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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 14

WEDNESDAY, 29 MAY 1996

1 The House met, at 9.30 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (the Honourable Bob Halverson) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 AIRPORTS BILL 1996

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Tanner, viz.*—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “whilst not declining to give the Bill a second reading, the House is of the opinion that:

- (1) no sales should occur until all Environmental Impact Statement processes are completed and the future of Sydney West Airport is resolved;
- (2) in order to ensure that the Commonwealth achieves the maximum lease payments possible as a result of the processes set out in the Airports Bill and the Airports (Transitional) Bill, Sydney (Kingsford-Smith) Airport should be included in the first tranche of airports outlined in the Minister for Finance’s second reading speech for the Airports (Transitional) Bill, rather than be offered for leasehold sale at some later time; and
- (3) the road and other infrastructure developments associated with the Badgerys Creek proposal should proceed where appropriate, regardless of whether Sydney West Airport is built at Badgerys Creek”—

Debate resumed.

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

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

AYES, 80

Mr Abbott	Mr Entsch	Mr Lindsay	Mr Sharp
Mr Andren	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sinclair
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Fahey	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper
Mr Anthony	Mr Filing	Mr McDougall	Mr A. C. Smith
Mrs Bailey	Mr Forrest	Mr McGauran	Mr W. L. Smith
Mr R. C. Baldwin	Mrs Gallus	Mr McLachlan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gash	Mr Marek	Dr Southcott
Mr Bartlett	Mr Georgiou	Mr Miles	Mrs Stone
Mr Billson	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr Moore	Mr Taylor
Mr Bradford	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Mutch	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Brough	Mr Hawker	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mr Cadman	Mr Hockey	Mr Nehl	Mr Tuckey
Mr E. H. Cameron	Ms Jeanes	Dr Nelson	Mr M. A. J. Vaile*
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mrs Johnston	Mr Nugent	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr Causley	Mr Jull	Mr Prosser	Mr Wakelin
Mr Charles	Mr Katter	Mr Pyne	Mrs West
Mr Cobb	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Randall	Mr Williams
Mr Dondas	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Reith	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Downer	Dr Kemp	Mr Rocher	Ms Worth
Mrs Elson	Mr Lieberman	Mr Ruddock	Mr Zammit

NOES, 45

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr O'Connor
Mr Albanese	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Keefe
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr Price
Mr Beddall	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Bevis	Mr E. L. Grace*	Ms Macklin	Mr Tanner
Mr Brereton	Mr Griffin	Mr McLeay	Dr Theophanous
Mr Brown	Mr Holding	Mr McMullan	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Campbell	Mr Hollis	Mr Martin	Mr Willis
Mr Crean	Mr Jenkins	Mr Melham	Mr Wilton
Mrs Crosio	Mr Jones	Mr A. A. Morris	
Ms Ellis	Mr Kerr	Mr P. F. Morris	
Mr G. J. Evans	Mr Langmore	Mr Mossfield	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 13, dated 27 May 1996, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the Bill.

Consideration in detail

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Mr Tanner, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Clause 4, page 3, seventh dot point of simplified outline, after paragraph (b), insert the following paragraph:

; (c) a 15% limit on cross-ownership for Sydney/Melbourne and Sydney/Brisbane airports.

Clause 5, page 9, after the definition of “*unacceptable airline ownership situation*” insert the following definition:

unacceptable cross-ownership situation has the meaning given by section 47C.

Clause 21, page 19, after paragraph (1)(b) insert the following paragraph:

;or

(c) both:

- (i) the company would become a member of a pair of airport-operator companies in the event of the grant; and
- (ii) an unacceptable cross-ownership situation in relation to the pair would come into existence in the event of the grant.

Clause 25, page 22, after paragraph (b) insert the following paragraph:

;or

(c) both:

- (i) the company would become a member of a pair of airport-operator companies in the event of the transfer; and
- (ii) an unacceptable cross-ownership situation in relation to the pair would come into existence in the event of the transfer.

Clause 33, page 27, after paragraph 3(b) insert the following paragraph:

;or

(c) both:

- (i) the company would become a member of a pair of airport-operator companies in the event that the agreement was entered into; and
- (ii) an unacceptable cross-ownership situation in relation to the pair would come into existence in the event that the agreement was entered into.

Clause 38, page 32, first dot point of simplified outline, after paragraph (b), insert the following paragraph:

; (c) a 15% limit on cross-ownership for Sydney/Melbourne and Sydney/Brisbane airports.

After Part 3, Division 4, page 40, insert the following new Division (comprising clauses 47A - 47J):

Division 5—Limits on cross-ownership of pairs of airport-operator companies

Subdivision A—Simplified outline

47A Simplified outline

The following is a simplified outline of this Division:

- Airport-operator companies for Sydney and Melbourne form a *pair*.
- Airport-operator companies for Sydney and Brisbane form a *pair*.
- There is a 15% limit on the cross-ownership of paired companies.
- The Minister may declare a person to have *practical control* of an airport-operator company.
- If the person covered by the declaration has practical control of, or a stake of more than 15% in, each of the members of a pair, the person must take steps to ensure that there is at least one member of the pair where the person does not have:
 - (a) a stake of more than 15%; or
 - (b) practical control.

Subdivision B—Pairs of airport-operator companies

47B Pairs of airport-operator companies

For the purposes of this Act, a group of 2 airport-operator companies constitute a *pair of airport-operator companies* if:

- (a) one of the companies is mentioned in a box in the left-hand column of the following table; and
- (b) the other company is mentioned in the corresponding box in the right-hand column of the table.

For the purposes of this Act, the *members* of that pair are those companies.

This company ...	forms a pair with this company ...
the airport-lessee company for Melbourne (Tullamarine) Airport	the airport-lessee company for Sydney (Kingsford-Smith) Airport
an airport-management company for Melbourne (Tullamarine) Airport	the airport-lessee company for Sydney (Kingsford-Smith) Airport
the airport-lessee company for Melbourne (Tullamarine) Airport	an airport-management company for Sydney (Kingsford-Smith) Airport
an airport-management company for Melbourne (Tullamarine) Airport	an airport-management company for Sydney (Kingsford-Smith) Airport
the airport-lessee company for Brisbane Airport	the airport-lessee company for Sydney (Kingsford-Smith) Airport
an airport-management company for Brisbane Airport	the airport-lessee company for Sydney (Kingsford-Smith) Airport
the airport-lessee company for Brisbane Airport	an airport-management company for Sydney (Kingsford-Smith) Airport
an airport-management company for Brisbane Airport	an airport-management company for Sydney (Kingsford-Smith) Airport

This company ...	forms a pair with this company ...
Airport	
the airport-lessee company for Melbourne (Tullamarine) Airport	the airport-lessee company for Sydney West Airport
an airport-management company for Melbourne (Tullamarine) Airport	the airport-lessee company for Sydney West Airport
the airport-lessee company for Melbourne (Tullamarine) Airport	an airport-management company for Sydney West Airport
an airport-management company for Melbourne (Tullamarine) Airport	an airport-management company for Sydney West Airport
the airport-lessee company for Brisbane Airport	the airport-lessee company for Sydney West Airport
an airport-management company for Brisbane Airport	the airport-lessee company for Sydney West Airport
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an airport-management company for Brisbane Airport	an airport-management company for Sydney West Airport

Subdivision C—15% limit on cross-ownership

47C Meaning of *unacceptable cross-ownership situation*

For the purposes of this Act, an *unacceptable cross-ownership situation* exists in relation to a pair of airport-operator companies (the *first company* and the *second company*) and in relation to a particular person if:

- (a) the person holds a particular type of stake in the first company of more than 15%; and
- (b) the person holds any type of stake in the second company of more than 15%.

Note: A person's *stake* includes the interests of the person's associates—see the Schedule.

47D Acquisition of shares

If:

- (a) a person, or 2 or more persons under an arrangement, acquire shares in a company; and
- (b) the acquisition has the result, in relation to a particular pair of airport-operator companies (the *first company* and the *second company*), that:

- (i) an unacceptable cross-ownership situation comes into existence in relation to the pair and in relation to a person; or
- (ii) if an unacceptable cross-ownership situation already exists in relation to the pair and in relation to a particular person—there is an increase in any type of stake held by the person in either the first company or the second company; and
- (c) the person or persons mentioned in paragraph (a) knew, or were reckless as to whether, the acquisition would have that result;

the person or persons mentioned in paragraph (a) are guilty of an offence punishable on conviction by a fine not exceeding 400 penalty units.

47E Compliance by airport-operator companies

- (1) A member of a pair of airport-operator companies must take all reasonable steps to ensure that an unacceptable cross-ownership situation does not exist in relation to that pair.
- (2) A company that knowingly or recklessly contravenes subsection (1) is guilty of an offence punishable on conviction by a fine not exceeding 500 penalty units.

47F Remedial orders

- (1) If an unacceptable cross-ownership situation exists in relation to a pair of airport-operator companies, the Federal Court may, on application by the Minister, make such orders as the court considers appropriate for the purpose of ensuring that the situation ceases to exist.
- (2) The Federal Court's orders include:
 - (a) an order directing the disposal of shares; or
 - (b) an order restraining the exercise of any rights attached to shares; or
 - (c) an order prohibiting or deferring the payment of any sums due to a person in respect of shares held by the person; or
 - (d) an order that any exercise of rights attached to shares be disregarded.
- (3) Subsection (2) does not, by implication, limit subsection (1).
- (4) In addition to the Federal Court's powers under subsections (1) and (2), the court:
 - (a) has power, for the purpose of securing compliance with any other order made under this section, to make an order directing any person to do or refrain from doing a specified act; and
 - (b) has power to make an order containing such ancillary or consequential provisions as the court thinks just.
- (5) The Federal Court may, before making an order under this section, direct that notice of the Minister's application be given to such

persons as it thinks fit or be published in such a manner as it thinks fit, or both.

- (6) The Federal Court may, by order, rescind, vary or discharge an order made by it under this section or suspend the operation of such an order.

Subdivision D—Practical control

47G Meaning of *control*

In this Subdivision:

Control includes control as a result of, or by means of, trusts, agreements, arrangements, understandings and practices, whether or not having legal or equitable force and whether or not based on legal or equitable rights.

47H Minister may declare person to have practical control of an airport-operator company

Declaration

- (1) If:
- (a) the Minister is satisfied that:
 - (i) the directors of an airport-operator company are accustomed or under an obligation, whether formal or informal, to act in accordance with the directions, instructions or wishes of a person (either alone or together with associates); or
 - (ii) a person (either alone or together with associates) is in a position to exercise control over an airport-operator company; and
 - (b) the Minister is satisfied that:
 - (i) the person does not have any type of stake in the company; or
 - (ii) if the person has one or more types of stake in the company—each of those stakes is not more than 15%;

the Minister may declare that the person has ***practical control*** of the airport-operator company for the purposes of this Act.

Declaration has effect

- (2) A declaration under this section has effect accordingly.

Revocation of declaration

- (3) If:
- (a) a declaration is in force under this section; and
 - (b) the Minister ceases to be satisfied of the matters referred to in paragraphs (1)(a) and (b);
- the Minister must revoke the declaration.

Gazettal and notification of declaration

- (4) If a declaration under this section is made or revoked, the Minister must arrange for a copy of the declaration or revocation:
- (a) to be published in the Gazette; and
 - (b) to be given to the airport-operator company and the person concerned.

47I Requirement to relinquish practical control or reduce stake

- (1) If a person:
- (a) has practical control of a particular airport-operator company (the *first company*); and
 - (b) the first company is a member of a pair of airport-operator companies; and
 - (c) either of the following subparagraphs applies to the other member of the pair:
 - (i) the person has practical control of the other member;
 - (ii) the person has a particular type of stake in the other member of more than 15%;

the person must take such steps as are necessary to ensure that there is at least one member of the pair where both of the following paragraphs apply:

- (d) both:
 - (i) the directors of the company are not accustomed or under an obligation, whether formal or informal, to act in accordance with the directions, instructions or wishes of the person (either alone or together with associates); and
 - (ii) the person (either alone or together with associates) is not in a position to exercise control over the company;
- (e) either:
 - (i) the person does not have any type of stake in the company; or
 - (ii) if the person has one or more types of stake in the company—each of those stakes is not more than 15%.

The person must take those steps:

- (f) within 90 days after receiving the copy of the most recent declaration under section 47H relating to the practical control of the first company or the other member of the pair; or
- (g) if the Minister, by written notice given to the person, allows a longer period for compliance—before the end of that longer period.

Note: *Practical control* has the meaning given by section 47H.

- (2) A person who knowingly or recklessly contravenes subsection (1) is guilty of an offence punishable on conviction by a fine not exceeding 400 penalty units.

47J Remedial orders

- (1) If a person:
- (a) has practical control of a particular airport-operator company (the *first company*); and
 - (b) the first company is a member of a pair of airport-operator companies; and
 - (c) either of the following subparagraphs applies to the other member of the pair:
 - (i) the person has practical control of the other member;
 - (ii) the person has a particular type of stake in the other member of more than 15%;

the Federal Court may, on application by the Minister, make such orders as the court considers appropriate to ensure that there is at least one member of the pair where both of the following paragraphs apply:

- (d) both:
 - (i) the directors of the company are not accustomed or under an obligation, whether formal or informal, to act in accordance with the directions, instructions or wishes of the person (either alone or together with associates); and
 - (ii) the person (either alone or together with associates) is not in a position to exercise control over the company;
- (e) either:
 - (i) the person does not have any type of stake in the company; or
 - (ii) if the person has one or more types of stake in the company—each of those stakes is not more than 15%.

Note: *Practical control* has the meaning given by section 47H.

- (2) The Federal Court's orders include:
- (a) an order directing the disposal of shares; or
 - (b) an order restraining the exercise of any rights attached to shares; or
 - (c) an order prohibiting or deferring the payment of any sums due to a person in respect of shares held by the person; or
 - (d) an order that any exercise of rights attached to shares be disregarded.
- (3) Subsection (2) does not, by implication, limit subsection (1).
- (4) In addition to the Federal Court's powers under subsections (1) and (2), the court:

- (a) has power, for the purpose of securing compliance with any other order made under this section, to make an order directing any person to do or refrain from doing a specified act; and
 - (b) has power to make an order containing such ancillary or consequential provisions as the court thinks just.
- (5) The Federal Court may, before making an order under this section, direct that notice of the Minister's application be given to such persons as it thinks fit or be published in such manner as it thinks fit, or both.
- (6) The Federal Court may, by order, rescind, vary or discharge an order made by it under this section or suspend the operation of such an order.

Schedule, page 197, after the definition of "*ownership provisions*" insert the following definition:

practical control, in relation to an airport-operator company, has the meaning given by section 47H.

Debate continued.

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mrs Crosio, in the Chair)—

AYES, 41

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Albanese	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Price
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr E. L. Grace*	Ms Macklin	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Beddall	Mr Griffin	Mr McLeay	Mr Tanner
Mr Bevis	Mr Holding	Mr McMullan	Dr Theophanous
Mr Breton	Mr Hollis	Mr Martin	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Brown	Mr Jenkins	Mr Melham	Mr Willis
Mr Crean	Mr Jones	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Wilton
Ms Ellis	Mr Kerr	Mr P. F. Morris	
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Langmore	Mr Mossfield	
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr O'Connor	

NOES, 87

Mr Abbott	Mr Entsch	Mr Lieberman	Mr Scott
Mr Andren	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr Lindsay	Mr Sharp
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Fahey	Mr Lloyd	Mr Slipper
Mr Anthony	Mr Filing	Mr McArthur*	Mr A. C. Smith
Mrs Bailey	Mr Fischer	Mr McDougall	Mr W. L. Smith
Mr R. C. Baldwin	Mr Forrest	Mr McGauran	Mr Somlyay
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gallus	Mr McLachlan	Dr Southcott
Mr Bartlett	Ms Gambaro	Mr Marek	Mrs Stone
Mr Billson	Mrs Gash	Mr Miles	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Bradford	Mr Georgiou	Mr Moore	Mr Taylor
Mr Broadbent	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mrs Moylan	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Brough	Ms Hanson	Mr Mutch	Mr Truss
Mr Cadman	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nairn	Mr Tuckey
Mr E. H. Cameron	Mr Hawker	Mr Nehl	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Dr Nelson	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr Causley	Mr Hockey	Mr Nugent	Mr Wakelin
Mr Charles	Ms Jeanes	Mr Prosser	Mrs West
Mr Cobb	Mrs Johnston	Mr Pyne	Mr Williams
Mr Dondas	Mr Jull	Mr Reid	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Downer	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Reith	Ms Worth
Mrs Draper	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Ronaldson	Mr Zammit
Mrs Elson	Dr Kemp	Mr Ruddock	

* Tellers

And so it was negated.

Debate adjourned (Mr Miles—Parliamentary Secretary (Cabinet) to the Prime Minister), and the further consideration of the Bill made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

3 MEDICARE LEVY AMENDMENT BILL 1996

Mr Howard (Prime Minister) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Medicare Levy Act 1986*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper: Mr Howard presented an explanatory memorandum to the following Bills:

Medicare Levy Amendment 1996; and

Income Tax Assessment Amendment 1996.

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

4 INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT AMENDMENT BILL 1996

Mr Howard (Prime Minister) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

5 AIRPORTS BILL 1996

The order of the day having been read for the further consideration in detail of the Bill—

Consideration in detail

Bill, as a whole—

Mr Tanner, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Clause 71, page 59, lines 5 and 6, omit subclause (2), substitute the following subclauses:

- (2) Subject to subsection (3), the Minister may, by written notice given to the company, exempt the draft plan from sections 69 to 70.
- (3) The Minister shall only exempt the draft plan from sections 69 and 70 where the final master plan is being replaced by a draft plan which varies the original master plan only with respect to proposed changes which have already been the subject of public comment or consultations pursuant to sections 69 and 70.

Clause 117, page 96, lines 24 and 25, omit subclause (2), substitute the following subclauses:

- (2) Subject to subsection (3), the Minister may, by written notice given to the company, exempt the draft strategy from sections 115 and 116.
- (3) The Minister shall only exempt the draft strategy from sections 115 and 116 where the final environmental strategy is being replaced by a draft strategy which varies the original strategy only with respect to proposed changes which have already been the subject of public comment or consultations pursuant to sections 115 and 116.

Debate continued.

Amendments negatived.

Bill agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

On the motion of Mr Sharp (Minister for Transport and Regional Development), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

6 AIRPORTS (TRANSITIONAL) BILL 1996

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.

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 14, dated 27 May 1996, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Abbott (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Employment, Education, Training and Youth Affairs), the Bill was read a third time.

7 SOCIAL SECURITY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (NEWLY ARRIVED RESIDENT'S WAITING PERIODS AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 1996

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 Kerr who moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “the House is of the opinion that the Bill should be withdrawn, redrafted and re-presented to the House in a form which applies the two year waiting period only to those payments to which the six month waiting period currently applies because in its current form, and despite assurances from the Prime Minister that the measure simply extends the six month waiting period to two years, the Bill—

- (1) extends the waiting period to a new group of citizens and residents;
- (2) extends the waiting period to a wide range of new payments, benefits and entitlements;
- (3) provides an inadequate safety net; and
- (4) is retrospective”.

It being 2 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 101A, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

8 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

Member ordered to withdraw: At 2.21 p.m. the Member for Burke (Mr O’Keefe) was ordered, under standing order 304A, to withdraw from the House for 1 hour for raising a frivolous point of order, and he accordingly withdrew from the Chamber.

Questions without notice continued.

9 SPEECHES—ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SOURCES—STATEMENT BY MEMBER

Mr R. D. C. Evans apologised to the House, the Speaker and Members for not acknowledging the source of a speech he had made in the House on 23 May 1996 and asked the Speaker if he would expunge the speech from Hansard.

The Speaker referred to the only known occasions when censorship had been exercised by the House and said he would consider the matter and report to the House.

Mr Howard (Prime Minister) and Mr Latham also addressed the House on the matter.

10 PAPERS

The following papers were presented:

Albury-Wodonga Development Act—Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation—Reports—

21st, for 1993-94.

22nd, for 1994-95.

Employment, Education and Training Act—National Board of Employment, Education and Training—Reports, including the Board's comments—

Australian Language and Literacy Council—Language teachers: The pivot of policy—The supply and quality of teachers of languages other than English, May 1996.

Australian Research Council—The Australian Research Council review of the Institute of Advanced Studies, May 1996.

Higher Education Council—Equality, diversity and excellence: Advancing the national higher education equity framework, April 1996.

11 PAEDOPHILE ACTIVITY INQUIRY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND PAPER

Mr Downer (Minister for Foreign Affairs), by leave, made a ministerial statement concerning the establishment of an independent inquiry into alleged paedophile activity in the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and presented the following paper:

Paedophile activity—Inquiry into allegations of paedophile activities by officers and former officers of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, including AusAID and Austrade—Ministerial statement and terms of reference.

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

12 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG AUSTRALIANS

The House was informed that Mr P. J. Baldwin had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The impact of the Government's policies on educational opportunity for young Australians, particularly in regional Australia".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr P. J. Baldwin addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

13 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—CUSTOMS AND EXCISE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 1996

Message No. 8, dated 27 May 1996, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for an Act to amend the *Customs and Excise Legislation Amendment Act 1995* and the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936*.

Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an order of the day for the next sitting.

14 SUPPLY BILL (NO. 1) 1996-97—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Second Deputy Speaker reported that the Supply Bill (No. 1) 1996-97 had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

15 SUPPLY BILL (NO. 2) 1996-97—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Second Deputy Speaker reported that the Supply Bill (No. 2) 1996-97 had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

16 SUPPLY (PARLIAMENTARY DEPARTMENTS) BILL 1996-97—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Second Deputy Speaker reported that the Supply (Parliamentary Departments) Bill 1996-97 had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

17 CUSTOMS TARIFF (MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS) BILL 1996—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Second Deputy Speaker reported that the Customs Tariff (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 1996 had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

18 TELECOMMUNICATIONS (CARRIER LICENCE FEES) AMENDMENT BILL 1996—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Second Deputy Speaker reported that the Telecommunications (Carrier Licence Fees) Amendment Bill 1996 had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

19 HAZARDOUS WASTE (REGULATION OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS) AMENDMENT BILL 1996—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Second Deputy Speaker reported that the Hazardous Waste (Regulation of Exports and Imports) Amendment Bill 1996 had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

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- (1) extends the waiting period to a new group of citizens and residents;
- (2) extends the waiting period to a wide range of new payments, benefits and entitlements;
- (3) provides an inadequate safety net; and
- (4) is retrospective”—

Debate resumed.

Ms Macklin addressing the House—

Adjournment negatived: It being 7.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel) requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—

Question—put.

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

AYES, 42

Mr Albanese	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Price
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr E. L. Grace*	Ms Macklin	Mr Quick
Mr Beddall	Mr Griffin	Mr McLeay	Mr Sawford*
Mr Bevis	Mr Holding	Mr McMullan	Mr Sercombe
Mr Brown	Mr Hollis	Mr Martin	Mr Tanner
Mr Crean	Mr Jenkins	Mr Melham	Dr Theophanous
Mrs Crosio	Mr Jones	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr K. J. Thomson
Ms Ellis	Mr Langmore	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr Mossfield	Mr Wilton
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Connor	
Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr O'Keefe	

NOES, 77

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anderson	Mrs Elson	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr Entsch	Mr McDougall	Mr A. C. Smith
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McGauran	Mr W. L. Smith
Mr Anthony	Mr Forrest	Mr McLachlan	Mr Somlyay
Mrs Bailey	Mrs Gallus	Mr Marek	Dr Southcott
Mr R. C. Baldwin	Ms Gambaro	Mr Miles	Mrs Stone
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gash	Mr Moore	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Bartlett	Mr Georgiou	Mrs Moylan	Mr Taylor
Mr Billson	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr Mutch	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mrs Bishop	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nairn	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hicks*	Mr Nehl	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr Brough	Ms Jeanes	Dr Nelson	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cadman	Mrs Johnston	Mr Nugent	Mrs West
Mr E. H. Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Prosser	Mr Williams
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mr Katter	Mr Pyne	Ms Worth
Mr Causley	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Randall	Mr Zammit
Mr Charles	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Reid	
Mr Cobb	Mr Lieberman	Mr Ronaldson	
Mr Dondas	Mr Lindsay	Mr Ruddock	

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Mr McLeay moved—That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr M. A. J. Vaile, in the Chair)—

AYES, 40

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Connor
Mr Albanese	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Lee	Mr O'Keefe
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McClelland	Mr Price
Mr Bevis	Mr Griffin	Ms Macklin	Mr Quick
Mr Brown	Mr Holding	Mr McLeay	Mr Sawford*
Mr Crean	Mr Hollis	Mr McMullan	Mr Sercombe
Mrs Crosio	Mr Jenkins	Mr Martin	Mr Tanner
Ms Ellis	Mr Jones	Mr Melham	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Langmore	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr Mossfield	Mr Wilton

NOES, 69

Mr Abbott	Mr Dondas	Mr Lieberman	Mr Reid
Mr Anderson	Mrs Draper	Mr Lindsay	Mr Ronaldson
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mrs Elson	Mr Lloyd	Mr Slipper
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Entsch	Mr McArthur*	Mr A. C. Smith
Mr Anthony	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McDougall	Dr Southcott
Mrs Bailey	Mr Forrest	Mr McGauran	Mrs Stone
Mr R. C. Baldwin	Mrs Gallus	Mr McLachlan	Mr Taylor
Mr Barresi	Ms Gambaro	Mr Marek	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Billson	Mrs Gash	Mr Miles	Mr Truss
Mr Bradford	Mr Georgiou	Mr Moore	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr Broadbent	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mrs Moylan	Mr Wakelin
Mr Brough	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Mutch	Mrs West
Mr Cadman	Mr Hicks*	Mr Nairn	Mr Williams
Mr E. H. Cameron	Ms Jeanes	Mr Nehl	Dr Wooldridge
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mrs Johnston	Dr Nelson	Mr Zammit
Mr Causley	Mr Jull	Mr Prosser	
Mr Charles	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Pyne	
Mr Cobb	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Randall	

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Mrs Crosio moved—That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr M. A. J. Vaile, in the Chair)—

AYES, 39

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Albanese	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Lee	Mr Price
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McClelland	Mr Quick
Mr Bevis	Mr Griffin	Ms Macklin	Mr Sawford*
Mr Brown	Mr Holding	Mr McLeay	Mr Sercombe
Mr Crean	Mr Hollis	Mr McMullan	Mr Tanner
Mrs Crosio	Mr Jenkins	Mr Martin	Mr K. J. Thomson
Ms Ellis	Mr Jones	Mr Melham	Mr Willis
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Langmore	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Wilton
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr Mossfield	

NOES, 72

Mr Abbott	Mr Dondas	Mr Lindsay	Mr Ronaldson
Mr Anderson	Mrs Draper	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mrs Elson	Mr McArthur*	Mr Sinclair
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McDougall	Mr Slipper
Mr Anthony	Mr Forrest	Mr McGauran	Mr A. C. Smith
Mrs Bailey	Ms Gambaro	Mr McLachlan	Dr Southcott
Mr R. C. Baldwin	Mrs Gash	Mr Marek	Mrs Stone
Mr Barresi	Mr Georgiou	Mr Miles	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Bartlett	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr Moore	Mr Taylor
Mr Billson	Mr Hardgrave	Mrs Moylan	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Bradford	Mr Hawker	Mr Mutch	Mr Truss
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hicks*	Mr Nairn	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr Brough	Ms Jeanes	Mr Nehl	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cadman	Mrs Johnston	Dr Nelson	Mrs West
Mr E. H. Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Prosser	Mr Williams
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Pyne	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Causley	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Randall	Ms Worth
Mr Charles	Mr Lieberman	Mr Reid	Mr Zammit

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Ordered—That Mrs Crosio be granted an extension of time.

Mr McLay moved—That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 38

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr Price
Mr Albanese	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McClelland	Mr Quick
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr Griffin	Ms Macklin	Mr Sawford*
Mr Bevis	Mr Holding	Mr McLay	Mr Sercombe
Mr Brown	Mr Hollis	Mr McMullan	Mr Tanner
Mr Crean	Mr Jones	Mr Martin	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mrs Crosio	Mr Kerr	Mr Melham	Mr Willis
Ms Ellis	Mr Langmore	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Wilton
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr Mossfield	
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Keefe	

NOES, 77

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anderson	Mrs Elson	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr Entsch	Mr McDougall	Mr A. C. Smith
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McGauran	Dr Southcott
Mr Anthony	Mr Forrest	Mr McLachlan	Mrs Stone
Mrs Bailey	Mrs Gallus	Mr Marek	Mrs Sullivan
Mr R. C. Baldwin	Ms Gambaro	Mr Miles	Mr Taylor
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gash	Mr Moore	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Bartlett	Mr Georgiou	Mrs Moylan	Mr Truss
Mr Billson	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr Mutch	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mrs Bishop	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nairn	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr Bradford	Mr Hawker	Mr Nehl	Mr Wakelin
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hicks*	Dr Nelson	Mrs West
Mr Brough	Ms Jeanes	Mr Nugent	Mr Williams
Mr Cadman	Mrs Johnston	Mr Prosser	Dr Wooldridge
Mr E. H. Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Pyne	Ms Worth
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Randall	Mr Zammit
Mr Causley	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Reid	
Mr Charles	Mr Lieberman	Mr Ronaldson	
Mr Dondas	Mr Lindsay	Mr Ruddock	

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Mr Melham moved—That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 38

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Albanese	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McClelland	Mr Quick
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr Griffin	Ms Macklin	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Beddall	Mr Holding	Mr McLeay	Mr Tanner
Mr Bevis	Mr Hollis	Mr McMullan	Dr Theophanous
Mr Crean	Mr Jones	Mr Martin	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mrs Crosio	Mr Kerr	Mr Melham	Mr Willis
Ms Ellis	Mr Langmore	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Wilton
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr Mossfield	
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Connor	

NOES, 76

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr Lieberman	Mr Ruddock
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mrs Elson	Mr Lindsay	Mr Scott
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Entsch	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anthony	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper
Mrs Bailey	Mr Forrest	Mr McDougall	Mr A. C. Smith
Mr R. C. Baldwin	Mrs Gallus	Mr McLachlan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Barresi	Ms Gambaro	Mr Marek	Dr Southcott
Mr Bartlett	Mrs Gash	Mr Miles	Mrs Stone
Mr Billson	Mr Georgiou	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Sullivan
Mrs Bishop	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr Mutch	Mr Taylor
Mr Bradford	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nairn	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hawker	Mr Nehl	Mr Truss
Mr Brough	Mr Hicks*	Dr Nelson	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Cadman	Ms Jeanes	Mr Nugent	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr E. H. Cameron	Mrs Johnston	Mr Prosser	Mrs West
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Pyne	Mr Williams
Mr Causley	Mr Katter	Mr Randall	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Charles	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Reid	Ms Worth
Mr Dondas	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Ronaldson	Mr Zammit

* Tellers

And so it was negated.

Mr Albanese addressing the House—

Closure of Member: Mr Cadman moved—That the Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 70

Mr Abbott	Mr Dondas	Mr Lieberman	Mr Sinclair
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mrs Draper	Mr Lindsay	Mr A. C. Smith
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mrs Elson	Mr Lloyd	Dr Southcott
Mr Anthony	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McArthur*	Mrs Stone
Mrs Bailey	Mr Forrest	Mr McDougall	Mrs Sullivan
Mr R. C. Baldwin	Mrs Gallus	Mr McLachlan	Mr Taylor
Mr Barresi	Ms Gambaro	Mr Marek	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Bartlett	Mrs Gash	Mr Miles	Mr Truss
Mr Billson	Mr Georgiou	Mrs Moylan	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Bradford	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr Mutch	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nairn	Mr Wakelin
Mr Brough	Mr Hawker	Dr Nelson	Mrs West
Mr Cadman	Mr Hicks*	Mr Prosser	Mr Williams
Mr E. H. Cameron	Ms Jeanes	Mr Pyne	Dr Wooldridge
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mrs Johnston	Mr Randall	Ms Worth
Mr Causley	Mr Jull	Mr Ronaldson	Mr Zammit
Mr Charles	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Cobb	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Scott	

NOES, 41

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Albanese	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McClelland	Mr Quick
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr Griffin	Ms Macklin	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Beddall	Mr Holding	Mr McLeay	Mr Tanner
Mr Bevis	Mr Hollis	Mr McMullan	Dr Theophanous
Mr Brown	Mr Jenkins	Mr Martin	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Crean	Mr Jones	Mr Melham	Mr Willis
Mrs Crosio	Mr Kerr	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Wilton
Ms Ellis	Mr Langmore	Mr P. F. Morris	
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr Mossfield	
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Connor	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr A. A. Morris addressing the House—

Closure: Mr Reith (Leader of the House) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 77

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr Lloyd	Mr Slipper
Mr Anderson	Mrs Elson	Mr McArthur*	Mr A. C. Smith
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr Entsch	Mr McDougall	Mr Somlyay
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McLachlan	Dr Southcott
Mr Anthony	Mr Forrest	Mr Marek	Mrs Stone
Mrs Bailey	Mrs Gallus	Mr Miles	Mrs Sullivan
Mr R. C. Baldwin	Ms Gambaro	Mrs Moylan	Mr Taylor
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gash	Mr Mutch	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Bartlett	Mr Georgiou	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mr Billson	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr Nehl	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Bradford	Mr Hardgrave	Dr Nelson	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hawker	Mr Prosser	Mr Wakelin
Mr Brough	Mr Hicks*	Mr Pyne	Mrs West
Mr Cadman	Ms Jeanes	Mr Randall	Mr Williams
Mr E. H. Cameron	Mrs Johnston	Mr Reid	Dr Wooldridge
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Reith	Ms Worth
Mr Causley	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Ronaldson	Mr Zammit
Mr Charles	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Cobb	Mr Lieberman	Mr Scott	
Mr Dondas	Mr Lindsay	Mr Sinclair	

NOES, 43

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Albanese	Mr Filing	Mr Lee	Mr Price
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McClelland	Mr Quick
Mr Beddall	Mr Griffin	Ms Macklin	Mr Rocher
Mr Bevis	Mr Holding	Mr McLeay	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Brown	Mr Hollis	Mr Martin	Mr Tanner
Mr Crean	Mr Jenkins	Mr Melham	Dr Theophanous
Mrs Crosio	Mr Jones	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr K. J. Thomson
Ms Ellis	Mr Kerr	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Langmore	Mr Mossfield	Mr Wilton
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr O'Connor	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

AYES, 78

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anderson	Mrs Elson	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr Entsch	Mr McDougall	Mr A. C. Smith
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McLachlan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Anthony	Mr Filing	Mr Marek	Dr Southcott
Mrs Bailey	Mr Forrest	Mr Miles	Mrs Stone
Mr R. C. Baldwin	Mrs Gallus	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Barresi	Ms Gambaro	Mr Mutch	Mr Taylor
Mr Bartlett	Mrs Gash	Mr Nairn	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Billson	Mr Georgiou	Mr Nehl	Mr Truss
Mr Bradford	Mrs E. J. Grace	Dr Nelson	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Prosser	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr Brough	Mr Hawker	Mr Pyne	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cadman	Mr Hicks*	Mr Randall	Mrs West
Mr E. H. Cameron	Ms Jeanes	Mr Reid	Mr Williams
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mrs Johnston	Mr Reith	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Causley	Mr Jull	Mr Rocher	Ms Worth
Mr Charles	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Ronaldson	Mr Zammit
Mr Cobb	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Dondas	Mr Lieberman	Mr Scott	

NOES, 41

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr Price
Mr Albanese	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McClelland	Mr Quick
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr Griffin	Ms Macklin	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Beddall	Mr Holding	Mr McLeay	Mr Tanner
Mr Bevis	Mr Hollis	Mr Martin	Dr Theophanous
Mr Brown	Mr Jenkins	Mr Melham	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Crean	Mr Jones	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Willis
Mrs Crosio	Mr Kerr	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Wilton
Ms Ellis	Mr Langmore	Mr Mossfield	
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr O'Connor	
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Keefe	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

AYES, 78

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anderson	Mrs Elson	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr Entsch	Mr McDougall	Mr A. C. Smith
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McLachlan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Anthony	Mr Filing	Mr Marek	Dr Southcott
Mrs Bailey	Mr Forrest	Mr Miles	Mrs Stone
Mr R. C. Baldwin	Mrs Gallus	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Barresi	Ms Gambaro	Mr Mutch	Mr Taylor
Mr Bartlett	Mrs Gash	Mr Nairn	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Billson	Mr Georgiou	Mr Nehl	Mr Truss
Mr Bradford	Mrs E. J. Grace	Dr Nelson	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Prosser	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr Brough	Mr Hawker	Mr Pyne	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cadman	Mr Hicks*	Mr Randall	Mrs West
Mr E. H. Cameron	Ms Jeanes	Mr Reid	Mr Williams
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mrs Johnston	Mr Reith	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Causley	Mr Jull	Mr Rocher	Ms Worth
Mr Charles	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Ronaldson	Mr Zammit
Mr Cobb	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Dondas	Mr Lieberman	Mr Scott	

NOES, 41

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr Price
Mr Albanese	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McClelland	Mr Quick
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr Griffin	Ms Macklin	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Beddall	Mr Holding	Mr McLeay	Mr Tanner
Mr Bevis	Mr Hollis	Mr Martin	Dr Theophanous
Mr Brown	Mr Jenkins	Mr Melham	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Crean	Mr Jones	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Willis
Mrs Crosio	Mr Kerr	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Wilton
Ms Ellis	Mr Langmore	Mr Mossfield	
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr O'Connor	
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Keefe	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a second time.

Consideration in detail

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Debate adjourned (Mr Reith), and the further consideration of the Bill made an order of the day for the next sitting.

21 STANDING COMMITTEES—MEMBERSHIP

The House was informed of the nominations of Members to be members of the following standing committees:

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs

Mr Dondas, Mr Entsch, Mr Katter, Mr Lieberman, Mr Lloyd, Dr Nelson, Mr Neville, Mr Pyne and Mr A. C. Smith had been nominated by the Chief Government Whip and Mr Albanese, Mr Campbell, Mr Holding, Mr Melham and Mr Quick had been nominated by the Chief Opposition Whip.

Communications, Transport and Microeconomic Reform

Mr R. C. Baldwin, Mr R. A. Cameron, Mr Hardgrave, Mr McArthur, Mr McDougall, Mr Neville, Mr Randall, Mr M. A. J. Vaile and Mr Wakelin had been nominated by the Chief Government Whip and Mr Albanese, Mrs Crosio, Mr P. F. Morris, Mr Tanner and Mr Willis had been nominated by the Chief Opposition Whip.

Family and Community Affairs

Mr R. A. Cameron, Mrs Elson, Mr Forrest, Mrs E. J. Grace, Mr Marek, Dr Nelson, Mr Slipper, Mrs D. S. Vale and Mrs West had been nominated by the Chief Government Whip and Ms Ellis, Mr Kerr, Ms Macklin, Mr A. A. Morris and Mr Quick had been nominated by the Chief Opposition Whip.

Financial Institutions and Public Administration

Mr Anthony, Mrs Bailey, Mr Causley, Mrs Gallus, Mr Hawker, Mr Hockey, Mr Mutch, Dr Nelson and Mr Pyne had been nominated by the Chief Government Whip and Mr Albanese, Mr Latham, Mr McMullan, Mr Willis and Mr Wilton had been nominated by the Chief Opposition Whip.

Industry, Science and Technology

Mrs Bailey, Mr R. C. Baldwin, Mr Broadbent, Mr R. D. C. Evans, Mr Forrest, Ms Gambaro, Mr Nugent, Mr Reid and Mr Zammit had been nominated by the Chief Government Whip and Mr Beddall, Mr M. J. Evans, Mr Jenkins, Mr A. A. Morris and Mr O'Connor had been nominated by the Chief Opposition Whip.

Members' Interests

Mr Neville, Mr Reid, Mr Ronaldson and Mr Somlyay had been nominated by the Chief Government Whip and Mr E. L. Grace, Mr Jenkins and Mr Martin had been nominated by the Chief Opposition Whip.

Primary Industries, Resources and Rural and Regional Affairs

Mrs Bailey, Mr R. C. Baldwin, Mr Broadbent, Mr Causley, Mr Forrest, Mr Nairn, Mr Ronaldson, Mrs Stone and Mr Wakelin had been nominated by the Chief Government Whip and Mr Adams, Mr Andren, Mr Crean, Mr Fitzgibbon and Mr McLeay had been nominated by the Chief Opposition Whip.

Procedure

Mr J. N. Andrew, Mr Cadman, Mr Reid, Mrs Sullivan and Mr Truss had been nominated by the Chief Government Whip and Mr Martin, Mr Mossfield and Mr K. J. Thomson had been nominated by the Chief Opposition Whip.

22 LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Mr Reith (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That, in addition to the Speaker, *ex officio*, Mr Adams, Mr Barresi, Mr Causley, Mr Filing, Mr Jones and Mr Nugent be members of the Library Committee.

Question—put and passed.

23 HOUSE COMMITTEE

Mr Reith (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That, in addition to the Speaker, *ex officio*, Mr Hollis, Mr McLeay, Mr Nehl, Mr Sawford, Mr Somlyay and Mrs Sullivan be members of the House Committee.

Question—put and passed.

24 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS—JOINT COMMITTEE

Mr Reith (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Accounts Committee Act 1951*, Mr Anthony, Mr Beddall, Mr Broadbent, Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, Mr Fitzgibbon, Mr Georgiou, Mr Griffin, Mr Somlyay, Mrs Stone and Mr M. A. J. Vaile be appointed members of the Joint Committee of Public Accounts.

Question—put and passed.

25 PUBLIC WORKS—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE

Mr Reith (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, Mr J. N. Andrew, Mr R. D. C. Evans, Mr Forrest, Mr E. L. Grace, Mr Hollis and Mr Lee be appointed members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works.

Question—put and passed.

26 ADJOURNMENT

Mr Reith (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Ms Macklin addressing the House—

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 78

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr McArthur*	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anderson	Mrs Elson	Mr McDougall	Mr Slipper
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr Entsch	Mr McGauran	Mr A. C. Smith
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McLachlan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Anthony	Mr Forrest	Mr Marek	Dr Southcott
Mrs Bailey	Mrs Gallus	Mr Miles	Mrs Stone
Mr R. C. Baldwin	Ms Gambaro	Mr Moore	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gash	Mrs Moylan	Mr Taylor
Mr Bartlett	Mr Georgiou	Mr Mutch	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Billson	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mr Bradford	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nehl	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hawker	Dr Nelson	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr Brough	Mr Hicks*	Mr Prosser	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cadman	Ms Jeanes	Mr Pyne	Mrs West
Mr E. H. Cameron	Mrs Johnston	Mr Randall	Mr Williams
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Reid	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Causley	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Reith	Ms Worth
Mr Charles	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Ronaldson	Mr Zammit
Mr Cobb	Mr Lieberman	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Dondas	Mr Lloyd	Mr Scott	

NOES, 44

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr O'Connor
Mr Albanese	Mr Filing	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Keefe
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Lee	Mr Price
Mr Beddall	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McClelland	Mr Quick
Mr Bevis	Mr Griffin	Ms Macklin	Mr Rocher
Mr Brown	Mr Holding	Mr McLeay	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Crean	Mr Hollis	Mr Martin	Mr Tanner
Mrs Crosio	Mr Jenkins	Mr Melham	Dr Theophanous
Ms Ellis	Mr Jones	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Kerr	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Langmore	Mr Mossfield	Mr Wilton

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at 11.15 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 9.30 a.m.

PAPERS

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 29 May 1996:

Acts Interpretation Act—Statement relating to failure to furnish report within specified period—Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation—Report for 1993-94.

Radiocommunications Act—Radiocommunications Class Licence (Spread Spectrum Devices), 21 May 1996.

Radiocommunications Act, Radiocommunications (Receiver Licence Tax) Act and Radiocommunications (Transmitter Licence Tax) Act—Radiocommunications (Definitions) Determination 1993 No. 2—Amendment No. 5.

Radiocommunications (Transmitter Licence Tax) Act—Radiocommunications (Transmitter Licence Tax) Determination 1995 No. 2—Amendment No. 15.

Taxation Administration Act—

Determinations 1996 Nos. TD96/23, TD96/24.

Rulings 1996 Nos. TR96/16, TR96/17, TR96/18, TR96/19.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Neville and Mr S. F. Smith.

L. M. BARLIN

Clerk of the House of Representatives

1996

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 14

MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
WEDNESDAY, 29 MAY 1996

1 The Main Committee met at 10 a.m.

2 SUPPLY BILL (NO. 1) 1996-97

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 the question on the report to be put forthwith.

Question—That the Bill be reported to the House without amendment—put and passed.

3 SUPPLY BILL (NO. 2) 1996-97

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 the question on the report to be put forthwith.

Question—That the Bill be reported to the House without amendment—put and passed.

4 SUPPLY (PARLIAMENTARY DEPARTMENTS) BILL 1996-97

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 the question on the report to be put forthwith.

Question—That the Bill be reported to the House without amendment—put and passed.

5 CUSTOMS TARIFF (MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS) BILL 1996

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 the question on the report to be put forthwith.

Question—That the Bill be reported to the House without amendment—put and passed.

6 TELECOMMUNICATIONS (CARRIER LICENCE FEES) AMENDMENT BILL 1996

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 the question on the report to be put forthwith.

Question—That the Bill be reported to the House without amendment—put and passed.

7 HAZARDOUS WASTE (REGULATION OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS) AMENDMENT BILL 1996

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 the question on the report to be put forthwith.

Question—That the Bill be reported to the House without amendment—put and passed.

8 THERAPEUTIC GOODS AMENDMENT BILL 1996 [NO. 2]

The order of the day having been read for the second reading—Dr Wooldridge (Minister for Health and Family Services) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Suspension of sitting: At 12.31 p.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

Resumption of sitting: At 12.45 p.m. the proceedings were resumed.

Suspension of sitting: At 12.45 p.m. the Deputy Speaker left the Chair due to the lack of a quorum.

Resumption of sitting: At 12.47 p.m., the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and a quorum being present—

Dr Wooldridge concluded his speech.

Paper: Dr Wooldridge presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Debate ensued.

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

9 ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Mr M. A. J. Vaile, the Main Committee adjourned at 12.57 p.m.

The Deputy Speaker fixed tomorrow at 10 a.m. for the next meeting of the Main Committee.

I. C. HARRIS

Clerk of the Main Committee