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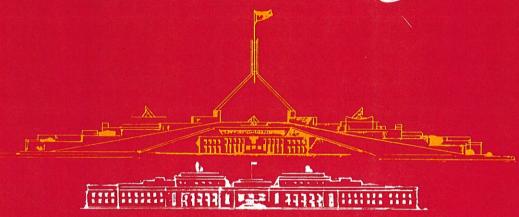
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^{1.} Senator Knight died on 4 March 1981 and was replaced on the Committee by Senator Sim on 31 March 1981.

^{2.} Senator Ryan resigned from the Committee on 21 August 1980 and was replaced by Senator Robertson.

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