

AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 62

THURSDAY, 10 APRIL 1975

- 1 The House met, at ten o'clock a.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 Lynch (Deputy Leader of the Opposition), Mr Bonnett, Mr Cadman, Mr Duthie, Mr Hunt, Mr Hurford, Mr Kerin, Mr Macphee and Mr Reynolds—from certain citizens of Australia praying that (1) the Metric Conversion Act be repealed and (2) the Government take urgent steps to cause the traditional and familiar units to be restored in those areas where the greatest inconveniences and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 Sinclair (Deputy Leader of the Australian Country Party), Mr Cadman, Mr Lucock and Mr Reynolds—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House amend the Family Law Bill.
 - Mr Bonnett and Mr Viner—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House oppose the Family Law Bill.
 - Mr Coates and Mr Duthie—from certain residents and landowners of Ridgeway, Tasmania, praying that the House make available to the Hobart City Council a special grant under the Regional Employment Development Scheme for urgent labour intensive works.
 - Mr Drury—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government reduce the cost of the subscription to *Hansard*.
 - Mr Duthie—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 Lamb—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government increase child endowment.
- Petitions received.
- 3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 4 PAPERS: The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:
- Cyclone Tracy—Effect on buildings—Report to the Department of Housing and Construction by Dr G. R. Walker, dated March 1975—
 - Statement by Mr L. R. Johnson (Minister for Housing and Construction), dated 10 April 1975.
 - Volume 1—Report.
 - Volumes 2 and 3—Appendixes.
 - Industries Assistance Commission—Temporary Assistance Authority—Report—Paper, dated 11 March 1975.
- 5 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES: Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr Fraser (Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The need for this House to look to its practices and procedures to become more effective for the good government of Australia".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—
Mr Fraser addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Mr Daly (Leader of the House) moved—That the business of the day be called on.

Question—put and passed.

6 NEW AND PERMANENT PARLIAMENT HOUSE—REQUIREMENTS OF PARLIAMENT ACT—STATEMENT BY MR SPEAKER: Mr Speaker made a statement drawing the attention of the House to the need for the House to establish machinery to deal with its responsibilities under sections 4 and 5 of the *Parliament Act* 1974 which designate the site for the construction of the proposed new and permanent Parliament House and provide for Parliamentary control of other works in the Parliamentary zone.

7 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.

Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for Grievance debate: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) moved, by leave—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the consideration of order of the day No. 1, government business (Grievance debate), being continued until one o'clock p.m.

Question—put and passed.

Mr Sinclair (Deputy Leader of the Australian Country Party) moved—That Mr Sullivan be granted an extension of time.

Question—put and negatived.

Debate continued.

It being one o'clock p.m., the debate was interrupted.

Question—That grievances be noted—put and passed.

8 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY: Ordered—That order of the day No. 2, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

9 MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILL: A message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bill:

9 April 1975—Message No. 138—National Health (No. 2) 1975.

10 AUSTRALIAN HOUSING CORPORATION BILL 1975—SENATE'S AMENDMENTS: The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole to consider the amendments made by the Senate.

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In the committee

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE

No. 1—Page 5, clause 10, lines 12 to 15, leave out all words after “shall”, insert “, except as otherwise provided by this Act or the *Defence Service Homes Act* 1918–1975, comply with all laws of the States and Territories in which it operates”.

No. 2—Page 16, clause 49, sub-clause (1), lines 26 to 29, leave out the sub-clause, insert the following sub-clause:

“(1) Subject to this Act, the Corporation may acquire by agreement or by compulsory process any land for the purposes of the Corporation but may not acquire by compulsory process any land that is Crown land of a State. This section shall not affect the power of the Corporation to acquire land for the purposes of the *Defence Service Homes Act* 1918–1975.”.

On the motion of Mr L. R. Johnson (Minister for Housing and Construction), the amendments were agreed to, after debate.

Resolution to be reported.

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The House resumed; Mr Luchetti reported accordingly.

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

- 11 REFRIGERATION COMPRESSORS BOUNTY BILL 1974—SENATE'S AMENDMENTS: The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole to consider the amendments made by the Senate.

In the committee

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE

No. 1—Page 2, clauses 5 and 6, lines 13 to 22, leave out the clauses, insert the following clauses:

“5. (1) Bounty is payable in accordance with this Act on the pro-
duction of compressors. Specification
of bounty.

(2) Bounty in respect of a compressor is payable to the manufacturer of the compressor.

(3) A manufacturer is not entitled to receive a payment of bounty in respect of a compressor unless, during a period to which this Act applies—

(a) the manufacture of the compressor has been completed at registered premises; and

(b) the compressor has been used, either by the manufacturer or another person, as a refrigeration component in the manufacture of other goods that have been used, or are intended to be used, in Australia.

“6. A power conferred on the Governor-General or the Minister Uniformity.
by this Act shall not be exercised in such a manner that bounty under this Act would not be uniform throughout the Commonwealth, within the meaning of paragraph (iii.) of section 51 of the Constitution.”

No. 2—Page 4, clause 16, sub-clause (1), paragraph (e), line 41, leave out “and sale”, insert “, storage, sale or use”.

On the motion of Mr Enderby (Minister for Police and Customs), the amendments were agreed to, after debate.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Luchetti reported accordingly.

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

- 12 ELECTORAL LAWS AMENDMENT BILL 1974 [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 Lusher rising to address the House—

Closure: Mr Nicholls 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, 60

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| Mr Armitage | Mr Daly | Mr L. R. Johnson | Mr Reynolds |
| Mr Barnard | Mr Dawkins | Mr Jones | Mr Riordan |
| Mr Beazley | Mr Duthie | Mr Keating | Mr Sherry |
| Mr Bennett | Mr Enderby | Mr Keogh | Mr Stewart |
| Mr Bowen | Dr Everingham | Mr Kerin | Mr Thorburn |
| Mr Bryant | Mr FitzPatrick | Dr Klugman | Mr Uren |
| Dr J. F. Cairns | Mr Fry | Mr Lamb | Mr Wallis |
| Dr Cass | Mr Fulton | Mr Luchetti | Mr Whan |
| Mrs Child | Mr Garrick | Mr McKenzie | Mr Willis |
| Mr Clayton | Dr Gun | Mr Maitin | Mr Young |
| Mr Coates | Mr Hayden | Mr Mathews | |
| Mr Cohen | Mr Hurford | Mr Morris | |
| Mr Connor | Mr Innes | Mr Morrison | |
| Mr Cope | Mr Jacobi | Mr Mulder | <i>Tellers:</i> |
| Mr Crean | Dr Jenkins | Mr Oldmeadow | Mr James |
| Mr Cross | Mr L. K. Johnson | Dr Patterson | Mr Nicholls |

NOES, 56

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| Mr Adermann | Mr Fairbairn | Mr Killen | Mr I. L. Robinson |
| Mr Bonnett | Mr Fisher | Mr King | Mr Ruddock |
| Mr Bouchier | Dr Forbes | Mr Lloyd | Mr Sinclair |
| Mr Bungey | Mr Garland | Mr Lucock | Mr Snedden |
| Mr Cadman | Mr Giles | Mr Lusher | Mr Street |
| Mr K. M. Cairns | Mr Gorton | Mr Lynch | Mr Sullivan |
| Mr Calder | Mr Hewson | Mr MacKellar | Mr Viner |
| Mr Chipp | Mr Hodges | Mr McLeay | Mr Wentworth |
| Mr Connolly | Mr Holten | Mr McVeigh | Mr Wilson |
| Mr Corbett | Mr Howard | Mr Macphee | |
| Mr Drummond | Mr Hunt | Mr Millar | |
| Mr Drury | Mr Hyde | Mr Nixon | |
| Dr Edwards | Mr Jarman | Mr O'Keefe | <i>Tellers:</i> |
| Mr Ellicott | Mr Katter | Mr Peacock | Mr D. M. Cameron |
| Mr Erwin | Mr Kelly | Mr E. L. Robinson | Mr England |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—was put accordingly, and passed—Bill read a second time.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Clauses 1 to 3, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 4—

Mr Garland moved the following amendment: Page 2, omit paragraph (b).

Debate continued.

Question—That the paragraph proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

The committee divided (the Deputy Chairman, Mr Lucock, in the Chair)—

AYES, 61

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| Mr Armitage | Mr Daly | Mr L. R. Johnson | Mr Reynolds |
| Mr Barnard | Mr Dawkins | Mr Jones | Mr Riordan |
| Mr Beazley | Mr Duthie | Mr Keating | Mr Scholes |
| Mr Bennett | Mr Enderby | Mr Keogh | Mr Sherry |
| Mr Bowen | Dr Everingham | Mr Kerin | Mr Stewart |
| Mr Bryant | Mr FitzPatrick | Dr Klugman | Mr Thorburn |
| Dr J. F. Cairns | Mr Fry | Mr Lamb | Mr Uren |
| Dr Cass | Mr Fulton | Mr Luchetti | Mr Wallis |
| Mrs Child | Mr Garrick | Mr McKenzie | Mr Whan |
| Mr Clayton | Dr Gun | Mr Martin | Mr Willis |
| Mr Coates | Mr Hayden | Mr Mathews | Mr Young |
| Mr Cohen | Mr Hurford | Mr Morris | |
| Mr Connor | Mr Innes | Mr Morrison | |
| Mr Cope | Mr Jacobi | Mr Mulder | <i>Tellers:</i> |
| Mr Crean | Dr Jenkins | Mr Oldmeadow | Mr James |
| Mr Cross | Mr L. K. Johnson | Dr Patterson | Mr Nicholls |

NOES, 54

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| Mr Adermann | Mr Fisher | Mr Kelly | Mr E. L. Robinson |
| Mr Bonnett | Dr Forbes | Mr Killen | Mr I. L. Robinson |
| Mr Bouchier | Mr Garland | Mr King | Mr Ruddock |
| Mr Bungey | Mr Giles | Mr Lloyd | Mr Sinclair |
| Mr Cadman | Mr Gorton | Mr Lusher | Mr Snedden |
| Mr K. M. Cairns | Mr Graham | Mr Lynch | Mr Staley |
| Mr Calder | Mr Hewson | Mr MacKellar | Mr Street |
| Mr Chipp | Mr Hodges | Mr McLeay | Mr Sullivan |
| Mr Connolly | Mr Holten | Mr McVeigh | Mr Viner |
| Mr Corbett | Mr Howard | Mr Macphee | Mr Wilson |
| Mr Drummond | Mr Hunt | Mr Millar | |
| Mr Drury | Mr Hyde | Mr Nixon | |
| Dr Edwards | Mr Jarman | Mr O'Keefe | <i>Tellers:</i> |
| Mr Ellicott | Mr Katter | Mr Peacock | Mr D. M. Cameron |
| | | | Mr England |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 5 agreed to.

Clause 6 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 7 to 12, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 13—

Mr Garland moved the following amendment: Page 4, omit paragraphs (b), (c) and (d), substitute the following word and paragraph:

“and (b) has left, and is living outside, Australia, but has a fixed intention of returning to Australia and of living within a Subdivision.”.

Amendment negated.

Mr Garland, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Page 4, line 34, omit “or the spouse of such a person who is living with that person.”.

Page 4, line 35, omit “or her”.

Page 4, line 37, omit “or she”.

Page 4, line 42, omit “or she”.

Page 5, line 3, omit “or her”.

Page 5, line 4, omit “or she”.

Page 5, line 6, omit “or she”.

Page 5, line 13, omit “or he”.

Page 5, line 14, omit “or she”.

Page 5, omit sub-section (6) of proposed section 41A.

Page 6, omit sub-section (11) of proposed section 41A.

Amendments negated.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 14 to 16, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 17 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 18 to 20, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 21 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 22 and 23, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 24—

Mr Garland moved the following amendment: Page 15, line 35, omit “\$1,000”, substitute “\$500”.

Debate continued.

Amendment negated.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 25 and 26, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 27—

Mr Garland, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Page 16, lines 34 and 35, omit “and specified by him, by notice in the *Gazette*, as being”, substitute “, being a form of a colour specified by him, by notice in the *Gazette*, as being the colour of”.

Pages 16 and 17, omit paragraph (d).

Debate continued.

Amendments negated.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 28—

Mr Garland moved—That the clause be omitted, and the following clause be substituted:

“28. Section 88 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting in sub-section (1), after the words ‘satisfied that it’, the words ‘is on the proper form.’”.

Issue of
certificate
and ballot-
papers.

Question—That the clause proposed to be omitted stand part of the Bill—put and passed.

Proposed new clause—

Mr Garland moved—That the following new clause be inserted in the Bill:

“28A. After section 88 of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:

‘88A. (1) The Divisional Returning Officer for each Division that exceeds 26,000 square kilometres in area shall keep a register, to be called the Register of General Postal Voters.

‘(2) Where a person is enrolled as an elector for a Division referred to in sub-section (1), otherwise than by virtue of section 39A or 41A, and it is normally difficult for him to vote at a polling booth open in the State for which he is enrolled by reason of—

(a) the distance between the address in respect of which he is enrolled and the nearest place in the Division that is normally appointed a polling place; or

(b) the lack of adequate means of transport from that address to that place, he may at any time make an application in writing to the Divisional Returning Officer to be registered on the Register for the Division.

‘(3) An application shall be signed by the applicant in his own handwriting and shall set out the name and address of the applicant and the grounds of the application.

‘(4) Upon receipt of the application, the Divisional Returning Officer shall—

(a) if he decides that the application is properly made and that there is sufficient reason for registering the applicant under this section—register the applicant; or

(b) if he decides otherwise—reject the application, and shall notify the applicant in writing accordingly.

‘(5) Subject to sub-section (6), the Divisional Returning Officer may at any time cancel the registration of an elector under this section, and in that event (except where the elector is deceased) he shall notify the elector in writing.

‘(6) The Divisional Returning Officer is not empowered to register an elector or (except where the elector is deceased) cancel the registration of an elector under this section after 6 o’clock in the afternoon of the day of the issue of the writ, and before the close of the poll, for an election.

‘(7) An elector who is registered under this section is, by force of this section, but subject to Part VI and to the regulations, entitled to vote at an election in accordance with this Part.

‘(8) As soon as practicable after the hour of nomination for an election the Divisional Returning Officer shall send a postal vote certificate and a postal ballot-paper or postal ballot-papers, as the case requires, to each elector who is registered on the register for the Division, other than an elector who has made an application under section 85.’”.

Debate ensued.

Proposed new clause negatived.

Clause 29 debated and agreed to.

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

The House resumed; Mr Armitage reported accordingly.

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

13 TASMAN BRIDGE RESTORATION BILL 1975: Mr Whitlam (Prime Minister), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act relating to an Agreement between Australia and Tasmania relating to the Restoration of the Tasman Bridge on the Derwent River at Hobart. Bill read a first time.

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

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

14 ELECTORAL LAWS AMENDMENT BILL 1974 [No. 2]: The House, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

*In the committee**Proposed new clause—*

—Mr Garland moved—That the following new clause be inserted in the Bill:

“29A. Section 90 of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by inserting in sub-section (1), after the words ‘each postal vote certificate’, the words ‘, other than a certificate referred to in sub-section (1A),’; and

Numbering
of applica-
tions and
certificates.

(b) by inserting after sub-section (1) the following sub-section:—

‘(1A) The Divisional Returning Officer shall mark each postal vote certificate issued under section 88A in the manner prescribed.’”.

Proposed new clause negatived.

Clauses 30 and 31, by leave, taken together, and agreed to, after debate.

Clause 32—

Mr Garland moved—That the clause be omitted, and the following clause be substituted:

“32. Section 96 of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by inserting after the word ‘ballot-papers’ (first occurring) the words ‘and all applications for registration under section 88A’; and

Preliminary
scrutiny of
postal
ballot-papers.

(b) by omitting from paragraphs (a) and (b) the words ‘application for the certificate’ and substituting the words ‘relevant applications’.”.

Debate continued.

Several Members rising to address the committee—

Closure: Mr Daly (Minister for Services and Property) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

And the question—That the clause proposed to be omitted stand part of the Bill—was put accordingly, and passed.

Clauses 33 to 37, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 38—

Mr Garland moved—That the clause be omitted and the following clause be substituted:

“38. Section 106 of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by inserting after paragraph (b) the following paragraph:—

‘(ba) where a candidate has specified a former name or former names in a declaration made in pursuance of sub-paragraph (iii) of paragraph (a) of sub-section (1) of section 73, the former name or former names shall be printed after the name of that candidate;’; and

Printing of
House of
Repre-
sentatives
ballot-papers.

(b) by omitting from paragraph (d) the words ‘except as otherwise provided by the regulations.’”.

Debate continued.

Question—That the clause proposed to be omitted stand part of the Bill—put and passed.

Clause 39 debated and agreed to.

Clause 40—

Mr Garland moved the following amendment: Page 20, line 35, omit “6”, substitute “8”.

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 41 agreed to.

Clause 42—

Mr Garland, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Page 21, at the end of paragraph (a) of proposed sub-section (1) add the following sub-paragraph:

“(iii) Have you already voted either here or elsewhere in this election (or in these elections, as the case requires)?”.

Page 21, omit sub-paragraph (iii) of paragraph (b) of proposed sub-section (1).

Amendments negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 43 and 44, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clauses 45 to 52, by leave, taken together, and debated.

Mr King addressing the committee—

It being half-past ten o'clock p.m.—Progress to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Armitage reported accordingly.

Adjournment negatived: The question was accordingly proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Mr Daly requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—

Question—put and negatived.

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Debate continued.

Mr Corbett rising to address the committee—

Closure: Mr Daly moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

And the question—That clauses 45 to 52 be agreed to—being accordingly put—

The committee divided (the Deputy Chairman, Mr Armitage, in the Chair)—

AYES, 57

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| Mr Barnard | Mr Duthie | Mr Jones | Mr Riordan |
| Mr Beazley | Mr Enderby | Mr Keating | Mr Scholes |
| Mr Bennett | Dr Everingham | Mr Keogh | Mr Sherry |
| Mr Bowen | Mr FitzPatrick | Mr Kerin | Mr Stewart |
| Mr Bryant | Mr Fry | Dr Klugman | Mr Thorburn |
| Dr Cass | Mr Fulton | Mr Lamb | Mr Uren |
| Mrs Child | Mr Garrick | Mr Luchetti | Mr Wallis |
| Mr Clayton | Dr Gun | Mr McKenzie | Mr Whan |
| Mr Coates | Mr Hayden | Mr Martin | Mr Willis |
| Mr Cohen | Mr Hurford | Mr Mathews | Mr Young |
| Mr Cope | Mr Innes | Mr Morris | |
| Mr Crean | Mr Jacobi | Mr Morrison | |
| Mr Cross | Dr Jenkins | Mr Mulder | <i>Tellers:</i> |
| Mr Daly | Mr L. K. Johnson | Mr Oldmeadow | Mr James |
| Mr Dawkins | Mr L. R. Johnson | Mr Reynolds | Mr Nicholls |

NOES, 53

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| Mr Adermann | Mr Ellicott | Mr Kelly | Mr E. L. Robinson |
| Mr Anthony | Mr Fisher | Mr King | Mr I. L. Robinson |
| Mr Bonnett | Dr Forbes | Mr Lloyd | Mr Ruddock |
| Mr Bouchier | Mr Garland | Mr Lucock | Mr Sinclair |
| Mr Bungey | Mr Giles | Mr Lusher | Mr Snedden |
| Mr Cadman | Mr Graham | Mr Lynch | Mr Staley |
| Mr K. M. Cairns | Mr Hewson | Mr MacKellar | Mr Viner |
| Mr Calder | Mr Hodges | Mr McLeay | Mr Wentworth |
| Mr Chipp | Mr Holten | Mr McVeigh | Mr Wilson |
| Mr Connolly | Mr Howard | Mr Macphee | |
| Mr Corbett | Mr Hunt | Mr Millar | |
| Mr Drummond | Mr Hyde | Mr Nixon | <i>Tellers:</i> |
| Mr Drury | Mr Jarman | Mr O'Keefe | Mr D. M. Cameron |
| Dr Edwards | Mr Katter | Mr Peacock | Mr England |

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clauses 53 to 56, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 57—

Mr Garland moved the following amendment: Page 26, omit paragraphs (c) and (d).

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 58 to 60, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 61—

Mr Garland, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Page 28, second column of proposed table, omit “Fine not exceeding \$100 or imprisonment for a period not exceeding 1 month”, substitute “Fine not exceeding \$100”.

Page 29, second column of proposed table, omit “Fine not exceeding \$100 or imprisonment for a period not exceeding 1 month”, substitute “Fine not exceeding \$100”.

Amendments negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 62 to 64, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 65—

Mr Garland, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Page 33, proposed Form E—
omit—

“Your vote must be made by placing consecutive numbers, beginning with the number 1, in the squares opposite the names of candidates so as to indicate the candidates for whom you vote and the order of your preferences for them. You *must* indicate the order of your preference for at least [*here to be printed number of candidates to be elected*] candidates. You *may*, if you wish, indicate the order of your preference for an additional candidate or candidates.

This means that you *must* use all the numbers [*here to be printed 1, 2, and so on up to the number of candidates to be elected*] but may use additional consecutive numbers.”.

substitute—

“Mark your vote on this ballot-paper by placing the numbers [*here insert 1, 2, and so on, as the case requires*] in the squares immediately to the left of the names of the respective candidates so as to indicate the order of your preference for them.”.

Page 34, proposed Form F—

omit—

“Your vote must be made by placing the number 1 in the square opposite the name of the candidate for whom you vote as your first preference.

* If you so desire, you may, in addition, indicate the order of your preference for an additional candidate or candidates by using other numbers in numerical order beginning with the number 2.

[* *To be included only where there are more than two candidates*].”.

substitute—

“Mark your vote on this ballot-paper by placing the numbers [*here insert “1 and 2” where there are two candidates, “1, 2 and 3” where there are three candidates, “1, 2, 3 and 4” where there are four candidates, and so on as the case requires*] in the squares respectively opposite the names of the candidates so as to indicate the order of your preference for them.”.

Amendments negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 66 to 76, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Schedule 1—

Mr Garland, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Page 41—

omit—

“Section 109 (1) .. | Omit ‘Ten dollars’, substitute ‘\$100 or imprisonment for 1 month’.”.

substitute—

“Section 109 (1) .. | Omit ‘Ten dollars’, substitute ‘\$100’.”.

Page 42—

omit—

“Section 134 | Omit ‘Twenty dollars’, substitute ‘\$250 or imprisonment for 3 months’.”.

substitute—

“Section 134 | Omit ‘Twenty dollars’, substitute ‘\$250’.”.

Page 42—

omit—

“Section 176 (1) .. | Omit ‘Two hundred dollars’, substitute ‘\$250 or imprisonment for 3 months’.”.

substitute—

“Section 176 (1) .. | Omit ‘Two hundred dollars’, substitute ‘\$250’.”.

Amendments negatived.

Schedule agreed to.

Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Armitage reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Daly, the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

15 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at one minute to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at fifteen minutes past two o'clock p.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 10 April 1975, pursuant to statute:

Bankruptcy Act—Rule—Statutory Rules 1975, No. 52.

Dried Vine Fruits Stabilization Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1975, No. 51.

Public Service Act—

Appointments—Department—

Attorney-General—E. H. Braybrooks.

Urban and Regional Development—J. Hilson.

Regulation—Statutory Rules 1975, No. 54.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Berinson, Mr C. R. Cameron, Mr Collard and Mr Davies.

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