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### THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 76

## WEDNESDAY, 12 MARCH 1986

- 1 The House met, at 10 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Madam Speaker (the Honourable Joan Child) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 TRADE UNION TRAINING AUTHORITY AMENDMENT BILL 1986: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question— That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Question-put and passed-Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Dr Blewett (Minister for Health), the Bill was read a third time.

3 WOOL INDUSTRY AMENDMENT BILL 1986: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Mr Snow 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.
- 4 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 5 PAPERS: The following papers were presented:
  - Attorney-General's Department—Report for 1984-85, including the report of the Office of Parliamentary Counsel for 1984-85 pursuant to the Parliamentary Counsel Act.
  - Director of Public Prosecutions Act—Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions—Report for 1984-85.
  - Remuneration Tribunals Act—Academic Salaries Tribunal—Inquiry into salaries of Vice-Chancellors and Deputy Vice-Chancellors of Universities and Principals and Deputy Principals of Colleges of Advanced Education—

Report, dated 22 November 1985.

Statement.

6 AUSTRALIAN WINE AND BRANDY CORPORATION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr Kerin (Minister for Primary Industry) presented the following paper:

Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation Act—Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation—4th Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for 1984-85.

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

- Debate adjourned (Mr N. A. Brown—Deputy Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 7 PETITIONS: The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
  - Mr Beale, Mr Hawker and Mr McArthur—from certain citizens praying that the national flag not be changed except by a referendum.
  - Mr Cowan and Mr Hollis—from certain citizens praying that the standard pension be raised to 25% of average weekly earnings and certain other action be taken to assist pensioners and low income earners.
  - Mr Burr—from certain citizens praying that the problems which identification cards are intended to reduce be attacked by other methods.
  - Mr Burr—from certain residents of Tasmania praying that the Australian Bill of Rights Bill lie before the House to allow reasoned debate and that certain other action be taken in regard to the Bill.
  - Mr Dobie—from certain citizens praying that the regulation requiring a licence fee to operate a marine band radio be rescinded.
  - Mr Drummond—from certain citizens praying that the time for payment of sales tax be extended.
  - Mr Free—from certain residents of New South Wales praying that the Western Sydney State University be established in conjunction with the NSW Government.
  - Mr Hawker—from certain citizens praying that the assets test on pensions be repealed.
  - Mr Hawker—from certain citizens praying that the price of petrol be reduced by 3 cents per litre and that certain other action be taken in relation to petrol pricing.
  - Mr Kent—from certain citizens praying that the Government support the stand taken by the New Zealand Government on nuclear vessels and that the policy of developing zones of peace and nuclear free zones in the Indian and Pacific Oceans be implemented.
  - Mr Kent—from certain citizens praying for official recognition of the African National Congress and the South West Africa Peoples Organisation and that certain other financial and humanitarian support be given to the South African and Namibian people.
  - Mr Kent—from certain citizens praying that the decision to close the Enterprise Migrant Hostel, Vic., be reversed.
  - Mr McArthur—from certain citizens praying that the Government uphold the Articles of the UN Convention on Women and request the Victorian Government to repeal the *Planning (Brothels) Act 1984*.
  - Mr Nehl—from certain citizens and certain electors of the Division of Cowper praying that the Australian Bill of Rights Bill and associated bills be rejected, the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission be abolished and ratification of the Covenant on Civil and Political Rights be withdrawn.
  - Mr Robinson—from certain residents of the north coast of New South Wales praying that the ABC radio studio in Grafton be retained and that the Grafton City Council's submission on the second regional radio network be heeded.
  - Mr Saunderson—from certain citizens praying that an office of the South West Africa Peoples Organisation be funded in Australia and certain other action be taken to support the Namibian people.
  - Mr Snow—from certain citizens praying that new initiatives be taken to encourage all member states of the United Nations to conclude a treaty banning all nuclear weapons tests and that certain other action be taken in relation to nuclear weapons tests.
  - Dr Watson—from certain residents of Queensland praying that no action be taken to change the national flag.

Mr White—from certain citizens praying that the commitment to the oil import parity pricing policy be honoured.

Petitions received.

8 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL SERVICES: The House was informed that Mr Porter had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The virtual collapse of Australia's hospital and medical services arising from the failure of the Hawke Government's Medicare scheme".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Porter addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

9 AIR NAVIGATION AMENDMENT BILL 1986: Mr P. F. Morris (Minister for Aviation), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Air Navigation Act 1920.

Bill read a first time.

Mr P. F. Morris moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper: Mr P. F. Morris presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

10 WILDLIFE PROTECTION (REGULATION OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS) AMENDMENT BILL 1986: Mr Cohen (Minister for Arts, Heritage and Environment), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Wildlife Protection (Regulation of Exports and Imports) Act 1982, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper: Mr Cohen presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

ll WOOL INDUSTRY AMENDMENT BILL 1986: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

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

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 121, dated 14 February 1986, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

#### In the committee

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

On the motion of Mr Kerin (Minister for Primary Industry), by leave, the following amendments were made together:

Clause 8, page 4, omit proposed sub-section 14 (4).

Clause 10, page 5, lines 22-25, omit proposed sub-section 21 (4C).

Clause 16, page 23, omit proposed sub-section 70 (5).

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr Mountford reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Kerin, by leave, the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

12 AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE AMENDMENT BILL 1986: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

Mr Young (Special Minister of State) addressing the House—

Adjournment negatived: It being 7.15 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Mr Young requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate— Question—put and negatived.

Mr Young continued his speech.

Question-put and passed-Bill read a second time.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

#### In the committee

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

On the motion of Mr Young, by leave, the following amendments were made together:

Clause 2-

Page 1, line 9, omit "sub-section (2)", substitute "sub-sections (2), (3) and (4)".

Page 2, line 1, omit "Sections 5, 9,", substitute "Section 5, sub-section 9 (1) and sections".

Page 2, at the end of the clause add the following sub-clause:

"(4) Sub-section 9 (2) shall be deemed to have come into operation immediately after the commencement of the Australian Federal Police Amendment Act 1985.".

Clause 3, page 2, omit paragraph (a).

Clause 9, page 5, at the end of the clause add the following sub-clause:

"(2) Section 38F of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from paragraph (2) (b) '38D (2)' and substituting '38D (1)'.".

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr Keogh reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Young, by leave, the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

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

Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until 8 p.m.—Madam Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at 10 a.m.

PAPER: The following paper was deemed to have been presented on 12 March 1986:

Acts Interpretation Act—Statement relating to failure to furnish periodic report within specified period—Human Rights Commission—Report for 1984-85.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Gorman, Mr Millar, Mr O'Neil and Mr White.

A. R. BROWNING
Clerk of the House of Representatives