

## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 3

WEDNESDAY, 4 MAY 1983

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- 1 The House met, at 2.15 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Dr H. A. Jenkins) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
  - 2 **PETITIONS:** The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
    - Mr Braithwaite, Mr Dobie, Mr Drummond, Mr Millar, Mr Rocher, Mr Ruddock and Mr Tuckey—from certain citizens praying that the Government refrain from ratifying the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women.
    - Mr Bowen and Mr Shipton—from certain citizens praying that all provisions of the Heritage Act and the Environment Protection (Impact of Proposals) Act be fully complied with in respect of national estate areas.
    - Mr Dobie and Mr Hunt—from certain residents of the Electoral Divisions of Cook and Gwydir, respectively, praying that an efficient, effective public telegram service be maintained.
    - Mr Hicks and Mr Snow—from certain residents of New South Wales praying that podiatry services be extended to cover all pensioners.
    - Mr Beazley—from certain citizens praying that the wilderness area of south-west Tasmania be protected from destruction.
    - Mr Brumby—from certain residents of Victoria praying that the use of cyanide in solution mining not be allowed to continue at Eastville, Vic.
    - Mr Cadman—from certain citizens praying that the findings of the Major Airport Needs of Sydney Committee be endorsed and proposals for an airport at Scheyville, N.S.W., be rejected.
    - Mrs Child—from certain citizens praying that the powers of the Australian Postal Commission to carry letters for reward be strengthened to ensure that the national postal service is retained in the interests of all Australians.
    - Mrs Child—from certain citizens praying that insulin syringes for diabetics be made available on the National Health Scheme and insulin prescriptions revert to 10 bottles.
    - Mrs Child—from certain electors of the Electoral Division of Henty praying that local telephone calls continue to be charged on a per call basis and that Telecom remain a statutory authority and not be sold to private enterprise.
    - Mr Gorman—from certain citizens praying that the requirement for declarations to be completed by pensioners and health care cardholders when presenting prescriptions, be abolished.

Mr Gorman—from certain citizens praying that Australia call upon the Canadian Government to abolish the slaughtering of harp seal pups and ask other nations to bring international pressure to bear on the Canadian Government.

Mr Hicks—from certain citizens praying that the Federal Government take all possible steps to prevent the destruction of the lower Gordon and Franklin rivers in south-west Tasmania.

Mr Moore—from certain residents of Queensland praying that legislation be enacted to ban the advertising of alcohol from commercial television and radio.

Mr Scott—from certain residents of South Australia praying that the Parliament request General Motors-Holden to continue its operations at the Woodville Plant, S.A.

Petitions received.

**3 MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS:** Mr Hawke (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the respective absences abroad of Mr Hayden (Minister for Foreign Affairs) and Mr Hurford (Minister for Housing and Construction), Mr Bowen (Minister for Trade) was acting as Minister for Foreign Affairs and Mr Dawkins (Minister for Finance) was acting as Minister for Housing and Construction.

**4 DISTINGUISHED VISITORS:** Mr Speaker informed the House that a delegation from the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Organization, led by the Chairman, the Honourable Querube Makalintal, Speaker of the Batasang Pambansa, the National Assembly of The Philippines, was present in the gallery. On behalf of the House, Mr Speaker extended to the visitors a warm welcome.

**5 QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.

**6 AUSTRALIAN CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION COMMISSION—REPORT OF PRESIDENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Willis (Minister for Employment and Industrial Relations) presented the following paper:

Conciliation and Arbitration Act—President of the Australian Conciliation and Arbitration Commission—26th Annual Report, for year ended 13 August 1982.

Mr Young (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the paper.

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

**7 PAPERS:** The following papers were presented:

Australian Capital Territory Architects Board—Report for year 1981-82.

Australian Dried Fruits Corporation Act—Australian Dried Fruits Corporation—3rd Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1981-82.

Australian National University Act—Council of the Australian National University—Report for 1981.

Canberra College of Advanced Education Act—Council of the Canberra College of Advanced Education—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for 1981.

Committee on Overseas Professional Qualifications—14th Report, dated December 1982.

Commonwealth Schools Commission—  
Program guidelines, 1983.

Recommendations for 1984—Report, dated 6 January 1983.

Commonwealth Teaching Service Act—Commonwealth Teaching Service Commissioner—Report for 1982.

Dried Fruits Research Act—Dried Fruits Research Committee—11th Annual Report, for year 1981-82.

Egg Export Control Act—Australian Egg Board—35th Annual Report, for year 1981-82.

Fishing Industry Act—26th Annual Report, for year 1981-82.

Fishing Industry Research Act—Fishing Industry Research Committee—13th Annual Report, for year 1981-82.

Honey Industry Act—Australian Honey Board—19th Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1981-82.

International Year of Disabled Persons—Australian Capital Territory Activities—Report by the A.C.T. International Year of Disabled Persons Advisory Committee, dated 21 June 1982.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Australian Capital Territory—Statement of receipts and expenditure for year 1981-82.

- 8 **CRIMINAL DEPORTATION POLICY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr West (Minister for Immigration and Ethnic Affairs), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House of Government policy regarding the deportation of non-Australians convicted of specified criminal conduct, and presented the following paper:

Criminal deportation policy—Ministerial statement, 4 May 1983.

Mr Young (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the paper.

Debate ensued.

Debate adjourned (Mr J. J. Brown—Minister for Sport, Recreation and Tourism), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 9 **DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—BUILDING INDUSTRY WAGES AND ALLOWANCES:** Mr Deputy Speaker informed the House that Mr Macphee had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The serious threat posed to the spirit and principles embraced by the recent National Economic Summit by the Prime Minister's willingness to distinguish allowances from wages in the building industry".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Macphee addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

- 10 **CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL 1983:** Mr J. J. Brown (Minister Assisting the Minister for Industry and Commerce) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Customs Tariff Act 1982*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 11 **EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL 1983:** Mr J. J. Brown (Minister Assisting the Minister for Industry and Commerce) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Excise Tariff Act 1921*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 12 **CUSTOMS TARIFF (COAL EXPORT DUTY) AMENDMENT BILL 1983:** Mr J. J. Brown (Minister Assisting the Minister for Industry and Commerce) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Customs Tariff (Coal Export Duty) Act 1975*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 13 REFERENDUM (CONSTITUTION ALTERATION) AMENDMENT BILL 1983:** Mr Young (Special Minister of State), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Referendum (Constitution Alteration) Act 1906*.  
 Bill read a first time.  
 Mr Young moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate adjourned (Mr Hall), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 14 BOUNTY (ROOM AIR CONDITIONERS) BILL 1983:** Mr J. J. Brown (Minister Assisting the Minister for Industry and Commerce), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the payment of bounty on the production of certain room air conditioners.  
 Bill read a first time.  
 Mr J. J. Brown moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate adjourned (Mr Hall), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 15 BOUNTY (STEEL PRODUCTS) BILL 1983:** Mr J. J. Brown (Minister Assisting the Minister for Industry and Commerce), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the payment of bounty on the production of certain steel products.  
 Bill read a first time.  
 Mr J. J. Brown moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate adjourned (Mr Dobie), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 16 MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL, PROPOSED ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE AND APPROPRIATION FOR PAYMENT OF INCREASES IN SALARIES AND WAGES FOR YEAR 1982-83—APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 5) 1982-83:** Message No. 8, dated 3 May 1983, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced—
- (a) transmitting to the House of Representatives particulars of proposed additional expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending on 30 June 1983, and recommending an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly; and
  - (b) further recommending to the House of Representatives an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending on 30 June 1983, for the payment of such increases in salaries and wages and payments in the nature of salary, for which provision is made in the attached particulars of proposed expenditure, as have become payable or become payable, or have commenced or commence to be paid, during that year in accordance with any law, or in accordance with an award, order or determination made under a law.
- Mr Dawkins (Minister for Finance) presented a Bill for an Act to appropriate a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, additional to the sum appropriated by the *Appropriation Act (No. 1) 1982-83* and the *Appropriation Act (No. 3) 1982-83*, for the service of the year ending on 30 June 1983.  
 Bill read a first time.  
 Mr Dawkins moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate adjourned (Mr Dobie), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 17 MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL, CERTAIN PROPOSED ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE 1982-83—APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 6) 1982-83:** Message No. 9, dated 3 May 1983, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced transmitting to the House of Representatives particulars of certain proposed additional expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue Fund in respect of the year ending on 30 June 1983, and recommending an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.  
 Mr Dawkins (Minister for Finance) presented a Bill for an Act to appropriate a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, additional to the sum appropriated by the

*Appropriation Act (No. 2) 1982-83* and the *Appropriation Act (No. 4) 1982-83* for certain expenditure in respect of the year ending on 30 June 1983.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

**13 MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL, PROPOSED ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE AND APPROPRIATION FOR PAYMENT OF INCREASES IN SALARIES AND WAGES IN RELATION TO A PARLIAMENTARY DEPARTMENT, FOR YEAR 1982-83—APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENTARY DEPARTMENTS) BILL (NO. 2) 1982-83:** Message No. 10, dated 3 May 1983, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced:

- (a) transmitting to the House of Representatives particulars of proposed additional expenditure from the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending on 30 June 1983, in relation to the Department of the House of Representatives, and recommending an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly; and
- (b) further recommending to the House of Representatives an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending on 30 June 1983, for the payment of such increases in salaries and wages and payments in the nature of salary, for which provision is made in the attached particulars of proposed expenditure, as have become payable or become payable, or have commenced or commence to be paid, during that year in accordance with any law, or in accordance with an award, order or determination made under a law.

Mr Dawkins (Minister for Finance) presented a Bill for an Act to appropriate certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, additional to the sum appropriated by the *Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Act 1982-83*, for the service, in relation to the Parliamentary Departments, of the year ending on 30 June 1983.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

**19 TAXATION (INTEREST ON OVERPAYMENTS) BILL 1983:** Mr Dawkins (Minister for Finance) presented a Bill for an Act relating to the payment of interest in respect of certain overpayments of tax.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

**20 AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION BILL 1983:** Mr Duffy (Minister for Communications), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the Australian Broadcasting Corporation, and for other purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

**21 AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION (TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 1983:** Mr Duffy (Minister for Communications), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to enact certain transitional provisions and make certain amendments in consequence of the enactment of the *Australian Broadcasting Corporation Act 1983*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 22 **STANDING ORDERS—PRIVILEGE—AMENDMENTS:** Mr Young (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—That the following amendments to the standing orders be adopted—

*Committee of Privileges*

Standing order 26 be amended to read—

26. A committee of Privileges, to consist of the Leader of the House or his nominee, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition or his nominee and 9 other Members, shall be appointed at the commencement of each Parliament to inquire into and report upon complaints of breach of privilege which may be referred to it by the House under standing order 95 or by the Speaker under standing order 97A; when considering any complaint referred to it, the committee shall have power to send for persons, papers and records.

*Privilege matter raised when House not sitting*

New standing order 97A be inserted—

97A. During a period when the House is not sitting and is not expected to meet for a further period of at least 2 weeks, a Member may bring to the attention of the Speaker a matter of privilege which has arisen since the House last met and which he proposes should be referred to the Committee of Privileges. If the Speaker is satisfied that a *prima facie* case of breach of privilege has been made out and the matter is one upon which urgent action should be taken, he shall refer it forthwith to the Committee of Privileges:

Provided that any referral by the Speaker in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this standing order shall be reported to the House by the Speaker at its next sitting whereupon the Member who raised the matter shall be required to move forthwith, without notice, that such referral be endorsed by the House; if the motion is negatived, the Committee of Privileges shall take no further action in respect of the matter.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 23 **SITTING HOURS AND BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE—SESSIONAL ORDERS:** Mr Young (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—That, unless otherwise ordered, the following amendments to the standing orders be adopted for the remainder of this session—

*Days and hours of meeting*

Standing order 40 be amended to read—

40. Unless otherwise ordered, the House shall meet for the despatch of business on each Tuesday at 2.15 p.m., and on each Wednesday and Thursday at 10 a.m.

*Adjournment and next meeting*

Standing order 48A be amended to read—

48A. At 6 p.m. on each Tuesday and at 10.30 p.m. on each Wednesday and Thursday the Speaker shall propose the question—That the House do now adjourn—which question shall be open to debate; if the House is in committee at the time stated, the Chairman shall report progress and upon such report being made the Speaker shall forthwith propose the question—That the House do now adjourn—which question shall be open to debate. No amendment may be moved to this question:

Provided that—

- (a) if a division is in progress at the time fixed for interruption, the division shall be completed and the result announced;

- (b) if, on the question—That the House do now adjourn—being proposed, a Minister requires the question to be put forthwith without debate, the Speaker shall forthwith put the question;
- (c) a motion for the adjournment of the House may be moved by a Minister at an earlier hour;
- (d) any business under discussion and not disposed of at the time of the adjournment shall be set down on the Notice Paper for the next sitting, and
- (e) if the question—That the House do now adjourn—is negatived, the House or committee shall resume the proceedings at the point at which they had been interrupted:

Provided further that, if at 6.30 p.m. on a Tuesday or at 11 p.m. on a Wednesday or Thursday the question before the House is—That the House do now adjourn—the Speaker shall interrupt the debate, at which time—

- (f) a Minister may require that the debate be extended until 6.40 p.m. or 11.10 p.m., as the case may be, to enable Ministers to speak in reply to matters raised in the preceding adjournment debate; at 6.40 p.m. or 11.10 p.m., as the case may be, or upon the earlier cessation of the debate, the Speaker shall forthwith adjourn the House until the time of its next meeting, or
- (g) if no action is taken by a Minister under paragraph (f), the Speaker shall forthwith adjourn the House until the time of its next meeting.

#### *Routine of business*

Standing order 101 be amended to read—

101. The House shall proceed each day with its ordinary business in the following routine: 1. Presentation of petitions. 2. Giving notices. 3. Questions without notice. 4. Presentation of papers. 5. Ministerial statements, by leave. 6. Matter of public importance. 7. Notices and orders of the day:

Provided that on a Wednesday and Thursday '6. Matter of public importance.' and '7. Notices and orders of the day.' shall precede '3. Questions without notice.' which shall be called on at or about 12 noon.

#### *Question time*

New standing order 101A be inserted—

101A. At 12 noon on each Wednesday and Thursday the Speaker shall interrupt the business before the House and call on questions without notice; if the House is in committee at the time stated, the Chairman shall report progress and upon such report being made the Speaker shall forthwith call on questions without notice:

Provided that—

- (a) if a division is in progress at the time fixed for interruption, the division shall be completed and the result announced, and
- (b) subject to the exception in standing order 106, the Speaker shall fix the time for the resumption of the debate on any business under discussion and not disposed of at the time of interruption.

#### *Precedence for government and general business*

Standing order 104 be amended to read—

104. Unless otherwise ordered, government business shall, on each day of sitting, have precedence of all other business, except that on the sitting Thursday alternate to the sitting Thursday to which standing order 106 applies, general business shall have precedence of government business until 12 noon.

#### *"Grievance" debate*

Standing order 106 be amended to read—

106. Notwithstanding standing order 105, the first order of the day, government business, on each alternate sitting Thursday commencing with the first sitting Thursday after the Address in Reply to the Governor-General's Speech has been

adopted shall be a question to be proposed by the Speaker "That grievances be noted" to which question any Member may address the House or move any amendment. If consideration of this question has not been concluded at 12 noon, the debate thereon shall be interrupted and the Speaker shall put the question.

*Discussion of matter of public importance*

Standing order 107 be amended by omitting "one hour" and substituting "2 hours".

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

24 ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE: Mr Young (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—

- (1) That a standing committee be appointed to inquire into and report on such matters relating to the circumstances of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people and the effect of policies and programs on them as are referred to it by—
  - (a) resolution of the House, or
  - (b) the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs.
- (2) That the committee recognise the responsibility of the States and the Northern Territory in these matters and seek their co-operation in all relevant aspects.
- (3) That the committee consist of 8 members, 5 members to be nominated by either the Prime Minister, the Leader of the House or the Government Whip, 2 members to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition or the Opposition Whip, and 1 member to be nominated by the Leader of the National Party, the Deputy Leader of the National Party or the National Party Whip.
- (4) That every nomination of a member of the committee be forthwith notified in writing to the Speaker.
- (5) That the members of the committee hold office as a committee until the House of Representatives is dissolved or expires by effluxion of time.
- (6) That the committee elect a Government Member as its chairman.
- (7) That the committee elect a deputy chairman who shall perform the duties of the chairman of the committee at any time when the chairman is not present at a meeting of the committee and at any time when the chairman and deputy chairman are not present at a meeting of the committee the members present shall elect another member to perform the duties of the chairman at that meeting.
- (8) That the committee have power to appoint sub-committees consisting of 3 or more of its members and to refer to such a sub-committee any matter which the committee is empowered to inquire into.
- (9) That the committee appoint the chairman of each sub-committee who shall have a casting vote only, and at any time when the chairman of a sub-committee is not present at a meeting of the sub-committee the members of the sub-committee present shall elect another member of that sub-committee to perform the duties of the chairman at that meeting.
- (10) That the quorum of a sub-committee be a majority of the members of that sub-committee.
- (11) That members of the committee who are not members of a sub-committee may participate in the proceedings of that sub-committee, but shall not vote, move any motion or be counted for the purpose of a quorum.
- (12) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to send for persons, papers and records.
- (13) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to move from place to place.
- (14) That a sub-committee have power to adjourn from time to time and to sit during any sittings or adjournment of the House.
- (15) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to authorise publication of any evidence given before it and any document presented to it.

- (16) That the committee in selecting particular matters for investigation take account of the investigations of other Parliamentary committees and avoid duplication.
- (17) That the committee have leave to report from time to time.
- (18) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to consider and make use of the evidence and records of the Standing Committees on Aboriginal Affairs appointed during previous Parliaments.
- (19) That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

**25 ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION—STANDING COMMITTEE:** Mr Young (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—

- (1) That a standing committee be appointed to inquire into and report on—
  - (a) environmental aspects of legislative and administrative measures which ought to be taken in order to ensure the wise and effective management of the Australian environment and of Australia's natural resources, and
  - (b) such other matters relating to the environment and conservation and the management of Australia's natural resources as are referred to it by—
    - (i) resolution of the House, or
    - (ii) the Minister responsible for those matters.
- (2) That the committee recognise the responsibility of the States and the Northern Territory in these matters and seek their co-operation in all relevant aspects.
- (3) That the committee consist of 8 members, 5 members to be nominated by either the Prime Minister, the Leader of the House or the Government Whip, 2 members to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition or the Opposition Whip, and 1 member to be nominated by the Leader of the National Party, the Deputy Leader of the National Party or the National Party Whip.
- (4) That every nomination of a member of the committee be forthwith notified in writing to the Speaker.
- (5) That the members of the committee hold office as a committee until the House of Representatives is dissolved or expires by effluxion of time.
- (6) That the committee elect a Government Member as its chairman.
- (7) That the committee elect a deputy chairman who shall perform the duties of the chairman of the committee at any time when the chairman is not present at a meeting of the committee and at any time when the chairman and deputy chairman are not present at a meeting of the committee the members present shall elect another member to perform the duties of the chairman at that meeting.
- (8) That the committee have power to appoint sub-committees consisting of 3 or more of its members and to refer to such a sub-committee any matter which the committee is empowered to inquire into.
- (9) That the committee appoint the chairman of each sub-committee who shall have a casting vote only, and at any time when the chairman of a sub-committee is not present at a meeting of the sub-committee the members of the sub-committee present shall elect another member of that sub-committee to perform the duties of the chairman at that meeting.
- (10) That the quorum of a sub-committee be a majority of the members of that sub-committee.
- (11) That members of the committee who are not members of a sub-committee may participate in the proceedings of that sub-committee, but shall not vote, move any motion or be counted for the purpose of a quorum.
- (12) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to send for persons, papers and records.

- (13) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to move from place to place.
- (14) That a sub-committee have power to adjourn from time to time and to sit during any sittings or adjournment of the House.
- (15) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to authorise publication of any evidence given before it and any document presented to it.
- (16) That the committee in selecting particular matters for investigation take account of the investigations of other Parliamentary committees and avoid duplication.
- (17) That the committee have leave to report from time to time.
- (18) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to consider and make use of the evidence and records of the Standing Committees on Environment and Conservation appointed during previous Parliaments.
- (19) That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

26 EXPENDITURE—STANDING COMMITTEE: Mr Young (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—

- (1) That a standing committee be appointed to—
  - (a) consider any papers on public expenditure presented to the House and such of the estimates as it sees fit to examine;
  - (b) consider how, if at all, policies implied in the figures of expenditure and in the estimates may be carried out more economically;
  - (c) examine the relationship between the costs and benefits of implementing government programs, and
  - (d) inquire into and report on any question in connection with public expenditure which is referred to it by resolution of the House.
- (2) That the committee consist of 12 members, 6 members to be nominated by either the Prime Minister, the Leader of the House or the Government Whip, 3 members to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition or the Opposition Whip, 2 members to be nominated by the Leader of the National Party, the Deputy Leader of the National Party or the National Party Whip, and the chairman of the Joint Committee of Public Accounts or his nominee who is a Member of the House of Representatives.
- (3) That every nomination of a member of the committee be forthwith notified in writing to the Speaker.
- (4) That the members of the committee hold office as a committee until the House of Representatives is dissolved or expires by effluxion of time.
- (5) That the committee elect a Government Member as its chairman.
- (6) That the committee elect a deputy chairman who shall perform the duties of the chairman of the committee at any time when the chairman is not present at a meeting of the committee and at any time when the chairman and deputy chairman are not present at a meeting of the committee the members present shall elect another member to perform the duties of the chairman at that meeting.
- (7) That the committee have power to appoint sub-committees consisting of 3 or more of its members and to refer to such a sub-committee any matter which the committee is empowered to examine.
- (8) That the committee appoint the chairman of each sub-committee who shall have a casting vote only, and at any time when the chairman of a sub-committee is not present at a meeting of the sub-committee the members of the sub-committee present shall elect another member of that sub-committee to perform the duties of the chairman at that meeting.
- (9) That the quorum of a sub-committee be 2 members.

- (10) That members of the committee who are not members of a sub-committee may participate in the proceedings of that sub-committee, but shall not vote, move any motion or be counted for the purpose of a quorum.
- (11) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to send for persons, papers and records.
- (12) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to move from place to place.
- (13) That a sub-committee have power to adjourn from time to time and to sit during any sittings or adjournment of the House.
- (14) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to authorise publication of any evidence given before it and any document presented to it.
- (15) That 5 members of the committee constitute a quorum of the committee.
- (16) That the committee in selecting particular matters for investigation take account of the investigations of other Parliamentary committees and avoid duplication.
- (17) That the committee have leave to report from time to time.
- (18) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to consider and make use of the evidence and records of the Standing Committees on Expenditure appointed during previous Parliaments.
- (19) That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

27 ROAD SAFETY—STANDING COMMITTEE: Mr Young (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—

- (1) That a standing committee be appointed to inquire into and report on—
  - (a) the main causes of the present high level of the road toll in Australia;
  - (b) the most effective means of achieving greater road safety in Australia;
  - (c) the particular aspects of the problem to which those concerned with road safety could most advantageously direct their efforts, and
  - (d) the economic cost to the community of road accidents in Australia in terms of—
    - (i) material damage;
    - (ii) loss of manhours and earning capacity, and
    - (iii) cost of treatment of accident victims.
- (2) That the committee recognise the responsibility of the States and the Northern Territory in these matters and seek their co-operation in all relevant aspects.
- (3) That the committee consist of 8 members, 5 members to be nominated by either the Prime Minister, the Leader of the House or the Government Whip, 2 members to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition or the Opposition Whip, and 1 member to be nominated by the Leader of the National Party, the Deputy Leader of the National Party or the National Party Whip.
- (4) That every nomination of a member of the committee be forthwith notified in writing to the Speaker.
- (5) That the members of the committee hold office as a committee until the House of Representatives is dissolved or expires by effluxion of time.
- (6) That the committee elect a Government Member as its chairman.
- (7) That the committee elect a deputy chairman who shall perform the duties of the chairman of the committee at any time when the chairman is not present at a meeting of the committee and at any time when the chairman and deputy chairman are not present at a meeting of the committee the members present shall elect another member to perform the duties of the chairman at that meeting.

- (8) That the committee have power to appoint sub-committees consisting of 3 or more of its members and to refer to such a sub-committee any matter which the committee is empowered to inquire into.
- (9) That the committee appoint the chairman of each sub-committee who shall have a casting vote only, and at any time when the chairman of a sub-committee is not present at a meeting of the sub-committee the members of the sub-committee present shall elect another member of that sub-committee to perform the duties of the chairman at that meeting.
- (10) That a quorum of a sub-committee be a majority of the members of that sub-committee.
- (11) That members of the committee who are not members of a sub-committee may participate in the proceedings of that sub-committee, but shall not vote, move any motion or be counted for the purpose of a quorum.
- (12) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to send for persons, papers and records.
- (13) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to move from place to place.
- (14) That a sub-committee have power to adjourn from time to time and to sit during any sittings or adjournment of the House.
- (15) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to authorise publication of any evidence given before it and any document presented to it.
- (16) That the committee in selecting particular matters for investigation take account of the investigations of other Parliamentary committees and avoid duplication.
- (17) That the committee have leave to report from time to time.
- (18) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to consider and make use of the evidence and records of the Select Committee on Road Safety appointed during the 28th Parliament and the Standing Committees on Road Safety appointed during previous Parliaments.
- (19) That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

**28 AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY—PROPOSED JOINT COMMITTEE:** Mr Young (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—

- (1) That a joint committee be appointed to inquire into and report on—
  - (a) all proposals for modification or variations of the plan of layout of the City of Canberra and its environs published in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* on 19 November 1925, as previously modified or varied, which are referred to the committee by the Minister for Territories and Local Government, and
  - (b) such matters relating to the Australian Capital Territory as may be referred to it by—
    - (i) resolution of either House of the Parliament, or
    - (ii) the Minister for Territories and Local Government.
- (2) That the committee consist of 10 members, 4 Members of the House of Representatives to be nominated by either the Prime Minister, the Leader of the House or the Government Whip, 1 Member of the House of Representatives to be nominated by either the Leader of the Opposition, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition or the Opposition Whip, 1 Member to be nominated by the Leader of the National Party, the Deputy Leader of the National Party or the National Party Whip, 2 Senators to be nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate and 2 Senators to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate or by any minority group or groups or independent Senator or independent Senators.

- (3) That every nomination of a member of the committee be forthwith notified in writing to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- (4) That the members of the committee hold office as a joint committee until the House of Representatives is dissolved or expires by effluxion of time.
- (5) That the committee elect a Government Member as its chairman.
- (6) That the committee elect a deputy chairman who shall perform the duties of the chairman of the committee at any time when the chairman is not present at a meeting of the committee, and at any time when the chairman and deputy chairman are not present at a meeting of the committee, the members present shall elect another member to perform the duties of the chairman at that meeting.
- (7) That the committee have power to appoint sub-committees consisting of 3 or more of its members and to refer to such a sub-committee any matter which the committee is empowered to inquire into.
- (8) That the committee appoint the chairman of each sub-committee who shall have a casting vote only, and at any time when the chairman of a sub-committee is not present at a meeting of the sub-committee, the members of the sub-committee present shall elect another member of that sub-committee to perform the duties of the chairman at the meeting.
- (9) That the quorum of a sub-committee be a majority of the members of that sub-committee.
- (10) That members of the committee who are not members of a sub-committee may participate in the proceedings of that sub-committee but shall not vote, move any motion or be counted for the purpose of a quorum.
- (11) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to send for persons, papers and records.
- (12) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to move from place to place.
- (13) That a sub-committee have power to adjourn from time to time and to sit during any adjournment.
- (14) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to authorise publication of any evidence given before it and any document presented to it.
- (15) That the committee in its inquiries take account of the investigations of other Parliamentary committees and avoid duplication.
- (16) That the committee have leave to report from time to time.
- (17) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to consider and make use of the evidence and records of the Joint Committees on the Australian Capital Territory appointed during previous Parliaments.
- (18) That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.
- (19) That a message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of this resolution and requesting that it concur and take action accordingly.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

**29 FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND DEFENCE—PROPOSED JOINT COMMITTEE:** Mr Young (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—

- (1) That a joint committee be appointed to consider and report on—
  - (a) foreign affairs and defence generally, and
  - (b) such matters as may be referred to the committee by—
    - (i) the Minister for Foreign Affairs;
    - (ii) the Minister for Defence, or
    - (iii) resolution of either House of the Parliament.
- (2) That the committee consist of 8 Members of the House of Representatives to be nominated by either the Prime Minister, the Leader of the House or the

- Government Whip, 4 Members of the House of Representatives to be nominated by either the Leader of the Opposition, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition or the Opposition Whip, 2 Members of the House of Representatives to be nominated by either the Leader of the National Party, the Deputy Leader of the National Party or the National Party Whip, 4 Senators to be nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate, and 3 Senators to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate or by any minority group or groups or independent Senator or independent Senators.
- (3) That every nomination of a member of the committee be forthwith notified in writing to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
  - (4) That the members of the committee hold office as a joint committee until the House of Representatives is dissolved or expires by effluxion of time.
  - (5) That the committee elect a Government Member as its chairman.
  - (6) That the chairman of the committee may, from time to time, appoint another member of the committee to be the deputy chairman of the committee, and that the member so appointed act as chairman of the committee at any time when the chairman is not present at a meeting of the committee.
  - (7) That the committee have power to appoint not more than 3 sub-committees consisting of a minimum of 3 of its members and to refer to such a sub-committee any matters which the committee is empowered to consider.
  - (8) That, in addition to the members appointed pursuant to paragraph (7), the chairman and deputy chairman of the committee be ex-officio members of each sub-committee appointed.
  - (9) That the members of a sub-committee elect one of the members of the sub-committee to be the chairman of that sub-committee.
  - (10) That members of the committee who are not members of a sub-committee may take part in the proceedings of that sub-committee but shall not vote or move any motion or be counted for the purpose of a quorum.
  - (11) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to send for and examine persons, papers and records, to move from place to place and to meet and transact business in public or private session and notwithstanding any prorogation of the Parliament.
  - (12) That the committee have leave to report from time to time and that any member of the committee have power to add a protest or dissent to any report.
  - (13) That 7 members of the committee constitute a quorum of the committee and 3 members of a sub-committee constitute a quorum of that sub-committee.
  - (14) That in the event of an equality of voting, the chairman, or the deputy chairman when acting as chairman, have a casting vote.
  - (15) That the committee have power to consider and make use of the minutes of evidence and records of Joint Committees on Foreign Affairs and Defence, appointed in previous Parliaments, relating to any matter on which those committees had not completed consideration.
  - (16) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to authorise publication of any evidence given before it and any document presented to it.
  - (17) That the committee be provided with all necessary staff, facilities and resources and be empowered, with the approval of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to appoint persons with specialist knowledge for the purposes of the committee.
  - (18) That the committee in selecting particular matters for investigation take account of the investigations of other Parliamentary committees and avoid duplication.
  - (19) That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.
  - (20) That a message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of this resolution and requesting that it concur and take action accordingly.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

30 NEW PARLIAMENT HOUSE—PROPOSED JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE: Mr Young (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—

- (1) That a joint standing committee be appointed to act for and represent the Parliament, as the client for the new Parliament House, in all matters concerned with the planning, design and construction of the new Parliament House and all matters incidental thereto.
- (2) That the committee consider and approve the developed design for the building, which, in conjunction with the revised brief for Parliament House, dated August 1980, shall be used as the basis for the design and construction of the new Parliament House, unless both Houses resolve to vary any section of the brief or have any section reconsidered by the committee.
- (3) That the committee determine user requirements for approved non-building items and consider other issues relevant to ensuring that the requirements of Parliament are fully met when transferring to the new building.
- (4) That the committee also consider and report on matters coming within the terms of section 5 of the *Parliament Act 1974* as may be referred to it by—
  - (a) the Minister responsible for administering the *National Capital Development Commission Act 1957*, or
  - (b) resolution of either House of the Parliament.
- (5) That the committee consist of—
  - (a) the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives;
  - (b) the Minister responsible for administering the *Parliament House Construction Authority Act 1979*;
  - (c) 6 Members of the House of Representatives, 3 to be nominated by either the Prime Minister, the Leader of the House or the Government Whip and 3 to be nominated by either the Leader of the Opposition, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition or the Opposition Whip, and
  - (d) 6 Senators, 3 to be nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate, and 3 to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate or by any minority group or groups or independent Senator or independent Senators.
- (6) That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives be joint chairmen of the committee.
- (7) That every nomination of a member of the committee be forthwith notified in writing to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- (8) That the members of the committee hold office as a joint standing committee until the House of Representatives is dissolved or expires by effluxion of time.
- (9) That the committee have power to appoint sub-committees consisting of 3 or more of its members and to appoint the chairman of each sub-committee, and to refer to such a sub-committee any matter that the committee is empowered to inquire into.
- (10) That the committee or a sub-committee so appointed have power to send for persons, papers and records, to move from place to place and to sit during any adjournment of the Parliament.
- (11) That the committee have leave to report from time to time and that any member of the committee have power to add a protest or dissent to any report.
- (12) That 7 members of the committee, one of whom is the President or the Speaker, constitute a quorum of the committee and a majority of the members of a sub-committee constitute a quorum of that sub-committee.
- (13) That in matters of procedure, each of the chairmen whether or not occupying the Chair, have a deliberative vote and, in the event of an equality of voting, the chairman occupying the Chair have a casting vote.

- (14) That in matters other than those of procedure, each of the chairmen, whether or not occupying the Chair, have a deliberative vote only.
- (15) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to consider and make use of the evidence and records of the Joint Standing Committees on the New Parliament House appointed during previous Parliaments.
- (16) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to authorise publication of any evidence given before it or any information obtained in the course of its inquiries or any document presented to it.
- (17) That the committee be authorised to provide, on behalf of the Parliament, all necessary information concerning the functional requirements for the new Parliament House and matters incidental thereto direct to the Parliament House Construction Authority as the authority responsible to Parliament to undertake or arrange for the planning, design and construction of the new Parliament House.
- (18) That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.
- (19) That a message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of this resolution and requesting that it concur and take action accordingly.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

**31 PARLIAMENTARY PRIVILEGE—PROPOSED JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE:** Mr Young (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—

- (1) That a joint select committee be appointed to review, and report whether any changes are desirable in respect of—
  - (a) the law and practice of parliamentary privilege as they affect the Senate and the House of Representatives, and the Members and the committees of each House;
  - (b) the procedures by which cases of alleged breaches of parliamentary privilege may be raised, investigated and determined, and
  - (c) the penalties that may be imposed for breach of parliamentary privilege.
- (2) That the committee consist of 10 members, 3 Members of the House of Representatives to be nominated by the Prime Minister, the Leader of the House or the Government Whip, 2 Members of the House of Representatives to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition or the Opposition Whip, 2 Senators to be nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate, 2 Senators to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate and 1 Senator to be nominated by any minority group or groups or independent Senator or independent Senators.
- (3) That every nomination of a member of the committee be forthwith notified in writing to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- (4) That, in addition to electing a chairman, the committee elect a deputy chairman who shall perform the duties of the chairman of the committee at any time when the chairman is not present at a meeting of the committee, and at anytime when the chairman and deputy chairman are not present at a meeting of the committee the members shall elect another member to perform the duties of the chairman at that meeting.
- (5) That 5 members of the committee constitute a quorum of the committee.
- (6) That the committee have power to send for persons, papers and records, and to move from place to place.
- (7) That the committee have power to consider and make use of the evidence and records of the Joint Select Committee on Parliamentary Privilege appointed during the previous Parliament.

- (8) That the committee have power to authorise publication of any evidence given before it and any document presented to it.
- (9) That the committee have leave to report from time to time.
- (10) That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.
- (11) That a message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of this resolution and requesting that it concur and take action accordingly.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

**32. ELECTORAL REFORM—PROPOSED JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE:** Mr Young (Leader of the House), having amended, by leave, notice No. 16, government business, moved—

- (1) That a joint select committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon all aspects of the conduct of elections for the Parliament of the Commonwealth and matters related thereto, including—
  - (a) public funding and disclosure of funds;
  - (b) franchise and registration of voters;
  - (c) voting systems;
  - (d) polling procedures;
  - (e) legislation governing, and the operation of, the Australian Electoral Office;
  - (f) ballot paper format, and
  - (g) electoral distribution, procedures and systems.
- (2) That the committee consist of 9 members, 3 Members of the House of Representatives to be nominated by either the Prime Minister, the Leader of the House or the Government Whip, 1 Member of the House of Representatives to be nominated by either the Leader of the Opposition, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition or the Opposition Whip, 1 Member of the House of Representatives to be nominated by either the Leader of the National Party, the Deputy Leader of the National Party or the National Party Whip, 2 Senators to be nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate, 1 Senator to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate and 1 Senator to be nominated by any minority group or groups or independent Senator or independent Senators.
- (3) That every nomination of a member of the committee be forthwith notified in writing to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- (4) That the committee elect a Government Member as its chairman.
- (5) That the committee elect a deputy chairman who shall perform the duties of the chairman of the committee at any time when the chairman is not present at a meeting of the committee, and at any time when the chairman and the deputy chairman are not present at a meeting of the committee, the members present shall elect another member to perform the duties of the chairman at that meeting.
- (6) That the committee have power to appoint sub-committees consisting of 3 or more of its members, and to refer to such a sub-committee any matter which the committee is empowered to inquire into.
- (7) That the committee appoint the chairman of each sub-committee who shall have a casting vote only, and at any time when the chairman of a sub-committee is not present at a meeting of the sub-committee, the members of the sub-committee present shall elect another member of that sub-committee to perform the duties of the chairman at that meeting.
- (8) That the quorum of a sub-committee be a majority of the members of that sub-committee.
- (9) That members of the committee, not being members of the sub-committee, may participate at the discretion of the chairman of that sub-committee in the

- proceedings of that sub-committee, but shall not vote, move any motion or be counted for the purpose of a quorum.
- (10) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to send for persons, papers and records.
  - (10A) That the Committee have power to consider and make use of submissions lodged with the Clerk of the Senate in response to public advertisements placed in accordance with the resolution of the Senate of 26 November 1981 relating to a proposed Joint Select Committee on the Electoral System.
  - (11) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to move from place to place.
  - (12) That a sub-committee have power to adjourn from time to time.
  - (13) That the committee, or any sub-committee, have power to authorise publication of any evidence given before it and any document presented to it.
  - (14) That the committee report by 31 August 1983.
  - (15) That the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.
  - (16) That a message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of this resolution and requesting that it concur and take action accordingly.

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

Paragraph (1)—

Omit sub-paragraph (g), substitute the following sub-paragraph:

“(g) electoral distribution and numbers of Members of Parliament, procedures and systems.”

After sub-paragraph (g), add the following sub-paragraph:

“(h) any other matters which are contained in or are affected by the operation of the Commonwealth Electoral Act.”

Omit paragraph (2), substitute the following paragraph:

“(2) That the committee consist of 10 members, 3 Members of the House of Representatives to be nominated by either the Prime Minister, the Leader of the House or the Government Whip, 1 member of the House of Representatives to be nominated by either the Leader of the Opposition, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition or the Opposition Whip, 1 Member of the House of Representatives to be nominated by either the Leader of the National Party, the Deputy Leader of the National Party or the National Party Whip, 2 Senators to be nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate, 1 Senator to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate, 1 Senator to be nominated by the Leader of the National Party in the Senate and 1 Senator to be nominated by any minority group or groups or independent Senator or independent Senators.”

Paragraph (4), at the end of the paragraph add “who shall have both a deliberative and a casting vote”.

Paragraph (14), omit “31 August”, substitute “30 November”.

Debate continued.

Amendments negatived.

Question—That the motion be agreed to—put and passed.

**33 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—SALES TAX BILLS:** Mr Young (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in relation to the proceedings on any Sales Tax Bills, so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent—

- (a) the presentation and the first readings of the Bills together;
- (b) one motion being moved and one question being put in regard to, respectively, the second readings, the committee’s report stage, and the third readings, of all the Bills together, and
- (c) the consideration of all the Bills as a whole together in a committee of the whole.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

34 **WORLD HERITAGE PROPERTIES CONSERVATION BILL 1983:** 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 Connolly who moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “whilst not declining to give the Bill a second reading, the House—

- (1) while recognising the need for adequate protection of areas placed on the World Heritage List, urges the Government to amend the Bill to take account of the need for individual listings to be the subject of a joint request by both the Parliament of the State which has made the application and of the Commonwealth, and
- (2) is concerned that the Government has failed to develop adequate procedures for the provision of fair and reasonable compensation to States, corporations or individuals whose property may be the subject of proclamation under the Act”.

*Photographs:* Mr Milton, by leave, during his speech, presented 5 photographs of earthworks at Warners Landing, Tas., and environs, dated 18 April 1983.

Debate continued.

Debate adjourned (Dr H. R. Edwards), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

35 **ADJOURNMENT:** Mr Cohen (Minister for Home Affairs and Environment) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

*Debate extended:* It being 11 p.m., the debate was interrupted.

Mr Uren (Minister for Territories and Local Government) required the debate to be extended.

The debate continuing until 11.10 p.m., Mr Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at 10 a.m.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr R. J. Brown, Mr Coleman, Mr Hayden, Mr Hodgman, Mr Hurford, Mr Jacobi, Mr Katter, Mr Kerin, Mr Maher, Mr Mildren and Mr Street.

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**D. M. BLAKE**

Clerk of the House of Representatives