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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 67

WEDNESDAY, 2 MAY 1984

- 1 The House met, at 10 a.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 Cowan, Mr Dobie, Dr H. R. Edwards, Mr Maher and Mr Peacock—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 Cadman, Mr Drummond, Mr Maher and Mr Rocher—from certain citizens praying that chiropractic services be included in Medicare when it is introduced.
 - Mrs Darling, Mr Humphreys and Mr Moore—from certain residents of Queensland praying that no action be taken to change the national flag.
 - Mr Brumby and Mr Carlton—from certain citizens praying that the ban on the export of kangaroo products be re-applied.
 - Mr Carlton and Dr Everingham—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.
 - Mrs Darling and Mr Maher—from certain residents of Queensland and New South Wales, respectively, praying that legislation be enacted to ban the advertising of alcohol from commercial television and radio.
 - Mr Braithwaite—from certain citizens praying that reference to God as it is presently worded in the oath of allegiance be neither removed nor deleted.
 - Mr J. J. Brown—from certain citizens praying for the prohibition of pornographic material involving children.
 - Mr Burr—from certain citizens praying that the Standing Committee on Environment and Conservation bring down an interim report on aircraft noise at Launceston as a matter of urgency.
 - 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, NSW, be rejected.
 - Mr E. C. Cameron—from certain residents of the Division of Indi praying that biological control of Paterson's Curse be implemented.
 - Mrs Darling—from certain citizens praying that action be taken to avoid discrimination against Queenslanders, in terms of hospital bed charges.
 - Mrs Darling—from certain citizens praying that when the redeveloped Brisbane airport becomes operative, no jet aircraft use the crosswind runway and the curfew be maintained from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.

- Mr Drummond—from certain electors of the Division of Forrest praying that reference to God and The Queen in the oath and affirmation of allegiance be retained.
- Mr Fry—from certain residents of Canberra praying that provision be made in financial year 1984-85 for the building of the second stage of the community health centre for North Canberra to include general practitioner services.
- Mr Goodluck—from certain citizens praying that certain action be taken with respect to the classification and restriction of films, video tapes and printed material.
- Mr Groom—from certain citizens praying that regulations amending the Customs (Prohibited Imports) Regulations and Customs (Cinematograph Films) Regulations and the ordinance superseding the ACT Objectionable Publications Ordinance be disallowed and certain other action be taken in relation to censorship matters.
- Mr Maher—from certain electors of the Division of Lowe praying that there be no access to Concord Repatriation Hospital from Currawang Street, Concord West, NSW.
- Mr Mildren—from certain electors of the Division of Ballarat praying that the Indonesian Government be approached to give assurances which will allow the International Committee of the Red Cross to undertake humanitarian work throughout the whole of East Timor.
- Mr Peacock—from certain citizens praying that religious and human rights persecution in the Soviet Union be condemned.
- 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 ACT finances have been made public and a further referendum of electors has been held.

Petitions received.

- 3 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE: Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without requests:
 - 1 May 1984—Message—
 - No. 204—Apple and Pear Levy Amendment 1984.
 - No. 205—Dried Fruits Levy Amendment 1984.
- 4 AUSTRALIAN CITIZENSHIP 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—And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Hodgman, viz.—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 condemns the Government for:
 - (1) its shameful and disgraceful action in seeking to remove Her Majesty The Queen from the oath of allegiance and the affirmation of allegiance, against the wishes of the overwhelming majority of Australians, and without having first put such an important amendment to the people of Australia in a referendum;
 - (2) its deliberate devaluation of the importance of the honour of Australian citizenship, and
 - (3) its overall failure to consult properly with the people of Australia before bringing into this Parliament such radical republican legislative proposals"—

Debate resumed.

Mr Coleman addressing the House—

- It being 12.45 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with sessional order 101A, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.
- 5 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.

6 PAPER: The following paper was presented:

Family Law Act—Family Law (Institute of Family Studies) Regulations—Institute of Family Studies—3rd Annual Report, for year 1982-83.

7 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—STATE OF THE ECONOMY: Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr Howard (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The Government's attempts to mislead the Australian people on the real state of the Australian economy in order to serve its goal of an early election".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Howard addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

- 8 POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS: Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 2 to 4 and notices Nos. 1 to 3, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
- 9 STATES (TAX SHARING AND HEALTH GRANTS) AMENDMENT BILL 1984: Mr Hurford (Acting Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the States (Tax Sharing and Health Grants) Act 1981.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

10 LOAN (INCOME EQUALIZATION DEPOSITS) AMENDMENT BILL 1984: Mr Hurford (Acting Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Loan (Income Equalization Deposits) Act 1976 and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

11 INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT AMENDMENT (INCOME EQUALIZATION DEPOSITS) BILL 1984: Mr Hurford (Acting Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to make certain amendments of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936* consequent upon the enactment of the *Loan (Income Equalization Deposits) Amendment Act 1984*.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hurford 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.

12 COMMONWEALTH BANKS AMENDMENT BILL 1984: Mr Hurford (Acting Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Commonwealth Banks Act 1959 and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hurford 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.

13 TAXATION (UNPAID COMPANY TAX) ASSESSMENT AMENDMENT BILL 1983 [NO. 4]:

Mr Hurford (Acting Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Taxation
(Unpaid Company Tax) Assessment Act 1982 and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hurford 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.

14 DIVIDEND RECOUPMENT TAX BILL 1983 [NO. 2]: Mr Hurford (Acting Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to impose a tax in respect of certain unpaid income tax. Bill read a first time.

Mr Hurford 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.

15 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—SUBMARINE WARFARE SYSTEMS CENTRE, HMAS WATSON, SOUTH HEAD, NSW: Mr Hurford (Minister for Housing and Construction), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for consideration and report: Construction of a Submarine Warfare Systems Centre, HMAS Watson, South Head, NSW.

Mr Hurford presented plans in connection with the proposed work. Question—put and passed.

16 AUDIT AMENDMENT BILL 1984: Mr Dawkins (Minister for Finance), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Audit Act 1901.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Dawkins 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.

17 COMMONWEALTH SCHOOLS COMMISSION ADMENDMENT BILL 1984: Mr Dawkins (Minister representing the Minister for Education and Youth Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to repeal the Curriculum Development Centre Act 1975, to amend the Commonwealth Schools Commission Act 1973 to provide for the establishment of a Curriculum Development Council and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Dawkins 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.

18 CUSTOMS TARIFF (STAND-BY DUTIES) BILL 1984: Mr J. J. Brown (Minister Assisting the Minister for Industry and Commerce) presented a Bill for an Act to provide for an increase in duties of Customs in respect of certain oils in certain circumstances.

Bill read a first time.

Mr J. J. Brown 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.

19 LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS (GRANTS) AMENDMENT BILL 1984: Mr J. J. Brown (Minister Assisting the Minister for Industry and Commerce), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Liquefied Petroleum Gas (Grants) Act 1980. Bill read a first time.

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

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

20 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PERSONAL INCOME TAX SHARING) AMENDMENT BILL 1984: Mr Uren (Minister for Territories and Local Government), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Local Government (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Act 1976.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 21 PARLIAMENTARY ZONE—CONSTRUCTION OF BUS SHELTERS AND STREET LIGHT AND RELOCATION OF POLICE GUARD BOXES—APPROVAL OF PROPOSALS: Mr Uren (Minister for Territories and Local Government), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with section 5 of the Parliament Act 1974, the House approves the following proposals contained in the report of the Joint Standing Committee on the New Parliament House presented to the House on 1 May 1984, namely: Construction of 2 standard bus shelters and one additional street light in King George Terrace and relocation of the 2 police guard boxes in Queen Victoria Terrace.
 - Ouestion—put and passed.
- 22 AUSTRALIAN CITIZENSHIP 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—And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Hodgman (see entry No. 4)—

Debate resumed.

Ordered—That Mr West (Minister for Immigration and Ethnic Affairs) be granted an extension of time.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put. The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Mildren, in the Chair)—

AYES, 67

Mr Baldwin	Mr Dawkins	Mr Jacobi	Mr Punch
Mr Beazley	Mr Duffy	Mr Jones	Mr Reeves
Mr Beddall	Mr R. F. Edwards	Mrs Kelly	Mr Saunderson
Mr Bilney	Dr Everingham	Mr Kent	Mr Scholes
Mr Blanchard	Ms Fatin	Mr Keogh	Mr Scott
Dr Blewett	Mr Free	Mr Kerin	Mr Simmons
Mr Bowen	Mr Fry	Dr Klugman	Mr Snow
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Gayler	Mr Lindsay	Mr Staples
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Gear	Ms McHugh	Mr Steedman
Mr Brumby	Mr Gorman	Mr McLeay	Dr Theophanous
Mr Campbell	Mr Griffiths	Mrs Mayer	Mr Tickner
Mr Charles	Mr Hand	Mr Milton	Mr Uren
Mrs Child	Mr Havden	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Wells
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Hollis	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr West
Mr Cross	Mr Howe	Mr Morrison	Mr Willis
Mr Cunningham*	Mr Humphreys*	Mr Mountford	Mr Young
Mrs Darling	Mr Hurford	Mr O'Neil	Ü

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

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Clauses 1 to 11, by leave, taken together, and debated. Closure: Mr West moved—That the question be now put. Question—That the question be now put—put and passed. And the question—That clauses 1 to 11 be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed. Clause 12 debated.

Mr Tuckey rising to address the committee—

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

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

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

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

AYES, 67

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

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Mr Adermann	Mr Cowan	Mr Lusher	Mr Rocher
Mr Aldred	Mr Dobie	Mr McArthur	Mr Ruddock
Mr Andrew	Mr Drummond	Mr McGauran	Mr Shipton
Mr Blunt	Mr Fife	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Groom	Mr Macphee	Mr Spender
Mr Cadman	Mr Hall	Mr Millar	Mr Tuckey
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hawker	Mr Moore	Mr White
Mr E. C. Cameron*	Mr Hicks*	Mr Newman	Mr Wilson
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hodgman	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Carlton	Mr Howard	Mr Porter	
Mr Coleman	Mr Lloyd	Mr Robinson	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clauses 13 to 16, by leave, taken together.

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

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

And the question—That clauses 13 to 16 be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed. Clause 17—

On the motion of Mr West, the following amendment was made: Page 16, line 10, after "statement" insert "made by a person for the purposes of sub-section (1), and, in a case where the person has claimed that, if he had not done the act or thing that resulted in his ceasing to be an Australian citizen, he would have suffered hardship or detriment of an economic nature, that the person's circumstances were such as to compel him to do that act or thing".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 18 to 35, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 36—

On the motion of Mr West, the following amendment was made: Page 21, line 17, omit "sub-section 13 (1)", insert "section 13 (other than sub-section 13 (9))".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 37 agreed to.

Clause 38 debated.

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

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

And the question—That the clause be agreed to—being accordingly put— The committee divided (the Deputy Chairman, Mr Mildren, in the Chair)—

AYES, 66

Mr Baldwin	Mr Dawkins	Mr Jacobi	Mr Reeves
Mr Beazley	Mr Duffy	Mrs Kelly	Mr Saunderson
Mr Beddall	Mr R. F. Edwards	Mr Kent	Mr Scholes
Mr Bilney	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Scott
Mr Blanchard	Ms Fatin	Mr Kerin	Mr Simmons
Dr Blewett	Mr Free	Dr Klugman	Mr Snow
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Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Gayler	Ms McHugh	Mr Steedman
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Mr Brumby	Mr Gorman	Mrs Mayer	Mr Tickner
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NOES, 41

Mr Adermann	Mr Cowan	Mr Lusher	Mr Rocher
Mr Aldred	Mr Dobie	Mr McArthur	Mr Ruddock
Mr Andrew	Mr Drummond	Mr McGauran	Mr Shipton
Mr Blunt	Mr Fife	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Groom	Mr Macphee	Mr Spender
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Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hodgman	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Carlton	Mr Howard	Mr Porter	
Mr Coleman	Mr Lloyd	Mr Robinson	

^{*} Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

It being past 7.30 p.m.—Progress to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Mildren reported accordingly.

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

Mr Young (Leader of the House) requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—

Question—put and negatived.

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

In the committee

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

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr Mildren reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr West, by leave, the House adopted the report.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed—Bill read a third time.

23 CHICKEN MEAT RESEARCH AMENDMENT BILL 1984: 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—

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

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

24 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Young (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 8 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 10 a.m.

PAPER: The following paper was deemed to have been presented on 2 May 1984: Public Service Act—Determination—1984—No. 8.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Dr Charlesworth, Mr Connolly, Dr H. R. Edwards, Mr Fisher, Mr Keating and Mr McVeigh.

D. M. BLAKEClerk of the House of Representatives