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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 201

THURSDAY, 9 AUGUST 2001

1 The House met, at 9.30 a.m., pursuant to adjournment.

2 ABSENCE OF SPEAKER

The Clerk having informed the House that the Speaker (the Honourable Neil Andrew) was absent until later this day, the Deputy Speaker (Mr Nehl) took the Chair as Acting Speaker, and read Prayers.

3 SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS MOVED

Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Leader of the Opposition moving forthwith—That this House:

- (1) believing in open, transparent and accountable government;
- (2) wishing to provide the Australian people with a reasonable opportunity to understand the economic and fiscal outlook so as to help inform their decision at the forthcoming federal election;
- (3) wanting to provide all parties with the opportunity to responsibly detail their financial commitments prior to the calling of the election; and
- (4) noting that there is no legal impediment to the following course of conduct;

calls on the Prime Minister, the Treasurer and the Minister for Finance to provide updated information on the economic and fiscal outlook prior to the calling of the federal election by:

- (a) requiring the Secretary to the Department of the Treasury and the Secretary to the Department for Finance to publish an economic and fiscal outlook report and to prepare that report as if the report were prepared in accordance with Division 7 of the *Charter of Budget Honesty Act 1998*;
- (b) requiring all Ministers, Secretaries and Commonwealth bodies to provide such information, and to do all acts or things, as are necessary to enable that economic and fiscal outlook report to be so published.

Closure of Member

Mr McGauran (Deputy Leader of the House) moved—That the Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 74

Mr Abbott	Mrs Elson	Mr Lindsay	Mr Secker
Mr Anderson	Mr Entsch	Mr Lloyd	Mr Slipper
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Fahey	Mr McArthur*	Mr Somlyay
Mr Anthony	Mr Fischer	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Dr Southcott
Fran Bailey	Mr Forrest*	Mr McGauran	Dr Stone
Mr Baird	Mrs Gallus	Mrs May	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Barresi	Ms Gambaro	Mrs Moylan	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mr Bartlett	Mrs Gash	Mr Nairn	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Billson	Mr Georgiou	Dr Nelson	Mr Truss
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Haase	Mr Neville	Mr Tuckey
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Pearce	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Brough	Mr Hawker	Mr Prosser	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Cadman	Mrs Hull	Mr Pyne	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Reith	Dr Washer
Mr Causley	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Ronaldson	Mr Williams
Mr Charles	Jackie Kelly	Mr Ruddock	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Costello	Dr Kemp	Mr St Clair	Ms Worth
Mr Downer	Mr Lawler	Mr Schultz	
Mrs Draper	Mr Lieberman	Mr Scott	

NOES, 65

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*
Mr Bevis	Ms Gillard	Ms Macklin	Mr Sciacca
Mr Brereton	Mr Griffin	Mr McLeay	Mr Sercombe*
Ms Burke	Ms Hall	Mr McMullan	Ms Short
Mr Byrne	Mr Hatton	Dr Martin	Mr Sidebottom
Ms Corcoran	Ms Hoare	Mr Melham	Mr Smith
Mr Cox	Mr Hollis	Mr Morris	Mr Snowdon
Mr Crean	Mr Horne	Mr Mossfield	Mr Swan
Mrs Crosio	Mrs Irwin	Mr Murphy	Mr Tanner
Mr Danby	Mr Jenkins	Ms O'Byrne	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Edwards	Ms Kernot	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Wilkie
Ms Ellis	Mr Kerr	Ms Plibersek	Mr Zahra
Mr Emerson	Mr Latham	Mr Price	
Mr M. J. Evans	Dr Lawrence	Mr Quick	
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr Ripoll	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Crean (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) (seconded) addressing the House—

Closure of Member

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

Question—put.

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Mr Emerson	Mr Latham	Mr Price	
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Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr Ripoll	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the motion for the suspension of standing and sessional orders be agreed to—put.

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

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Mr Edwards	Ms Kernot	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Wilkie
Ms Ellis	Mr Kerr	Ms Plibersek	Mr Zahra
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Mr Baird	Mrs Gallus	Mrs May	Mrs Sullivan
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Mr Bartlett	Mrs Gash	Mr Nairn	Mr A. P. Thomson
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Mr Charles	Jackie Kelly	Mr Ruddock	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Costello	Dr Kemp	Mr St Clair	Ms Worth
Mr Downer	Mr Lawler	Mr Schultz	
Mrs Draper	Mr Lieberman	Mr Scott	

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And so it was negatived.

4 WOOL INTERNATIONAL AMENDMENT BILL 2001

Mr Truss (Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Wool International Act 1993*, and for related purposes.

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 Swan), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

5 WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (MINIMUM ENTITLEMENTS FOR VICTORIAN WORKERS) BILL 2001

Mr Abbott (Minister for Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Workplace Relations Act 1996*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper

Mr Abbott presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

6 TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (TELECOMMUNICATIONS) BILL 2001

Mr McGauran (Minister representing the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Trade Practices Act 1974*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper

Mr McGauran presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

7 COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL AMENDMENT BILL 2001

Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper

Mr Slipper presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

8 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY

Ordered—That order of the day No. 1, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

9 STATES GRANTS (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT BILL 2001

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 Lee, 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 condemns the Government for:

- (1) misusing the issue of literacy for political advantage;
- (2) manipulating statistics about literacy achievement; and
- (3) providing \$145 million to wealthy category one schools which could have been better used improving literacy for students in government and needy non-government schools”—

Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned (Mr Bevis), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

10 WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT) BILL 2000—SENATE’S AMENDMENTS

The order of the day having been read for the consideration of the amendments made by the Senate—

Mr Abbott (Minister for Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business) moved—That the amendments be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 78

Mr Abbott	Mrs Elson	Mr Lieberman	Mr Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr Entsch	Mr Lindsay	Mr Secker
Mr Andren	Mr Fahey	Mr Lloyd	Mr Slipper
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Fischer	Mr McArthur*	Mr Somlyay
Mr Anthony	Mr Forrest*	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Dr Southcott
Fran Bailey	Mrs Gallus	Mr McGauran	Dr Stone
Mr Baird	Ms Gambaro	Mrs May	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gash	Mrs Moylan	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mr Bartlett	Mr Georgiou	Mr Nairn	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Billson	Mr Haase	Mr Nehl	Mr Truss
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hardgrave	Dr Nelson	Mr Tuckey
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Hawker	Mr Neville	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Brough	Mr Hockey	Mr Pearce	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Cadman	Mrs Hull	Mr Prosser	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Pyne	Dr Washer
Mr Causley	Mr Katter	Mr Reith	Mr Williams
Mr Charles	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Ronaldson	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Costello	Jackie Kelly	Mr Ruddock	Ms Worth
Mr Downer	Dr Kemp	Mr St Clair	
Mr Draper	Mr Lawler	Mr Schultz	

NOES, 62

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

* Tellers

Pairs

Mr Howard Mr Beazley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

11 STATES GRANTS (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT BILL 2001

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 Lee (see item No. 9, page 2488)*—

Debate resumed.

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.

12 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice were asked.

13 MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND SMALL BUSINESS—MOTION OF CENSURE

Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) moved—That this House censures the Minister for Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business for his:

- (1) irresponsible, inflammatory and deliberately provocative intervention in the Tristar dispute;
- (2) calling fellow Australians “traitors” simply for conducting themselves within the industrial framework established by the Coalition Government;
- (3) placing the job security of every single Australian worker at risk due to his ideological and dogmatic approach to workplace relations;
- (4) exposing the economy to potentially thousands of enterprise-level disputes over the issue of securing legal employee entitlements through his failure to put in place a comprehensive system which protects 100% of employees entitlements;
- (5) incompetent administration of the Job Network system which is increasingly being marked by claims of fraud and rorting by providers seeking to comply with the Government’s injunction to focus on numerical outcomes not jobs in the Job Network;
- (6) presiding over huge drops in full-time employment;
- (7) use of his office to solely focus on generating political advantage for the Liberal Party and his complete disregard for the living standards and economic security of Australian families; and
- (8) general unfitness to occupy the office of a Commonwealth Minister.

Mr Abbott (Minister for Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business) moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words:

“the House censures the Leader of the Opposition for his failure to condemn irresponsible strike action in the manufacturing industry and for his continuing policy failure to promote the national interest over union interest”.

Debate continued.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

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

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Mr Abbott	Mr Entsch	Mr Lieberman	Mr Secker
Mr Anderson	Mr Fahey	Mr Lloyd	Mr Slipper
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Fischer	Mr McArthur*	Mr Somlyay
Mr Anthony	Mr Forrest*	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Dr Southcott
Fran Bailey	Mrs Gallus	Mr McGauran	Dr Stone
Mr Baird	Ms Gambaro	Mrs May	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gash	Mrs Moylan	Mr C. P. Thompson
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Mr Brough	Mr Hockey	Mr Pearce	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Cadman	Mr Howard	Mr Prosser	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cameron	Mrs Hull	Mr Pyne	Dr Washer
Mr Causley	Mr Jull	Mr Reith	Mr Williams
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Mr Beazley	Mr Gibbons	Mr McClelland	Mr Rudd
Mr Bevis	Ms Gillard	Ms J. S. McFarlane	Mr Sawford*
Mr Breerton	Mr Griffin	Ms Macklin	Mr Sciacca
Ms Burke	Ms Hall	Mr McLeay	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Byrne	Mr Hatton	Mr McMullan	Ms Short
Ms Corcoran	Ms Hoare	Dr Martin	Mr Sidebottom
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Ms Ellis	Mr Kerr	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Zahra
Mr Emerson	Mr Latham	Mr Price	
Mr M. J. Evans	Dr Lawrence	Mr Quick	

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the motion, as amended, be agreed to—put.

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

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Mr Anderson	Mr Fahey	Mr Lloyd	Mr Slipper
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Mr Emerson	Mr Latham	Mr Price	
Mr M. J. Evans	Dr Lawrence	Mr Quick	

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

14 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORTS

The Speaker presented the following papers:

Auditor-General—Audit reports of 2001-2002—

No. 6—Performance audit—Commonwealth Fisheries Management—Follow-up audit: Australian Fisheries Management Authority.

No. 7—Audit activity report—January to June 2001: Summary of outcomes.

No. 8—Assurance and control assessment audit—Disposal of infrastructure, plant and equipment.

Severally ordered to be printed.

15 PAPERS

The following papers were presented:

Financial Sector (Collection of Data) Bill 2001—Correction to the explanatory memorandum.

Financial Sector (Collection of Data—Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2001—Correction to the explanatory memorandum.

Migration—Joint Standing Committee—Review of Migration Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2000—Government response, 7 February 2001.

Treaties—Joint Standing Committee—Reports—
8th—Government response, August 2001.

11th—Agreement with Kazakhstan, treaties tabled on 30 September and 21 October 1997—Government response, August 2001.

16 SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT

Mr Reith (Leader of the House) moved—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Monday, 20 August 2001, at 12.30 p.m., unless the Speaker fixes an alternative day or hour of meeting.

Question—put and passed.

17 PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE—28TH REPORT

Mr Lieberman (Chair) presented the following paper:

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE 28TH REPORT

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

The Committee, having considered documents presented to Parliament since 28 June 2001, recommends that the following be printed:

Australia and the Asian Development Bank—Report for 1999-2000.

Australia and the IMF—Report for 1999-2000.

Australia and the World Bank—Report for 1999-2000.

Australian Dried Fruits Board—Report for the period 1 July 2000 to 31 January 2001 [Final].

Commonwealth Grants Commission—Report—Review of the operation of the *Local Government (Financial Assistance) Act 1995*, June 2001.

Horticultural Research and Development Corporation—Report for July 2000-January 2001 [Final].

Housing Assistance Act—Report for 1998-99.

LOU LIEBERMAN

Chair

9 August 2001

On the motion of Mr Lieberman, by leave, the report was agreed to.

18 PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—LIVING STANDARDS AND ECONOMIC SECURITY

The House was informed that Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The failure of the Government to adequately protect the living standards and economic security of Australian families”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Beazley rising to address the House—

Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration) moved—That the business of the day be called on.

Question—put and passed.

19 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:

Message—

No. 672—Superannuation Contributions Taxes and Termination Payments Tax Legislation Amendment 2001—8 August 2001.

No. 673—Trade Marks and Other Legislation Amendment 2001—9 August 2001.

20 INTELLIGENCE SERVICES—JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE—EXTENSION OF TIME FOR REPORT

Dr Stone (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment and Heritage), by leave, moved—That the time for presenting the report of the Joint Select Committee on the Intelligence Services be extended to 27 August 2001.

Question—put and passed.

21 PUBLIC WORKS—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—PROPOSED CHRISTMAS ISLAND COMMON-USE INFRASTRUCTURE ITEMS

Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration), by leave, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for consideration and report: Proposed Christmas Island common-use infrastructure items.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

22 ADJOURNMENT NEGATIVED

It being 5.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration) requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—

Question—put and negatived.

23 INTERNATIONAL MARITIME CONVENTIONS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2001—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Speaker reported that the Bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to with amendments (*see item No. 3, Minutes of Proceedings of the Main Committee*), and presented a certified copy of the Bill together with a schedule of amendments.

Amendments made by the Main Committee agreed to.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

On the motion of Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

24 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Message No. 674, 9 August 2001, from the Senate was reported acquainting the House that Senator Lees had been appointed a member of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund.

25 ADJOURNMENT

Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until 6 p.m.—The Speaker adjourned the House until Monday, 20 August 2001, at 12.30 p.m., in accordance with the resolution agreed to this sitting.



PAPERS

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 9 August 2001:

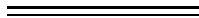
Customs Act—Instruments of approval—2001 Nos 5, 6, 7, 8.

Dairy Produce Act—Scheme—2001 Supplementary Dairy Assistance.



ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr M. J. Ferguson.

**I. C. HARRIS**

Clerk of the House of Representatives

1998-1999-2000-2001

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 201

MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, 9 AUGUST 2001

1 Due to divisions having been called in the House, the Main Committee met at 9.51 a.m.

2 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Members' statements were made.

3 INTERNATIONAL MARITIME CONVENTIONS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2001

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, 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 condemns the Government for its neglect of the Australian shipping industry, leaving the Australian economy, environment and community exposed to the risk of marine accidents, port pollution and infiltration via ports and the sea of deadly diseases like foot and mouth disease”—

Debate resumed.

Amendment negatived.

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

Consideration in detail

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Paper

Ms Worth (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Education, Training and Youth Affairs) presented a supplementary explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

On the motion of Ms Worth, by leave, Government amendments (1) to (4) were made together.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

Ordered—That the Bill be reported to the House with amendments.

4 ADJOURNMENT

Ms Worth (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Education, Training and Youth Affairs) moved—That the Main Committee do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

At 11.15 a.m. the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Main Committee.

B. C. WRIGHT
Clerk of the Main Committee