

1993

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 14

TUESDAY, 31 AUGUST 1993

1 The House met, at 2 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (the Honourable Stephen Martin) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice were asked.

3 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT—PUBLICATION OF PAPER

The Speaker presented the following paper:

Audit Act—Auditor-General—Audit report No. 3 of 1993-94—Project audit—Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service: Review of travel irregularities.

Mr Beazley (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That:

- (1) this House authorises the publication of the Auditor-General's audit report No. 3 of 1993-94; and
- (2) the report be printed.

Question—put and passed.

4 PAPERS

The following papers were presented:

Broadcasting Act—Australian Broadcasting Tribunal—Report for period 1 July to 4 October 1992.

Sport and Recreation Ministers' Council—Summary record of proceedings—22nd meeting, Hobart, 8 July 1992.

5 PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS

Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following papers:

Broadcasting Act—Australian Broadcasting Tribunal—Report for period 1 July to 4 October 1992.

Sport and Recreation Ministers' Council—Summary record of proceedings—22nd meeting, Hobart, 8 July 1992.

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

6 PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—ECONOMIC POLICY

The House was informed that Mr Downer had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The inconsistent, irresponsible and erratic handling of economic policy following the introduction of the Budget".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Downer 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 Speaker, Mr Martin, in the Chair)—

AYES, 75

Mr Adams	Mrs Easson	Mr Johns	Mr Punch
Mr Baldwin	Mr Elliott	Mr Jones	Mr Quick
Mr Beazley	Ms Fatin	Mrs Kelly	Mr Sawford*
Mr Beddall	Mr Ferguson	Mr Kerin	Mr Sciacca
Mr Bevis	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Kerr	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr Bilney	Mr Free	Mr Knott	Mr Simmons
Dr Blewett	Mr Gear	Mr Langmore	Mrs S. J. Smith
Mr Brereton	Mr Gibson	Mr Lavarch	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Brown	Mr Gorman	Mr Lee	Mr Snow
Mr Campbell	Mr Griffin	Mr Lindsay	Mr Snowdon
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Griffiths	Ms McHugh	Mr Staples
Mr Cleeland	Mr Haviland	Mr McLeay*	Mr Swan
Ms Crawford	Ms Henzell	Mr Melham	Mr Tanner
Mr Crean	Mr Holding	Mr A. A. Morris	Dr Theophanous
Mr Cunningham	Mr Hollis	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Tickner
Ms Deahm	Mr Horne	Mr Newell	Mr Walker
Mr Dodd	Mr Howe	Mr O'Connor	Mr Willis
Mr Duffy	Mr Humphreys	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Woods
Mr Duncan	Mr Jenkins	Mr Price	

NOES, 63

Mr Aldred	Mr Evans	Mr McGauran	Mr Ruddock
Mr Anderson	Mr Filing*	Mr Mack	Mr B. C. Scott
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr Fischer	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sharp
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr McLachlan	Mr Sinclair
Mr Atkinson	Mrs Gallus	Mr Miles	Mr Slipper
Mr Beale	Mr Hall	Mr Moore	Mr Somlyay
Mr Bradford	Mr Halverson	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Hawker	Mr Nehl	Mr Taylor
Mr Cadman	Dr Hewson	Mr Neville	Mr Truss
Mr Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Mr Peacock	Mr Tuckey
Mr Carlton	Mr Jull	Mr Prosser	Mr Vaile
Mr Charles	Mr Katter	Mr Pyne	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cobb	Dr Kemp	Mr Reid	Mr Williams
Mr Costello	Mr Lieberman	Mr Reith	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Dobie	Mr Lloyd	Mr Rocher	Ms Worth
Mr Downer	Mr McArthur	Mr Ronaldson	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

7 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER 107:** Mr Beazley (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—That standing order 107 (Matter of public importance) be suspended for all sittings up to and including Thursday, 28 October 1993.

Debate ensued.

Mr Sharp 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 Deputy Speaker, Mr Jenkins, in the Chair)—

AYES, 75

Mr Adams	Mr Duffy	Mr Johns	Mr Punch
Mr Baldwin	Mr Duncan	Mr Jones	Mr Quick
Mr Beazley	Mrs Easson	Mrs Kelly	Mr Sawford*
Mr Beddall	Mr Elliott	Mr Kerin	Mr Sciacca
Mr Bevis	Ms Fatin	Mr Kerr	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr Bilney	Mr Ferguson	Mr Knott	Mr Simmons
Dr Blewett	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Langmore	Mrs S. J. Smith
Mr Brereton	Mr Free	Mr Lavarch	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Brown	Mr Gear	Mr Lee	Mr Snow
Mr Campbell	Mr Gibson	Mr Lindsay	Mr Snowdon
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Gorman	Ms McHugh	Mr Staples
Mr Cleary	Mr Griffin	Mr McLeay*	Mr Swan
Mr Cleeland	Mr Griffiths	Mr Melham	Mr Tanner
Ms Crawford	Mr Haviland	Mr A. A. Morris	Dr Theophanous
Mr Crean	Ms Henzell	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Tickner
Mr Cunningham	Mr Holding	Mr Newell	Mr Walker
Mr Dawkins	Mr Hollis	Mr O'Connor	Mr Willis
Ms Deahm	Mr Horne	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Woods
Mr Dodd	Mr Humphreys	Mr Price	

NOES, 60

Mr Aldred	Mr Downer	Mr McGauran	Mr Ronaldson
Mr Anderson	Mr Evans	Mr Mack	Mr Ruddock
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr Filing*	Mr MacKellar	Mr B. C. Scott
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Fischer	Mr McLachlan	Mr Sharp
Mr Atkinson	Mrs Gallus	Mr Miles	Mr Sinclair
Mr Beale	Mr Hall	Mr Moore	Mr Slipper
Mr Bradford	Mr Halverson	Mrs Moylan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Hawker	Mr Nehl	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Cadman	Mr Hicks*	Mr Neville	Mr Taylor
Mr Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Peacock	Mr Truss
Mr Carlton	Mr Katter	Mr Prosser	Mr Tuckey
Mr Charles	Dr Kemp	Mr Pyne	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cobb	Mr Lieberman	Mr Reid	Mr Williams
Mr Costello	Mr Lloyd	Mr Reith	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Dobie	Mr McArthur	Mr Rocher	Ms Worth

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 75

Mr Adams	Mr Duncan	Mr Johns	Mr Punch
Mr Baldwin	Mrs Easson	Mr Jones	Mr Quick
Mr Beazley	Mr Elliott	Mrs Kelly	Mr Sawford*
Mr Beddall	Ms Fatin	Mr Kerin	Mr Sciacca
Mr Bevis	Mr Ferguson	Mr Kerr	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr Bilney	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Knott	Mr Simmons
Dr Blewett	Mr Free	Mr Langmore	Mrs S. J. Smith
Mr Brereton	Mr Gear	Mr Lavarch	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Brown	Mr Gibson	Mr Lee	Mr Snow
Mr Campbell	Mr Gorman	Mr Lindsay	Mr Snowdon
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Griffin	Ms McHugh	Mr Staples
Mr Cleeland	Mr Griffiths	Mr McLeay*	Mr Swan
Ms Crawford	Mr Haviland	Mr Melham	Mr Tanner
Mr Crean	Ms Henzell	Mr A. A. Morris	Dr Theophanous
Mr Cunningham	Mr Holding	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Tickner
Mr Dawkins	Mr Hollis	Mr Newell	Mr Walker
Ms Deahm	Mr Horne	Mr O'Connor	Mr Willis
Mr Dodd	Mr Howe	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Woods
Mr Duffy	Mr Humphreys	Mr Price	

NOES, 61

Mr Aldred	Mr Downer	Mr Mack	Mr B. C. Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr Evans	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sharp
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr Filing*	Mr McLachlan	Mr Sinclair
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Fischer	Mr Miles	Mr Slipper
Mr Atkinson	Mrs Gallus	Mr Moore	Mr Somlyay
Mr Beale	Mr Hall	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Bradford	Mr Halverson	Mr Nehl	Mr Taylor
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Hawker	Mr Neville	Mr Truss
Mr Cadman	Mr Hicks*	Mr Peacock	Mr Tuckey
Mr Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Prosser	Mr Wakelin
Mr Carlton	Mr Katter	Mr Pyne	Mr Williams
Mr Charles	Dr Kemp	Mr Reid	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Cleary	Mr Lieberman	Mr Reith	Ms Worth
Mr Cobb	Mr Lloyd	Mr Rocher	
Mr Costello	Mr McArthur	Mr Ronaldson	
Mr Dobie	Mr McGauran	Mr Ruddock	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

8 ABORIGINAL EDUCATION (SUPPLEMENTARY ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT BILL 1993

Mr Beazley (Minister for Employment, Education and Training), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Aboriginal Education (Supplementary Assistance) Act 1989*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

9 TELECOMMUNICATIONS (INTERCEPTION) AMENDMENT BILL 1993

Mr Duncan (Parliamentary Secretary to the Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Telecommunications (Interception) Act 1979*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

10 SOCIAL SECURITY AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1993

Mr Sciacca (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Social Security), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Social Security Act 1991*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

11 DEPARTURE TAX AMENDMENT BILL 1993

Mr O'Keefe (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Transport and Communications) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Departure Tax Act 1978*.

Bill read a first time.

Mr O'Keefe moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper: Mr O'Keefe presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

12 NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION (SAFEGUARDS) AMENDMENT BILL 1993

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

Debate resumed.

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

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

13 NUCLEAR SAFEGUARDS (PRODUCERS OF URANIUM ORE CONCENTRATES) CHARGE BILL 1993

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 Lee (Minister for Resources), the Bill was read a third time.

14 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 1993-94—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.

Dr Wooldridge (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) 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 notes:

- (1) the likelihood of foreshadowed amendments to the Budget;
- (2) the vacillations and confusion about the Budget;
- (3) the pernicious impact on low income Australians;
- (4) the failure to reduce unemployment; and
- (5) the continuing abrogation of responsibilities towards the long-term unemployed”.

Member named and suspended: The Deputy Speaker named the Member for Throsby (Mr Hollis) for calling attention to the want of a quorum when a quorum was present.

Mr Hollis withdrew from the Chamber.

Mr Tuckey moved—That the Member for Throsby be suspended from the service of the House.

Question—put and passed.

The Member was, therefore, suspended at 9.50 p.m. for 24 hours under standing order 305.

Mr Sinclair moved—That Dr Wooldridge be granted an extension of time.

Question—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr J. N. Andrew, in the Chair)—

AYES, 55

Mr Aldred	Mr Evans	Mr McGauran	Mr B. C. Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr Filing*	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sharp
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Fischer	Mr McLachlan	Mr Sinclair
Mr Atkinson	Mr Forrest	Mr Miles	Mr Slipper
Mr Beale	Mrs Gallus	Mrs Moylan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Bradford	Mr Hall	Mr Nehl	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Halverson	Mr Neville	Mr Taylor
Mr Cadman	Mr Hawker	Mr Peacock	Mr Truss
Mr Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Mr Prosser	Mr Tuckey
Mr Carlton	Mr Jull	Mr Pyne	Mr Wakelin
Mr Charles	Dr Kemp	Mr Reid	Mr Williams
Mr Cobb	Mr Lieberman	Mr Reith	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Costello	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ronaldson	Ms Worth
Mr Downer	Mr McArthur	Mr Ruddock	

NOES, 72

Mr Adams	Mr Duffy	Mr Jones	Mr Punch
Mr Baldwin	Mr Duncan	Mrs Kelly	Mr Quick
Mr Beazley	Mrs Easson	Mr Kerin	Mr Sawford*
Mr Beddall	Mr Elliott	Mr Kerr	Mr Sciacca
Mr Bevis	Ms Fatin	Mr Knott	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr Bilney	Mr Ferguson	Mr Lavarch	Mr Simmons
Dr Blewett	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Lee	Mrs S. J. Smith
Mr Brereton	Mr Free	Mr Lindsay	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Brown	Mr Gear	Ms McHugh	Mr Snow
Mr Campbell	Mr Gibson	Mr Mack	Mr Snowdon
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Griffin	Mr McLeay*	Mr Staples
Mr Cleeland	Mr Griffiths	Mr Melham	Mr Swan
Ms Crawford	Mr Haviland	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Tanner
Mr Crean	Ms Henzell	Mr P. F. Morris	Dr Theophanous
Mr Cunningham	Mr Holding	Mr Newell	Mr Tickner
Mr Dawkins	Mr Horne	Mr O'Connor	Mr Walker
Ms Deahm	Mr Jenkins	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Willis
Mr Dodd	Mr Johns	Mr Price	Mr Woods

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Mr Truss addressing the House—

15 ADJOURNMENT

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 10.30 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 10 a.m.

PAPERS

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 31 August 1993:

Health Insurance Act—Statement under section 106AA (Dr Ralph Desmond Pearson), 19 August 1993.

Migration Act—Statements under section 115—1993 Nos. 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Connolly, Mrs Crosio, Mr Grace, Mr Howard and Mr Nugent.

L. M. BARLIN

Clerk of the House of Representatives