

## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 94

THURSDAY, 17 OCTOBER 1991

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- 1 The House met, at 9.30 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Acting Speaker (Mr R. F. Edwards) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
  - 2 **PETITIONS:** The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
    - Mr J. N. Andrew, Dr Blewett, Mr Braithwaite, Mr Downer, Mrs Gallus, Mr Hall and Mr Truss, from 204, 50, 66, 8, 20, 68 and 20 petitioners, respectively, praying that those parts of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child which could undermine the parent-child relationship be denounced.
    - Mr J. N. Andrew, Mr Downer, Mrs Gallus and Mr Shack, from 378, 78, 22 and 19 petitioners, respectively, praying that the Abortion Funding Abolition Bill 1990 be passed and that pregnant women with problems be helped to continue their pregnancies.
    - Mr Baldwin and Ms Fatin from 21 and 156 petitioners, respectively, and Mr Mack from 1 petitioner, praying that funding of abortions through Medicare cease and certain other action be taken to protect the right to life of the unborn.
    - Mr Webster, from 41 petitioners, in similar terms.
    - Mr Cadman, Mr Dobie and Dr H. R. Edwards, from 50, 50 and 36 residents of New South Wales and Victoria, respectively, praying that a second frequency for SBS radio be approved.
    - Mr Dobie and Dr R. L. Woods, from 18 and 18 residents of New South Wales, respectively, praying that immediate recognition be given to Croatia as a sovereign nation.
    - Mr P. S. Fisher and Mr McGauran, from 19 and 10 petitioners, respectively, praying that the Disadvantaged Schools Program and Country Education Project remain Commonwealth special purpose programs and that certain action be taken to fund and improve services for schools.
    - Mr Gorman and Mr West, from 28 and 37 residents of New South Wales, respectively, praying that certain action be taken in the 1991-92 Budget to redress falls in the real value of the pension relative to wages and alleviate poverty among low-income Australians.
    - Mr Jenkins and Mr Mack, from 20 and 20 petitioners, respectively, praying that the AIDEX exhibition be replaced with an exhibition which highlights hazards to the environment.
    - Mr Aldred, from 13 residents of Victoria, praying that proposed rescheduling and networking changes to SBS radio be stopped.
    - Mr J. N. Andrew, from 14 petitioners, praying for adequate funding to enable the ABC's radio program "The Country Hour" to continue.

- Mr Beale, from 13 petitioners, praying that legislation preventing the right to advertise electoral material on radio and television be rejected.
- Mr Cameron, from 1415 residents of Benalla, Vic., and surrounding districts, praying that a Medicare office be established in Benalla.
- Mr P. S. Fisher, from 35 petitioners, praying that offensive and sexually explicit recorded messages be removed from Telecom's 0055 recorded information service.
- Mrs Gallus, from 78 petitioners, praying that the Abortion Funding Abolition Bill 1990 be passed and other action be taken to protect the right to life of the unborn.
- Mr Gorman, from 128 petitioners, praying that any proposal for the functions of HMAS *Nirimba* and HMAS *Cerberus* to be consolidated at HMAS *Cerberus* be rejected.
- Mr Lindsay, from 313 residents of Queensland, praying that certain action be taken under the Commonwealth/State Housing Agreement to ensure that the Queensland Government genuinely addresses the housing needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people in Queensland.
- Ms McHugh, from 160 petitioners, praying that any attempt to restrict access to abortion under Medicare be opposed.
- Mr Melham, from 109 petitioners, praying that support for AIDEX be withdrawn, that equipment destined for display at AIDEX not be allowed into Australia and that compensation for firms having spent money on AIDEX be considered.
- Mr Melham, from 33 petitioners, praying that AIDEX 1991 be closed down and certain other action be taken to minimise the arms trade.
- Mr Mack, from 19 petitioners, in similar terms.
- Mr Melham, from 8 petitioners, praying that certain action be taken to ban international sales of armaments and arms-related technology and that AIDEX '91 be cancelled.
- Mr Moore, from 10 petitioners, praying that legislation banning political advertising be rejected.
- Mr B. C. Scott, from 3137 electors of the Division of Maranoa, praying that sex and fantasy audio text services on Telecom's 0055 service be disbanded.
- Mr B. C. Scott, from 130 electors of the Division of Maranoa, praying that action be taken to rectify the interference problem experienced by viewers of WIN Television in Springsure, Qld.
- Mr Somlyay, from 18 petitioners, praying that certain action be taken before 1 January 2001 to reaffirm that Australia is a Christian Commonwealth according to law and its heritage, traditions and customs.
- Mr Tuckey, from 603 petitioners, praying that a hard core pornographic telephone message service not be introduced.
- Mr Tuckey, from 26 petitioners, praying that pornographic messages be removed from Telecom's 0055 recorded information service.

Petitions received.

**3 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Langmore presented the following report and related papers:

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Committee—Australia's current account deficit and overseas debt—

Report, incorporating a dissenting report, 10 October 1991.

Minutes of proceedings.

Ordered—That the report be printed.

Mr Langmore moved—That the House take note of the report.

Debate adjourned, the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day, and Mr Langmore was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

**4 TRANSPORT, COMMUNICATIONS AND INFRASTRUCTURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr P. F. Morris (Chairman) presented the following report and related papers:

Transport, Communications and Infrastructure—Standing Committee—  
Management of the radio frequency spectrum—  
Report, 14 October 1991.

Minutes of proceedings.

Ordered—That the report be printed.

Mr P. F. Morris moved—That the House take note of the report.

Debate adjourned, the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day, and Mr P. F. Morris was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

**5 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS:** Mr Lindsay presented the following report:

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Committee—Visit of the  
Defence Subcommittee to Adelaide, July 1991—Report, October 1991.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr Lindsay and Mr Sinclair made statements in connection with the report.

**6 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT 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 Langmore—That the House take note of the report (*see* entry No. 3), viz.:

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Committee—Australia's current  
account deficit and overseas debt—Report, incorporating a dissenting  
report, 10 October 1991—

Debate resumed.

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

**7 TRANSPORT, COMMUNICATIONS AND INFRASTRUCTURE—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 P. F. Morris—That the House take note of the report (*see* entry No. 4), viz.:

Transport, Communications and Infrastructure—Standing Committee—  
Management of the radio frequency spectrum—Report, 14 October  
1991—

Debate resumed.

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

**8 POST-COMPULSORY EDUCATION AND TRAINING:** Mr Langmore, pursuant to notice, moved—That the House supports the broad thrust of the recommendations of the report on young people's participation in post-compulsory education and training (the Finn Report) and in particular calls on governments to ensure adequate funding to allow implementation of the recommendations so that the targets for access to education and training can be realised by 2001.

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.

**9 SELF-DETERMINATION OF THE UKRAINE:** Mr Ruddock, pursuant to notice, moved—That the House:

- (1) acknowledges the right of self-determination of the Ukraine;
- (2) notes the declaration of independence and that the declaration is to be put to the Ukrainian people for confirmation in December 1991;
- (3) believes that, subject to such confirmation and the Ukraine meeting the criteria for independent statehood, the international community, including Australia, should support its independence by diplomatic recognition; and
- (4) calls upon the Australian Government in the meantime to support the aspirations of the Ukrainian people by:
  - (a) establishing a consulate in the Ukraine;
  - (b) opening a trade office in Kiev; and
  - (c) ensuring the Ukraine gets its fair share of the training and management scholarships the Australian Government is offering to the Soviet Union.

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.

**10 TAX EXEMPT SPECIAL SAVINGS ACCOUNTS:** The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Kerr—That this House commend to the Government the introduction of a scheme modelled on the British tax exempt special savings account in order to facilitate both the growth of domestic savings and the encouragement of Australian investment in Australian domestic industry—

Debate resumed.

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.

**11 YUGOSLAV REPUBLICS:** The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Filing—That the House:

- (1) deplores the violence, loss of life and destruction of property that has taken place in Slovenia and Croatia, where more than 30 civilians are reported to have been killed, largely as a result of the attacks of terrorists supplied by the communist-led federal army and attacks by the army itself;
- (2) notes the potential for further conflict if aspirations for self-determination expressed through democratic plebiscites in the Yugoslav republics are confronted by military force;
- (3) welcomes the efforts of the European Community to act as a mediator to prevent further conflict;
- (4) calls on the Australian Government to support international efforts for a negotiated settlement between the Yugoslav republics which will avoid conflict, achieve the independence which the people of Croatia and Slovenia demand and protect the interests of ethnic and religious minorities; and
- (5) further calls upon the Australian Government to recall its Ambassador to Yugoslavia for consultations on how Australia might, consistent with a desire to preserve peace, support the newly evolving, independent states, including the most appropriate time to give diplomatic recognition—

Debate resumed.

It being approximately 12.30 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with sessional order 104A and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting Thursday.

- 12 **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.
- 13 **MEMBERS' STATEMENTS:** Members' statements were made.
- 14 **SOCIAL SECURITY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 3) 1991—RESULT OF DIVISION—STATEMENT BY ACTING SPEAKER:** The Acting Speaker informed the House that the published list for the division in committee on the Social Security Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 3) 1991 contained some errors. The Acting Speaker stated that Mr Bilney and Mrs Kelly had been recorded as voting with the Noes when they were not present in the Chamber and that Mr Connolly, Mr Filing and Mr Nugent had voted with the Noes but their names had not been recorded.
- 15 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.
- 16 **SELECTION COMMITTEE—REPORT:** Mr R. F. Edwards (Chairman) presented the following report:  
Selection Committee—Report relating to the program of business prior to 12.30 p.m. on Thursday, 7 November 1991.
- 17 **AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT—PUBLICATION OF PAPER:** The Acting Speaker presented the following paper:  
Audit Act—Auditor-General—Audit report No. 9 of 1991-92—Project audits—Department of Veterans' Affairs.  
Mr Beazley (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That:  
(1) this House, in accordance with the provisions of the *Parliamentary Papers Act 1908*, authorises the publication of the Auditor-General's audit report No. 9 of 1991-92; and  
(2) the report be printed.  
Question—put and passed.
- 18 **PAPERS:** The following papers were presented:  
Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation Act—Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation—10th Report, for 1990-91.  
Bankruptcy Act—Report for 1990-91.  
Federal Court of Australia Act—Federal Court of Australia—Report for 1990-91.  
Reforming the industrial relations system—Ministerial statement by Senator Peter Cook, Minister for Industrial Relations, 17 October 1991.  
Snowy Mountains Engineering Corporation Act—Snowy Mountains Engineering Corporation Limited—Report for 1990-91.
- 19 **REFORMING THE INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS SYSTEM—PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following paper:  
Reforming the industrial relations system—Ministerial statement by Senator Peter Cook, Minister for Industrial Relations, 17 October 1991.  
Debate adjourned (Mr Fife), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 20 **RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY: FUTURE DIRECTIONS—PAPER AND MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:** Mr Free (Minister for Science and Technology) presented the following report:

Australian Science and Technology Council Act—Australian Science and Technology Council—Report—Research and technology: Future directions, 25 September 1991—

and, by leave, made a ministerial statement in connection with the report. Mr McGauran, by leave, also made a statement in connection with the matter.

- 21 **URUGUAY ROUND OF TRADE NEGOTIATIONS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:** Dr Blewett (Minister for Trade and Overseas Development), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House of the state of the Uruguay round of trade negotiations.

Mr Downer, by leave, also made a statement in connection with the matter.

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

17 October 1991—Message No. 319—Family Law Amendment (No. 2) 1991.

- 23 **DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT:** The House was informed that Mr Reith (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The gross economic mismanagement of the Government which has resulted in Australia’s worst recession for 60 years”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Reith addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

- 24 **PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE—13TH REPORT:** Mr Gorman (Chairman) presented the following report:

#### PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE 13TH REPORT

The Publications Committee reports that it has met in conference with the Publications Committee of the Senate.

The committee, having considered petitions and papers presented to the Parliament since 12 September 1991, recommends that the following be printed:

Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act—Reports by the Aboriginal Land Commissioner—

No. 31—Warumungu Land Claim, 8 July 1988.

No. 34—Wakaya/Alyawarre Land Claim, 8 May 1990.

No. 38—Western Desert Land Claim, 24 September 1990.

Administrative Review Council—Access to Administrative Review by Members of Australia’s Ethnic Communities—Report (No. 34) to the Attorney-General, 14 July 1991.

Australia-China Council—Report for 1990-91.

Australian Bureau of Statistics Act—

Australian Bureau of Statistics—Report for 1990-91.

Australian Statistics Advisory Council—Report for 1990-91.

Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation Act—Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation—Report for 1990-91.

Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation Act—Safety Review Committee—Special Report—Management of radioactive waste at Lucas Heights Research Laboratories, 28 August 1991.

- Employment, Education and Training—Senate Standing Committee—  
Report on Education Services (Export Regulation) Bill 1990, May 1991.
- Fishing Industry Research Act—Report for 1990-91 on the operations of  
the Act.
- High Court of Australia Act—High Court of Australia—Report for  
1990-91.
- Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission Act—Human Rights  
and Equal Opportunity Commission—Report on Provision of Health  
and Medical Services for Aboriginal Communities of Cooktown,  
Hopevale and Wujal Wujal, September 1991.
- Industry Commission Act—Industry Commission—Report—Exports of  
Education Services, 14 August 1991 (No. 12).
- Industry Research and Development Act—Industry Research and  
Development Board—Report for 1990-91.
- Life Insurance Act, Insurance Act, Insurance (Agents and Brokers) Act  
and Occupational Superannuation Standards Act—Insurance and  
Superannuation Commission—Report for 1990-91.
- Maritime College Act—Australian Maritime College—Report for 1990.
- Meat Research Corporation Act—Meat Research Corporation—Report for  
1990-91.
- National Debt Sinking Fund Act—National Debt Commission—Report  
for 1990-91.
- OTC Limited—Report for year ended 31 March 1991.
- Public Lending Right Act—Public Lending Right Committee—Report for  
1990-91.
- Public Service Act—  
Attorney-General's Department—Report for 1990-91.  
Department of the House of Representatives—Report for 1990-91.
- Trade Practices Act—Trade Practices Commission—Report for 1990-91.
- University of Canberra Act—Council of the University of Canberra—  
Report for 1990.
- Veterans' Entitlements Act—Veterans' Review Board—Report for  
1990-91.

RUSS GORMAN  
Chairman

17 October 1991

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

Question—put and passed.

- 25 STATES GRANTS (TAFE ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1991: Mr  
Baldwin (Minister for Higher Education and Employment Services), pursuant  
to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *States Grants (TAFE  
Assistance) Act 1989*.  
Bill read a first time.  
Mr Baldwin moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.  
*Paper:* Mr Baldwin presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.  
Debate adjourned (Mr Howard), and the resumption of the debate made an  
order of the day for the next sitting.
- 26 HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1991: Mr Baldwin  
(Minister for Higher Education and Employment Services), pursuant  
to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Higher Education Funding  
Act 1988*.  
Bill read a first time.  
Mr Baldwin moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.  
*Paper:* Mr Baldwin presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.  
Debate adjourned (Mr Howard), and the resumption of the debate made an  
order of the day for the next sitting.

- 27 **TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1991:** Mr Snowdon (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Transport and Communications), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to transport and communications, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

*Paper:* Mr Snowdon presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

- 28 **CIVIL AVIATION (CARRIERS' LIABILITY) AMENDMENT BILL 1991:** Mr Snowdon (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Transport and Communications), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Civil Aviation (Carriers' Liability) Act 1959*.

Bill read a first time.

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

*Paper:* Mr Snowdon presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

- 29 **PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1991:** Mr Price (Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend various Acts relating to matters dealt with within the portfolio of the Prime Minister, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

*Paper:* Mr Price presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

- 30 **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—BROADCASTING AMENDMENT BILL 1991:**  
The following message from the Senate was reported:

Message No. 318

Mr Acting Speaker,

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the bill for "*An Act to amend the 'Broadcasting Act 1942'*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the bill with the amendments indicated by the annexed schedule, in which amendments the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

MAL COLSTON  
Deputy-President

The Senate,  
Canberra, 17 October 1991

Ordered—That the amendments be taken into consideration, in committee of the whole House, forthwith.

*In the committee*

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE

No. 1—Clause 4, page 2, at end of clause, add the following paragraph:

“(c) by inserting after subsection (3) the following subsections:

‘(3A) Where a person fails to comply with a requirement in a notice served on the person under subsection (1), the Tribunal may make application to the Federal Court for an order under subsection (3B).

‘(3B) Where, on an application under subsection (3A), the Federal Court is satisfied that the information or documents required to be



produced by the notice are necessary to enable the Tribunal to exercise any of its powers, or perform any of its functions or duties, under this Part, the Court may order that an acquisition of interest, to which the information or documents relate, not occur until the information or documents have been produced in accordance with the notice.'".

No. 2—Clause 5, page 4, proposed paragraph 90HA(3)(c), line 16, omit "10 days", substitute "21 days".

No. 3—Clause 6, page 8, proposed paragraph 92EA(3)(c), line 15, omit "10 days", substitute "21 days".

On the motion of Mr Beazley (Minister for Transport and Communications), the amendments were agreed to, after debate.

Resolution to be reported.

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The House resumed; Mr Scholes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Beazley, the House adopted the report.

31 STATES GRANTS (GENERAL PURPOSES) BILL 1991: 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.

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*Parliamentary Secretaries—Statement by Acting Speaker:* The Acting Speaker made a statement on the matter raised yesterday by Mr Sinclair concerning Parliamentary Secretaries and whether motions moved by them needed to be seconded. The Acting Speaker stated that according to the resolution adopted by the House yesterday motions and amendments moved by Parliamentary Secretaries need not be seconded.

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Debate continued.

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

*Message from the Governor-General:* Message No. 191, dated 12 September 1991, 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.

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*In the committee*

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Mr Free (Minister Assisting the Treasurer) moved the following amendment:

Clause 6, page 4, add at the end the following subclause:

"(2) The amount that would, but for this subsection, be payable under this section in relation to the grant year to Victoria is to be reduced by \$2,428,000."

*Paper:* Mr Free presented a supplementary explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Amendment agreed to.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

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The House resumed; Mr Jenkins reported accordingly.

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

32 CARRIAGE OF GOODS BY SEA BILL 1991: 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.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

*In the committee*

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Mr Sharp moved the following amendment: Clause 2, page 2, lines 1-15, omit subclauses (3) to (5), substitute the following subclauses:

“(3) If a Proclamation under subsection (2) is not made within 3 years after the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent, Part 3 and Schedule 2 are taken to have been repealed at the expiration of those 3 years, unless, before the expiration of those 3 years, each House of the Parliament passes a resolution:

(a) that Part 3 and Schedule 2 are to commence; or

(b) that the question of the commencement of Part 3 and Schedule 2 be reconsidered, in accordance with this section, after a further period of 3 years.

“(4) If a resolution is passed in accordance with paragraph (3)(a), Part 3 and Schedule 2 commence on the day on which the resolution is passed by the second of the Houses to pass it.

“(5) If a resolution is passed in accordance with paragraph (3)(b), the period of 3 years referred to in subsection (3) is taken to commence on the day on which the resolution is passed by the second of the Houses to pass it.”

Debate continued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

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

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Mr Aldred	Mr Charles	Mr Hall	Mr Ronaldson
Mr Anderson	Mr Cobb	Mr Halverson	Mr Ruddock
Mr J. N. Andrew*	Mr Connolly	Mr Hawker	Mr B. C. Scott
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Costello	Mr Hicks*	Mr Shack
Mr Atkinson	Mr Dobie	Mr Howard	Mr Sharp
Mrs Bailey	Mr Downer	Mr Jull	Mr Somlyay
Mr Beale	Dr H. R. Edwards	Dr Kemp	Mr Taylor
Mr Bradford	Mr Fife	Mr McArthur	Mr Truss
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Filing	Mr McGauran	Mr Tuckey
Mr Broadbent	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Miles	Mr Webster
Mr Cadman	Mr P. S. Fisher	Mr Nugent	Mr Wilson
Mr Cameron	Mr Ford	Mr Reid	Dr R. L. Woods
Mr Carlton	Mrs Gallus	Mr Riggall	Dr Wooldridge

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Mr Baldwin	Mr Elliott	Mrs Kelly	Mr Sawford*
Mr Beazley	Ms Fatin	Mr Kerr	Mr Scholes
Mr Beddall	Mr Ferguson	Mr Langmore	Mr J. L. Scott
Mr Bevis	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Lee	Mr L. J. Scott
Dr Blewett	Mr Free	Mr Lindsay	Mr Simmons
Mr Brereton	Mr Gibson	Mr Mack	Mr Snow
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Grace*	Ms McHugh	Mr Snowdon
Mr Campbell	Mr Griffiths	Mr Martin	Mr Staples
Dr Catley	Mr Hand	Mr Melham	Dr Theophanous
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Hollis	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Tickner
Mr Courtice	Mr Hulls	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Walker
Ms Crawford	Mr Humphreys	Mr Newell	Mr West
Mr Crean	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Willis
Mr Dubois	Mr Jenkins	Mr O'Neil	Mr H. F. Woods
Mr Duffy	Mr Johns	Mr Price	Mr Wright
Mr Duncan	Mr Keating	Mr Punch	

\* Tellers

And so it was negatived.  
It being past 10.30 p.m.—Progress to be reported.

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The House resumed; Mr MacKellar reported accordingly.  
*Adjournment negatived:* The question was accordingly proposed—That the House do now adjourn.  
Mr R. J. Brown (Minister for Land Transport) requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—  
Question—put and negatived.  
The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

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*In the committee*

Bill agreed to.  
Bill to be reported without amendment.

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The House resumed; Mr MacKellar reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr R. J. Brown, the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.  
33 ADJOURNMENT: Mr R. J. Brown (Minister for Land Transport) moved—  
That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
The House continuing to sit until 11 p.m.—The Deputy Speaker adjourned the House until Tuesday, 5 November 1991, at 2 p.m.

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**ATTENDANCE:** All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Chaney, Mrs Crosio, Mrs Darling\*, Mr Gear\*, Mr Hawke, Mr Holding, Mr Jones, Mr Kerin, Mr Lavarch, Mr McLeay, Mr Peacock\*, Mr Rocher\*, Mr Sciacca\* and Mrs Sullivan.

\*On leave

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**L. M. BARLIN**  
Clerk of the House of Representatives