

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 47

TUESDAY, 6 DECEMBER 1983

- 1 The House met, at 2 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Dr H. A. Jenkins) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 **MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS:** Mr Hawke (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the respective absences abroad of Mr Bowen (Minister for Trade) and Mr Jones (Minister for Science and Technology), Mr Kerin (Minister for Primary Industry) was acting as Minister for Trade, Mr Dawkins (Minister for Finance) was acting as Leader of the House, Mr Duffy (Minister for Communications) was representing the Attorney-General in this House, Mr P. F. Morris (Minister for Transport) was acting as Minister for Science and Technology and Mr Keating (Treasurer) was representing the Minister for Resources and Energy in this House.
- 3 **DEATHS OF SERVICEMEN IN HELICOPTER CRASH:** Mr Sinclair (Deputy Leader of the National Party of Australia), by leave, moved—That this House—
- (1) extends its deepest sympathy to the families of the 2 servicemen, Leading Seaman Gary Macey and Corporal Jim Campbell, whose lives were tragically lost in the crash of the Wessex helicopter in Bass Strait on 4 December 1983, and
 - (2) commends the crew of the Esso passenger helicopter for its efforts in rescuing 6 of those on board.
- And Mr Scholes (Minister for Defence) having seconded the motion, and all Members present having risen, in silence—
Question—passed.
- 4 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.
- 5 **PAPERS:** The following papers were presented:
- Australian Environment Council—Summary record of proceedings—
14th meeting, Hobart, Tasmania, 2 June 1982.
15th meeting, Alice Springs, Northern Territory, 6 July 1983.
 - Australian War Memorial Act—Australian War Memorial—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1981-82.
 - Broadcasting and Television Act—Australian Broadcasting Commission—51st Annual Report and financial statement, for year 1982-83.
 - Canberra Retail Markets Trust—Report for year 1982-83.
 - Commonwealth Grants Commission Act—Commonwealth Grants Commission—Report on special assistance for the States—50th (1983).
 - Defence Act—Army and Air Force Canteen Service Regulations—Army and Air Force Canteen Service Board—Report and financial statements, together with the auditor's report, for period 26 January 1982 to 31 January 1983.
 - Department of Communications—Report for year 1982-83.

- Department of Health—Report of Director-General of Health for year 1982-83.
 Department of Territories and Local Government—Report for 1982-83.
 Environment Protection (Alligator Rivers Region) Act—5th Annual Report of the Supervising Scientist on the operation of the Act, for year 1982-83.
 Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Act—Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority—7th Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1982-83.
 National conservation strategy for Australia—Living resource conservation for sustainable development—Proposal by conference, dated 23 June 1983, together with statement by Mr Cohen, Minister for Home Affairs and Environment.
 National Library Act—Council of the National Library of Australia—23rd Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1982-83.
 National Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act—Director of Australian National Parks and Wildlife Service—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1982-83, and statement by Mr Cohen, Minister for Home Affairs and Environment.
 Nature Conservation Ministers—Council—12th Meeting, Alice Springs, Northern Territory, 7 July 1983—Summary record of proceedings.
 Special Broadcasting Service—Interim report, for year 1982-83.

6 AUSTRALIA'S SECURITY AND INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES—REPORT OF ROYAL COMMISSION—PUBLICATION OF PAPER—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND PAPER—PAPERS NOTED: Mr Hawke (Prime Minister) presented the following paper:

Australia's security and intelligence agencies—Report of Royal Commission on term of reference (c), dated December 1983.

Mr Dawkins (Acting Leader of the House), by leave, moved—

- (1) That this House, in accordance with the provisions of the *Parliamentary Papers Act 1908*, authorises the publication of the report on term of reference (c) of the Royal Commission on Australia's Security and Intelligence Agencies, and
- (2) That the report be printed.

Question—put and passed.

Mr Hawke, by leave, made a ministerial statement in connection with the report and presented the following paper:

Australia's security and intelligence agencies—Report of Royal Commission—Ministerial statement, 6 December 1983.

Paper: Mr Beazley (Special Minister of State) presented the following paper:

Lobbyists—Proposed registers; guidelines for Ministers—Government decisions.

Mr Young, by leave, made a statement in connection with the report of the Royal Commission.

Mr Dawkins moved—That the House take note of the papers.

Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for speech: Mr Dawkins, by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Peacock (Leader of the Opposition) speaking for a period not exceeding 38 minutes.

Question—put and passed.

Debate ensued.

The debate having been closed by the reply of Mr Dawkins—

Mr Hall, by leave, addressed the House.

Suspension of standing orders—Continuation of debate: Mr Beazley, by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the continuation of the debate.

Question—put and passed.

Debate continued.

Question—That the House take note of the papers—put and passed.

7 NUGAN HAND GROUP—INTERIM REPORT NO. 1 OF ROYAL COMMISSION OF INQUIRY—PUBLICATION OF PAPER—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr Beazley (Special Minister of State) presented the following paper:

Nugan Hand group—Interim Report No. 1 of Royal Commission of Inquiry on Commonwealth terms of reference (e), (f) and (g), dated 13 October 1983.

Mr Dawkins (Acting Leader of the House), by leave, moved—

- (1) That this House, in accordance with the provisions of the *Parliamentary Papers Act 1908*, authorises the publication of Interim Report No. 1 of the Royal Commission of Inquiry into the activities of the Nugan Hand group, and
- (2) That the report be printed.

Question—put and passed.

Mr Beazley, by leave, made a ministerial statement in connection with the report.

Mr Fife, Mr Newman and Mr Hayden (Minister for Foreign Affairs), by leave, also made statements in connection with the report.

8 SPECIAL BROADCASTING SERVICE—PROGRAM COMMISSIONING AND PURCHASING POLICIES—REVIEW AND RESPONSE—PUBLICATION OF PAPERS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr Duffy (Minister for Communications) presented the following papers:

Special Broadcasting Service—Review of program commissioning and purchasing policies—

Report by James Oswin, dated September 1983.

Response to report by Special Broadcasting Service.

Mr Beazley (Minister of Aviation), by leave, moved—That this House, in accordance with the provisions of the *Parliamentary Papers Act 1908*, authorises the publication of the report to the Minister for Communications of the review of the program commissioning and purchasing policies of the Special Broadcasting Service and the response of the Special Broadcasting Service to that report.

Question—put and passed.

Mr Duffy, by leave, made a ministerial statement in connection with the papers.

Mr Lloyd, by leave, also made a statement in connection with the papers.

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

Mr Andrew, Mr Beazley, Mr Blanchard, Dr Blewett, Mr Braithwaite, Mrs Darling, Mr Dobie, Mr Drummond, Dr H. R. Edwards, Ms Fatin, Mr Fife, Mr Gorman, Mr Griffiths, Mr Groom, Mr Hand, Mr Hawker, Mr Hodgman, Mrs Kelly, Mr Keogh, Mr Lusher, Mr Millar, Mr Moore, Mr Porter, Mr Rocher, Mr Saunderson, Mr Sinclair, Dr Theophanous, Mr Tuckey and Mr White—from certain citizens praying that chiropractic services be included in Medicare when it is introduced.

Mr Aldred, Mr Andrew, Mr Braithwaite, Mr Burr, Mr E. C. Cameron, Mr Connolly, Mr Drummond, Mr Hawker, Mr Lloyd, Mr Millar and Mr Porter—from certain elected representatives and officers of local governments praying that the Local Government (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Act be amended to provide a real term minimum guarantee to local government general revenue sharing arrangements.

Mr Aldred, Mr Cohen, Mr Griffiths, Mr Groom, Mr Hand, Mr Howe, Mrs Kelly and Mr Steedman—from certain citizens praying that an adequate general recurrent resource base for government schools be created and a planned program of improvements in government schools throughout the coming decade be ensured.

Mr Cadman, Mr Dobie, Dr H. R. Edwards, Mr Fife, Mrs Kelly, Mr Lusher, Mr P. F. Morris and Mr Snow—from certain parents representing government schools in New South Wales in similar terms to the last preceding petition.

- Mr Charles, Mr Griffiths, Mr Hand, Mr Hawker, Mrs Mayer, Mr Saunderson, Mr Steedman and Mr Willis—from certain residents of Victoria praying that Victorian parent clubs be recognised as education auxiliaries and be exempted from bank account debits tax.
- Mr Beazley, Mr Gorman, Mr Groom, Mrs Kelly, Mr Kent and Mr Snow—from certain citizens praying that the ban on the export of kangaroo products be re-applied.
- Mr Andrew, Dr Blewett, Mr O'Neil, Mr Porter and Mr Wilson—from certain citizens praying that parent clubs in government schools be granted exemption from bank account debits tax.
- Mr Cowan, Mrs Darling, Mr Hodgman and Mr O'Neil—from certain residents of New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania and South Australia, respectively, praying that legislation be enacted to ban the advertising of alcohol from commercial television and radio.
- Mr Groom, Mr Hodgman and Mr Snow—from certain citizens praying that the Sex Discrimination Bill be amended to prevent inconsistencies with the principles of justice and equality and that a conscience vote on the Bill be permitted to all Members of Parliament.
- Mr Hodgman, Mrs Kelly and Mr Ruddock—from certain citizens praying that no further action be taken in respect of territorial or local government in the Australian Capital Territory until the findings of the inquiry into A.C.T. finances have been made public and a further referendum of electors has been held.
- Mr E. C. Cameron and Mr Fife—from certain residents of the Divisions of Indi and Farrer, respectively, praying that biological control of Paterson's Curse be implemented.
- Mrs Darling and Mr Hand—from certain citizens praying that the Sex Discrimination Bill be passed.
- Mr Dobie and Mr Morrison—from certain citizens praying that the nation's total dependence on God the Creator in accordance with the Constitution and the standing orders of the House of Representatives be reaffirmed.
- Mr Fife and Mr Hodgman—from certain citizens praying that reference to God and The Queen in the oath and affirmation of allegiance be retained.
- Mr Blanchard—from certain citizens praying that laws be passed to outlaw discrimination in employment and in the provision of unemployment benefits, based upon race, ethnic origin, marital status and sex.
- Mr Braithwaite—from certain citizens praying that the decision to reorganise the Australian Cadet Corps be reconsidered.
- 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 Darling—from certain citizens praying that the supplementary income allowed to pensioners and unemployed tenants not be taken away in increased housing rents.
- Mr Duffy—from certain citizens praying that the existing non-accounting agency of the Post Office at Bucasia, Qld, be transferred to the Hibiscus Shopping Centre.
- Mr Griffiths—from certain citizens praying that foreign aid be reoriented to eliminate chronic poverty in Australia's region and that both recipient countries and types of aid be chosen systematically, based on the commitment of the recipient government to help the poor.
- Mr Groom—from certain residents of Tasmania praying that the decision not to upgrade Wynyard Airport, Tas., be reversed.
- Mr Groom—from certain citizens praying that the Sex Discrimination Bill be delayed and a joint parliamentary committee be established to examine the Bill and related matters.
- Mr Hodgman—from certain citizens praying that meat export inspection charges be suspended for 3 years.

- Mrs Kelly—from certain citizens praying that the construction of Radford College, A.C.T., proceed and that a basic education grant be provided for all Australian children.
- Mr Kent—from certain citizens praying that the Macedonian language be used in Government multi-lingual publications and be taught in secondary schools and tertiary institutions.
- Mr Kent—from certain citizens praying that the Omega base in Victoria be closed.
- Mr Kent—from certain residents of Victoria praying that the importation of all seal products be halted and the slaughter of harp seals be discontinued.
- Mr Milton—from certain citizens praying that the import of fully built up cars, trucks and agricultural equipment be stopped.
- Mr O'Neil—from certain citizens praying that a thrice weekly each-way train service between Broken Hill and Islington, N.S.W., be introduced, to connect with Adelaide suburban services.
- Mr O'Neil—from certain citizens praying that any restrictions limiting television coverage for Whyalla, Port Augusta and Port Pirie, S.A., be removed.
- Mr O'Neil—from certain citizens praying that the Alice Springs-Darwin railway project be re-addressed in light of the detrimental consequences to the iron triangle cities in terms of the economy, employment prospects, national defence and tourist opportunities.
- Mr Scott—from certain citizens praying that a moratorium on uranium mining and treatment be declared, that certain other action be taken in relation to the mining, processing and export of Australia's uranium and that the Roxby Uranium Mine development be discontinued.
- Mr Scott—from certain residents of South Australia praying that the Parliament require General Motors-Holden to continue its operations at the Woodville Plant, S.A.
- Dr Thephanous—from certain citizens praying that all political parties act to stop the latest increase in taxes and that a referendum on taxes and interest rates be held.

Petitions received.

10 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE: Messages from the Senate were reported—

- (a) returning the following Bills without amendment:
 - 1 December 1983—Message—
 - No. 134—Bank Account Debits Tax Legislation Amendment 1983.
 - No. 135—Taxation Administration Amendment 1983.
- (b) returning the following Bill and acquainting the House that the Senate does not insist upon its amendment disagreed to by the House: 2 December 1983—Message No. 137—Migration Amendment 1983.
- (c) agreeing to the amendment made by the House in the following Bill: 2 December 1983—Message No. 138—Director of Public Prosecutions 1983.

11 PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—URANIUM POLICY:

Mr Deputy Speaker informed the House that Mr Braithwaite had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The urgent need for the Government to reconsider its uranium policy in the light of the massive rejection of the policy by the people of the Northern Territory".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Braithwaite rising to address the House—

Mr Duffy (Minister for Communications) moved—That the business of the day be called on.

Question—put and passed.

12 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS: Mr Punch presented the following report from the Joint Committee of Public Accounts:

214th Report—Finance Minute on Report 181—Canberra Commercial Development Authority.

Mr Punch, Mr Cadman and Mr Connolly, by leave, made statements in connection with the report.

13 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1983: The following message from the Senate was reported:

Message No. 136

Mr Speaker,

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act relating to representation in the Parliament, Parliamentary elections and related matters*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the Amendments indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which Amendments the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

D. McCLELLAND
President

The Senate,
Canberra, 2 December 1983

Ordered—That the amendments be taken into consideration, in committee of the whole House, forthwith.

In the committee

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE

No. 1—Page 33, clause 9, proposed new sub-section 25Z (1), line 38, leave out "(4)", insert "(6)".

No. 2—Page 55, clause 24, proposed new paragraph 39C (1) (d), line 17, leave out "or".

No. 3—Page 55, clause 24, after proposed new paragraph 39C (1) (e), insert the following word and paragraph:

"; or (ea) in a case in which there is no Subdivision for enrolment for which the person can apply in pursuance of paragraph (c), (d) or (e)—the Subdivision with which the person has the closest connection,".

No. 4—Page 56, clause 24, after proposed new sub-section 39C (5), insert the following sub-section:

"(5A) Where an Australian Electoral Officer notifies a person under sub-section (5) of a decision to refuse an application made under sub-section (1), the notice shall include a statement to the effect that a person whose interests are affected by the decision may, subject to the *Administrative Appeals Tribunal Act 1975*, if he is dissatisfied with the decision, make an application to the Administrative Appeals Tribunal for review of the decision."

No. 5—Page 58, clause 28, paragraph (a), line 24, leave out "39B or 39C", insert "39B, 39C or 41A".

No. 6—Page 60, clause 29, proposed sub-section 43 (4), line 15, leave out "shall not be considered", insert "received".

No. 7—Page 60, clause 29, proposed sub-section 43 (4), line 17, after "election", insert "shall not be considered until after the expiration of that period".

No. 8—Page 61, clause 30, after proposed new sub-section 46A (4), insert the following sub-section:

"(4A) Where a Divisional Returning Officer grants or refuses a request made by a person under sub-section (1) or (2), the Divisional Returning Officer shall notify the person in writing of the decision."

No. 9—Page 66, clause 42, after proposed sub-section 58 (2), insert the following new sub-section:

“(2A) Where a Divisional Returning Officer for a Division—

- (a) notifies a person under sub-section 39B (5) that an application made by the person under sub-section 39B (1) has been refused;
- (b) notifies a person under sub-section 46A (4A) that a request made by the person under sub-section 46A (1) or (2) has been refused;
- (c) notifies a person under sub-section 86 (9) that the person is not enrolled for a Division; or
- (d) notifies a person under sub-section 86 (10) that the person is not a prescribed elector within the meaning of section 86,

the person may, before the expiration of the period of 28 days commencing on the day on which he is so notified, request the Divisional Returning Officer, in writing, to refer—

- (e) the application made by the person under sub-section 39B (1);
- (f) the request made by the person under sub-section 46A (1) or (2); or
- (g) the application made by the person under sub-section 86 (2),

as the case may be, to the Australian Electoral Officer for the State that includes that Division for review.”

No. 10—Page 66, clause 42, proposed sub-section 58 (3), line 14, leave out “or (2)”, insert “, (2) or (2A)”.

No. 11—Page 66, clause 42, before proposed paragraph 58 (3) (a), insert the following new paragraph:

“(aa) any relevant application made under sub-section 39B (1);”

No. 12—Page 66, clause 42, after proposed paragraph 58 (3) (b), insert the following new paragraph:

“(ba) any relevant request made under sub-section 46A (1) or (2);”

No. 13—Page 66, clause 42, proposed paragraph 58 (3) (f), line 21, leave out “and”.

No. 14—Page 66, clause 42, after proposed paragraph 58 (3) (f), insert the following new paragraph:

“(fa) any relevant application made under section 86; and”

No. 15—Page 66, clause 42, proposed sub-section 58 (4), line 25, leave out “or objection”, insert “, objection, application or request”.

No. 16—Page 66, clause 42, proposed sub-section 58 (4), line 27, leave out “or objection”, insert “, objection, application or request”.

No. 17—Page 66, clause 42, proposed sub-section 58 (6), line 36, leave out “or (2)”, insert “, (2) or (2A)”.

No. 18—Page 67, clause 42, proposed sub-section 58AA (1), lines 12 to 14, leave out the proposed sub-section, insert the following sub-section:

“58AA. (1) Application may be made to the Administrative Appeals Tribunal for review of—

- (a) a decision made by an Australian Electoral Officer refusing an application made under sub-section 39C (1); or
- (b) a decision made by an Australian Electoral Officer under sub-section 58 (5).”

No. 19—Page 73, clause 42, proposed section 58N, at end of section, add the following new sub-section:

“(3) Where a political party is de-registered under sub-section (1), that party, or a party that has a name that so nearly resembles the name of the de-registered party that it is likely to be confused with or mistaken for that name, is ineligible for registration under this Part until after the general election next following the de-registration.”

No. 20—Page 74, clause 42, after proposed sub-section 58P (2), insert the following new sub-section:

“(3) A Parliamentary party shall not be de-registered under this section.”

No. 21—Page 81, clause 42, proposed paragraph 58Z (4) (c), lines 37 and 38, leave out the proposed paragraph, insert the following paragraph:

“(c) the Commission is satisfied, after making such enquiries as it thinks appropriate of the registered officer of that party or otherwise, that the candidate is so endorsed.”.

No. 22—Page 81, clause 42, proposed section 58Z, at end of section, add the following new sub-section:

“(6) A reference in sub-section (4) to the registered officer of a political party shall be read as including a reference to any person nominated by the registered officer of that party to be a deputy registered officer of that party for the purposes of that sub-section by notice in writing, specifying the name and address of the person and signed by the registered officer, lodged with the Commission, not being a nomination that has been cancelled by notice in writing, signed by the registered officer, lodged with the Commission.”.

No. 23—Page 87, clause 52, proposed paragraph 71 (2) (a), line 19, after “enrolled;”, insert “or”.

No. 24—Page 87, clause 52, proposed paragraph 71 (2) (b), line 22, leave out “enrolled; or”, insert “enrolled.”.

No. 25—Page 87, clause 52, proposed paragraph 71 (2) (c), lines 23 to 28, leave out the proposed paragraph.

No. 26—Page 95, clause 63, paragraph (d), proposed new paragraph 87 (3) (b), lines 14 to 17, leave out the proposed paragraph.

No. 27—Page 95, clause 63, paragraph (d), proposed sub-section 87 (4), line 23, leave out “in writing”.

No. 28—Page 103, clause 80, proposed sub-section 106 (2), line 18, after “orders”, insert “, or any of 3 orders,”.

No. 29—Page 103, clause 80, proposed sub-section 106 (4), line 32, after “2”, insert “or 3”.

No. 30—Page 103, clause 80, proposed sub-section 106 (4), line 33, leave out “may be”, insert “requires”.

No. 31—Page 103, clause 80, proposed sub-section 106 (5), line 37, after “2”, insert “or 3”.

No. 32—Page 105, clause 80, proposed paragraph 106C (2) (c), lines 39 to 41, leave out the proposed paragraph.

No. 33—Page 105, clause 80, proposed paragraph 106C (2) (d), line 42, leave out “where paragraph (c) does not apply—”.

No. 34—Page 106, clause 80, proposed paragraph 106C (2) (e), line 1, leave out “where paragraph (c) applies”, insert “where only the name, or a name, of 1 party is so entered”.

No. 35—Page 106, clause 82, proposed section 107A, line 32, after “2”, insert “or 3”.

No. 36—Page 106, clause 82, at end of proposed section 107A, add the following new sub-section:

“(2) Where there are 2 or more tickets to be displayed in a poster in accordance with sub-section (1), their relative positions on that poster shall be determined by lot.”.

No. 37—Page 126, clause 103, proposed paragraph 133B (1) (b), lines 7 to 13, leave out the proposed paragraph, insert the following paragraph:

“(b) has—

- (i) in a case where there are more than 9 candidates in the election—in not less than 90% of the squares opposite to the names of candidates, numbers in a sequence of consecutive numbers commencing with the number 1 or numbers that with changes to no more than 3 of them would be in such a sequence; or
- (ii) in any other case—in all the squares opposite to the names of candidates or in all those squares except one square that is left blank, numbers in a sequence of consecutive numbers commencing with the number 1 or

numbers that with changes to no more than 2 of them would be in such a sequence; and”.

No. 38—Page 126, clause 103, proposed paragraphs 133B (1) (f) and (g), lines 19 to 27, leave out the proposed paragraphs, insert the following paragraphs:

“(f) where numbers in squares opposite to the names of candidates are in a sequence of consecutive numbers commencing with the number 1—the voter shall be taken to have expressed a preference by the other number, or to have expressed preferences by the other numbers, in that sequence; and

(g) the voter shall not be taken to have expressed any other preference.”.

No. 39—Page 126, clause 103, proposed paragraphs 133B (2) (f) and (g), lines 39 to 43 and page 127, lines 1 to 4, leave out the proposed paragraphs, insert the following paragraphs and sub-section:

“(f) where numbers in squares opposite to the names of candidates are in a sequence of consecutive numbers commencing with the number 1—the voter shall be taken to have expressed a preference by the other number, or to have expressed preferences by the other numbers, in that sequence; and

(g) the voter shall not be taken to have expressed any other preference.

“(3) In considering, for the purposes of sub-section (1) or (2), whether numbers are in a sequence of consecutive numbers, any number that is repeated shall be disregarded.”.

No. 40—Page 127, clause 104, after proposed sub-section 134A (2), insert the following new sub-section:

“(2A) For the purposes of section 135 where—

(a) in a Senate election a ballot-paper has, or ballot-papers have, been marked in accordance with sub-section 123 (1A) by a mark having been placed in a square printed above the names of candidates in a group; and

(b) the candidates in that group have 3 group voting tickets registered for the purposes of that election,

then—

(c) if the number of ballot-papers is a number divisible by 3 without any remainder—one-third of the ballot-papers shall be taken to have been marked in accordance with one of the tickets, one-third of the ballot-papers shall be taken to have been marked in accordance with another one of the tickets and the other one-third in accordance with the other ticket;

(d) if there is only one ballot-paper or the number of ballot-papers is a number divisible by 3 with a remainder of 1—

(i) the ballot-paper or one of the ballot-papers shall be deemed to have been marked in accordance with whichever of the 3 tickets is determined by lot by the Australian Electoral Officer for the relevant State or Territory; and

(ii) one-third of the remainder of the ballot-papers (if any) shall be deemed to have been marked in accordance with one of the tickets, one-third of that remainder shall be deemed to have been marked in accordance with another one of the tickets and the other one-third of that remainder shall be deemed to have been marked in accordance with the other ticket; or

(e) if there are 2 ballot-papers or the number of ballot-papers is a number divisible by 3 with a remainder of 2—

(i) one of the ballot-papers shall be taken to have been marked in accordance with whichever of the 3 tickets is determined by lot by the Australian Electoral Officer for the relevant State or Territory;

(ii) one of the ballot-papers shall be taken to have been marked in accordance with whichever of the other 2 tickets is determined by lot by the Australian Electoral Officer for the relevant State or Territory; and

(iii) one-third of the remainder of the ballot-papers (if any) shall be deemed to have been marked in accordance with one of the tickets, one-third of that remainder shall be deemed to have been marked in accordance with

another one of the tickets and the other one-third of that remainder shall be deemed to have been marked in accordance with the other ticket.”.

No. 41—Page 127, clause 104, proposed sub-section 134A (3), line 36, after “2”, insert “or (2A), as the case requires.”.

No. 42—Page 128, clause 104, proposed paragraph 134A (4) (b), line 1, after “2”, insert “or 3”.

No. 43—Page 128, clause 105, after paragraph (b), insert the following new paragraphs:

“(ba) by omitting from paragraph (1) (d) all the words after ‘ballot-papers’;

(bb) by omitting from paragraph (1) (h) all the words after ‘sub-section’;”.

No. 44—Page 130, clause 105, after proposed sub-section 135 (15), insert the following new sub-section:

“(15A) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, where, on the completion of a transfer of votes under this section, the number of continuing candidates is equal to the number of remaining unfilled vacancies, those candidates shall be elected.”.

No. 45—Page 132, clause 105, proposed sub-section 135 (24), lines 28 to 37, leave out the proposed sub-section.

No. 46—Page 134, clause 109, proposed sub-section 140A (1), lines 23 and 24, leave out “as if in sub-section 135 (6) ‘half’ were inserted before ‘the number of candidates’”, insert:

“as if—

(a) in sub-section 135 (6) ‘half’ were inserted before ‘the number of candidates’; and

(b) the only names of candidates appearing on the ballot-papers were the names of the candidates elected at the election and the numbers indicating preferences had been altered accordingly.”.

No. 47—Page 163, clause 114, after proposed sub-section 161 (2), insert the following new sub-section:

“(2A) A person shall not, during the relevant period in relation to an election under this Act, print, publish or distribute, or cause, permit or authorize to be printed, published or distributed, an advertisement, handbill, pamphlet or notice that contains a representation or purported representation of a ballot-paper for use in that election that is likely to induce an elector to mark his vote otherwise than in accordance with the directions on the ballot-paper.”.

No. 48—Page 163, clause 114, proposed sub-section 161 (3), line 14, leave out “or (2)”, insert “, (2) or (2A)”.

No. 49—Page 180, Schedule 1, proposed Form E, leave out “5” (wherever occurring).

No. 50—Page 180, Schedule 1, proposed Form E, proposed note commencing with “3”, leave out “and candidates grouped together are in different parties”.

No. 51—Page 180, Schedule 1, proposed Form E, leave out proposed note commencing with “5”.

No. 52—Page 180, Schedule 1, proposed Form E, after “one”, insert “, and one only.”.

On the motion of Mr Beazley (Special Minister of State), the amendments were agreed to, after debate.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Rocher reported accordingly.

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

14 MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—TAXATION ADMINISTRATION AMENDMENT BILL 1983: The following message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced:

NINIAN STEPHEN
Governor-General

Message No. 94

In accordance with section fifty-eight of the Constitution the Governor-General returns to the House of Representatives a proposed law intitled—

Taxation Administration Amendment Act 1983 which has been presented to him for The Queen's Assent, and transmits herewith the following amendments that he recommends to be made in the proposed law.

Canberra, 6 December 1983

AMENDMENTS RECOMMENDED

- (1) Clause 3, Page 2, lines 33 and 34, omit "an offence", insert "a prescribed offence".
- (2) Clause 3, Page 3, line 27, omit "an offence", insert "a prescribed offence".

Ordered—That the foregoing message be taken into consideration, in committee of the whole House, forthwith.

In the committee

On the motion of Mr Hurford (Minister Assisting the Treasurer), the amendments recommended by His Excellency the Governor-General were agreed to, after debate. Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Rocher reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr Hurford, the House adopted the report.

15 **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY:** Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 1 to 3, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

16 **REMUNERATION AND ALLOWANCES AMENDMENT 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 Hall 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 is of the opinion that the passage of the Bill would represent an example of the failure of the Government's prices and wages policy".

Debate continued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Dr Jenkins, in the Chair)—

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Mr Baldwin	Mr Dawkins	Mr Johnson	Mr O'Neil
Mr Beazley	Mr Duffy	Mrs Kelly	Mr Punch
Mr Beddall	Mr R. F. Edwards	Mr Kent	Mr Reeves
Mr Bilney	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Saunderson
Mr Blanchard	Ms Fatin	Mr Kerin	Mr Scholes
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Free	Dr Klugman	Mr Scott
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Fry	Mr Lindsay	Mr Simmons
Mr Brumby	Mr Gear	Ms McHugh	Mr Snow
Mr Charles	Mr Griffiths	Mr McLeay	Mr Staples
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Hand	Mr Maher	Mr Steedman
Mrs Child	Mr Hayden	Mrs Mayer	Dr Theophanous
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Holding	Mr Mildren	Mr Uren
Mr Cohen	Mr Hollis	Mr Milton	Mr Wells
Mr Cross	Mr Howe	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr West
Mr Cunningham*	Mr Humphreys*	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Willis
Mrs Darling	Mr Hurford	Mr Morrison	

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Mr Adermann	Mr Dobie	Mr Hunt	Mr Porter
Mr Aldred	Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr Robinson
Mr Andrew	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr Lloyd	Mr Rocher
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Fife	Mr Lusher	Mr Ruddock
Mr Burr	Mr Fisher	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr Cadman	Mr Goodluck	Mr McGauran	Mr Spender
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Groom	Mr McVeigh	Mr Tuckey
Mr E. C. Cameron*	Mr Hall	Mr Macphee	Mr White
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hawker	Mr Millar	Mr Wilson
Mr Carlton	Mr Hicks*	Mr Moore	
Mr Connolly	Mr Hodgman	Mr Newman	
Mr Cowan	Mr Howard	Mr O'Keefe	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Adjournment negated: It being past 10.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Mr Beazley (Special Minister of State) requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—

Question—put and negated.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 95, dated 1 December 1983, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Beazley, the Bill was read a third time.

17 **ADJOURNMENT:** Mr Beazley (Minister for Aviation) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 10.59 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 10.30 a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 6 December 1983:

Air Force Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1983, No. 284.

Apple and Pear Levy Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1983, No. 287.

Apple and Pear Levy Collection Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1983, No. 288.

Commonwealth Electoral Act and Referendum (Constitution Alteration) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1983, No. 274.

Commonwealth Employees (Redeployment and Retirement) Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1983, No. 296.

Copyright Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1983, No. 293.

Defence Act—

Determinations—1983—

No. 26—Bounty payable to Members of the Emergency Reserve.

No. 27—Uniform Maintenance Allowance.

No. 28—Special Action Forces and other allowances.

Regulations—Statutory Rules—1983, Nos. 281, 289.

Defence Amendment Act—Interim Determinations—Statutory Rules 1983, Nos. 290, 291.

Dried Vine Fruits Equalization Levy Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1983, No. 294.

Family Law Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1983, No. 280.

Health Insurance Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1983, No. 285.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for telecommunications services purposes, Walcha, N.S.W.

National Health Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1983, No. 292.

Naval Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1983, Nos. 282, 283.

Overseas Students Charge Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1983, No. 286.

Proclamation by His Excellency the Governor-General fixing 5 December 1983 as the date on which section 3, sub-section 4 (2) and sections 6, 20, 21 and 30 of the *Ombudsman Amendment Act 1983* shall come into operation.

Public Service Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1983, No. 295.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinance—1983—No. 57—City Area Leases (Amendment) (No. 2).

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Bowen, Mr Campbell, Mr Gayler, Mr Jones and Mr Street.

D. M. BLAKE
Clerk of the House of Representatives