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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 106

MONDAY, 1 SEPTEMBER 1997

1 The House met, at 12.30 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (the Honourable Bob Halverson) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

**2 MIGRATION—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**

Mrs Gallus (Chair) presented the following papers:

Migration—Joint Standing Committee—Working holiday makers: More than tourists—

Report, August 1997.

Evidence received by the committee.

Minutes of proceedings.

Ordered—That the report be printed.

Mrs Gallus, Mr Kerr, Ms Gambaro and Mr Martin made statements in connection with the report.

Mr Martin, by leave, moved—That the House take note of the report.

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

In accordance with standing order 102B, the debate was adjourned and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

**3 NATIONAL CRIME AUTHORITY—PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**

Mr Bradford (Chair) presented the following paper:

National Crime Authority—Parliamentary Joint Committee—Report for 1996-97, September 1997.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr Bradford, Mr Sercombe and Mr Filing made statements in connection with the report.

The time allotted for making statements on the report having expired—

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

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

In accordance with standing order 102B, the debate was adjourned and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

#### **4 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**

Mr Taylor (Chair) presented the following papers:

Treaties—Joint Standing Committee—9th report—Amendments to the Bonn Convention—

Report, August 1997.

Evidence received by the committee.

Minutes of proceedings.

Ordered—That the report be printed.

Mr Taylor made a statement in connection with the report and, by leave, presented the following paper:

Land mines—Copy of letter from Diana, Princess of Wales, to Mr Taylor, 28 February 1997.

Mr L. D. T. Ferguson made a statement in connection with the report.

The time for consideration of committee and delegation reports having expired—

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

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

In accordance with standing order 102B, the debate was adjourned and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

#### **5 PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS NOTICE**

Upon notice No. 1, private Members' business being called on, Mr McLeay, in the absence of Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition), and at his request, fixed Tuesday, 2 September 1997, as the day for presenting the Plebiscite for an Australian Republic Bill 1997.

#### **6 DAW AUNG SAN SUU KYI**

Mr Sinclair, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House:

- (1) expresses its warmest wishes to Daw Aung San Suu Kyi on her 52nd birthday on 19 June 1997;
- (2) recognises her selfless commitment to the causes of peace and democracy in Burma for which she received the 1991 Nobel Peace Prize;
- (3) notes that she is still denied the right of movement, association and assembly, that access to foreign visitors can be arbitrarily withdrawn, and that she is denied regular access by her husband and two sons; and

- (4) endorses the strong diplomatic support of the Australian Government for the case of Suu Kyi, the cause she represents so eloquently and courageously and for the future well-being of the people of Burma.

Debate ensued.

At 1.45 p.m., the time allotted for the debate having expired, the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 106A, Mr Price was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed and the resumption of the debate was made an order of the day for the next sitting.

#### 7 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Members' statements were made.

#### 8 DEATH OF DIANA, PRINCESS OF WALES—ADDRESS OF CONDOLENCE TO HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN

Mr Howard (Prime Minister) moved—That:

An address to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in the following terms be agreed to:

YOUR MAJESTY:

We, the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia in Parliament assembled, have received with profound sorrow the news of the death of Diana, Princess of Wales. On behalf of the Australian people, we express deep sympathy to Your Majesty and other members of The Royal Family, especially Their Royal Highnesses, Prince William of Wales and Prince Henry of Wales, and we mourn the loss sustained by so many people.

And Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion, and Mr Fischer (Leader of the National Party of Australia) having addressed the House in support thereof, and all Members present having risen, in silence—

Question—put and passed.

#### 9 SUSPENSION OF SITTING AS MARK OF RESPECT

As a mark of respect to the memory of Diana, Princess of Wales, the sitting was thereupon suspended for 1 hour.

#### 10 RESUMPTION OF SITTING

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 3.25 p.m.

#### 11 MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Mr Howard (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the absence abroad of Mr W. L. Smith (Minister for Sport, Territories and Local Government), Mr Jull (Minister for Administrative Services) would be Acting Minister for Sport, Territories and Local Government and would answer questions on his behalf.

Mr Howard also informed the House that, during the absence abroad of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), Mr Scott

(Minister for Veterans' Affairs) would be Acting Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel and would answer questions on her behalf.

## 12 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice were asked.

## 13 PETITIONS

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

Mr Andren, Mr J. N. Andrew, Mr R. D. C. Evans, Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, Mrs E. J. Grace, Miss J. M. Kelly, Mr Kerr, Mr Latham, Mr McClelland, Mr Marek, Mr Miles, Mr A. A. Morris, Mr Neville, Mr Ronaldson, Mr Slipper and Mrs West, from 47, 26, 167, 27, 79, 60, 27, 24, 43, 51, 58, 51, 26, 26, 22 and 23 pensioners, superannuants and retirees, respectively, praying that funding be provided to the Australian Pensioners' and Superannuants' Federation.

Mr McClelland, from 31 residents of Sydney, in similar terms.

Mr Adams, Mr Brown, Mr Crean, Mr G. J. Evans, Mr M. J. Evans, Mr M. J. Ferguson, Mr Fitzgibbon, Mr Hollis, Mr Kerr, Ms Macklin, Mr Martin, Mr O'Connor and Mr Tanner, from 1000, 1008, 1000, 1000, 1000, 2414, 999, 1000, 827, 2010, 1008, 1007 and 1037 petitioners, respectively, praying that tariffs not be reduced.

Mr Albanese and Mr McClelland, from 245 and 494 residents of Sydney, Mr A. A. Morris, from 9 electors of the Division of Newcastle, and Mr Price, from 307 residents of western Sydney, respectively, praying that the proposal to introduce nursing home entry fees be abandoned and full funding for capital assistance to nursing homes be restored.

Mr Miles, Mr Neville and Mrs D. S. Vale, from 7, 22 and 17 petitioners, respectively, praying that action be taken to remove the exclusion of members of the Royal Australian Navy, who served in the Malaya campaign, from repatriation benefits under the Veterans' Entitlements Act.

Mr Billson, Ms Hanson and Mr Neville, from 5, 25 and 9 petitioners, respectively, in similar terms.

Mr M. J. Ferguson, from 158 petitioners, and Mr Price, from 215 residents of western Sydney, respectively, praying that the decision to exclude certain Commonwealth seniors health card holders from access to free hearing aids or vital hearing services be noted.

Dr Southcott, from 103 students and residents of South Australia, and Mr A. P. Thomson, from 59 residents of New South Wales, respectively, praying that all families have access to affordable and quality child care.

Mr Albanese, from 967 petitioners, praying that funding for legal aid continue at the pre-election level.

Mr Albanese, from 419 petitioners, praying that representations be made to the Indonesian Government for clemency on behalf of Mr Joao Freitas da Camara.

Mrs Bailey, from 1168 electors of the Division of McEwen, praying that garment tariffs not be reduced beyond 25% in 2000.

Mr Bevis, from 2250 residents of Queensland, praying that data communication services be charged on an untimed basis.

Mr Cadman, from 1074 residents of Wiseman's Ferry and surrounding districts, NSW, praying that the Australian Broadcasting Authority provide television services to the Hawkesbury Valley, NSW.

Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, from 107 residents of New South Wales, praying that nursing home care be available to all and that the family home be exempted from assets tests relating to payment for such care.

Mr M. J. Ferguson, from 58 petitioners, praying that a high profile anti-racism campaign be mounted.

Mrs E. J. Grace, from 774 petitioners, praying that certain ex-service personnel be awarded the Australian Active Service Medal.

Ms Hanson, from 3 petitioners, praying that action be taken to address a grievance of Mr William Van Oostveen regarding access to certain log books.

Mr Holding, from 8 petitioners, praying that certain action be taken in relation to negotiations on native title and that native title not be extinguished.

Mr Latham, from 19 724 residents of Campbelltown and Liverpool, NSW, praying that any plan to construct an airport at Holsworthy, NSW, be abandoned.

Mrs D. S. Vale, from 2485 residents of New South Wales, in similar terms.

Mr Lee, from 83 petitioners, praying that the practice of issuing provider numbers only to certain medical practitioners be opposed.

Mr McClelland, from 191 electors of the Division of Barton, praying that the Rockdale, NSW, Medicare office remain open.

Mr McClelland, from 11 residents of New South Wales, praying that education programs be initiated to promote the benefits of Australia's immigration policy.

Mr McLachlan, from 3027 residents of South Australia, praying that the Torrens Parade Ground and Training Depot, SA, be retained.

Mr Melham, from 15 242 petitioners, praying that funds which have been withdrawn from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission be returned.

Mr Melham, from 187 guests at the Friends of Tranby Dinner, praying that the High Court's native title decision be upheld.

Mr A. A. Morris, from 35 residents of the Newcastle region, NSW, praying that the principles of cultural diversity, freedom of speech and mutual respect be promoted actively.

Mr O'Keefe, from 589 residents of Victoria, praying that the Deer Park, Vic., Medicare office remain open.

Mr Price, from 3235 residents of western Sydney, praying that the Mt Druitt, NSW, Medicare office remain open.

Mr Ronaldson, from 1600 petitioners, praying that a sincere and unreserved apology to Australia's indigenous people be promoted.

Mr Somlyay, from 2624 petitioners, praying that the old Post Office building at Buderim, Qld, be retained for community use.

Mrs D. S. Vale, from 1129 petitioners, praying that construction of a nuclear waste reprocessing plant in Sutherland Shire, NSW, be opposed.

Petitions received.

#### 14 OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS SERVICES

Mr McClelland, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House:

- (1) expresses its concern at the cutting of the operational subsidy to Out of School Hours (OOSH) services and the imposition of an increased threshold of eligibility for child care assistance to families;
- (2) notes that:
  - (a) cuts to Out of School Hours funding will result in OOSH services having to increase fees to cover the loss of the operational subsidy which will threaten the quality of child care as OOSH services will be forced to cut costs to meet budgets;
  - (b) the loss of the operational subsidy means that OOSH services could be facing high administration costs in order to meet the new fee relief system which could result in the closure of smaller services; and
  - (c) the consequences of cutting funding to OOSH services will result in a situation whereby parents will be dropping children off at school early in the morning to unsupervised playgrounds and picking them up from school well after the school day has finished, or allowing their children to remain in an unsupervised home in the morning and return to an unsupervised home in the evening; and
- (3) calls upon the Federal Government to revoke its decision to cut operational subsidy to OOSH services and to restore the previous access to child care assistance for eligible families.

Debate ensued.

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

#### 15 TEXTILE, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR INDUSTRIES

Mr Lieberman, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House:

- (1) notes with concern the recommendations of the Industry Commission on the Textile, Clothing and Footwear Industries;
- (2) notes, in particular, the likely loss of thousands of jobs throughout Australia, mainly in the regions, if the recommendations of the report are adopted; and
- (3) calls on the Government to reject the recommendations and to legislate for a tariff pause from 2000 to 2005 to enable the full benefit of

microeconomic reform to be achieved, thus strengthening the economy and industry, and maintaining jobs for Australians.

Debate ensued.

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

#### 16 GRIEVANCE DEBATE

Pursuant to the provisions of standing order 106, the order of the day having been read—

Question proposed—That grievances be noted.

Debate ensued.

Question—That grievances be noted—put and passed.

#### 17 PAPER

The Deputy Speaker presented the following paper:

Reserve Bank Act—Reserve Bank of Australia—Report for 1996-97.

#### 18 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT

The Deputy Speaker presented the following paper:

Audit Act—Auditor-General—Audit report No. 1 of 1997-98—Audit activity report: January to June 1997—Summary of audit outcomes.

Ordered to be printed.

#### 19 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Messages from the Senate were reported:

- (a) acquainting the House that Senator Reynolds had been discharged from attendance on the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund, and Senator Bolkus had been appointed a member of the committee—28 August 1997—Message No. 297; and
- (b) returning the International Monetary Agreements Amendment Bill 1997 without amendment—1 September 1997—Message No. 299.

#### 20 NATIVE TITLE AMENDMENT (TRIBUNAL APPOINTMENTS) BILL 1997

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.

*Paper*

Mr Williams (Attorney-General and Minister for Justice) presented a supplementary explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

*Consideration in detail*

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

On the motion of Mr Williams, by leave, the following amendments were made together:

Schedule 1—

Page 3 (before line 5), before item 1, insert:

**1A Subsection 95(3)**

Repeal the subsection, substitute:

- (3) A person is not to be appointed as Registrar unless:
- (a) the person is enrolled as a legal practitioner of the High Court, of another federal court or of the Supreme Court of a State or Territory; and
  - (b) the person has substantial experience in relation to:
    - (i) Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander societies; or
    - (ii) the law; or
    - (iii) administration; or
    - (iv) any other activities relevant to the duties of the Registrar.

Item 1, page 3 (lines 17 to 20), omit subsection (2), substitute:

*Qualifications*

- (2) A person is not to be appointed to act as Registrar unless:
- (a) the person is enrolled as a legal practitioner of the High Court, of another federal court or of the Supreme Court of a State or Territory; and
  - (b) the person has substantial experience in relation to:
    - (i) Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander societies; or
    - (ii) the law; or
    - (iii) administration; or
    - (iv) any other activities relevant to the duties of the Registrar.

Mr Melham moved the following amendment: Schedule 1, item 2, page 4 (lines 1-8), omit the item.

Debate continued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

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



## AYES, 41

Mr Albanese	Mr Griffin*	Ms Macklin	Mr Quick
Mr Beddall	Mr Hatton	Mr McLeay	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Bevis	Mr Holding	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Brereton	Mr Hollis	Mr Martin	Mr Tanner
Mr Brown	Mr Jenkins	Mr Melham	Dr Theophanous
Mr Crean	Mr Jones	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mrs Crosio	Mr Kerr	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr Dargavel	Mr Latham	Mr Mossfield	Mr Wilton
Mr M. J. Evans	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Connor	
Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Lee	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McClelland	Mr Price	

## NOES, 79

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

\* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

On the motion of Mr Williams, the following amendment was made:

Schedule 1, page 4 (after line 8), at the end of the Schedule, add:

**3 At the end of section 122**

Add:

- (4) Without limiting subsection (3), a person has a conflict of interest at a particular time in relation to an application under Part 3, or an inquiry by the Tribunal, if:

- (a) at that time, the person is employed by, or engaged as a consultant to, an organisation that has an interest in the subject matter of the application or the inquiry; or

- (b) at any time in the 12 months immediately before that time, the person was so employed or engaged.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

On the motion of Mr Williams, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

## 21 CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1997 [NO. 2]

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

Debate resumed.

Mr McGauran (Minister for Science and Technology) moved—That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 80

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr Lieberman	Mr Ruddock
Mr Anderson	Mrs Elson	Mr Lindsay	Mr Scott
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sharp
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Fahey	Mr McArthur*	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anthony	Mr Forrest	Mr McDougall	Mr Slipper*
Mrs Bailey	Mrs Gallus	Mr McGauran	Mr A. C. Smith
Mr R. C. Baldwin	Ms Gambaro	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	Mrs Moylan	Mr Taylor
Mr Bradford	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Mutch	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hawker	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mr Brough	Mr Hockey	Dr Nelson	Mr Tuckey
Mr Cadman	Ms Jeanes	Mr Neville	Mr M. A. J. Vaile*
Mr E. H. Cameron	Mrs Johnston	Mr Prosser	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Pyne	Mr Wakelin
Mr Causley	Mr Katter	Mr Randall	Mrs West
Mr Charles	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Reid	Mr Williams
Mr Cobb	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Reith	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Dondas	Dr Kemp	Mr Ronaldson	Mr Zammit

## NOES, 41

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Mr Beddall	Mr Griffin*	Mr McLeay	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Bevis	Mr Hatton	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Brereton	Mr Holding	Mr Martin	Mr Tanner
Mr Brown	Mr Jenkins	Mr Melham	Dr Theophanous
Mr Crean	Mr Jones	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mrs Crosio	Mr Kerr	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr Dargavel	Mr Latham	Mr Mossfield	Mr Wilton
Mr M. J. Evans	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Connor	
Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Price	

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

*Adjournment negated*

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

Mr Reith (Leader of the House) requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—

Question—put.

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

## AYES, 41

Mr Albanese	Mr E. L. Grace*	Ms Macklin	Mr Quick
Mr Beddall	Mr Griffin*	Mr McLeay	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Bevis	Mr Hatton	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Brereton	Mr Holding	Mr Martin	Mr Tanner
Mr Brown	Mr Jenkins	Mr Melham	Dr Theophanous
Mr Crean	Mr Jones	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr K. J. Thomson
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Mr Dargavel	Mr Latham	Mr Mossfield	Mr Wilton
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Mr R. C. Baldwin	Ms Gambaro	Mr McLachlan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gash	Mr Marek	Dr Southcott
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\* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

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Mr Reith moved—That the resumption of the debate be made an order of the day for the next sitting.

Question—put.

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

## AYES, 80

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr Lieberman	Mr Ruddock
Mr Anderson	Mrs Elson	Mr Lindsay	Mr Scott
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sharp
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Mr Crean	Mr Jones	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr K. J. Thomson
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Mr Dargavel	Mr Latham	Mr Mossfield	Mr Wilton
Mr M. J. Evans	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Connor	
Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Price	

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## 22 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—TEXTILE, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR INDUSTRY

The following message from the Senate was reported:

Message No. 298

Mr Speaker

The Senate transmits to the House of Representatives the following resolution which was agreed to by the Senate on 28 August 1997:

That the Senate recognises that:

- (a) the future of the 100 000 Australian textile, clothing and footwear (TCF) workers must be secured, together with future exports and investment growth;
- (b) Australia is well ahead of its international competitors in the reduction of tariffs in this industry;
- (c) if the Productivity Commission's recommendations are implemented, at least 50 000 Australian jobs will go off-shore and the remaining 50 000 workers will be forced into low-paid backyard operations;
- (d) there should be a freeze on TCF tariffs from the year 2000 to, at least, the year 2005, consistent with Australia's international obligations;
- (e) the Import Credit Scheme must not be removed without putting in place a program of equivalent value, consistent with Australia's international obligations; and
- (f) a review of future assistance arrangements should be undertaken in the year 2004, in consultation with the industry's partners, taking into account:
  - (i) progress on TCF trade liberalisation among Australia's trading partners and competitors,
  - (ii) the industry's progress in meeting its commitments on employment, investment and exports, and
  - (iii) the effect of changes in the TCF industry on regional Australia.

The Senate requests the concurrence of the House in this resolution.

MARGARET REID

President

The Senate

28 August 1997

Mr Reith (Leader of the House) moved—That the message be considered at the next sitting.

Mr Crean rising to address the House—

*Closure*

Mr McGauran (Minister for Science and Technology) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

## AYES, 80

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr Lieberman	Mr Ruddock
Mr Anderson	Mrs Elson	Mr Lindsay	Mr Scott
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sharp
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Mr Dargavel	Mr Latham	Mr Mossfield	Mr Wilton
Mr M. J. Evans	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Connor	
Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Price	

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the message be considered at the next sitting—being accordingly put—

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

## AYES, 80

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr Lieberman	Mr Ruddock
Mr Anderson	Mrs Elson	Mr Lindsay	Mr Scott
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sharp
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Fahey	Mr McArthur*	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anthony	Mr Forrest	Mr McDougall	Mr Slipper*
Mrs Bailey	Mrs Gallus	Mr McGauran	Mr A. C. Smith
Mr R. C. Baldwin	Ms Gambaro	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	Mrs Moylan	Mr Taylor
Mr Bradford	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Mutch	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hawker	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mr Brough	Mr Hockey	Dr Nelson	Mr Tuckey
Mr Cadman	Ms Jeanes	Mr Neville	Mr M. A. J. Vaile*
Mr E. H. Cameron	Mrs Johnston	Mr Prosser	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Pyne	Mr Wakelin
Mr Causley	Mr Katter	Mr Randall	Mrs West
Mr Charles	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Reid	Mr Williams
Mr Cobb	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Reith	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Dondas	Dr Kemp	Mr Ronaldson	Mr Zammit

## NOES, 41

Mr Albanese	Mr E. L. Grace*	Ms Macklin	Mr Quick
Mr Beddall	Mr Griffin*	Mr McLeay	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Bevis	Mr Hatton	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Brereton	Mr Holding	Mr Martin	Mr Tanner
Mr Brown	Mr Jenkins	Mr Melham	Dr Theophanous
Mr Crean	Mr Jones	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mrs Crosio	Mr Kerr	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr Dargavel	Mr Latham	Mr Mossfield	Mr Wilton
Mr M. J. Evans	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Connor	
Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Price	

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## 23 ADJOURNMENT

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 11.06 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 2 p.m.



**PAPERS**

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 1 September 1997:

Australian Bureau of Statistics Act—Australian Bureau of Statistics—Proposal 1997 No. 14.

Civil Aviation Act—Civil Aviation Regulations—Civil Aviation Orders—Instrument 1997 No. CASA 206.

Currency Act—Determinations 1997 Nos. 4, 5.

Endangered Species Protection Act—Declaration under section 18, 17 July 1997.

Proclamation by His Excellency the Governor-General fixing 1 September 1997 as the date on which items 4 to 12 and 14 to 36 of Part H of Schedule 1 of the *Transport Legislation Amendment Act 1995* shall come into operation.

States Grants (Petroleum Products) Act—Amendment of schemes 1997 Nos. 1, 2.



**ATTENDANCE**

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Adams, Mr P. J. Baldwin, Mrs Bishop, Mr Entsch, Mr Hicks, Mr Nugent, Mr W. L. Smith and Mrs Sullivan.



**I. C. HARRIS**

Clerk of the House of Representatives