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AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 57

TUESDAY, 4 MARCH 1975

- 1 The House met, at fifteen minutes past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable G. G. D. Scholes) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 PETITIONS: The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
 - Mr C. R. Cameron (Minister for Labor and Immigration), Mr Bryant (Minister for the Capital Territory), Mr Stewart (Minister for Tourism and Recreation), Mr Anthony (Leader of the Australian Country Party), Mr Sinclair (Deputy Leader of the Australian Country Party), Mr Calder, Mr Connolly, Mr Drury, Mr England, Mr Fairbairn, Mr Jacobi, Mr Jarman, Mr Macphee, Mr I. L. Robinson, Mr Sullivan and Mr Wentworth—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House amend the Family Law Bill.
 - Mr Barnard (Minister for Defence), Mr Bryant, Mr K. M. Cairns, Mrs Child, Mr Coates, Mr Fairbairn, Mr Fraser, Mr Macphee and Mr Staley—from certain citizens of Australia praying that (1) the Metric Conversion Act be repealed and (2) the Government take urgent steps to cause the traditional and familiar units to be restored in those areas where the greatest inconveniences and distress are occurring.
 - Mr Bryant, Mr Stewart, Mr Bonnett, Mrs Child, Mr England, Mr Fisher and Mr Staley—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House oppose the Family Law Bill.
 - Mr Crean (Minister for Overseas Trade), Mr Barnard, Mrs Child and Mr Coates from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House pass the Family Law Bill.
 - Mr Barnard—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House take urgent steps to ensure that further mining and export from Australia of uranium, except for bio-medical purposes, be banned and that the Australian Atomic Energy Commission be transformed into an Australian Energy Commission.
 - Mr Drury—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government reduce the cost of the subscription to *Hansard*.
 - Mr Lamb-from certain citizens of Australia praying for divorce law reform.
 - Mr Oldmeadow—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House press for an inquiry into public libraries.
 - Mr Sinclair—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government take no measures to interfere with existing television program standards or to permit easier entry into Australia, or production in Australia, of pornographic material. Petitions received.
- 3 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—MOTION OF CENSURE OF PRIME MINISTER: Mr Snedden (Leader of the Opposition) having given a notice of motion—
 - Mr Whitlam (Prime Minister) moved, by leave—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Leader of the Opposition moving forthwith the motion of censure of the Prime Minister of which he has given notice for the next sitting. Question—put and passed.

4 PRIME MINISTER---MOTION OF CENSURE: Mr Snedden (Leader of the Opposition) moved---That this House censures the Prime Minister for his consistent and deliberate contempt of the Parliament.

Ordered-That Mr Snedden be granted an extension of time.

Mr Whitlam (Prime Minister) moved, as an amendment—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "the Leader of the Opposition and the Leader of the Country Party should be censured because they failed to use their influence with members of their Parties to comply with the standing orders and thereby became parties to an attack on the institution of Parliament by members of the Opposition, whose disruptive and unruly behaviour made difficult the conduct of the business of the House".

Ordered—That Mr Whitlam be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Closure: Mr Daly (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 Scholes, in the Chair)-

Ayes, 64

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Mr Armitage	Mr Cross	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Barnard	Mr Daly	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Riordan
Mr Beazley	Mr Davies	Mr Jones	Mr Sherry
Mr Bennett	Mr Dawkins	Mr Keating	Mr Stewart
Mr Berinson	Mr Duthie	Mr Keogh	Mr Thorburn
Mr Bowen	Mr Enderby	Mr Kerin	· Mr Uren
Mr Bryant	Dr Everingham	Dr Klugman	Mr Wallis
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Whan
Dr Cass	Mr Fry	Mr Luchetti	Mr Whitlam
Mrs Child	Mr Fulton	Mr McKenzie	Mr Willis
Mr Clayton	Mr Garrick	Mr Martin	Mr Young
Mr Coates	Dr Gun	Mr Mathews	
Mr Cohen	Mr Hayden	Mr Morris	
Mr Collard	Mr Hurford	Mr Morrison	
Mr Connor	Mr Innes	Mr Mulder	Tellers:
Mr Cope	Mr Jacobi	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr James
Mr Crean	Dr Jenkins	Dr Patterson	Mr Nicholls
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Mr Adermann	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Kelly	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Anthony	Mr Fisher	Mr Killen	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Bonnett	Dr Forbes	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bourchier	Mr Fraser	Mr Lucock	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bungey	Mr Garland	Mr Lusher	Mr Snedden
Mr Cadman	Mr Giles	Mr Lynch	Mr Staley
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Graham	Mr MacKellar	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Hewson	Mr McLeay	Mr Sullivan
Mr Chipp	Mr Hodges	Mr McMahon	Mr Viner
Mr Connolly	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wentworth
Mr Drummond	Mr Howard	Mr Macphee	Mr Wilson
Mr Drury	Mr Hunt	Mr Millar	
Dr Edwards	Mr Hyde	Mr Nixon	Tellers:
Mr Ellicott	Mr Jarman	Mr O'Keefe	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Erwin	Mr Katter	Mr Peacock	Mr England

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 Scholes, in the Chair)-

Ayes, 59

Mr Adermann	Mr Erwin	Mr Katter	Mr Peacock
Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Kelly	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Killen	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Bourchier	Dr Forbes	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bungey	Mr Fraser	Mr Lucock	Mr Sinclair
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Mr Berinson	Mr Duthie	Mr Keogh	Mr Thorburn
Mr Bowen	Mr Enderby	Mr Kerin	Mr Uren
Mr Bryant	Dr Everingham	Dr Klugman	Mr Wallis
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Whan
Dr Cass	Mr Fry	Mr Luchetti	Mr Whitlam
Mrs Child	Mr Fulton	Mr McKenzie	Mr Willis
Mr Clayton	Mr Garrick	Mr Martin	Mr Young
Mr Coates	Dr Gun	Mr Mathews	
Mr Cohen	Mr Hayden	Mr Morris	
Mr Collard	Mr Hurford	Mr Morrison	
Mr Connor	Mr Innes	Mr Mulder	Tellers:
Mr Cope	Mr Jacobi	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr James
Mr Crean	Dr Jenkins	Dr Patterson	Mr Nicholls

And so it was negatived.

Question-That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted-put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Scholes, in the Chair)---

Ayes, 64

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Mr Armitage	Mr Cross	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Barnard	Mr Daly	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Riordan
Mr Beazley	Mr Davies	Mr Jones	Mr Sherry
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Mr Drury	Mr Hunt	Mr Millar	Tellers:
Dr Edwards	Mr Hyde	Mr Nixon	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Ellicott	Mr Jarman	Mr O'Keefe	Mr England

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the motion, as amended, viz.: That the Leader of the Opposition and the Leader of the Country Party should be censured because they failed to use their influence with members of their Parties to comply with the standing orders and thereby became parties to an attack on the institution of Parliament by members of the Opposition, whose disruptive and unruly behaviour made difficult the conduct of the business of the House—be agreed to—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Scholes, in the Chair)-

Mr Armitage Mr Barnard Mr Beazley Mr Bennett Mr Berinson Mr Bowen Mr Bryant Mr C. R. Cameron Dr Cass Mrs Child Mr Clayton Mr Coates Mr Cohen Mr Collard Mr Connor Mr Cope

Mr Crean

Mr Cross Mr Daly Mr Davies Mr Dawkins Mr Duthie Mr Enderby Dr Everingham Mr FitzPatrick Mr Fry Mr Fulton Mr Garrick Dr Gun Mr Hayden Mr Hurford Mr Innes Mr Jacobi **Dr** Jenkins

Mr L. K. Johnson Mr L. R. Johnson Mr Jones Mr Keating Mr Keogh Mr Kerin Dr Klugman Mr Lamb Mr Luchetti Mr McKenzie Mr Martin Mr Mathews Mr Morris Mr Morrison Mr Mulder Mr Oldmeadow

Dr Patterson

Mr Reynolds Mr Riordan Mr Sherry Mr Stewart Mr Thorburn Mr Uren Mr Wallis Mr Whan Mr Whitlam Mr Willis Mr Young ł

Tellers: Mr James Mr Nicholls

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Mr Adermann	Mr Erwin	Mr Katter	Mr Peacock
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Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Killen	Mr I. L. Robinson
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Mr Drury	Mr Hunt	Mr Millar	Tellers:
Dr Edwards	Mr Hyde	Mr Nixon	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Ellicott	Mr Jarman	Mr O'Keefe	Mr England

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Noes, 59

Ayes, 64

5 PAPERs: The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Administrator:

Australian health manpower—Report to the Hospitals and Health Services Commission by the Committee on Health Careers (Personnel and Training), dated 31 January 1975.

Papua New Guinea—Transfer of power over—

- Defence—Statement by Mr Barnard (Minister for Defence), dated 4 March 1975, together with an exchange of letters dated 28 February 1975 between the Australian and Papua New Guinea Governments.
- Foreign Affairs—Statement by Mr Morrison (Minister assisting the Minister for Foreign Affairs in matters relating to Papua New Guinea), together with an exchange of letters dated 28 February 1975 between the Australian and Papua New Guinea Governments.

United Nations—General Assembly—Twenty-eighth Session, New York, 18 September to 18 December 1973—Report of Australian Delegation.

The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute:

Remuneration Tribunals Act-Remuneration Tribunal-

Northern Territory Legislative Assembly Review—Determination, dated 17 December 1974.

1975 Review—Reports and determinations, dated 3 March 1975.

- Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Statement of receipts and expenditure for the Australian Capital Territory for year 1973–74.
- Wine Overseas Marketing Act—Australian Wine Board—Forty-sixth Annual Report, for year 1973-74.
- Mr Peacock asked leave to make a statement relating to the transfer of power over foreign affairs to Papua New Guinea.
- Objection being raised, leave not granted.
- Mr Peacock also asked leave to make a statement relating to the report of the Australian Delegation to the United Nations.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

6 PAPUA New GUINEA—TRANSFER OF POWER OVER FOREIGN AFFAIRS—PAPERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) moved, by leave—That the House take note of the following papers presented this day: Papua New Guinea— Transfer of power over foreign affairs—Statement by Mr Morrison (Minister assisting the Minister for Foreign Affairs in matters relating to Papua New Guinea), together with an exchange of letters dated 28 February 1975 between the Australian and Papua New Guinea Governments.

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

- 7 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REPORTS: Mr L. K. Johnson (Chairman) brought up the following reports from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:
 - Report relating to proposed construction of an orchestral studio and music centre, Brisbane (Second report of 1975).

Report relating to proposed construction of Malak primary and pre-school, Darwin (Third report of 1975).

Severally ordered to be printed.

8 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—SANDERSON HIGH SCHOOL, DARWIN— RESCISSION OF RESOLUTION: Mr L. R. Johnson (Minister for Housing and Construction) moved, by leave—That the resolution of the House of Representatives of 21 November 1974 referring the construction of Sanderson high school, Darwin, to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be rescinded. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 9 CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS NOS. 9 AND 10 (1975): Mr Enderby (Minister for Customs and Excise) moved Customs Tariff Proposals Nos. 9 and 10 (1975).
 - Debate adjourned (Mr McLeay), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

10 AUSTRALIAN HOUSING CORPORATION BILL 1975: 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.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Scholes, in the Chair)-

Ayes, 63				
Mr Armitage	Mr Crean	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mulder	
Mr Barnard	Mr Cross	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow	
Mr Beazley	Mr Daly	Mr L. K. Johnson	Dr Patterson	
Mr Bennett	Mr Davies	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds	
Mr Berinson	Mr Dawkins	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan	
Mr Bowen	Mr Duthie	Mr Keating	Mr Sherry	
Mr Bryant	Mr Enderby	Mr Keogh	Mr Stewart	
Mr C. R. Cameron	Dr Everingham	Mr Kerin	Mr Thorburn	
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Mr Bourchier	Mr Fraser	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Cadman	Mr Garland	Mr Lucock	Mr Sinclair	
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Mr Calder	Mr Gorton	Mr Lynch	Mr Street	
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Mr Connolly	Mr Hewson	Mr McLeay	Mr Viner	
Mr Corbett	Mr Hodges	Mr McMahon	Mr Wentworth	
Mr Drummond	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wilson	
Mr Drury	Mr Howard	Mr Macphee		
Dr Edwards	Mr Hunt	Mr Millar	Tellers:	
Mr Ellicott	Mr Hyde	Mr Nixon	Mr D. M. Cameron	
Mr Erwin	Mr Jarman	Mr O'Keefe	Mr England	

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

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Clauses 1 and 2, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 3—

On the motion of Mr L. R. Johnson (Minister for Housing and Construction), the following amendment was made, after debate: Page 2, after sub-clause (2) insert the following sub-clauses:

"(2A) A reference in this Act to the lending or granting of money for the building or purchase of a dwelling or for the purchase of land to be used for a dwelling includes a reference to the lending or granting of money for the repayment of a loan to which this sub-section applies.

"(2B) For the purposes of sub-section (2A)—

(a) a loan to repay moneys lent and applied for the building or purchase of a dwelling or for the purchase of land to be used for a dwelling; or

(b) a loan to repay a loan to which that sub-section applies,

are each a loan to which that sub-section applies.".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 4 and 5, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 6---

Mr K. M. Cairns moved the following amendment: Page 3, line 12, after "dwellings" insert "in accordance with the requirements of the *Defence Service Homes Act* 1918–1975,".

Debate continued.

Amendment negatived.

Mr Johnson moved the following amendment: Page 3, after paragraph (c) of sub-section (2) insert the following paragraph:

"(ca) to lend and grant money for the payment of rent in respect of dwellings;". Debate continued.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr Berinson reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said committee.

11 DECLARATION OF AUSTRALIAN HOUSING CORPORATION BILL 1975 AS URGENT BILL— LIMITATION OF DEBATE: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) declared that the Australian Housing Corporation Bill 1975 was an urgent Bill.

Question-That the Bill be considered an urgent Bill-put and passed.

Allotment of time: Mr Daly then moved—That the time allotted in connection with the Bill be as follows:

(a) For the remainder of the committee stage, until 9 p.m. this day.

(b) For the remaining stages, until 9.10 p.m. this day.

Debate ensued.

The time allowed by standing order 92 for the discussion of the motion having expired— Question—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Scholes, in the Chair)-

AYES, 63 Mr Cope Mr Armitage Mr Innes Mr Barnard Mr Crean Mr Jacobi Mr Beazley Mr Cross Dr Jenkins Mr Daly Mr Bennett Mr L. R. Johnson Mr Jones Mr Berinson Mr Davies Mr Keating Mr Bowen Mr Dawkins Mr Bryant Mr Duthie Mr Keogh Dr J. F. Cairns Mr Enderby Mr Kerin Mr C. R. Cameron Dr Klugman Dr Everingham Dr Cass Mr FitzPatrick Mr Lamb Mrs Child Mr Fry Mr Luchetti Mr Clayton Mr Fulton Mr McKenzie Mr Coates Mr Garrick Mr Martin Mr Cohen Dr Gun Mr Mathews Mr Collard Mr Hayden Mr Morris Mr Connor Mr Hurford Mr Morrison NOES, 58 Mr Adermann Mr Fairbairn Mr Kelly Mr Anthony Mr Fisher Mr Killen Mr Bonnett Dr Forbes Mr King Mr Bourchier Mr Fraser Mr Lloyd Mr Cadman Mr Lucock Mr Garland Mr K. M. Cairns Mr Giles Mr Lusher Mr Calder Mr Graham Mr Lynch Mr Chipp Mr Hewson Mr MacKellar Mr Connolly Mr Hodges Mr McLeay Mr Corbett Mr Holten Mr McMahon Mr Drummond Mr Howard Mr McVeigh Mr Drury Mr Hunt Mr Macphee Dr Edwards Mr Hyde Mr Millar

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Mr Peacock Mr E. L. Robinson Mr I. L. Robinson Mr Ruddock Mr Sinclair Mr Staley Mr Street Mr Sullivan Mr Viner Mr Wentworth Mr Wilson

Tellers: Mr D. M. Cameron Mr England

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Jarman

Mr Katter

Mr Nixon

Mr O'Keefe

Mr Ellicott

Mr Erwin

12 AUSTRALIAN HOUSING CORPORATION BILL 1975: The House, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

In the committee

Limitation of debate: The time allotted for the remainder of the committee stage having expired—

Question—That the amendment moved by Mr L. R. Johnson (Minister for Housing and Construction) to clause 6, viz.: Page 3, after paragraph (c) of sub-section (2) insert the following paragraph:

"(ca) to lend and grant money for the payment of rent in respect of dwellings;" be agreed to—put and passed.

Further question—That clause 6, as amended, the remainder of the Bill and the amendments circulated by the Government be agreed to, and that the Bill be reported with amendments—put and passed.

The amendments circulated by the Government were accordingly made in the Bill, and are as follows:

Clause 6---

Page 3, after paragraph (c) of sub-clause (3) insert the following paragraph:

"(ca) by way of the provision of benefits to students;".

Page 3, after sub-clause (3) insert the following sub-clause:

"(3A) Without limiting the application of sub-section (3), the Corporation may also perform its functions by way of assisting, by the making of grants or loans, Australian companies, being trading or financial corporations formed within the limits of Australia, to build dwellings, to purchase dwellings and to purchase land to be used for dwellings.".

Clause 12-

Page 5, line 9, omit "6", substitute "8".

Page 5, line 12, omit "4", substitute "6".

Clause 29-

Page 10, line 10, after "dwelling" insert ", for the payment of rent in respect of a dwelling".

Page 10, line 15, after "dwellings" insert "or for the payment of rent in respect of dwellings".

Clause 30-

Page 10, line 35, omit "Subject to sub-section (4), the", substitute "The".

Page 10, line 37, after "dwelling" insert ", for the payment of rent in respect of a dwelling".

Page 11, omit sub-clause (4).

Clause 49, page 16, lines 14 and 15, omit ", other than section 66A,".

The House resumed; Mr Berinson reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Johnson, the House adopted the report.

Mr Johnson moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

- *Limitation of debate:* At ten minutes past nine o'clock p.m., Mr Speaker having called the attention of the House to the fact that the time allotted for the remaining stages of the Bill had expired—
- Question—That the Bill be now read a third time—put and passed—Bill read a third time.
- 13 PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE SYSTEM—JOINT COMMITTEE: Mr Speaker informed the House that the Prime Minister had nominated Dr Klugman to be a member of the Joint Committee on the Parliamentary Committee System to fill the vacancy caused by his resignation from the committee, following his election as Speaker.

- 14 APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 3) 1974-75: 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 Killen addressing the House—
- 15 ADJOURNMENT: It being half-past ten o'clock p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.
- The House continuing to sit until eleven o'clock p.m.—Mr Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at ten o'clock a.m.
- PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 4 March 1975, pursuant to statute:

Census and Statistics Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1975, No. 28.

Customs Act-Regulation-Statutory Rules 1975, No. 19.

Defence Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1975, No. 21.

Health Insurance Commission Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1975, No. 27.

Homeless Persons Assistance Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1975, No. 23. Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for—

Development of Canberra and its environs-Australian Capital Territory.

Post office purposes-Chermside, Queensland.

Naval Defence Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1975, No. 20.

Northern Territory (Administration) Act-

Crown Lands Ordinance—Statement of reasons by Minister for revocation of land reserved for water reserve purposes at Alice Springs.

Public Service Ordinance 1974, Public Service Ordinance (No. 2) 1974, Public Service Ordinance (No. 3) 1974 and Prisons Ordinance 1974, together with statement of reasons for withholding assent to the Ordinances.

Papua New Guinea Act-Acts-1975-

No. 1-District Courts (Legal Representation) 1974.

No. 2-Local Courts (Legal Representation) 1974.

Post and Telegraph Act-Regulations-Statutory Rules 1975, No. 24.

Public Service Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1975, Nos. 22, 26. Trade Commissioners Act-–Regulation—Statutory Rules 1975, No. 25.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting).

N. J. PARKES, Clerk of the House of Representatives

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