

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 145

THURSDAY, 26 OCTOBER 1989

1 The House met at 10 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Leo McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

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

Mr Andrew, Mr Baldwin, Mr N. A. Brown, Mr Brumby, Mr Burr, Mr E. C. Cameron, Mrs Child, Mr Cohen, Mr Connolly, Mr Cowan, Mr Cross, Mr Dawkins, Mr Downer, Dr H. R. Edwards, Mr T. A. Fischer, Mr Gear, Mr Halverson, Mr Humphreys, Mr Johns, Mr Jones, Mrs Kelly, Mr Kent, Mr Lamb, Mr Langmore, Mr Lee, Ms McHugh, Mr Martin, Mr Miles, Mr Milton, Mr Moore, Mr P. F. Morris, Mr Mountford, Mr O'Neil, Mr Peacock, Mr Prosser, Mr Reith, Mr Sawford, Mr J. L. Scott, Mr Shipton, Mr Smith, Mr Snowdon, Mr Tuckey, Mr Webster, Mr West, Mr Wilson and Dr Woods, from 144, 409, 138, 379, 541, 184, 161, 694, 351, 26, 512, 170, 948, 291, 33, 247, 251, 205, 114, 112, 1185, 116, 97, 503, 109, 359, 75, 422, 412, 196, 124, 1539, 192, 297, 371, 269, 108, 155, 134, 384, 364, 291, 316, 56, 510 and 283 petitioners, respectively, praying that policies be implemented to increase Australian aid, fight poverty, protect the environment and promote human rights.

Mr Baldwin, Mr Beazley, Mr Braithwaite, Mr R. J. Brown, Mr Cohen, Mr Dobie, Mr Grace, Mr Holding, Mr Kerin, Ms McHugh, Mr Millar, Mr P. F. Morris, Mr Mountford, Mr Ruddock, Mr Shack, Mr Sinclair, Mr Smith, Mr Tickner, Mr Tuckey, Dr Woods and Mr Wright, from 133, 525, 19, 25, 25, 88, 246, 108, 112, 556, 15, 27, 1124, 393, 272, 97, 73, 544, 217, 80 and 67 petitioners, respectively, praying that funding of abortions through Medicare cease and certain other action be taken to protect the right to life of the unborn.

Mrs Kelly, from 1700 petitioners, in similar terms.

Dr H. R. Edwards, Mr Fife, Mr T. A. Fischer, Mr Hicks, Mr Hollis, Mr Kerin, Mr Lavarch, Mr Mountford, Mr Sharp, Mr Sinclair, Mr Spender and Dr Woods, from 110, 133, 74, 72, 107, 255, 117, 147, 64, 45, 97 and 12 887 petitioners, respectively, praying that the restructuring of the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme be reconsidered.

Mr Hicks, Mr Lloyd and Mr Shipton, from 352, 19 and 146 petitioners, respectively, in similar terms.

Mr Adernmann, Mr N. A. Brown, Mr Cowan, Mr Dobie, Mr Goodluck, Mr Holding, Mr MacKellar, Mr Sinclair and Mr Webster, from 12, 12, 56, 12, 33, 26, 12, 37 and 174 petitioners, respectively, praying that an International Earth Repair Action Decade begin on 5 June 1990.

Mr Blanchard, Mr Dawkins, Ms Fatin, Mr Lloyd, Mr Tuckey and Mr White, from 15, 16, 6, 12, 14 and 443 petitioners, respectively, praying that Government funding of abortion be abolished.

- Mr Baldwin, Mr Cross, Ms Fatin, Mr Johns and Ms McHugh, from 1137, 246, 17, 224 and 103 petitioners, respectively, praying that any attempt to restrict access to abortion under Medicare be opposed.
- Mr Downer, Mr Hicks, Mr Porter, Mr Sawford and Dr Woods, from 58, 60, 194, 118 and 7256 petitioners, respectively, praying that certain action be taken to ensure the viability of community pharmacists.
- Mr D. M. Cameron, Mr Hollis, Mr Lindsay and Mr Millar, from 39, 80, 80 and 20 petitioners, respectively, praying that steps be taken to maintain both high quality health care for the community and equity for community pharmacists.
- Mr Fitzgibbon, Mr Webster and Dr Woods, from 1098, 1000 and 954 petitioners, respectively, praying that legislation be enacted to establish a savings fund to encourage saving by young people and to provide low interest housing loans to its contributors.
- Mr Goodluck, Mr Miles and Mr Tuckey, from 117, 36 and 56 petitioners, respectively, in similar terms.
- Mr Gorman, Mr Price and Dr Woods, from 39, 5523 and 180 petitioners, respectively, praying that the recent decision of the Pharmaceutical Benefits Remuneration Tribunal be set aside.
- Mr E. C. Cameron and Mr T. A. Fischer, from 728 and 2380 petitioners, respectively, praying that an equitable financial remuneration be granted to pharmacists for dispensing prescriptions under the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme.
- Mr Duncan and Mr Porter, from 429 and 365 petitioners, respectively, praying that action to reverse rising cost trends be taken and positive incentives provided to encourage all health funds to share the cost of health care for the sick and elderly.
- Mr Holding and Mr Tickner, from 480 and 116 petitioners, respectively, praying that woodchipping be phased out and certain other action be taken in relation to the forests of south eastern Australia.
- Ms McHugh and Mr J. L. Scott, from 322 and 338 petitioners, respectively, praying that certain action be taken to facilitate the immediate release by South Korean authorities of Dr Kim Jin-Yeop.
- Mr J. L. Scott, from 54 petitioners, in similar terms.
- Mr Miles and Mr Smith, from 591 and 17 residents of northern Tasmania, respectively, praying that facilities be established to transmit the SBS signal in northern Tasmania.
- Mr Ruddock and Mr Webster, from 48 and 29 petitioners, respectively, praying that the decision to place certain pharmaceutical drugs on the "Authority only" listing be abandoned.
- Mr Sharp and Mr Sinclair, from 13 and 20 petitioners, respectively, praying that the allocation to roads from fuel excise revenue be increased by 10 cents per litre from existing taxes and continue at that level for the next decade with adjustments for changes in fuel prices.
- Mr Andrew, from 95 petitioners, praying that the necessary legislative action be taken to promote conservation and protect the environment.
- Mr Baldwin, from 1029 residents of New South Wales, praying that the increases in social security pensions planned for April 1990 be made in November 1989.
- Mr Blanchard, from 84 petitioners, praying that action be taken to ensure the production of disposable nappies which are biodegradable and free of dioxin.
- Dr Blewett, from 13 petitioners, praying for the implementation of a breast cancer screening and education program which is covered by Medicare and accessible to all Australian women.
- Mr Halverson, from 299 petitioners, in similar terms.
- Mr N. A. Brown, from 73 petitioners, praying that the proposal to regulate credit reporting be abandoned.

- Mr N. A. Brown, from 24 petitioners, praying that the proposal to change the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme be abandoned.
- Mr Campbell, from 793 petitioners, praying that foreign fishing vessels operating off the north-west coast of Australia under existing agreements be made to comply with the relevant legislation and no more be allowed to operate there.
- Mr Cohen, from 573 petitioners, praying that the importing and exporting of chlorofluorocarbons be banned and certain other legislative action be taken in response to the greenhouse effect.
- Ms Fatin, from 669 residents of Western Australia, praying that legislative action be taken to reduce maximum interest rates on family home mortgages first to 15 per cent and subsequently to 10 per cent.
- Mr T. A. Fischer, from 18 petitioners, praying that the decision to place certain drugs on the "Authorities Required" list be reversed.
- Mr Holding, from 1085 petitioners, praying that certain action be taken to stop the manufacture, use and export of ozone depleting chemicals.
- Mr Goodluck, from 86 petitioners, praying that methods other than high mortgage interest rates be introduced to reduce Australia's external debt.
- Mr Lavarch, from 155 petitioners, praying that the sales tax on the sale of piano rolls be removed and accrued unpaid sales tax be waived.
- Mr Lloyd, from 168 petitioners, praying that access to SBS be extended to the Goulburn Valley and north-eastern Victoria.
- Ms McHugh, from 513 petitioners, praying that the aged pension be increased to 30 per cent of average weekly earnings and certain other action be taken in relation to pensions.
- Mr Miles, from 17 residents of Devonport, Tas., praying that the Australia Post posting box in Tasman Street, between Greenway Avenue and William Street, Devonport, be retained.
- Mr Milton, from 3228 children of Australia, praying that the release of radioactive water into Kakadu National Park be prevented.
- Mr O'Neil, from 38 residents of South Australia, praying that policies be changed to ease interest rates.
- Mr Reith, from 73 petitioners, praying that the recommendations in the majority report of the Joint Select Committee on Electoral Matters concerning advertising by political parties on radio and television be rejected.
- Mr Rocher, from 912 residents of Western Australia, praying that legislative action be taken to reduce maximum interest rates on family home mortgages first to 12.5 per cent and subsequently to 10 per cent.
- Mr Shack, from 17 petitioners, praying that the USSR Government be called upon to declare the Ribbentrop-Molotov Pact invalid and to undertake certain other action in relation to the effects of the Pact.
- Mr Sinclair, from 713 petitioners, praying that the proportion of funds allocated to roads from fuel excise be increased and certain other action taken to improve the road system.
- Mr Sinclair, from 86 petitioners, praying that construction of a third runway at Kingsford-Smith Airport and upgrading of existing radar and traffic control facilities be approved immediately.
- Mr Tuckey, from 887 petitioners, praying that interest on money invested in specified funds be exempt from income tax.
- Mr Tuckey, from 587 petitioners, praying that the continued viability of neighbourhood pharmaceutical services be guaranteed by an adequately funded Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme.
- Mr Webster from 53 petitioners, praying that the importation and availability of pornography in videos, films and television be banned and certain other action be taken in relation to pornography.
- Mr Wilson, from 549 petitioners, praying that foreign investment in Australian property, business and resources be limited to 45 per cent of each purchase.

Dr Woods, from 690 petitioners, praying that the excessive reliance on high interest rates as the major economic policy weapon cease.

Dr Woods, from 350 petitioners, praying that the Abortion Funding Abolition Bill be debated and voted upon during the current sittings of the House.

Dr Woods, from 373 petitioners, praying that the Privacy Amendment Bill be rejected.

Dr Woods, from 232 petitioners, praying that the provision of an adequately funded pharmaceutical benefits scheme which ensures availability of pharmaceutical benefits through local pharmacies be guaranteed.

Dr Woods, from 60 petitioners, praying that proposed cuts in funding of pharmaceutical benefits be rejected and a family chemist service maintained.

Petitions received.

3 NATIONAL CRIME AUTHORITY—JOINT COMMITTEE—PAPER—STATEMENT BY MEMBER: Mr Cleeland (Chairman) presented the following paper:

National Crime Authority—Joint Committee—Rethinking drug policy: a summary of report on drugs, crime and society—
and made a statement in connection with the paper.

4 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS: Mr Bilney (Chairman) presented the following report and related paper:

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Committee—Visit by the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee of the New Zealand House of Representatives—

Report, dated October 1989.

Minutes of proceedings.

Ordered—That the report be printed.

Mr Bilney, Mr Halverson, Mr Lindsay, Mr Nehl and Mr Kent made statements in connection with the report.

5 COPYRIGHT REFORM BILL 1989: Mr N. A. Brown, pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to implement the recommendations of the Copyright Law Review Committee relating to the importation of books and other reproduced articles.

Mr N. A. Brown made a statement in relation to the Bill.

Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an order of the day for the next sitting Thursday, in accordance with sessional order 104A.

6 FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN AUSTRALIA: Mr Tickner, pursuant to notice, moved—That, recognising the high level of public concern about foreign investment in Australia, this House:

(1) supports Federal Government restrictions on foreign purchases of Australian residential real estate;

(2) opposes the abolition of the Foreign Investment Review Board; and

(3) calls on the Government to investigate further initiatives to impose appropriate controls over foreign investment in the national interest.

Debate ensued.

Debate adjourned, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting Thursday.

7 DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME AND WEALTH: Mr Langmore, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House supports policies aimed at creating a fairer Australian society, through reduction in the extent of inequities in the distribution of income and wealth by (a) increasing employment and reducing unemployment; (b) improvements in the social security system; (c) strengthening the progressive tax system; and (d) policies aimed at increasing competitiveness and reducing industrial concentration.

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 Lamb was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

- 8 **MULTICULTURALISM:** Mr Nehl, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House queries the benefits of multiculturalism to Australian society.

Debate ensued.

It being 12.30 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with sessional order 104A, 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.

- 9 **GRIEVANCE DEBATE:** Pursuant to the provisions of sessional order 106, the order of the day having been read—

Question proposed—That grievances be noted.

Debate ensued.

It being 1.45 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with sessional order 106.

Question—That grievances be noted—put and passed.

- 10 **MEMBERS' STATEMENTS:** Members' statements were made.

- 11 **PARLIAMENT HOUSE SERVICES—UNION BANS—STATEMENT BY MR SPEAKER:** Mr Speaker made a statement informing the House of union bans on waste removal and bus and Commonwealth car services to and from Parliament House.

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

- 13 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS MOVED:** Mr Peacock (Leader of the Opposition) moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Prime Minister forthwith making a statement outlining the Government's plans to deal with the mounting economic crisis which is a direct result of his Government's economic mismanagement.

Debate ensued.

The time allowed by standing order 91 for debate on the motion having expired—
Question—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr R. F. Edwards, in the Chair)—

AYES, 56

Mr Aldred	Mr Connolly	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr Anderson	Mr Cowan	Mr McArthur	Mr Shack
Mr Andrew	Mr Dobie	Mr McGauran	Mr Sharp
Mr Beale	Mr Downer	Mr MacKellar	Mr Shipton
Mr Blunt	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr Macphee	Mr Sinclair
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Fife	Mr Miles	Mr Smith
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Millar	Mr Spender
Mr Burr	Mr Hall	Mr Moore	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Cadman	Mr Halverson	Mr Nehl	Mr Taylor
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hawker*	Mr Peacock	Mr Tuckey
Mr E. C. Cameron	Dr Hewson	Mr Prosser	Mr Webster
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Mr Reith	Mr Wilson
Mr Carlton	Mr Howard	Mr Robinson	Dr Woods
Mr Cobb	Mr Jull	Mr Rocher	Dr Wooldridge

NOES, 68

Mr Baldwin	Mr Dawkins	Mr Jenkins	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Beazley	Mr Dubois	Mr Jones	Mr O'Neil
Mr Beddall	Mr Duncan	Mrs Kelly	Mr Punch
Mr Bilney	Ms Fatin	Mr Kent	Mr Saunderson
Mr Blanchard	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Kerin	Mr Scholes
Dr Blewett	Mr Free	Mr Kerr	Mr J. L. Scott
Mr Bowen	Mr Gayler	Mr Lamb*	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Gear	Mr Langmore	Mr Simmons
Mr Campbell	Mr Gorman	Mr Lavarch	Mr Snow
Mr Charles	Mr Grace	Mr Lee	Mr Snowdon
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Hand	Mr Lindsay	Mr Staples
Mrs Child	Mrs Harvey	Ms McHugh	Dr Theophanous
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Holding	Mr Martin	Mr Tickner
Mr Cleeland	Mr Hollis	Mr Milton	Mr Uren
Mr Courtice	Mr Howe	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr West
Ms Crawford	Mr Humphreys	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr Cunningham*	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr Mountford	Mr Wright

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

14 PAPERS: The following papers were presented:

Australian Research Council—Report—Grants and fellowships awarded in 1989.
 Australian Research Grants Scheme, Marine Sciences and Technologies Grants Scheme, National Research Fellowships Scheme and the Queen Elizabeth II Fellowships—Report—Grants and fellowships awarded 1988.

Federal Airports Corporation Act—Federal Airports Corporation—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report, for period 1 April 1988 to 31 March 1989.

Industry, Science and Technology—Standing Committee—Report—Investment in Australian manufacturing—Government response.

National Health and Medical Research Council—Reports—
 104th session, Canberra, November 1987.

105th session, Adelaide, June 1988.

106th session, Canberra, November 1988.

Snowy Mountains Council—Report for 1988-89.

15 INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—INVESTMENT IN AUSTRALIAN MANUFACTURING—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following paper:

Industry, Science and Technology—Standing Committee—Report—Investment in Australian manufacturing—Government response.

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

16 ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE—MEMBERSHIP: The House was informed that the Government Whip had nominated Mr Jenkins to be a member of the Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs in place of Mr Campbell.

17 PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—INFLATION: The House was informed that Dr Hewson had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The Hawke/Keating Government's failure to tackle inflation, the core of Australia's economic problems".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Dr Hewson rising to address the House—

Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the business of the day be called on.

Question—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr R. F. Edwards, in the Chair)—

AYES, 67

Mr Baldwin	Mr Cunningham*	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr O'Neil
Mr Beazley	Mr Dawkins	Mr Jenkins	Mr Punch
Mr Beddall	Mr Dubois	Mrs Kelly	Mr Saunderson
Mr Bilney	Mr Duncan	Mr Kent	Mr Scholes
Mr Blanchard	Ms Fatin	Mr Kerin	Mr J. L. Scott
Dr Blewett	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Kerr	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr Bowen	Mr Free	Mr Lamb*	Mr Simmons
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Gayler	Mr Langmore	Mr Snow
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Gear	Mr Lavarch	Mr Snowdon
Mr Campbell	Mr Gorman	Mr Lee	Mr Staples
Mr Charles	Mr Grace	Mr Lindsay	Dr Theophanous
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Hand	Ms McHugh	Mr Tickner
Mrs Child	Mrs Harvey	Mr Martin	Mr Uren
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Holding	Mr Milton	Mr West
Mr Cleeland	Mr Hollis	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr Courtice	Mr Howe	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Wright
Ms Crawford	Mr Humphreys	Mr Mountford	

NOES, 55

Mr Aldred	Mr Connolly	Mr Lloyd	Mr Shack
Mr Anderson	Mr Cowan	Mr McArthur	Mr Sharp
Mr Andrew	Mr Dobie	Mr McGauran	Mr Shtiopon
Mr Beale	Mr Downer	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr Blunt	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr Macphee	Mr Smith
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Fife	Mr Miles	Mr Spender
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Millar	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Burr	Mr Hall	Mr Moore	Mr Taylor
Mr Cadman	Mr Halverson	Mr Nehl	Mr Tuckey
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hawker*	Mr Prosser	Mr Webster
Mr E. C. Cameron	Dr Hewson	Mr Reith	Mr Wilson
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Mr Robinson	Dr Woods
Mr Carlton	Mr Howard	Mr Rocher	Dr Woolldridge
Mr Cobb	Mr Jull	Mr Ruddock	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

18 **SELECTION COMMITTEE—REPORT:** Mr R. F. Edwards (Chairman) presented the report of the Selection Committee relating to the program of business prior to 12.30 p.m. on Thursday, 2 November 1989.

19 **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—NATIONAL HEALTH AMENDMENT BILL 1989:** The following message from the Senate was reported:

Message No. 454

Mr Speaker,

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the 'National Health Act 1953', and for related purposes*", and acquaints the House that the Senate does not insist upon its Amendment No. 1 disagreed to by the House of Representatives and has agreed to the Amendment and consequential Amendment made by the House in place thereof, and insists upon its Amendment No. 2 disagreed to by the House of Representatives.

The Senate desires the reconsideration of the Bill in respect of Amendment No. 2.

KERRY SIBRAA
President

The Senate,
Canberra, 26 October 1989

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

20 **STATES GRANTS (SCHOOLS ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1989:** Mr Dawkins (Minister for Employment, Education and Training), pursuant to notice,

presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *States Grants (Schools Assistance) Act 1988*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

- 21 **HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1989:** Mr Dawkins (Minister for Employment, Education and Training), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Higher Education Funding Act 1988*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

- 22 **STUDENT ASSISTANCE AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1989:** Mr Dawkins (Minister for Employment, Education and Training), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Student Assistance Act 1973*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

- 23 **STATES GRANTS (TAFE ASSISTANCE) BILL 1989:** Mr Dawkins (Minister for Employment, Education and Training), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the funding of technical and further education, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

- 24 **OVERSEAS STUDENTS CHARGE AMENDMENT BILL 1989:** Mr Dawkins (Minister for Employment, Education and Training) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Overseas Students Charge Act 1979*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

- 25 **ABORIGINAL EDUCATION (SUPPLEMENTARY ASSISTANCE) BILL 1989:** Mr Dawkins (Minister for Employment, Education and Training), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide supplementary financial assistance to advance the education of Aboriginals, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Papers: Mr Dawkins presented the following papers:

Aboriginal Education (Supplementary Assistance) Bill 1989—Explanatory memorandum.

National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education policy—Joint policy statement.

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

- 26 **UNIVERSITY OF CANBERRA BILL 1989:** Mr Dawkins (Minister for Employment, Education and Training), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to establish and incorporate a University of Canberra under the sponsorship of Monash University, to repeal the *Canberra College of Advanced Education Act 1967*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

- 27 **POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICE:** Ordered—That notice No. 7, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

- 28 **MIGRATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 1989:** Mr Holding (Minister representing the Minister for Immigration, Local Government and Ethnic Affairs) pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Migration Legislation Amendment Act 1989*, and to amend certain other Acts in consequence of the enactment of the *Migration Legislation Amendment Act 1989*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

- 29 **OVERSEAS STUDENTS CHARGE AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1989:** Mr Holding (Minister representing the Minister for Immigration, Local Government and Ethnic Affairs) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Overseas Students Charge Act 1979*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

- 30 **BANKING LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1989—SENATE'S AMENDMENTS:** The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole to consider the amendments made by the Senate.

In the committee

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE

No. 1—Page 9, clause 16, proposed section 61, lines 7 to 16, leave out the proposed section, insert the following section:

Reserve Bank to conduct investigations where Governor considers necessary

“61. (1) Where the Governor of the Reserve Bank is satisfied that a report on specified prudential matters in relation to a bank is necessary, the Reserve Bank may, in writing, appoint a person to investigate and report on those specified prudential matters in relation to that bank.

‘(2) The bank:

(a) shall afford the person access to its books, accounts and documents; and

(b) shall give to the person such information and facilities as the person requires to conduct the investigation.

‘(3) Nothing in this section is intended to limit the operation of any other provision of this Act.’”

No. 2—Page 17, after clause 49, insert the following new clause:

Annual reports and financial statements

“49A. Section 81 of the Principal Act is amended:

(a) by inserting after paragraph (1) (a) the following paragraph:

‘(aa) a report on any investigations on prudential matters pursuant to section 61 of the *Banking Act 1959*, including details of persons appointed to investigate and report on such matters; and’; and

(b) by inserting after subsection (1) the following subsection:

‘(1A) Nothing in this section authorises the Board to furnish a report under paragraph (1) (aa) with respect to the affairs of an individual bank or the affairs of an individual customer of a bank.’”

On the motion of Mr R. J. Brown (Minister for Land Transport and Shipping Support), the amendments were agreed to, after debate.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Cowan reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Holding (Minister for the Arts, Tourism and Territories), the House adopted the report.

31 **STATES GRANTS (GENERAL PURPOSES) BILL 1989:** 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. 253, dated 17 October 1989, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Kerin (Minister for Primary Industries and Energy), the Bill was read a third time.

32 **THERAPEUTIC GOODS BILL 1989:** 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 Tickner 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.

33 **HANSARD—ACCURACY OF TRANSCRIPT—STATEMENT BY MR SPEAKER:** Mr Speaker made a statement on a matter raised in the House earlier today by Mr N. A. Brown concerning the accuracy of the *Hansard* record of an answer given in question time yesterday by the Minister for Administrative Services.

34 **THERAPEUTIC GOODS BILL 1989:** 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. 254, dated 17 October 1989, 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.

On the motion of Mr Staples (Minister for Housing and Aged Care), by leave, the following amendments were made together, after debate:

Clause 6—

Page 7, line 21, omit “or in relation to”.

Page 7, line 22, omit “or in relation to”.

Page 7, line 34, omit “or in relation to”.

Page 7, line 35, omit “or in relation to”.

Clause 17, page 13, omit subclause 17 (5).

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr Andrew reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Staples, by leave, the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

35 **THERAPEUTIC GOODS (CHARGES) BILL 1989:** 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 Staples (Minister for Housing and Aged Care), the Bill was read a third time.

36 **CUSTOMS TARIFF (ANTI-DUMPING) AMENDMENT BILL 1989:** 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.

37 **ADJOURNMENT:** It being 10.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Suspension of standing and sessional orders moved: Mr Jull moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Speaker reporting forthwith the message from the Senate requesting that the House agree to a similar resolution to that passed by the Senate, namely: a resolution that the Government terminate the two airlines agreement.

Mr Jull addressing the House—

Closure of Member: Mr Hand (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs) moved—That the honourable Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 56

Mr Baldwin	Mr Dubois	Mr Jones	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Beazley	Mr R. F. Edwards	Mrs Kelly	Mr O'Neil
Mr Beddall	Ms Fatin	Mr Kent	Mr Punch
Mr Bilney	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Kerin	Mr Saunderson
Mr Blanchard	Mr Free	Mr Kerr	Mr J. L. Scott
Dr Blewett	Mr Gear	Mr Lamb *	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Gorman	Mr Langmore	Mr Simmons
Mr Campbell	Mr Grace	Mr Lavarch	Mr Staples
Mr Charles	Mr Hand	Mr Lee	Dr Theophanous
Dr Charlesworth	Mrs Harvey	Mr Lindsay	Mr Tickner
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Hollis	Ms McHugh	Mr Uren
Mr Courtice	Mr Humphreys	Mr Martin	Mr West
Ms Crawford	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr Milton	Mr Willis
Mr Cunningham *	Mr Jenkins	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Wright

NOES, 41

Mr Aldred	Mr Connolly	Mr McArthur	Mr Sharp
Mr Anderson	Mr Downer	Mr McGauran	Mr Sinclair
Mr Andrew	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr MacKellar	Mr Smith
Mr Blunt	Mr Fife	Mr Miles	Mrs Sullivan
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Millar	Mr Taylor
Mr Burr	Mr Halverson	Mr Nehl	Mr Webster
Mr Cadman	Mr Hawker *	Mr Prosser	Mr Wilson
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hicks *	Mr Reith	Dr Wooldridge
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Howard	Mr Rocher	
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Cobb	Mr Lloyd	Mr Shack	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr N. A. Brown (second) addressing the House—

Closure of Member: Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the honourable Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 59

Mr Baldwin	Mr R. F. Edwards	Mr Jones	Mr O'Neil
Mr Beazley	Ms Fatin	Mrs Kelly	Mr Punch
Mr Beddall	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Kent	Mr Saunderson
Mr Bilney	Mr Free	Mr Kerin	Mr J. L. Scott
Mr Blanchard	Mr Gayler	Mr Kerr	Mr L. J. Scott
Dr Blewett	Mr Gear	Mr Lamb*	Mr Simmons
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Gorman	Mr Langmore	Mr Snowden
Mr Campbell	Mr Grace	Mr Lavarch	Mr Staples
Mr Charles	Mr Hand	Mr Lee	Dr Theophanous
Dr Charlesworth	Mrs Harvey	Mr Lindsay	Mr Tickner
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Holding	Ms McHugh	Mr Uren
Mr Courtice	Mr Hollis	Mr Martin	Mr West
Ms Crawford	Mr Humphreys	Mr Milton	Mr Willis
Mr Cunningham*	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Wright
Mr Dubois	Mr Jenkins	Mr O'Keefe	

NOES, 42

Mr Aldred	Mr Connolly	Mr McArthur	Mr Sharp
Mr Anderson	Mr Downer	Mr McGauran	Mr Shipton
Mr Andrew	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr Blunt	Mr Fife	Mr Miles	Mr Smith
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Millar	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Burr	Mr Halverson	Mr Nehl	Mr Taylor
Mr Cadman	Mr Hawker *	Mr Prosser	Mr Webster
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hicks *	Mr Reith	Mr Wilson
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Howard	Mr Rocher	Dr Wooldridge
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Cobb	Mr Lloyd	Mr Shack	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Fife rising to address the House—

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 59

Mr Baldwin	Mr R. F. Edwards	Mr Jones	Mr O'Neil
Mr Beazley	Ms Fatin	Mrs Kelly	Mr Punch
Mr Beddall	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Kent	Mr Saunderson
Mr Bilney	Mr Free	Mr Kerin	Mr J. L. Scott
Mr Blanchard	Mr Gayler	Mr Kerr	Mr L. J. Scott
Dr Blewett	Mr Gear	Mr Lamb*	Mr Simmons
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Gorman	Mr Langmore	Mr Snowdon
Mr Campbell	Mr Grace	Mr Lavarch	Mr Staples
Mr Charles	Mr Hand	Mr Lee	Dr Theophanous
Dr Charlesworth	Mrs Harvey	Mr Lindsay	Mr Tickner
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Holding	Ms McHugh	Mr Uren
Mr Courtice	Mr Hollis	Mr Martin	Mr West
Ms Crawford	Mr Humphreys	Mr Milton	Mr Willis
Mr Cunningham*	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Wright
Mr Dubois	Mr Jenkins	Mr O'Keefe	

NOES, 43

Mr Aldred	Mr Connolly	Mr McArthur	Mr Shack
Mr Anderson	Mr Downer	Mr McGauran	Mr Sharp
Mr Andrew	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr MacKellar	Mr Shipton
Mr Blunt	Mr Fife	Mr Macphee	Mr Sinclair
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Miles	Mr Smith
Mr Burr	Mr Halverson	Mr Millar	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Cadman	Mr Hawker*	Mr Nehl	Mr Taylor
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Mr Prosser	Mr Webster
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Howard	Mr Reith	Mr Wilson
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Rocher	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Cobb	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion for the suspension of standing and sessional orders be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 43

Mr Aldred	Mr Connolly	Mr McArthur	Mr Shack
Mr Anderson	Mr Downer	Mr McGauran	Mr Sharp
Mr Andrew	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr MacKellar	Mr Shipton
Mr Blunt	Mr Fife	Mr Macphee	Mr Sinclair
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Miles	Mr Smith
Mr Burr	Mr Halverson	Mr Millar	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Cadman	Mr Hawker*	Mr Nehl	Mr Taylor
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Mr Prosser	Mr Webster
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Howard	Mr Reith	Mr Wilson
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Rocher	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Cobb	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock	

NOES, 60

Mr Baldwin	Mr Dubois	Mr Jenkins	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Beazley	Mr R. F. Edwards	Mr Jones	Mr O'Neil
Mr Beddall	Ms Fatin	Mrs Kelly	Mr Punch
Mr Bilney	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Kent	Mr Saunderson
Mr Blanchard	Mr Free	Mr Kerin	Mr J. L. Scott
Dr Blewett	Mr Gayler	Mr Kerr	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Gear	Mr Lamb*	Mr Simmons
Mr Campbell	Mr Gorman	Mr Langmore	Mr Snowdon
Mr Charles	Mr Grace	Mr Lavarch	Mr Staples
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Hand	Mr Lee	Dr Theophanous
Mr Chynoweth	Mrs Harvey	Mr Lindsay	Mr Tickner
Mr Courtice	Mr Holding	Ms McHugh	Mr Uren
Ms Crawford	Mr Hollis	Mr Martin	Mr West
Mr Cunningham*	Mr Humphreys	Mr Milton	Mr Willis
Mr Dawkins	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Wright

* Tellers

And so it was negated.

Debate ensued on the motion that the House do now adjourn.
The House continuing to sit until 11 p.m.—The Speaker adjourned the House until Monday next at 2 p.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 26 October 1989:

Health Insurance Act—Determination of principles for the approval of premises as an accredited pathology laboratory, dated 27 September 1989.

Lands Acquisition Act—Statement of lands acquired by agreement authorised under subsection 40 (1).

National Health Act—Approval for the purposes of paragraph 40AA (6) (ce), dated 20 October 1989.

Public Service Act—Determinations—1989—Nos. 137, 143, 145.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Adermann, Mr Cross, Mrs Darling, Mr Duffy, Mr P. S. Fisher, Mr Griffiths, Mr Johns, Mr Katter, Dr Klugman*, Mr Mildren, Mr Porter, Mr Pratt, Mr Price, Mr Sawford, Mr Sciacca and Mr White.

*On leave

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Clerk of the House of Representatives