

AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 81

TUESDAY, 3 JUNE 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 BASS ELECTORAL DIVISION—ISSUE OF WRIT: Mr Speaker informed the House that it was his intention to issue a writ, on Wednesday, 4 June 1975, for the election of a Member to serve for the Electoral Division of Bass, in the State of Tasmania, in the place of the Honourable Lance Herbert Barnard, resigned. The dates in connection with the election would be fixed as follows:

Date of nomination	..	..	..	Thursday, 12 June 1975.
Date of polling	..	..	..	Saturday, 28 June 1975.
Date of return of writ	..	..	..	On or before Friday, 25 July 1975.

3 PETITIONS: The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:

Mr Beazley (Minister for Education), Mr Bonnett, Mr Bouchier, Mr Cadman, Mrs Child, Mr Coates, Mr Corbett, Mr Erwin, Mr Garrick, Mr Hewson, Mr Hodges, Mr Jacobi, Mr James, Mr Jarman, Mr Keogh, Mr Lamb, Mr Lusher, Mr E. L. Robinson, Mr Staley, Mr Viner and Mr Young—from certain citizens of Australia praying that (1) the Metric Conversion Act be repealed and (2) the Government take urgent steps to cause the traditional and familiar units to be restored in those areas where the greatest inconveniences and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 Bennett, Mr Connolly, Mr Graham, Mr Hurford, Mr Macphee, Mr Ruddock, Mr Wentworth and Mr Young—from certain employees and agents of the Australian insurance industry praying that the House reject the Australian Government Insurance Office Bill.

Mr Connolly, Mr Drury, Mr Ellicott, Mr Erwin and Mr Ruddock—from certain citizens of Australia in terms similar to the last preceding petition.

Mr Corbett, Mr Hewson, Mr Hunt, Mr King, Mr Lusher and Mr McVeigh—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the reserve price of wool be maintained at 250 cents a kilo.

Mr Beazley, Mr Cope, Mr Graham, Mr Macphee and Mr Ruddock—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government (1) cease the mining and export of uranium until safe disposal methods have been guaranteed, (2) increase expenditure on research into clean and inexhaustible sources of energy and (3) aid underdeveloped countries in their plea for a share of world energy resources.

Mr Sinclair (Deputy Leader of the National Country Party of Australia) and Mr Coates—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government (1) immediately increase expenditure on solar energy research to an amount comparable with current expenditure on atomic energy research, (2) maintain expenditure at this level and (3) maintain CSIRO control of, and responsibility for, solar energy research until an appropriate commission has been established.

Mr Bennett—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House support the Australian Government Insurance Corporation Bill.

Mr Cadman—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House withdraw all subsidies from child care centres and kindergartens and arrange for individual payments to be made to the parents of children attending such centres or kindergartens.

Mr Coates—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 Giles—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government (1) provide more financial assistance to students who are forced to live away from home, (2) provide cottage type homes and (3) set up centres providing information to country parents on courses, etc.

Mr Lloyd—from certain citizens of Australia praying that on the establishment of the Telecommunications Commission (1) there be no less members and no reduction in classification of existing positions in country locations and (2) the ratio of country to metropolitan staff be maintained.

Mr Viner—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Medibank scheme be not proceeded with.

Petitions received.

4 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.

5 PAPERS: The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Educational turbulence among Australian servicemen's children—Report by Dr L. D. Mackay and Mr B. J. Spicer, dated April 1975—Volume I.

Housing interest rates in Western Australia—Report of Committee of Inquiry, dated May 1975.

Schools Commission—Report for triennium 1976–1978—Statement by Mr Beazley (Minister for Education).

The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:

Schools Commission Act—Schools Commission—Report for triennium 1976–1978.

6 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—PRIVATE HEALTH FUNDS: Mr Speaker informed the House that both Mr Fraser (Leader of the Opposition) and Dr Gun had proposed that definite matters of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion today. In accordance with the provisions of standing order 107, he had given priority to the matter proposed by Dr Gun, namely, "The attempts of private health funds to mislead contributors".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Dr Gun addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

7 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY: Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 1 to 6, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

8 TASMANIA GRANT (ASSOCIATED PULP AND PAPER MILLS LIMITED) 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.

Mr Anthony (Leader of the National Country Party of Australia) 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

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

NOES, 55

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

Message from the Administrator: Message No. 171, dated 13 May 1975, from His Excellency the Administrator was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

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In the committee

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Mr Anthony rising to address the committee—

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 60

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

NOES, 55

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

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed.
Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Berinson reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Enderby (Minister representing the Minister for Manufacturing Industry), the House adopted the report.

Mr Enderby moved, by leave—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Mr Anthony 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

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

NOES, 56

Mr Adermann	Mr Erwin	Mr Killen	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr King	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bouchier	Dr Forbes	Mr Lucock	Mr Staley
Mr Bungey	Mr Garland	Mr Lusher	Mr Street
Mr Cadman	Mr Giles	Mr Lynch	Mr Sullivan
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Graham	Mr MacKellar	Mr Viner
Mr Calder	Mr Hewson	Mr McLeay	Mr Wentworth
Mr Chipp	Mr Hodges	Mr McMahon	Mr Wilson
Mr Connolly	Mr Howard	Mr McVeigh	
Mr Corbett	Mr Hunt	Mr Macphee	
Mr Drummond	Mr Hyde	Mr Nixon	
Mr Drury	Mr Jarman	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Dr Edwards	Mr Katter	Mr Peacock	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Ellicott	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 third time—was put accordingly, and passed—Bill read a third time.

9 ELECTORAL LAWS AMENDMENT BILL 1974 [No. 2]—SENATE'S AMENDMENTS: The order of the day having been read for the consideration of Message No. 215 from the Senate returning the Electoral Laws Amendment Bill 1974 [No. 2] and insisting on its amendments disagreed to by the House—

Mr Daly (Minister for Services and Property) moved—That the House insists on disagreeing to the amendments insisted on by the Senate.

Question—put and passed.

Mr Daly moved—That the Bill be laid aside.

Debate ensued.

Mr McVeigh rising to address the House—

Closure: Mr Daly 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

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

NOES, 55

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

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be laid aside—was put accordingly, and passed.

10 GRANTS COMMISSION BILL 1975—SENATE'S AMENDMENT: The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole to consider the amendment made by the Senate.

In the committee

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT MADE BY THE SENATE

Page 2, clause 3, paragraph (b), line 4, leave out "designation,".

On the motion of Mr Bowen (Special Minister of State), the amendment was disagreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Berinson reported accordingly.

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

Mr Bowen moved—That Mr Keogh, Mr Keating, and the mover be appointed a committee to draw up reasons for the House of Representatives disagreeing to the amendment of the Senate.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

Mr Bowen, on behalf of the committee, brought up such reasons, which were read, and are as follows:

Reasons of the House of Representatives for disagreeing to the amendment of the Senate

Because:

By Royal Warrant, there is entitlement by former Judges of a Supreme Court to the designation “The Honourable”, and by custom, to “Justice” or “Judge”. The title will, of course, follow from the rank and status as a Judge, which is provided for in the Bill and which was not challenged in the debate in either House.

In the exercise of the wider functions the Commission now performs of inquiring into applications by local governing bodies for financial assistance there is probably a greater need for the impartiality and objectivity which accompanied the investigation into applications by claimant States.

Mr Bowen moved—That the committee’s reasons be adopted.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 11 AUSTRALIAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS BILL 1975—SENATE’S AMENDMENT: The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole to consider the amendment made by the Senate.

In the committee

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT MADE BY THE SENATE

Page 3, after clause 6, insert the following new clause:

“6A. Each new proposal for the collection and compilation by the Bureau of Statistics and related information shall be laid before each House of the Parliament before its implementation.”

New proposals to be laid before Parliament.

Mr Bowen (Special Minister of State) moved—That the Senate’s amendment be disagreed to, but that, in place thereof, the following amendment be made:

Clause 6, page 3, after sub-clause (2) insert the following sub-clauses:

“(2A) Subject to sub-section (2B), each new proposal for the collection of information for statistical purposes by the Bureau shall be laid before both Houses of the Parliament before its implementation, unless the proposal is for the collection of information on a voluntary basis.

“(2B) Where, in relation to a proposal to which sub-section (2A) is applicable, being a proposal for the collection of information relating to businesses, the Minister considers it necessary to commence implementation of the proposal at a time when it is not practicable to comply with sub-section (2A) he may authorize the implementation of the proposal without compliance with that sub-section but in such a case particulars of the nature of the information to which the authorization relates shall be laid before each House of the Parliament within 5 sitting days of that House after the giving of the authorization.”

Debate ensued.

Mr D. M. Cameron rising to address the committee—

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

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

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Berinson reported accordingly.

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

12 RACIAL DISCRIMINATION 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 2, clause 2, sub-clause (3), line 2, leave out “or members of the Council or to make regulations under this Act”, insert “or to make regulations under this Act and the power of the Attorney-General to appoint members of the Council”.
- No. 2—Page 7, after clause 16, insert the following new clause:
“16A. It is unlawful for a person—
(a) to incite the doing of an act that is unlawful by reason of a provision of this Part; or
(b) to assist or promote whether by financial assistance or otherwise the doing of such an act.”.
- No. 3—Page 7, clause 17, lines 21 to 26, leave out the clause.
- No. 4—Page 7, clause 18, lines 30 and 31, leave out “whether or not that reason is the dominant reason for the doing of the act”, insert “provided that reason is the dominant reason for the doing of the act”.
- No. 5—Page 7, clause 20, paragraph (b), lines 39 to 41, leave out the paragraph.
- No. 6—Pages 9 and 10, clause 23, leave out the clause.
- No. 7—Pages 11 and 12, clause 25, leave out the clause, insert the following clause:
“25. (1) A person aggrieved by an act that he considers to have been unlawful by reason of a provision of Part II may subject to this section institute a proceeding in relation to the act by way of civil action in a court of competent jurisdiction for any one or more of the remedies specified in section 26.
(2) A proceeding may not be instituted under this section in respect of the doing of an act (other than an act that is unlawful by virtue of section 16) in relation to—
(a) accommodation in a dwelling-house or flat, being accommodation shared or to be shared, in whole or in part, with the person who did the act or a person on whose behalf the act was done or with a relative of either of those persons; or
(b) employment, or an application for employment, in a dwelling-house or flat occupied by the person who did the act or a person on whose behalf the act was done or by a relative of either of those persons.
(3) No proceeding shall be instituted unless the person aggrieved has received prior to the institution of such proceeding a certificate signed by the Commission stating that—
(a) the Commissioner, a conciliation committee or an officer or employee of the Commissioner has presided over a conference directed by the Commissioner under section 22 (1) and has endeavoured to settle the matter; or
(b) by reason of the non-attendance of a person who has been given a direction under section 22, such a conference has not been able to be held, and that at the date of the certificate the matter has not been settled.”.
- No. 8—Page 12, clause 26, sub-clause (2), lines 34 to 43, leave out the sub-clause.
- No. 9—Page 13, clause 27, line 2, after “act”, insert “or agree with another person to do an act”.
- No. 10—Page 13, clause 28, lines 5 to 21, leave out the clause.
- No. 11—Page 13, clause 29, lines 22 to 24, leave out the clause.
- No. 12—Page 13, clause 30, sub-clause (1), lines 27 and 28, leave out “, a prescribed authority referred to in section 23”.
- No. 13—Page 14, clause 30, sub-clause (2), paragraph (h), lines 5 and 6, leave out the paragraph.

No. 14—Page 18, clause 47, sub-clause (1), lines 25 to 27, leave out the sub-clause.
 No. 15—Page 19, clause 47, sub-clauses (4) to (8), lines 4 to 40, leave out the sub-clauses.

No. 16—Pages 19 and 20, clause 48, leave out the clause.

No. 17—Page 20, clause 49, sub-clause (1), lines 20 to 33, leave out the sub-clause, insert the following sub-clause:

“(1) A person who—

(a) has instituted or proposes to institute a proceeding in a court under section 25;

(b) has done or is alleged to have done an act in respect of which a proceeding has been instituted under section 25; or

(c) is prosecuted for an offence under section 30;

may apply to the Attorney-General for the provision of assistance under this section in respect of the proceeding.”

No. 18—Page 20, clause 49, sub-clause (2), lines 35 and 36, leave out “, or an officer of the Australian Public Service authorized in writing by the Attorney-General,”.

No. 19—Page 20, clause 49, sub-clause (2), line 41, leave out “or officer”.

No. 20—Page 20, clause 49, sub-clause (2), line 42, leave out “or officer”.

On the motion of Mr Enderby (Attorney-General), the amendments were agreed to, after debate.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Berinson reported accordingly.

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

- 13 PARLIAMENTARY COUNSEL BILL 1975—SENATE'S AMENDMENT: The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole to consider the amendment made by the Senate.

In the committee

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT MADE BY THE SENATE

Page 2, clause 3, at end of proposed section 3 add the following new sub-section:

“(2) In discharging the functions of the office a section of not less than two of the professional staff shall be seconded to draft proposed laws, amendments and instruments at the request of Members of the Parliament in priority to services for Ministers.”.

On the motion of Mr Enderby (Attorney-General), the amendment was disagreed to, after debate.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Berinson reported accordingly.

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

Mr Enderby moved—That Mrs Child, Mr Cope, and the mover be appointed a committee to draw up reasons for the House of Representatives disagreeing to the amendment of the Senate.

Question—put and passed.

Mr Enderby, on behalf of the committee, brought up such reasons, which were read, and are as follows:

Reasons of the House of Representatives for disagreeing to the amendment of the Senate

Because the present arrangements for assistance to private members by the Office of Parliamentary Counsel are more satisfactory both to private members and to the Government than the arrangements proposed by the amendment.

Mr Enderby moved—That the committee's reasons be adopted.

Question—put and passed.

14 CUSTOMS TARIFF VALIDATION BILL 1975: Mr Enderby (Minister for Police and Customs) presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the Validation of certain Collections of Duties of Customs in accordance with Customs Tariff Proposals and Gazette Notices. Bill read a first time.

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

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

15 SHIP CONSTRUCTION BOUNTY BILL 1975: The order of the day having been read for the further consideration of the Bill in committee, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Bill, as a whole, further debated, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Lucock reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Enderby (Minister representing the Minister for Manufacturing Industry), the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

16 TELECOMMUNICATIONS BILL (No. 2) 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 and passed—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

Mr Bowen (Minister representing the Postmaster-General) moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 59

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

NOES, 56

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

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

17 SUPERIOR COURT OF AUSTRALIA 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 by Mr Ellicott—

18 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 3 June 1975, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Treaties—Text of—

- (1) Trade Agreement between Australia and the Democratic Republic of Viet-Nam, signed at Canberra on 26 November 1974.
- (2) Trade Agreement between Australia and the People's Republic of Bulgaria, signed at Sofia on 5 December 1974.
- (3) Cultural Agreement between Australia and Thailand, signed at Bangkok on 16 December 1974.
- (4) Agreement concerning the Continuing Relationship between Australia and the European Organisation for the Development and Construction of Space Vehicle Launchers, signed at Paris on 30 December 1974.
- (5) Agreement between Australia and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on Cultural Co-operation, signed at Moscow on 15 January 1975.
- (6) Agreement between Australia and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on Scientific-Technical Co-operation, signed at Moscow on 15 January 1975.
- (7) Exchange of Notes between Australia and the Federal Republic of Germany constituting an Agreement concerning the Launching of a Skylark-Vehicle and Pay Load at Woomera for Scientific Purposes, signed at Canberra on 19 December 1974 and 11 February 1975.
- (8) Exchange of Notes between Australia and the United Kingdom amending the Agreement for Air Services between and beyond their respective Territories, of 7 February 1958, signed at London on 13 and 14 February 1975.
- (9) Exchange of Letters between Australia and Malaysia constituting an Agreement concerning the future operation of the Trade Agreement of 26 August 1958, signed at Canberra on 21 February 1975.
- (10) Exchange of Notes between Australia and the United States of America constituting an Agreement concerning the Discontinuation of Facilities Measuring the Physical Effects of Disturbances in the Atmosphere or in Space and the Transference of these Facilities to the Australian National University, signed at Canberra on 31 January and 26 February 1975.
- (11) Agreement between Australia and India on Co-operation in the Fields of Science and Technology, signed at New Delhi on 26 February 1975.
- (12) Exchange of Notes between Australia and the United Kingdom concerning amendments to the Agreement on Social Security of 29 January 1958, signed at Canberra on 6 March 1975.
- (13) Exchange of Letters between Australia and New Zealand constituting an Agreement further extending the Agreement on Tariffs and Trade Preferences of 7 May 1973, signed at Wellington and Canberra on 27 March 1975.
- (14) Exchange of Letters between Australia and New Zealand constituting an Agreement on Rules of Origin covering Preferential Trade between Australia and New Zealand, signed at Canberra and Wellington on 11 April 1975.

- (15) Agreement of Cultural Co-operation between Australia and Italy, signed at Rome on 8 January 1975.
- (16) Agreement between Australia and the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia relating to Air Services, signed at Belgrade on 3 April 1975.
- (17) Convention on International Liability for Damage caused by Space Objects, and acceded to by Australia on 20 January 1975.
- (18) Amendments to Articles 34 and 55 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization, adopted by the twenty-sixth World Health Assembly on 22 May 1973 and accepted for Australia on 11 March 1975.
- (19) Treaty on Extradition between Australia and the United States of America, signed at Washington on 14 May 1974.
- (20) Protocols for the Further Extension of the Wheat Trade Convention 1971 and the Food Aid Convention 1971, constituting the International Wheat Agreement 1971, signed for Australia on 11 April 1975.
- (21) Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 14 December 1973 and signed for Australia on 30 December 1974.
- (22) International Telecommunication Convention and Optional Additional Protocol to the Convention, signed at Malaga-Torremolinos on 25 October 1973.
- (23) Instrument by Australia dated 13 March 1975 withdrawing its declaration of 6 February 1954 under paragraph 2 of Article 36 of the Statute of the International Court of Justice and substituting a new declaration.
- (24) Instrument by Australia dated 13 March 1975 abandoning all except one of its conditions of acceptance made at the time of its accession on 21 May 1931 to the General Act for the Pacific Settlement of International Disputes.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Gorton, Mr Holten, Mr Millar, Mr Sherry and Mr Snedden.

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