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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 157

THURSDAY, 30 NOVEMBER 2000



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

**2 SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS MOVED**

Mr Abbott (Minister for Employment Services) moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Member for Dickson from making a statement forthwith to explain her actions in relation to the 1996 preference selling deal between the ALP and the Australian Democrats.

*Point of order*

Mr McMullan having raised a point of order that there was already a motion before the Chair proposed by the Leader of the Opposition.

*Speaker's ruling*

The Speaker ruled that the Leader of the Opposition did not have a valid motion.

*Dissent from ruling moved*

Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) moved—That the ruling be dissented from.

*Closure of Member*

Mr Reith (Leader of the House) moved—That the Member be not further heard. Question—put.

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

## AYES, 75

Mr Abbott	Mr Entsch	Mr Lindsay	Mr Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr Fahey	Mr Lloyd	Mr Secker
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Fischer	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper
Mr Anthony	Mrs Gallus	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Mr Somlyay
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Mr Baird	Mrs Gash	Mrs May	Dr Stone
Mr Barresi	Mr Georgiou	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Sullivan
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Mr Charles	Jackie Kelly	Mr Ronaldson	Mr Williams
Mr Costello	Dr Kemp	Mr Ruddock	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Downer	Mr Lawler	Mr St Clair	Ms Worth
Mr Draper	Mr Lieberman	Mr Schultz	

## NOES, 60

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr Ripoll
Mr Albanese	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Mr Beazley	Ms Gerick	Mr McClelland	Mr Rudd
Mr Brereton	Mr Gibbons	Ms J. S. McFarlane	Mr Sawford*
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Mr Byrne	Mr Griffin	Mr McLeay	Mr Sercombe*
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Ms Ellis	Ms Kernot	Mr O'Keefe	Dr Theophanous
Mr Emerson	Mr Kerr	Ms Plibersek	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr Price	Mr Wilkie
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr Quick	Mr Zahra

\* Tellers

*Pairs*

Mr Forrest                      Mr Bevis

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr McMullan (seconder) addressing the House—

*Closure of Member*

Mr Reith moved—That the Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Abbott addressing the House—

*Closure of Member moved*

Mr Beazley moved—That the Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

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Mr Baird	Mrs Gash	Mrs May	Dr Stone
Mr Barresi	Mr Georgiou	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Sullivan
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Mr Forrest    Mr Bevis

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Question—That the Speaker's ruling be dissented from—put.

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

AYES, 57

Mr Adams	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Mr Albanese	Ms Gerick	Mr McClelland	Mr Rudd
Mr Beazley	Mr Gibbons	Ms J. S. McFarlane	Mr Sawford*
Ms Burke	Ms Gillard	Ms Macklin	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Byrne	Mr Griffin	Mr McLeay	Mr Sidebottom
Ms Corcoran	Ms Hall	Mr McMullan	Mr Smith
Mr Cox	Mr Hatton	Mr Melham	Mr Snowdon
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Mr Danby	Mr Horne	Mr Mossfield	Mr Tanner
Mr Edwards	Mr Jenkins	Mr Murphy	Dr Theophanous
Ms Ellis	Ms Kernot	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Wilkie
Mr Emerson	Mr Kerr	Ms Plibersek	Mr Zahra
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr Price	
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr Quick	
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Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Mr Lieberman	Mr Slipper
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Entsch	Mr Lindsay	Mr Somlyay
Fran Bailey	Mr Fahey	Mr McArthur*	Dr Southcott
Mr Baird	Mr Fischer	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Dr Stone
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gallus	Mr McGauran	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mr Billson	Mrs Gash	Mrs May	Mr Truss
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Georgiou	Mrs Moylan	Mr Tuckey
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Haase	Mr Nehl	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
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*Result of Division—Statement by Speaker*

The Speaker declared that the question had not been supported by a majority and in the circumstances he was not prepared to give a casting vote but believed his original ruling to be correct. The Speaker stated that as the matter of the time for the ringing of the bells had been raised, and there was the possibility of confusion, under standing order 208, he would put the question again.

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The House divided and there being no tellers for the Ayes, the Speaker declared the question resolved in the negative.

The time allowed by standing order 91 for debate on the motion for the suspension of standing orders having expired and a question not having been proposed to the House, the motion lapsed.

**3 SPEAKER—MOTION OF WANT OF CONFIDENCE**

Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) moved—That the Speaker no longer possesses the confidence of this House.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the motion be agreed to—put.

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

AYES, 60

Mr Adams	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr Quick
Mr Albanese	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr Ripoll
Mr Beazley	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Livermore	Ms Roxon
Mr Brereton	Ms Gerick	Mr McClelland	Mr Rudd
Ms Burke	Mr Gibbons	Ms J. S. McFarlane	Mr Sawford*
Mr Byrne	Ms Gillard	Ms Macklin	Mr Sciacca
Ms Corcoran	Mr Griffin	Mr McLeay	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Cox	Ms Hall	Mr McMullan	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Crean	Mr Hatton	Mr Melham	Mr Smith
Mrs Crosio	Ms Hoare	Mr Morris	Mr Snowdon
Mr Danby	Mr Horne	Mr Mossfield	Mr Swan
Mr Edwards	Mr Jenkins	Mr Murphy	Mr Tanner
Ms Ellis	Ms Kernot	Mr O'Keefe	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Emerson	Mr Kerr	Ms Plibersek	Mr Wilkie
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr Price	Mr Zahra

## NOES, 78

Mr Abbott	Mr Entsch	Mr Lindsay	Mr Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr Fahey	Mr Lloyd	Mr Secker
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Fischer	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper
Mr Anthony	Mrs Gallus	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Mr Somlyay
Fran Bailey	Ms Gambaro	Mr McGauran	Dr Southcott
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Mr Barresi	Mr Georgiou	Mr Moore	Mrs Sullivan
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\* Tellers

*Pairs*

Mr Forrest                      Mr Bevis

And so it was negatived.

**4 PIG INDUSTRY BILL 2000**

Mr Truss (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the pig industry.

Bill read a first time.

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

*Paper*

Mr Truss presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Debate adjourned (Mr L. D. T. Ferguson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

**5 COMMUNICATIONS AND THE ARTS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2000**

Mr Scott (Minister for Veterans' Affairs), for Mr McGauran (Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend legislation relating to communications and the arts, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

*Paper*

Mr Scott presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

**6 VETERANS' AFFAIRS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (APPLICATION OF CRIMINAL CODE) BILL 2000**

Mr Scott (Minister for Veterans' Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the application of the *Criminal Code* to certain offences, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

*Paper*

Mr Scott presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

**7 ROADS TO RECOVERY BILL 2000**

Mr Anderson (Minister for Transport and Regional Services), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide funding to supplement expenditure on roads.

Bill read a first time.

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

*Paper*

Mr Anderson presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Debate, by leave, ensued.

Mr M. J. Ferguson 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 the importance of the additional road funding, calls for the development of a national infrastructure strategy including a national transport plan; and as a fundamental part of this approach calls on the Government to remove the effect of the GST from the fuel excise indexation adjustment in February 2001”.

Debate continued.

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 RECOMMITTAL OF VOTE—STATEMENT BY SPEAKER**

The Speaker made a statement concerning the circumstances in which he recommitted a vote to the House earlier today.



**9 QUESTIONS**

Questions without notice being asked—

*Paper*

Mr Horne, by leave, presented the following paper:

Petition protesting against excessive fuel tax—Copy of correspondence from Mr Terry Rogers to Mr Sidebottom.

Questions without notice continued.

**10 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORTS**

The Speaker presented the following papers:

Auditor-General—Audit reports of 2000-2001—Performance audits—

No. 18—Reform of service delivery of business assistance programs: Department of Industry, Science and Resources.

No. 20—Second tranche sale of Telstra shares.

Severally ordered to be printed.

**11 PAPERS**

The following papers were presented:

Bringing them home: National inquiry into the separation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children from their families—Progress on Commonwealth initiatives in response to the *Bringing Them Home* report, as at 30 June 2000.

Employment National Limited—Report for 1999-2000—Erratum.

Family Law Council—Report for 1999-2000.

Freedom of Information Act—Report for 1999-2000.

**12 PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS**

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

Bringing them home: National inquiry into the separation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children from their families—Progress on Commonwealth initiatives in response to the *Bringing Them Home* report, as at 30 June 2000.

Employment National Limited—Report for 1999-2000—Erratum.

Family Law Council—Report for 1999-2000.

Freedom of Information Act—Report for 1999-2000.

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

**13 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—AUSTRALIA'S IMMIGRATION RECEPTION PROCESSING CENTRES**

The House was informed that Mr Sciacca had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The continuing failure of the government to establish a judicial inquiry into the

growing revelations concerning Australia's Immigration Reception Processing Centres".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Sciacca addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

*Papers*

Mr Ruddock (Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs), by leave, presented the following papers:

DIMA Woomera—Handwritten menus (3).

Child Abuse—Copy of pamphlet produced by the Department of Human Services, South Australia.

Discussion continued.

Mr Ronaldson (Chief Government Whip) moved—That the business of the day be called on.

Question—put and passed.

**14 PUBLIC WORKS—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORTS—STATEMENT BY MEMBER**

Mrs Moylan (Chair) presented the following papers:

Public Works—Parliamentary Standing Committee—Reports—

Construction of mixed residential dwellings at Block 87, Section 24, Stirling, ACT (11th report of 2000).

ABC Perth Accommodation Project, East Perth, WA (12th report of 2000).

Reserve Bank of Australia, proposed Head Office building works (13th report of 2000).

Severally ordered to be printed.

Mrs Moylan, by leave, made a statement in connection with the reports.

**15 RAAF BASE EDINBURGH, SOUTH AUSTRALIA—APPROVAL OF WORK**

Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: RAAF Base Edinburgh, South Australia.

Question—put and passed.

**16 ROADS TO RECOVERY BILL 2000**

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 M. J. Ferguson, see item 7, page 1938.*

Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned (Mr McLeay—Chief Opposition Whip), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

**17 LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER**

Mr McLeay (Chief Opposition Whip) moved—That leave of absence for the remainder of this year be given to Ms O’Byrne for maternity purposes.

Question—put and passed.

**18 ADJOURNMENT**

Mr Tuckey (Minister for Forestry and Conservation) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 6 p.m., adjourned until Monday next at 12.30 p.m.



**PAPER**

The following paper was deemed to have been presented on 30 November 2000: Remuneration Tribunal Act—Remuneration Tribunal—Determination 2000 No. 13.



**ATTENDANCE**

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Bevis, Mr Forrest, Mr Hollis\*, Ms O’Byrne\* and Mr O’Connor.

\* On leave



**I. C. HARRIS**

Clerk of the House of Representatives

1998-1999-2000

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
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No. 157

**MAIN COMMITTEE****MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

THURSDAY, 30 NOVEMBER 2000

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1 The Main Committee met at 9.40 a.m.

**2 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS**

Members' statements were made.

**3 ADJOURNMENT**

Mrs May moved—That the Main Committee do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

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*Suspension of sitting*

At 10.02 a.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

*Resumption of sitting*

At 10.26 a.m., the proceedings were resumed.

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*Suspension of sitting*

At 10.26 a.m., the Deputy Speaker left the Chair due to the lack of a quorum.

*Resumption of sitting*

At 10.28 a.m., the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and a quorum not being present—

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The Deputy Speaker adjourned the Main Committee at 10.28 a.m.

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**B. C. WRIGHT**  
Clerk of the Main Committee