

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 43

WEDNESDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 1977

1 The House met, at 2.15 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Right Honourable B. M. Snedden) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

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

Mr Gillard, Mr Howard, Mr J. L. McMahon, Mr Sinclair and Mr Stewart—  
 from certain citizens praying that private nursing homes be subsidised to allow pensioner patients to retain \$6 per week for personal use and that certain other action be taken in connection with pensioner benefits.

Mr Bradfield and Mr E. L. Robinson—from certain citizens praying that the Broadcasting and Television Act be amended in relation to program standards. Mr Graham and Mr Martin—from certain citizens praying that the part of a deceased person's estate which passes to the surviving spouse be free from federal estate duty.

Mr L. R. Johnson and Mr MacKenzie—from certain citizens praying that increases in the Consumer Price Index be applied to pensions and that future pensions not be reduced as a result of any revision of the Index.

Mr Fraser—from certain citizens praying that a Sunday be designated and publicised as a national day of prayer for the healing of the nation.

Mr L. R. Johnson—from certain citizens praying that Mr Ignazio Salemi be permitted to remain in Australia.

Mr L. R. Johnson—from certain citizens praying that public debate on a replacement constitution be encouraged, a directly elected constitutional convention be convened and a referendum be conducted on any of its resolutions.

Mr MacKellar—from certain citizens praying that there be no self-regulation in the broadcasting and television media and that the Chairman of the Australian Broadcasting Tribunal be dismissed.

Mr Thomson—from certain citizens praying that representatives of the Rhodesian Government be invited to Australia.

Mr Viner—from certain citizens praying for the reversal of the decision withdrawing financial assistance from students of non-State tertiary institutions.

Mr Wentworth—from certain citizens praying that the imperial system of weights and measures be restored.

Mr Yates—from certain citizens praying that unemployment beneficiaries be allowed to earn up to \$20 per week before unemployment benefits are reduced.

Petitions received.

3 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice being asked—

*Papers:* Mr McLeay (Minister for Construction), by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following papers:

Building and construction industry—Projects currently affected by industrial action—

Commonwealth Government.

State Government.

Private Sector.

Questions without notice continued.

## 4 PAPERS: The following papers were presented:

By command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Australian Wool Corporation—Interim report for year 1976–77.

Department of Health—Report of Director-General of Health for year 1976–77.

Tertiary Education Commission—Triennium 1978–80—Recommendations for 1978—Statement by Senator Carrick (Minister for Education), dated 20 September 1977.

Pursuant to statute:

Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act—Aboriginal Land Commissioner—Annual Report, for year 1976–77.

Commonwealth Electoral Act—Redistribution of Electoral Divisions, Tasmania, 1977—

Report, with Map, by the Distribution Commissioners (Volume I).

Suggestions, comments or objections lodged with the Distribution Commissioners (Volume II).

Ordered—That the Report, with Map, be printed.

National Gallery Act—Australian National Gallery Council—1st Annual Report and financial statement, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for period 3 to 30 June 1976.

Tertiary Education Commission Act—Tertiary Education Commission—Triennium 1978–80—Recommendations for 1978.

## 5 ENERGY CONSERVATION PROGRAM—PROPOSALS—PAPER AND MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS: Mr Anthony (Minister for National Resources), by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

Energy conservation program—Proposals—National Energy Advisory Committee—Report, dated September 1977.

Mr Anthony, by leave, made a ministerial statement in connection with the report, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

Energy conservation program—Proposals—Ministerial statement, 21 September 1977—

and moved—That the House take note of the papers.

Mr Keating was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

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

## 6 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—POLITICAL PARTIES AND CANDIDATES—ASSISTANCE: Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr Young had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The failure and refusal of the Government to provide for the disclosure of the amount and nature of assistance given by corporations and individuals to political parties and candidates".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Young addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Mr Bowen moved—That the business of the day be called on.

Question—put and passed.

7 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—*Hansard*—PROPOSED INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENT:

Mr Wentworth moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would preclude the moving of a motion forthwith for the incorporation in *Hansard* of the statement of Mr Fischer referred to by the honourable Member for Bendigo in his recent speech.

*Closure of Member moved:* Mr Morris moved—That the honourable Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 25

Mr Armitage	Mr FitzPatrick	Dr Klugman	Mr Willis
Mr Beazley	Mr Hurford	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Young
Mr Bowen	Mr Innes	Mr Martin	
Dr J. F. Cairns	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morris	
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Stewart	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Cohen	Mr Jones	Mr Uren	Mr James
Mr Crean	Mr Keating	Mr A. P. Whitlam	Mr L. R. Johnson

NOES, 74

Mr Abel	Dr Edwards	Mr Jull	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Aldred	Mr Ellicott	Mr Katter	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Baillieu	Mr Falconer	Mr Killen	Mr Ruddock
Mr Baume	Mr Fife	Mr King	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Birney	Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr Shtiption
Mr Bonnett	Mr Giles	Mr MacKellar	Mr Short
Mr Bourchier	Mr Gillard	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Simon
Mr Bradfield	Mr Goodluck	Mr McLeay	Mr Sinclair
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Graham	Sir William McMahon	Mr Staley
Mr Brown	Mr Groom	Mr McVeigh	Mr Street
Mr Bungey	Mr Hamer	Mr Macphee	Mr Sullivan
Mr Burr	Mr Haslem	Mr Martyr	Mr Thomson
Mr Cadman	Mr Hodges	Mr Millar	Mr Viner
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Hodgman	Mr Moore	Mr Wentworth
Mr Calder	Mr Howard	Mr Neil	Mr Wilson
Mr Carige	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon	
Mr Chapman	Mr Hyde	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connolly	Mr Jarman	Mr Peacock	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Cotter	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr Porter	Mr Corbett

And so it was negatived.

Mr Baillieu addressing the House—

*Closure of Member moved:* Mr Morris moved—That the honourable Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 24

Mr Armitage	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Young
Mr Beazley	Mr Hurford	Mr Martin	
Mr Bowen	Mr Innes	Mr Morris	
Dr J. F. Cairns	Mr Jacobi	Mr Stewart	
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Uren	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Cohen	Mr Jones	Mr A. P. Whitlam	Mr James
Mr Crean	Dr Klugman	Mr Willis	Mr L. R. Johnson

NOES, 72

Mr Abel	Dr Edwards	Mr Jull	Mr Ruddock
Mr Aldred	Mr Ellicott	Mr Katter	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Baillieu	Mr Falconer	Mr King	Mr Shtiption
Mr Baume	Mr Fife	Mr Lloyd	Mr Short
Mr Birney	Mr Fisher	Mr MacKellar	Mr Simon
Mr Bonnett	Mr Giles	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bourchier	Mr Gillard	Mr McLeay	Mr Staley
Mr Bradfield	Mr Goodluck	Sir William McMahon	Mr Street
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Graham	Mr McVeigh	Mr Sullivan
Mr Brown	Mr Groom	Mr Macphee	Mr Thomson
Mr Bungey	Mr Hamer	Mr Martyr	Mr Viner
Mr Burr	Mr Haslem	Mr Millar	Mr Wentworth
Mr Cadman	Mr Hodges	Mr Moore	Mr Wilson
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Hodgman	Mr Neil	
Mr Calder	Mr Howard	Mr Nixon	
Mr Carige	Mr Hunt	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Chapman	Mr Hyde	Mr Porter	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connolly	Mr Jarman	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Cotter	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr I. L. Robinson	Mr Corbett

And so it was negatived.

Mr Young addressing the House—

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 66

Mr Abel	Mr Cotter	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Aldred	Dr Edwards	Mr Jull	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Baillieu	Mr Ellicott	Mr Katter	Mr Ruddock
Mr Baume	Mr Falconer	Mr King	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Birney	Mr Fife	Mr Lloyd	Mr Shipton
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Short
Mr Bouchier	Mr Giles	Mr McLeay	Mr Simon
Mr Bradfield	Mr Gillard	Sir William McMahon	Mr Staley
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Goodluck	Mr McVeigh	Mr Street
Mr Brown	Mr Graham	Mr Macphee	Mr Sullivan
Mr Bungey	Mr Groom	Mr Martyr	Mr Thomson
Mr Burr	Mr Haslem	Mr Millar	Mr Wentworth
Mr Cadman	Mr Hodges	Mr Moore	Mr Wilson
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Hodgman	Mr Neil	
Mr Carige	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Chapman	Mr Hyde	Mr O'Keefe	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Connolly	Mr Jarman	Mr Porter	Mr Corbett

NOES, 25

Mr Armitage	Mr FitzPatrick	Dr Klugman	Mr Willis
Mr Bowen	Mr Hurford	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Young
Dr J. F. Cairns	Mr Innes	Mr Martin	
Mr Calder	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Stewart	Mr James
Mr Cohen	Mr Jones	Mr Uren	Mr L. R. Johnson
Mr Crean	Mr Keating	Mr A. P. Whitlam	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion for the suspension for standing orders be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 70

Mr Abel	Mr Cotter	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Aldred	Dr Edwards	Mr Jull	Mr Ruddock
Mr Baillieu	Mr Ellicott	Mr Katter	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Baume	Mr Falconer	Mr King	Mr Shipton
Mr Birney	Mr Fife	Mr Lloyd	Mr Short
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Simon
Mr Bouchier	Mr Giles	Mr McLeay	Mr Staley
Mr Bradfield	Mr Gillard	Sir William McMahon	Mr Street
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Goodluck	Mr McVeigh	Mr Sullivan
Mr Brown	Mr Graham	Mr Macphee	Mr Thomson
Mr Bungey	Mr Groom	Mr Martyr	Mr Viner
Mr Burr	Mr Hamer	Mr Millar	Mr Wentworth
Mr Cadman	Mr Haslem	Mr Moore	Mr Wilson
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Hodges	Mr Neil	Mr Yates
Mr Calder	Mr Hodgman	Mr Nixon	
Mr Carige	Mr Hunt	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Chapman	Mr Hyde	Mr Porter	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Connolly	Mr Jarman	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr Corbett

NOES, 24

Mr Armitage	Mr Hurford	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Young
Mr Bowen	Mr Innes	Mr Martin	
Dr J. F. Cairns	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Stewart	Mr James
Mr Cohen	Mr Jones	Mr Uren	Mr L. R. Johnson
Mr Crean	Mr Keating	Mr A. P. Whitlam	
Mr FitzPatrick	Dr Klugman	Mr Willis	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative by an absolute majority.

*Point of order:* Mr Bowen raised a point of order that the substantive motion proposed to be moved related to the action proposed by another honourable Member, not the mover of the substantive motion—

*Deputy Speaker's ruling:* The Deputy Speaker (Mr Lucock) ruled that the point of order was not relevant as the decision of the House to suspend the standing orders allowed the motion to be moved.

*Dissent from ruling moved:* Mr Bowen moved—That the ruling be dissented from.

*Closure of Member:* Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House) moved—That the honourable Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 70

Mr Abel	Mr Cotter	Mr Jarman	Mr Ruddock
Mr Aldred	Dr Edwards	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Baillieu	Mr Ellicott	Mr Jull	Mr Shipton
Mr Baume	Mr Falconer	Mr Katter	Mr Short
Mr Birney	Mr Fife	Mr King	Mr Simon
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bouchier	Mr Garland	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Staley
Mr Bradfield	Mr Giles	Mr McVeigh	Mr Street
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Gillard	Mr Macphee	Mr Sullivan
Mr Brown	Mr Goodluck	Mr Martyr	Mr Thomson
Mr Bungey	Mr Graham	Mr Millar	Mr Viner
Mr Burr	Mr Groom	Mr Moore	Mr Wentworth
Mr Cadman	Mr Hamer	Mr Neil	Mr Wilson
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Haslem	Mr Nixon	Mr Yates
Mr Calder	Mr Hodges	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Carige	Mr Hodgman	Mr Porter	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Chapman	Mr Hunt	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Connolly	Mr Hyde	Mr I. L. Robinson	Mr Corbett

NOES, 23

Mr Armitage	Mr Hurford	Dr Klugman	Mr A. P. Whitlam
Mr Bowen	Mr Innes	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Willis
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Jacobi	Mr Martin	Mr Young
Mr Cohen	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Crean	Mr Jones	Mr Stewart	Mr James
Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Keating	Mr Uren	Mr L. R. Johnson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Young addressing the House—

*Closure of Member:* Mr Sinclair moved—That the honourable Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 70

Mr Abel	Mr Cotter	Mr Jarman	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Aldred	Dr Edwards	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr Ruddock
Mr Baillieu	Mr Ellicott	Mr Jull	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Baume	Mr Falconer	Mr Katter	Mr Shipton
Mr Birney	Mr Fife	Mr King	Mr Simon
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bouchier	Mr Garland	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Staley
Mr Bradfield	Mr Giles	Mr McLeay	Mr Street
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Gillard	Mr McVeigh	Mr Sullivan
Mr Brown	Mr Goodluck	Mr Macphee	Mr Thomson
Mr Bungey	Mr Graham	Mr Martyr	Mr Viner
Mr Burr	Mr Groom	Mr Millar	Mr Wentworth
Mr Cadman	Mr Hamer	Mr Moore	Mr Wilson
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Haslem	Mr Neil	Mr Yates
Mr Calder	Mr Hodges	Mr Nixon	
Mr Carige	Mr Hodgman	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Chapman	Mr Hunt	Mr Porter	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Connolly	Mr Hyde	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr Corbett

## NOES, 23

Mr Armitage	Mr Hurford	Dr Klugman	Mr A. P. Whitlam
Mr Bowen	Mr Innes	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Willis
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Jacobi	Mr Martin	Mr Young
Mr Cohen	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Crean	Mr Jones	Mr Stewart	Mr James
Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Keating	Mr Uren	Mr L. R. Johnson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

## AYES, 71

Mr Abel	Mr Cotter	Mr Jarman	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Aldred	Dr Edwards	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr Ruddock
Mr Baillieu	Mr Ellicott	Mr Jull	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Baume	Mr Falconer	Mr Katter	Mr Shipton
Mr Birney	Mr Fife	Mr King	Mr Short
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr Simon
Mr Bouchier	Mr Garland	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bradfield	Mr Giles	Mr McLeay	Mr Staley
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Gillard	Mr McVeigh	Mr Street
Mr Brown	Mr Goodluck	Mr Macphee	Mr Sullivan
Mr Bungey	Mr Graham	Mr Martyr	Mr Thomson
Mr Burr	Mr Groom	Mr Millar	Mr Viner
Mr Cadman	Mr Hamer	Mr Moore	Mr Wentworth
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Haslem	Mr Neil	Mr Wilson
Mr Calder	Mr Hodges	Mr Nixon	Mr Yates
Mr Carige	Mr Hodgman	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Chapman	Mr Hunt	Mr Porter	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Connolly	Mr Hyde	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr Corbett

## NOES, 24

Mr Armitage	Mr Hurford	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Young
Mr Bowen	Mr Innes	Mr Martin	
Dr J. F. Cairns	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morris	
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Stewart	
Mr Cohen	Mr Jones	Mr Uren	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Crean	Mr Keating	Mr A. P. Whitlam	Mr James
Mr FitzPatrick	Dr Klugman	Mr Willis	Mr L. R. Johnson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the ruling be dissented from—being accordingly put—

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

## AYES, 24

Mr Armitage	Mr Hurford	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Young
Mr Bowen	Mr Innes	Mr Martin	
Dr J. F. Cairns	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morris	
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Stewart	
Mr Cohen	Mr Jones	Mr Uren	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Crean	Mr Keating	Mr A. P. Whitlam	Mr James
Mr FitzPatrick	Dr Klugman	Mr Willis	Mr L. R. Johnson

## NOES, 71

Mr Abel	Mr Cotter	Mr Jarman	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Aldred	Dr Edwards	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr Ruddock
Mr Baillieu	Mr Ellicott	Mr Jull	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Baume	Mr Falconer	Mr Katter	Mr Shipton
Mr Birney	Mr Fife	Mr King	Mr Short
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr Simon
Mr Bouchier	Mr Garland	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bradfield	Mr Giles	Mr McLeay	Mr Staley
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Gillard	Mr McVeigh	Mr Street
Mr Brown	Mr Goodluck	Mr Macphee	Mr Sullivan
Mr Bungey	Mr Graham	Mr Martyr	Mr Thomson
Mr Burr	Mr Groom	Mr Millar	Mr Viner
Mr Cadman	Mr Hamer	Mr Moore	Mr Wentworth
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Haslem	Mr Neil	Mr Wilson
Mr Calder	Mr Hodges	Mr Nixon	Mr Yates
Mr Carige	Mr Hodgman	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Chapman	Mr Hunt	Mr Porter	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Connolly	Mr Hyde	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr Corbett

And so it was negatived.

8 *Hansard*—INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENT: Mr Wentworth moved—That the statement by Mr Fischer, referred to by the honourable Member for Bendigo in his recent speech, be incorporated in *Hansard*.

*Closure*: Mr Sinclair (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 Snedden, in the Chair)—

## AYES, 71

Mr Abel	Mr Cotter	Mr Jarman	Mr Porter
Mr Aldred	Dr Edwards	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Baillieu	Mr Ellicott	Mr Jull	Mr Ruddock
Mr Baume	Mr Falconer	Mr Katter	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Birney	Mr Fife	Mr King	Mr Shipton
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr Short
Mr Bouchier	Mr Garland	Mr Lucock	Mr Simon
Mr Bradfield	Mr Giles	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Gillard	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Staley
Mr Brown	Mr Goodluck	Mr McLeay	Mr Street
Mr Bungey	Mr Graham	Mr McVeigh	Mr Sullivan
Mr Burr	Mr Groom	Mr Martyr	Mr Thomson
Mr Cadman	Mr Hamer	Mr Millar	Mr Wentworth
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Haslem	Mr Moore	Mr Wilson
Mr Calder	Mr Hodges	Mr Neil	Mr Yates
Mr Carige	Mr Hodgman	Mr Nixon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Chapman	Mr Hunt	Mr O'Keefe	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Connolly	Mr Hyde	Mr Peacock	Mr Corbett

## NOES, 25

Mr Armitage	Mr FitzPatrick	Dr Klugman	Mr Willis
Mr Beazley	Mr Hurford	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Young
Mr Bowen	Mr Innes	Mr Martin	
Dr J. F. Cairns	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Stewart	Mr James
Mr Cohen	Mr Jones	Mr Uren	Mr L. R. Johnson
Mr Crean	Mr Keating	Mr A. P. Whitlam	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

## AYES, 71

Mr Abel	Mr Cotter	Mr Jarman	Mr Porter
Mr Aldred	Dr Edwards	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Baillieu	Mr Ellicott	Mr Jull	Mr Ruddock
Mr Baume	Mr Falconer	Mr Katter	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Birney	Mr Fife	Mr King	Mr Shipton
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr Short
Mr Bouchier	Mr Garland	Mr Lucock	Mr Simon
Mr Bradfield	Mr Giles	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Gillard	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Staley
Mr Brown	Mr Goodluck	Mr McLean	Mr Street
Mr Bungey	Mr Graham	Mr McVeigh	Mr Sullivan
Mr Burr	Mr Groom	Mr Martyr	Mr Thomson
Mr Cadman	Mr Hamer	Mr Millar	Mr Wentworth
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Haslem	Mr Moore	Mr Wilson
Mr Calder	Mr Hodges	Mr Neil	Mr Yates
Mr Carige	Mr Hodgman	Mr Nixon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Chapman	Mr Hunt	Mr O'Keefe	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Connolly	Mr Hyde	Mr Peacock	Mr Corbett

## NOES, 23

Mr Armitage	Mr Hurford	Dr Klugman	Mr A. P. Whitlam
Mr Bowen	Mr Innes	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Willis
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Jacobi	Mr Martin	Mr Young
Mr Cohen	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Crean	Mr Jones	Mr Stewart	Mr James
Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Keating	Mr Uren	Mr L. R. Johnson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

9 PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE—15TH REPORT: Mr Hodges (Chairman) presented the 15th Report from the Publications Committee (sitting in conference with the Publications Committee of the Senate). The report is as follows:

#### 15TH REPORT

The Publications Committee has the honour to report that it has met in conference with the Publications Committee of the Senate.

The Joint Committee, having considered Petitions and Papers presented to Parliament since the last meeting of the Committee, recommends that the following be printed.

- Australian Institute of Marine Science Act—Council of the Institute of Marine Science—Report and financial statement, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1975-76.
- Chicken Meat Research Act—Australian Chicken Meat Research Committee—6th Annual Report, for year 1974-75.
- Christmas Island—Report for 1976.
- Commonwealth Banks Act—Commonwealth Banking Corporation, Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia, Commonwealth Savings Bank of Australia and Commonwealth Development Bank of Australia—Reports and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report thereon, for year 1976-77.
- Commonwealth Fire Board—Report for year 1976-77.
- Curriculum Development Centre Act—Curriculum Development Centre Council—1st Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1975-76.
- Darwin Reconstruction Act—Darwin Reconstruction Commission—2nd Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1975-76.
- Department of Construction—Report for year 1976-77.
- Department of Education—Report for 1976.
- Industrial Research and Development Grants Act and Industrial Research and Development Incentives Act—Australian Industrial Research and Development Incentives Board—Report for year 1976-77.
- Industries Assistance Commission—Report—Tyres, dated 18 January 1977.
- Medical Research Endowment Act—National Health and Medical Research Council—Report for 1975.
- National Debt Sinking Fund Act—National Debt Commission—54th Annual Report, for year 1976-77.
- Norfolk Island—Report for year 1975-76.
- Overseas Telecommunications Act—Overseas Telecommunications Commission (Australia)—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year ended 31 March 1977.
- Papua New Guinea (Staffing Assistance) Act—Papua New Guinea (Staffing Assistance) (Superannuation) Regulations—Papua New Guinea Superannuation Board—Report of Commissioner for year 1972-73.
- Pig Industry Research Act—Australian Pig Industry Research Committee—
  - 3rd Annual Report, for year 1973-74.
  - 4th Annual Report, for year 1974-75.
  - 5th Annual Report, for year 1975-76.
- Public Service Act—Public Service Board—53rd Annual Report, for year 1976-77.
- Repatriation Act—Repatriation Commission—Report for year 1976-77.
- Schools Commission Act—Schools Commission—Triennium 1978-80—Report for 1978.
- States Grants (Schools) Act—Statement of financial assistance granted to each State in 1976.

Student Assistance Act—Report by Minister on operation of Act for 1976.  
Tertiary Education Commission Act—Tertiary Education Commission—  
Recommendations for 1978, dated August 1977.

Uranium—Australian policy—

Background papers—

Health and safety aspects of nuclear power generation.

History of uranium development in Australia.

Impact on Aboriginal society.

Kakadu National Park.

Mining, milling—Safety.

New bodies to administer development.

Nuclear safeguards.

Other information sources.

What uranium means for Australia and the world.

Your questions answered.

Copy of note issued by Mr Fraser (Prime Minister).

*Hansard* extracts—Speeches—

Government policy on nuclear safeguards—

Mr Anthony (Acting Prime Minister), 2 June 1977.

Mr Fraser, 24 May 1977.

Ranger Uranium Environmental Inquiry—Mr Newman (Minister for  
Environment, Housing and Community Development), 11 November  
1976.

Kakadu National Park—Notes and photographs.

Maps showing location of proposed national park, portion of Arnhem Land  
Aboriginal Reserve, and major uranium deposits.

Ministerial statements, 25 August 1977—

Australian policy—Mr Fraser.

Development decisions—Mr Anthony (Minister for National Resources).

Environmental protection—Mr Newman.

Health aspects of development—Mr Hunt (Minister for Health).

Impacts on Aboriginal society—Mr Viner (Minister for Aboriginal  
Affairs).

International implications—Mr Sinclair (Acting Minister for Foreign  
Affairs).

Pamphlets entitled—

Basis of the Government's decision.

Ranger Uranium Environmental Inquiry—Principal findings and  
recommendations.

What the Government has decided.

Wheat Research Act—19th Annual Report, for 1976.

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J. C. HODGES  
Chairman

Mr Hodges, by leave, moved—That the report be agreed to.

Question—put and passed.

10 APPROPRIATION (URBAN PUBLIC TRANSPORT) BILL 1977: 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.

*Message from the Governor-General:* Message No. 51, dated 7 September 1977, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue and moneys for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Nixon (Minister for Transport), the Bill was read a third time.

- 11 STATES GRANTS (ROADS) BILL 1977: 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.

*Message from the Governor-General:* Message No. 52, dated 7 September 1977, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue and moneys for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Nixon (Minister for Transport), the Bill was read a third time.

- 12 *Hansard*—INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENT—STATEMENT BY MR SPEAKER: Mr Speaker made a statement informing the House that, at his direction, the document authorised by resolution of the House earlier this day (*see* entry No. 8, page 287) to be incorporated in *Hansard*, would not be incorporated, because of technical considerations.

- 13 PAPER: Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House), by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

Copy of statement attributed to Mr Henry John Fischer of Sydney, N.S.W. (pages 1 to 35, 38 to 40, 42 and 43.)

- 14 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

*Suspension of standing and sessional orders:* Mr Sinclair moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the honourable Member for Mackellar speaking without limitation of time, mentioning matters in today's debate, and that in that time no interposing motion, unless moved by a Minister, should be accepted by the House.

Mr Bowen addressing the House—

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 68

Mr Abel	Mr Falconer	Mr King	Mr Shipton
Mr Aldred	Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr Short
Mr Anthony	Mr Garland	Mr Lucock	Mr Simon
Mr Baillieu	Mr Giles	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr Baume	Mr Gillard	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Staley
Mr Bourchier	Mr Goodluck	Mr McLeay	Mr Street
Mr Bradfield	Mr Graham	Mr McVeigh	Mr Sullivan
Mr Brown	Mr Groom	Mr Macphee	Mr Thomson
Mr Burr	Mr Haslem	Mr Martyr	Mr Viner
Mr Cadman	Mr Hodges	Mr Millar	Mr Wentworth
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Hodgman	Mr Neil	Mr Wilson
Mr Calder	Mr Howard	Mr Nixon	Mr Yates
Mr Carige	Mr Hunt	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Chapman	Mr Hyde	Mr Peacock	
Mr Connolly	Mr Jarman	Mr Porter	
Mr Cotter	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr E. L. Robinson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Dr Edwards	Mr Jull	Mr Ruddock	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Ellicott	Mr Killen	Mr Sainsbury	Mr Corbett

## NOES, 18

Mr Armitage	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Martin	Mr Young
Mr Bowen	Mr Jones	Mr Morris	
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Keating	Mr Stewart	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr FitzPatrick	Dr Klugman	Mr A. P. Whitlam	Mr James
Mr Jacobi	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Willis	Mr L. R. Johnson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

## AYES, 68

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative by an absolute majority.

Mr Wentworth addressed the House.

*Speaker's ruling:* Mr Speaker ruled that part of the document being read by Mr Wentworth was *sub judice*.

Mr Wentworth continued his speech.

Question—That the House do now adjourn—put and passed.

And then the House, at 11.49 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 10.30 a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 21 September 1977, pursuant to statute:

Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Ordinance—1977—No. 42—Public Service (No. 3).

Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations accompanied by statements regarding possible inconsistency with the law—1977—

No. 570—Customs Officers' Association of Australia, Fourth Division.

No. 571—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).

No. 589—Federated Clerks Union of Australia.

No. 590—Amalgamated Metal Workers' and Shipwrights Union and others.

No. 591—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).

No. 592—Civil Air Operations Officers' Association of Australia.

No. 593—Amalgamated Metal Workers' and Shipwrights Union and others.

No. 594—Federated Storemen and Packers Union of Australia.

No. 595—Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service and others.†

- No. 596—Australian Workers' Union. †  
 No. 597—Transport Workers' Union of Australia. †  
 No. 599—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).  
 No. 600—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.  
 No. 601—Federated Clerks Union of Australia.  
 No. 602—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.  
 No. 603—Federated Clerks Union of Australia.  
 Nos. 604 and 605—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia and others.  
 No. 606—Australian Journalists Association.  
 No. 607—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.  
 No. 608—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia and others.  
 No. 609—Professional Officers Association, Australian Public Service.  
 († Not accompanied by statement)

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** All Members were present at some time during the sitting) except Mr Adermann, Dr Cass, Mr Dobie, Mr Drummond, Mr Fry, Mr Garrick\*, Mr Hayden, Mr Holten\*, Dr Jenkins, Mr Kelly\*, Mr Lusher, Mr Lynch, Mr McLean, Mr Newman, Mr Nicholls, Dr Richardson, Mr Scholes and Mr Wallis.

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\*On leave

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D. M. BLAKE,  
 Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives