, from 16 petitioners and 311 residents of Western Australia, respectively, praying that a non-violent erotica video classification not be adopted and certain other action be taken in relation to film classifications.
- Mr Ruddock and Mr Webster, from 236 and 23 petitioners, respectively, praying that all advertising of alcohol on radio and television be banned.
- Mr Adermann, from 141 residents of Queensland, praying that the two dollar coin be removed from circulation and the two dollar note be reinstated.
- Mr Beale, from 27 petitioners, praying that the national flag not be changed except by a referendum.
- Mr Beale, from 807 petitioners, praying that the showing of the film "The Last Temptation of Christ" be banned.
- Dr Blewett, from 26 petitioners, praying that the decision to place the anti-epileptic medication "Epilim" on the "Authority only" listing be rescinded.
- Mr Blunt, from 233 petitioners, praying that the circulation of X-rated videos be prevented and laws regarding obscenity in the media be revived and enforced.
- Mr R. J. Brown, from 67 petitioners, praying that sole parents receiving a supporting parents benefit or widows pension retain their benefit or pension until all their children have finished their high school education.
- Mr Burr, from 121 petitioners, praying that the incidence of crime and violence broadcast on television be reduced.
- Mr Reith, from 181 residents of the Division of Flinders, in similar terms.
- Mr T. A. Fischer, from 99 petitioners, praying that PAYE taxes and all sales taxes be reduced by one third and certain action be taken in relation to government and statutory authority charges.
- Mr Free, from 65 petitioners, praying that existing laws be amended to value the life and health of workers through a fair settlement in the Court of Compensation.
- Mr Hand, from 6 petitioners, praying that a national public holiday be declared each year on the second Friday in September to coincide with National Aborigines' Day.
- Mr Howe, from 14 petitioners, praying that Telecom's social responsibilities are preserved, extended and adequately funded and certain other action be taken in relation to Telecom.

- Mr Hunt, from 11 petitioners, praying that a fishing agreement with the Soviet Union not be entered into.
- Mr Moore, from 193 petitioners, in similar terms.
- Mr Johns, from 25 petitioners, praying that any changes to the system of charging for local telephone calls not disadvantage the aged, infirm and other fixed income groups.
- Mrs Kelly, from 122 residents of Canberra, praying that a strong and unified protest at the decision to close Pearce Primary School, ACT, be noted and certain other action be taken to prevent the closure of the school.
- Mr Kent, from 719 petitioners, praying that importation of cobalt 60 and other radioactive substances be banned and regulations permitting irradiation of food in Australia be disallowed.
- Mr Wright, from 137 petitioners, in similar terms.
- Mr Kerr, from 421 petitioners, praying that X-rated video material and its R-rated equivalent be refused classification for the purpose of Commonwealth laws.
- Mr Langmore, from 248 petitioners, praying that any proposal for, or legislation permitting, a casino in the ACT be rejected.
- Mr Lloyd, from 6 electors of the Division of Indi, praying that road funding levels be increased through a clear dedication of a proportion of fuel excise collected and certain other action be taken in relation to road funding arrangements.
- Mr McArthur, from 20 residents of the Division of Corangamite, praying that Telecom's proposal to time charge local calls be rejected.
- Mr McArthur, from 239 petitioners, praying that the sale of violent videos, books and toys of violence be banned.
- Mr Mildren, from 672 electors of the Division of Ballarat, praying that the importance of roads to the economy be recognised, federal funds for roads be increased and certain other action be taken in relation to road funding.
- Mr Nehl, from 1064 residents of the Division of Cowper, praying that the concept of reducing pension payments to individuals on the basis of future earnings be rejected.
- Mr Nehl, from 510 residents of the Division of Cowper, praying that the taxation threshold for those receiving aged pensions be increased to \$10 000.
- Mr Pratt, from 17 petitioners, praying that entry into Australia by homosexuals under the family reunion program be forbidden.
- Mr Price, from 413 residents of NSW, praying that certain action be taken in relation to Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza.
- Mr Rocher, from 4800 petitioners, praying that the Commonwealth owned land at Buckland Hill, WA, be conferred upon the people of Western Australia as a bicentennial gift and be reserved as inalienable public open space.
- Mr Ruddock, from 845 petitioners, praying that legislation be passed to enable a constitutional change to allow voters referenda to initiate or veto legislation.
- Mr Ruddock, from 45 petitioners, praying that the Department of Veterans' Affairs remain a separate department.
- Mr Ruddock, from 8 petitioners, praying that the Constitution Alteration (Electors Initiative) Bill 1987 be referred to a parliamentary committee and certain other action be taken in relation to the Bill.
- Mr Shack, from 200 petitioners, in similar terms.
- Mr Tuckey, from 57 petitioners, praying that patients paying the same Medicare insurance levy receive an equal Medicare rebate for services regardless of where they are provided.
- Mr Tuckey, from 195 petitioners, praying that those involved in the public release of confidential medical information be censured.

Mr Webster, from 635 petitioners, praying that the film "The Last Temptation of Christ" be rejected by the Film Censorship Board.

Mr Webster, from 90 petitioners, praying that Australia withdraw from the Asian Regional Co-operative Project on Food Irradiation and from the International Consultative Group on Food Irradiation and certain other action be taken in relation to food irradiation.

Mr Webster, from 45 petitioners, praying that the termination of the Medicare agency rights for the Western District Health Fund and the withdrawal of Medicare services in Springwood, NSW, be prevented.

Dr Woods, from 218 petitioners, praying that the creation of embryos for the specific purpose of life destroying research be banned.

Petitions received.

- 3 **INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Beddall—That the House take note of the paper (*presented on 25 August 1988*), viz.:

Industry, Science and Technology—Standing Committee—Investment in Australian manufacturing—Report, dated July 1988—

Debate resumed.

The time allotted for the debate having expired, the debate was interrupted, the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting Thursday, and Dr Theophanous was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

- 4 **LEAGUE OF RIGHTS:** Mr Wright, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House condemns the insidious, sinister activities of the League of Rights in this country which are aimed at undermining public respect for, and public confidence in, the democratic institution of Parliament and its elected representatives.

Debate ensued.

The time allotted for the debate having expired, the debate was interrupted and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting Thursday.

- 5 **SELECTION COMMITTEE—REPORT:** Mr McLeay (Chairman) presented the report of the Selection Committee relating to the program of business prior to 12.30 p.m., on Thursday, 13 October 1988.

- 6 **PUBLIC ENTERPRISE FUNDING:** Mr Moore, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House rejects the ongoing use of taxpayers' funds for public enterprises which would be more appropriately funded by the private sector.

Debate ensued.

The time allotted for the debate having expired, the debate was interrupted, the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting Thursday, and Mr Jenkins was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

- 7 **ROAD FUNDING:** Mr McGauran, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House—
- (1) acknowledges the critical importance of Australia's road network to the well being of rural communities and to the economic performance of export orientated industries;
 - (2) recognises that a deterioration of this national infrastructure is highly wasteful in both human and economic terms; and
 - (3) accepts the need to address urgently the many issues surrounding road funding by the 3 tiers of government.

Debate ensued.

Papers: Mr McGauran, by leave, presented the following papers:

Road funding—Local Government Road Funding Committee—R.C.A. Central Gippsland Region—Papers by Colin A. Ackehurst & Associates—

Road investment—Economic return and support for Government policies, dated April 1988.

Road needs and funding for municipalities in R.C.A. Central Gippsland Region—1987.

Debate continued.

The time allotted for the debate having expired, the debate was interrupted, the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting Thursday, and Mr Andrew was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

- 8 SPEAKER—RULES FOR ELECTION:** Mr Scholes, pursuant to notice, moved—That the Procedure Committee be asked to examine and prepare recommendations to provide that rules for the election of a Speaker at the first sitting of the Parliament, or at any time when the position becomes vacant, be changed to provide that the Member with the longest continuous service, not being a member of the Executive or Opposition office-holder, shall take the Chair until such time as a Speaker is elected and shall exercise whilst in the Chair all of the powers vested in the Speaker for the conduct of actual sittings of the House of Representatives.

It being 12.30 p.m., private Members' business was interrupted in accordance with sessional order 104A, and further consideration of the matter was made an order of the day for the next sitting Thursday.

- 9 QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.

- 10 PAPERS:** The following papers were presented:

Australian Bureau of Statistics Act—

Australian Bureau of Statistics—Report, including freedom of information statement, for 1987-88.

Australian Statistics Advisory Council—Report, including freedom of information statement, for 1987-88.

Government responses to parliamentary committee reports—Response to list presented by Madam Speaker on 25 May 1988.

Official Establishments Trust—Report for 1987-88.

Public Service Act—Defence Report for 1987-88—
Report.

Appendix 9—Freedom of information statement.

Veterans' Entitlements Act—Approval by Minister pursuant to subsection 29 (3), dated 20 September 1988, to the Guide to the Assessment of Rates of Veterans' Pensions—

Report.

Statement by Mr Humphreys, Minister for Veterans' Affairs.

- 11 SOUTH PACIFIC FORUM—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND PAPER:** Mr Hawke (Prime Minister), by leave, made a ministerial statement concerning the meeting of the South Pacific Forum in Nuku'alofa, Tonga, on 20 and 21 September 1988, and presented the following paper:

South Pacific Forum—19th Meeting, Nuku'alofa, Tonga, 20-21 September 1988—Communique, dated 21 September 1988.

Mr Howard (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, also made a statement in connection with the matter.

- 12 SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS—PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS NOTICE:** Mr Beazley (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent notice No. 1, private Members' business, given for Thursday, 29 September 1988, being called on forthwith.

Question—put and passed.

13 **BICENTENNIAL INTERNATIONAL NAVAL REVIEW:** Mr Cross, pursuant to notice, moved—That the House of Representatives, speaking for the Government and people of Australia—

- (1) welcomes sailors and warships from many parts of the world joining our own Royal Australian Navy in the Bicentennial International Naval Review;
- (2) expresses its appreciation for the friendship and goodwill shown by all participating nations; and
- (3) trusts that the welcome extended by Australians not only in Sydney but in many other ports around Australia will build links of friendship and understanding which will assist all our navies and maintain the peace in the years ahead.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

14 **DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—FAMILY LIVING STANDARDS AND INTEREST RATES:** 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 disastrous impact on family living standards of a further rise in interest rates”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Howard addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

15 **SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:** Mr R. J. Brown (Minister for Land Transport and Shipping Support) moved—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 11 October 1988, at 2 p.m., unless Madam Speaker fixes an alternative day or hour of meeting.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

16 **STANDING COMMITTEES—MEMBERSHIP:** The House was informed of the nominations of Members to be members of the following Standing Committees:

Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs:

Mr Webster had been nominated by the Opposition Whip in place of Mr Andrew.

Standing Committee on Environment, Recreation and the Arts:

Mr A. A. Morris had been nominated by the Government Whip and Mr I. M. D. Cameron had been nominated by the National Party Whip to be members for the purpose of the inquiry into tourism in the Antarctic.

17 **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:** Mr R. J. Brown (Minister for Land Transport and Shipping Support), by leave, moved—That Mr Taylor be appointed a member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, in place of Mr Burr, resigned.

Question—put and passed.

18 **DURATION OF RINGING OF BELLS—SESSIONAL ORDER:** Mr R. J. Brown (Minister for Land Transport and Shipping Support), for Mr Beazley (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—That the sessional order adopted by the House on 24 May 1988 relating to the duration of the ringing of the bells continue in effect for a further two sitting weeks after 29 September 1988.

Question—put and passed.

19 **SOCIAL SECURITY (REVIEW OF DECISIONS) BILL 1988:** Mr Howe (Minister for Social Security), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to social security:

- (a) to make provision in relation to review of decisions; and
- (b) to establish the Social Security Appeals Tribunal and to make provision in relation to its constitution, powers and procedures; and for related matters.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

- 20 **AUSTRALIAN CENTENNIAL ROADS DEVELOPMENT BILL 1988:** Mr R. J. Brown (Minister for Land Transport and Shipping Support), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to establish a Trust Fund for the purposes of the grant of financial assistance for the development and maintenance of land transport systems, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr R. J. Brown moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper: Mr R. J. Brown presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

- 21 **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—CSIRO NORTH RYDE LABORATORIES, SITE REDEVELOPMENT—STAGE 1:** Mr West (Minister for Administrative Services), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for consideration and report: CSIRO North Ryde laboratories, site redevelopment, stage 1.

Mr West presented plans in connection with the proposed work.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 22 **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—NEW COMMUNICATIONS AND RECRUIT SCHOOLS AT HMAS CERBERUS, CRIB POINT, VIC.—CONSTRUCTION:** Mr West (Minister for Administrative Services), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for consideration and report: Construction of new Communications and Recruit Schools at HMAS *Cerberus*, Crib Point, Vic.

Mr West presented plans in connection with the proposed work.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 23 **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—NATIONAL BIOLOGICAL STANDARDS LABORATORY, SYMONSTON, ACT—CONSTRUCTION:** Mr West (Minister for Administrative Services), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for consideration and report: Construction of the National Biological Standards Laboratory, Symonston, ACT.

Mr West presented plans in connection with the proposed work.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 24 **HMAS COONAWARRA, DARWIN—REDEVELOPMENT—APPROVAL OF WORK:** Mr West (Minister for Administrative Services), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Redevelopment of HMAS *Coonawarra*, Darwin.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 25 **STATES (WORKS AND HOUSING) ASSISTANCE BILL 1988:** The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

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

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 122, dated 31 August 1988, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue and moneys for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Punch (Minister for Telecommunications and Aviation Support), the Bill was read a third time.

- 26 **CORPORATIONS (FEES) BILL 1988:** 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 Bowen (Attorney-General), the Bill was read a third time.

- 27 **SECURITIES EXCHANGES (APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP) FIDELITY FUNDS CONTRIBUTION BILL 1988:** 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 Bowen (Attorney-General), the Bill was read a third time.

- 28 **SECURITIES EXCHANGES (MEMBERSHIP) FIDELITY FUNDS CONTRIBUTION BILL 1988:** 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 Bowen (Attorney-General), the Bill was read a third time.

- 29 **SECURITIES EXCHANGES FIDELITY FUNDS LEVY BILL 1988:** 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 Bowen (Attorney-General), the Bill was read a third time.

- 30 **NATIONAL GUARANTEE FUND (REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS) LEVY BILL 1988:** 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 Bowen (Attorney-General), the Bill was read a third time.

- 31 **NATIONAL GUARANTEE FUND (PARTICIPATING EXCHANGES) LEVY BILL 1988:** 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 Bowen (Attorney-General), the Bill was read a third time.

- 32 NATIONAL GUARANTEE FUND (MEMBERS OF PARTICIPATING EXCHANGES) LEVY BILL 1988:** 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 Bowen (Attorney-General) moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and passed—Bill read a third time.
- 33 FUTURES ORGANISATIONS (APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP) FIDELITY FUNDS CONTRIBUTION BILL 1988:** 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 Bowen (Attorney-General) moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and passed—Bill read a third time.
- 34 FUTURES ORGANISATIONS (MEMBERSHIP) FIDELITY FUNDS CONTRIBUTION BILL 1988:** 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 Bowen (Attorney-General), the Bill was read a third time.
- 35 FUTURES ORGANISATIONS FIDELITY FUNDS LEVY BILL 1988:** 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 Bowen (Attorney-General), the Bill was read a third time.
- 36 CLOSE CORPORATIONS BILL 1988:** 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 Moore 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 draws attention to sections of the Bill which give effect to the lifting of the corporate veil and regrets that there was not adequate consultation on this matter”.
 Debate continued.
 Amendment negatived.
 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. 123, dated 22 May 1988, 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

Clauses 1 to 130, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

New Division—

On the motion of Mr Bowen (Attorney-General), by leave, the following new Division (comprising clauses 130A to 130C) was inserted in Part 18 of the Bill:

“Division 1A—Review by Administrative Appeals Tribunal of certain decisions

Interpretation

“130A. In this division:

‘decision’ has the same meaning as in the *Administrative Appeals Tribunal Act 1975*.

Applications for review

“130B. Subject to this Division, applications may be made to the Administrative Appeals Tribunal for review of a decision made under this Act by:

- (a) the Minister; or
- (b) the Commission.

Excluded decisions

“130C. Section 130B does not apply in relation to:

- (a) a decision in respect of which any provision in the nature of an appeal or review is expressly provided by this Act;
- (b) a decision that is declared by this Act to be conclusive or final or is embodied in a document declared by this Act to be conclusive evidence of an act, matter or thing;
- (c) a decision made by the Commission in the performance of a function, or in the exercise of a power, under Division 8 of Part 5.6 of the Corporations Act as that Division applies by virtue of section 114 of this Act; or
- (d) a decision by the Commission to refuse to exercise a power under that division as so applying.”

Clauses 131 to 136, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 137 omitted, after debate.

Clauses 138 to 141, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 142—

On the motion of Mr Bowen the following amendment was made:

Page 65, line 9, omit “only”.

On the motion of Mr Bowen the following amendment was made:

Page 65, at the end of the clause add the following subclause:

“(3) Nothing in this section affects the operation of the *Director of Public Prosecutions Act 1983*.”

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 143 agreed to.

Clause 144 omitted.

Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr McLeay reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Bowen, by leave, the House adopted the report.

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

Debate ensued.

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

37 SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT: Mr Bowen (Attorney-General) moved—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 11 October 1988, at 2.30 p.m., instead of 2 p.m., as previously ordered, unless Madam Speaker fixes an alternative day or hour of meeting.

Question—put and passed.

38 CLOSE CORPORATIONS (FEES) BILL 1988: 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 Bowen (Attorney-General), the Bill was read a third time.

39 CLOSE CORPORATIONS (LIQUIDATORS' RECOVERY TRUST FUND CONTRIBUTION)

BILL 1988: 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 Bowen (Attorney-General), the Bill was read a third time.

40 CLOSE CORPORATIONS (ADDITIONAL LIQUIDATORS' RECOVERY TRUST FUND CONTRIBUTION) BILL 1988:

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 Bowen (Attorney-General), the Bill was read a third time.

41 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 1988-89—BUDGET DEBATE:

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Mr Beale addressing the House—

Adjournment negatived: It being 10.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Mr Staples (Minister for Housing and Aged Care) requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—

Question—put and negatived.

Debate continued.

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

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Schedule 3—

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

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	} together
Department of Finance	
Department of the Treasury	
Advance to the Minister for Finance	

Attorney-General's Department	} together
Department of Transport and Communications	
Department of Employment, Education and Training	
Department of Aboriginal Affairs	

Department of Defence	} together
Department of Primary Industries and Energy	
Department of Social Security	
Department of Administrative Services	
Department of Community Services and Health	} together
Department of Veterans' Affairs	

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Department of Industry, Technology and Commerce
 Department of Industrial Relations

} together

Department of the Arts, Sport, the Environment, Tourism and Territories

Department of Immigration, Local Government and Ethnic Affairs

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

The House resumed; Mr McLeay reported accordingly.

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

42 **ADJOURNMENT:** Mr Staples (Minister for Housing and Aged Care) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until 11 p.m.—Madam Speaker adjourned the House until Tuesday, 11 October 1988, at 2.30 p.m., in accordance with the resolution agreed to this day.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 29 September 1988:

Australian Bureau of Statistics Act—Australian Bureau of Statistics—Proposals for collection of information—1988—

No. 13—Quarterly and annual surveys of expenditure by public financial enterprises on fixed assets.

No. 14—Quarterly survey of international shipping operations.

No. 15—Survey of international airline operations.

No. 16—Survey of principal transport enterprises.

No. 17—Survey of foreign investment.

No. 18—Consumer Price Index (CPI).

No. 19—Monthly collection of prices of materials used in the construction of buildings.

No. 20—Monthly collection of export prices.

No. 21—Monthly collection of prices of articles produced by manufacturing industry.

No. 22—Monthly collection of prices of materials used by manufacturing industry.

No. 23—Monthly survey of housing finance for owner occupation.

No. 24—Quarterly survey of Government financial transactions.

No. 25—Survey of building activity.

No. 26—Survey of interstate road freight movement.

No. 27—Census of mining establishments and enterprises.

No. 28—Mineral and petroleum exploration.

No. 29—Census of sand, gravel and quarry production, Queensland.

No. 30—Census of manufacturers' stocks of selected commodities.

No. 31—Survey of sales and stocks of new agricultural machinery.

No. 32—Survey of monthly and quarterly manufacturing production.

No. 33—Survey of sales of new construction machinery and selected attachments.

No. 34—Survey of sales and stocks of new tractors.

No. 35—Survey of forest products, Tasmania.

No. 36—South Australian timber statistics.

No. 37—Census of Queensland slaughterhouses.

No. 38—Interstate exports, Tasmania.

No. 39—Sales of Australian wine by winemakers.

- No. 40—Retail business survey.
 - No. 41—Census of manufacturing establishments and enterprises.
 - No. 42—Survey of interest and royalties 1987-88.
 - No. 43—Survey of new capital expenditure.
 - No. 44—Survey of stocks and sales.
 - No. 45—Survey of metallurgical refining, Tasmania.
 - No. 46—Interstate trade, Western Australia.
 - No. 47—Survey of tourist accommodation.
 - No. 48—Labour force survey.
 - No. 49—Survey of job vacancies and overtime.
 - No. 50—Household expenditure survey.
 - No. 51—Census of health and welfare establishments, Queensland.
 - No. 52—Collection of statistics on industrial disputes.
 - No. 53—Agricultural census.
 - No. 54—Monthly collection of statistics on apples and pears in cool stores.
 - No. 55—Census of livestock slaughtering establishments.
 - No. 56—Wool brokers and dealers receipts and stocks collection.
 - No. 57—Survey of business registrations.
- Explanatory statement to proposals 13 to 57 of 1988.
- Seat of Government (Administration) Act—
- Determinations listing fees for the purposes of the following Ordinances—1988—
- No. 19—ACT Institute of Technical and Further Education.
 - No. 20—Motor Traffic.
- Housing Assistance Ordinance—Variation pursuant to section 12—No. 1, dated 9 August 1988.
- Taxation (Administration) Ordinance—Determination for the purposes of the Payroll Tax Ordinance—1988—No. 1.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Braithwaite, Mr J. J. Brown, Mr Brumby, Mr D. M. Cameron, Dr Charlesworth, Mr Cleeland, Mrs Darling, Mr Duffy, Mr R. F. Edwards, Mr Hall, Mr Jull, Mr Keating, Mr Langmore, Mr Miles, Mr Mountford, Mr O'Neil, Mr Saunderson, Mr Shipton, Mr Simmons, Mr Snowdon and Mr Spender.

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