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# THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 5

# FRIDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 1987

- 1 The House met, at 10 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Madam Speaker (the Honourable Joan Child) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 PAPER: Mr Duncan (Minister representing the Minister for Transport and Communications) presented the following paper:

Coastal surveillance contract—Statement, with annexures, in respect of police advice to the Departments and Ministers for Transport, and Transport and Communications in relation to the suitability of Amann Aviation to hold the Coastwatch contract.

Mr Beale asked leave to move—That the House take note of the paper.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

Suspension of standing orders moved: Mr Beale moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the honourable Member for Deakin moving—That the House take note of the paper.

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

Ouestion—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mrs Child, in the Chair)—

#### AYES, 70

Mr Baldwin	Mr R. F. Edwards	Mr Kent	Mr Price
Mr Beazley	Ms Fatin	Mr Kerin	Mr Punch
Mr Beddall	Mr Fitzgibbon	Мг Кетт	Mr Saunderson
Mr Blanchard	Mr Free	Dr Klugman	Mr Scholes
Mr Brumby	Mr Gayler	Mr Lamb*	Mr Sciacca
Mr Campbell	Mr Gear	Mr Langmore	Mr Scott
Mr Charles	Mr Gorman	Mr Lavarch	Mr Simmons
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Grace	Mr Lee	Mr Snow
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Griffiths	Mr Lindsay	Mr Snowdon
Mr Cleeland	Mrs Harvey	Ms McHugh	Mr Staples
Mr Courtice	Mr Hollis	Mr McLeay	Dr Theophanous
Ms Crawford	Mr Humphreys	Mr Martin	Mr Tickner
Mr Cross	Mr Hurford	Mr Mildren	Mr Uren
Mr Cunningham*	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr Milton	Mr West
Mrs Darling	Mr Jenkins	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr Dawkins	Mr Johns	Mr Mountford	Mr Young
Mr Dubois	Mr Jones	Mr O'Keefe	-
Mr Duncan	Mrs Kelly	Mr O'Neil	

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Mr Aldred	Mr Connolly	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr Andrew*	Mr Dobie	Mr McArthur	Mr Shack
Mr Beale	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr McGauran	Mr Shipton
Mr Blunt	Mr Fife	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr Braithwaite	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr McVeigh	Mr Smith
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr P. S. Fisher	Mr Miles	Mr Spender
Mr Burr	Mr Goodluck	Mr Millar	Mr Tuckey
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hall	Mr Moore	Mr Webster
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Halverson	Mr Peacock	Mr Wilson
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hawker	Mr Porter	Dr Woods
Mr Carlton	Mr Hicks*	Mr Prosser	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Cobb	Mr Juli	Mr Reith	J

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Lloyd (Deputy Leader of the National Party of Australia) (seconder) addressing the House—

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

Question-put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mrs Child, in the Chair)—

# AYES, 73

Mr Baldwin	Mr R. F. Edwards	Mrs Kelly	Mr Price
Mr Beazley	Ms Fatin	Mr Kent	Mr Punch
Mr Beddall	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Kerin	Mr Saunderson
Mr Bilney	Mr Free	Mr Kerr	Mr Scholes
Mr Blanchard	Mr Gayler	Dr Klugman	Mr Sciacca
Mr Brumby	Mr Gear	Mr Lamb*	Mr Scott
Mr Campbell	Mr Gorman	Mr Langmore	Mr Simmons
Mr Charles	Mr Grace	Mr Lavarch	Mr Snow
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Griffiths	Mr Lee	Mr Snowdon
Mr Chynoweth	Mrs Harvey	Mr Lindsay	Mr Staples
Mr Cleeland	Mr Holding	Ms McHugh	Dr Theophanous
Mr Courtice	Mr Hollis	Mr McLeay	Mr Tickner
Ms Crawford	Mr Howe	Mr Martin	Mr Uren
Mr Cross	Mr Humphreys	Mr Mildren	Mr West
Mr Cunningham*	Mr Hurford	Mr Milton	Mr Willis
Mrs Darling	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Young
Mr Dawkins	Mr Jenkins	Mr Mountford	· ·
Mr Dubois	Mr Johns	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Duncan	Mr Jones	Mr O'Neil	

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Mr Aldred Mr Andrew* Mr Beale Mr Blunt Mr Braithwaite Mr N. A. Brown Mr Burr	Mr Connolly Mr Dobie Dr H. R. Edwards Mr Fife Mr T. A. Fischer Mr P. S. Fisher Mr Goodluck	Mr Lloyd Mr McArthur Mr McGauran Mr MacKellar Mr McVeigh Mr Milles Mr Millar	Mr Ruddock Mr Shack Mr Shipton Mr Sinclair Mr Spender Mr Tuckey
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hall	Mr Moore	Mr Webster
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Halverson	Mr Peacock	Mr Wilson
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hawker	Mr Porter	Dr Woods
Mr Carlton	Mr Hicks*	Mr Prosser	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Cobb	Mr Jull	Mr Reith	

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Spender rising to address the House-

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

# The House divided (the Speaker, Mrs Child, in the Chair)—

AYES, 73								
Mr Baldwin	Ms Fatin	Mrs Kelly	Mr Price					
Mr Beddall	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Kent	Mr Punch					
Mr Bilney	Mr Free	Mr Kerin	Mr Saunderson					
Mr Blanchard	Mr Gayler	Mr Kerr	Mr Scholes					
Mr Brumby	Mr Gear	Dr Klugman	Mr Sciacca					
Mr Campbell	Mr Gorman	Mr Lamb*	Mr Scott					
Mr Charles	Mr Grace	Mr Langmore	Mr Simmons					
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Griffiths	Mr Lavarch	Mr Snow					
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Hand	Mr Lee	Mr Snowdon					
Mr Cleeland	Mrs Harvey	Mr Lindsay	Mr Staples					
Mr Courtice	Mr Holding	Ms McHugh	Dr Theophanous					
Ms Crawford	Mr Hollis	Mr McLeay	Mr Tickner					
Mr Cross	Mr Howe	Mr Martin	Mr Uren					
Mr Cunningham*	Mr Humphreys	Mr Mildren	Mr West					
Mrs Darling	Mr Hurford	Mr Milton	Mr Willis					
Mr Dawkins	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Young					
Mr Dubois	Mr Jenkins	Mr Mountford	*					
Mr Duncan	Mr Johns	Mr O'Keefe						
Mr R. F. Edwards	Mr Jones	Mr O'Neil	•					
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Mr Aldred	Mr Connolly	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock					
Mr Andrew*	Mr Dobie	Mr McArthur	Mr Shack					
Mr Beale	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr McGauran	Mr Shipton					
Mr Blunt	Mr Fife	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair					
Mr Braithwaite	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr McVeigh	Mr Smith					
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr P. S. Fisher	Mr Miles	Mr Spender					
Mr Burr	Mr Goodluck	Mr Millar	Mr Tuckey					
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hall	Mr Moore	Mr Webster					
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Halverson	Mr Peacock	Mr Wilson					
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hawker	Mr Porter	Dr Woods					
Mr Carlton	Mr Hicks*	Mr Prosser	Dr Wooldridge					
Mr Cobb	Mr Jull	Mr Reith	J					

#### \* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put— The House divided (the Speaker, Mrs Child, in the Chair)—

. AYES, 47					
Mr Aldred	Mr Connolly	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock		
Mr Andrew*	Mr Dobie	Mr McArthur	Mr Shack		
Mr Beale	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr McGauran	Mr Shipton		
Mr Blunt	Mr Fife'	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair		
Mr Braithwaite	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr McVeigh	Mr Smith		
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr P. S. Fisher	Mr Miles	Mr Spender		
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Mr Beddall	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Kent	Mr Punch
Mr Bilney	Mr Free	Mr Kerin	Mr Saunderson
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Mrs Darling	Mr Hurford	Mr Milton	Mr Willis
Mr Dawkins	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Young
Mr Dubois	Mr Jenkins	Mr Mountford	•
Mr Duncan	Mr Johns	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr R. F. Edwards	Mr Jones	Mr O'Neil	

\* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

3 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS COMMISSION AMENDMENT BILL 1987: Message No. 3, dated 17 September 1987, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Australian National Railways Commission Act 1983'". Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an order of the day for the next sitting.

4 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—DEFENCE HOUSING AUTHORITY BILL 1987:
Message No. 4, dated 17 September 1987, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for "An Act to establish a Defence Housing Authority".

Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an order of the day for the next sitting.

5 AUSTRALIAN HORTICULTURAL CORPORATION BILL 1987: Mr Jones (Minister for Science and Small Business), for Mr Kerin (Minister for Primary Industries and Energy), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to establish an Australian Horticultural Corporation, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

Debate adjourned (Mr Lloyd—Deputy Leader of the National Party of Australia), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

6 HORTICULTURAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BILL 1987: Mr Jones (Minister for Science and Small Business), for Mr Kerin (Minister for Primary Industries and Energy), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to establish a Horticultural Research and Development Corporation, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

7 HORTICULTURAL POLICY COUNCIL BILL 1987: Mr Jones (Minister for Science and Small Business), for Mr Kerin (Minister for Primary Industries and Energy),

pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to establish a Horticultural Policy Council.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

8 HORTICULTURAL LEVY BILL 1987: Mr Jones (Minister for Science and Small Business) presented a Bill for an Act to impose a levy on the production of certain horticultural products.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper. Mr Jones presented an explanatory memorandum to the following Bills: Horticultural Levy 1987.

Horticultural Levy Collection 1987.

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

9 HORTICULTURAL LEVY COLLECTION BILL 1987: Mr Jones (Minister for Science and Small Business) presented a Bill for an Act relating to the collection of the levy imposed by the *Horticultural Levy Act 1987*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

10 HORTICULTURAL EXPORT CHARGE BILL 1987: Mr Jones (Minister for Science and Small Business) presented a Bill for an Act to impose a charge on the export of certain horticultural products.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper: Mr Jones presented an explanatory memorandum to the following Bills:

Horticultural Export Charge 1987.

Horticultural Export Charge Collection 1987.

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

11 HORTICULTURAL EXPORT CHARGE COLLECTION BILL 1987: Mr Jones (Minister for Science and Small Business) presented a Bill for an Act relating to the collection of the charge imposed by the Horticultural Export Charge Act 1987. Bill read a first time.

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

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

12 AUSTRALIAN HORTICULTURAL CORPORATION (TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 1987: Mr Jones (Minister for Science and Small Business) presented a Bill for an Act to enact certain transitional provisions and make certain amendments in consequence of the enactment of the Australian Horticultural Corporation Act 1987, and for other purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

13 DRIED FRUITS EXPORT CHARGES AMENDMENT BILL 1987: Mr Jones (Minister for Science and Small Business) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Dried* Fruits Export Charges Act 1924.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

14 EGG INDUSTRY RESEARCH (HEN QUOTA) LEVY AMENDMENT BILL 1987: Mr Jones (Minister for Science and Small Business) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Egg Industry Research (Hen Quota) Levy Act 1987.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

15 NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION (SAFEGUARDS) (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 1987: Mr Jones (Minister representing the Minister for Industry, Technology and Commerce), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to make amendments of the Patents Act 1952 consequential upon the enactment of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation (Safeguards) Act 1987, and for other purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

16 FISHING LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1987: Mr P. F. Morris (Minister for Resources), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Continental Shelf (Living Natural Resources) Act 1968, the Fisheries Act 1952 and the Torres Strait Fisheries Act 1984, and for related purposes.

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 Miles), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

17 FISHING INDUSTRY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT BILL 1987: Mr P. F. Morris (Minister for Resources), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to make provision with respect to research and development in relation to the Australian fishing industry.

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 Miles), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

18 FISHING INDUSTRY RESEARCH AMENDMENT BILL 1987: Mr P. F. Morris (Minister for Resources), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Fishing Industry Research Act 1969.

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 Miles), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

19 OCCUPATIONAL SUPERANNUATION STANDARDS BILL 1987: Mr Holding (Minister Assisting the Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide operating standards for certain superannuation funds and approved deposit funds, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

20 INSURANCE AND SUPERANNUATION COMMISSIONER BILL 1987: Mr Holding (Minister Assisting the Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to establish an office of Insurance and Superannuation Commissioner, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

21 INSURANCE AND SUPERANNUATION COMMISSIONER (CONSEQUENTIAL PROVISIONS) BILL 1987: Mr Holding (Minister Assisting the Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend certain Acts in consequence of the enactment of the *Insurance and Superannuation Commissioner Act 1987*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

22 PRIMARY INDUSTRY BANK REPEAL BILL 1987: Mr Holding (Minister Assisting the Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to repeal the *Primary Industry Bank Act 1977*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

23 PRIVACY 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.

It being past 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.

24 APPOINTMENT OF MINISTERS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr Hawke (Prime Minister), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House that, following the Royal Assent to the *Ministers of State Amendment Act (No. 2)* 1987, His Excellency the Administrator had appointed:

Senator the Hon. M. C. Tate to be Minister for Justice and to administer the Attorney-General's Department;

The Hon. R. J. Kelly, MP, to be Minister for Defence Science and Personnel and to administer the Department of Defence, and

Senator the Hon. M. R. Reynolds to be Minister for Local Government and to administer the Department of Immigration, Local Government and Ethnic Affairs.

25 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice being asked—

Paper: Mr Holding (Minister for Employment Services and Youth Affairs)

presented the following paper:

Community programs—1987-88 Budget allocations—Copy of letter from Mr Holding, Minister for Employment Services and Youth Affairs, dated 16 September 1987.

Questions without notice continued.

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

Mr Beale, Mr Cadman, Mr D. M. Cameron, Mr E. C. Cameron, Mr Goodluck, Mr Halverson, Mr Hawker, Mr Jull, Mr Kerr, Mr Rocher, Mr Ruddock and Mr Shipton—from certain citizens praying that a referendum on the Australia Card Bill be held before the proposal is resubmitted to Parliament.

Mr Cleeland, Mr Dobie, Mr P. S. Fisher, Mr Halverson, Mr Lloyd and Mr Milton—from certain citizens praying that the pension discounting effect of the Superannuation and Other Benefits Legislation Amendment Act be limited to restore the base level for pension adjustment and certain other action be taken in relation to the Commonwealth occupational superannuation schemes.

Mr Blunt, Mr Cadman, Mr Dobie, Dr H. R. Edwards and Mr T. A. Fischer—from certain citizens praying that the major recommendations of the Senate Select Committee on the Human Embryo Experimentation Bill 1985 be implemented without delay.

Mr Cobb, Mr Dobie, Dr H. R. Edwards, Mr Millar and Mr Webster—from certain citizens; and Mr Cowan—from certain residents of the Division of Lyne praying that the proposal for an identification card be rejected.

Mr Goodluck, Mr Kerr and Mr Millar—from certain citizens; and Mr Blunt and Mr Lloyd—from certain residents of the Divisions of Richmond and Murray, respectively, in similar terms to the last preceding petition.

Mr Andrew, Mr Downer, Mr Millar and Mr Porter—from certain citizens praying that any proposal for a national identification numbering system be rejected.

Mr Beale, Mr P. S. Fisher and Mr Milton—from certain citizens praying that importation of cobalt 60 and other radioactive substances be banned and regulations permitting irradiation of food in Australia be disallowed.

Mr Prosser, Mr Rocher and Mr Tuckey—from certain citizens praying that the Australia Card Bill be withdrawn and, if reintroduced, be rejected.

Mr Cadman and Mr Rocher—from certain citizens praying that the closure of post office agencies be prevented and their services be extended.

Mr Cadman and Mr Ruddock—from certain citizens praying that the Department of Veterans' Affairs remain a separate department.

Mr D. M. Cameron and Mr O'Neil—from certain citizens praying that all action to close Telecom business offices cease immediately.

Mr Fife and Mr Tuckey—from certain citizens praying that certain action be taken within the Australian Taxation Office and other departments to counter tax evasion and fraudulent practices.

Mr Goodluck and Mr Kerr—from certain citizens praying that any legislation designed to impose a national identification system be opposed.

Mr Goodluck—from certain citizens in similar terms to the last preceding petition.

Mr Kerr and Mr Tickner—from certain citizens praying that effective action be taken against the promotion of tobacco.

Dr Blewett—from certain citizens praying that items covering the treatment of sun-damaged skin and warts by specialists be reinstated on the medical benefits schedule.

Mr Blunt—from certain residents of the Division of Richmond praying that the Industrial Relations Bill be rejected.

Mr Blunt—from certain residents of the Division of Richmond praying that prescription drugs continue to be provided to pensioners without fee.

Mr N. A. Brown—from certain citizens praying that any act which would desecrate the Australian War Memorial be prevented.

Mr Cobb—from certain citizens praying that the problems which identification cards are intended to reduce be attacked by other methods.

Mr Dobie—from certain citizens praying that the Kurnell peninsula, NSW, be rezoned.

Mr Katter—from certain citizens praying that the listing of north Queensland wet tropical rainforests on the World Heritage List be prevented.

Mr Lloyd—from certain residents of the Division of Murray praying that the Health Insurance Act and the National Health Act be amended to restore the rebates which were withdrawn following changes to Medicare benefits on 1 August 1987.

Mr Nehl—from certain citizens praying that legislation for any type of national identity system be abandoned.

Mr Rocher—from certain citizens praying that the importation and possession of child pornography be made a criminal offence and certain other action be taken in relation to pornography in the ACT.

Mr Rocher—from certain citizens praying that the fringe benefits tax legislation be repealed.

Mr Smith—from certain citizens praying that the planned introduction of the Australia Card not proceed.

Petitions received.

- 27 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—NEW PARLIAMENT HOUSE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE: A message from the Senate was reported concurring in the resolution of the House relating to the appointment of a Joint Standing Committee on the New Parliament House, and agreeing that the provisions of the resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders—18 September 1987—Message No. 5.
- 28 MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR—ASSENT TO BILLS: A message from His Excellency the Administrator was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:

18 September 1987—Message No. 4—

Ministers of State Amendment (No. 2) 1987.

Administrative Arrangements 1987.

29 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—COASTAL SURVEILLANCE CONTRACT: The House was informed that Mr Beale had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The handling by the Minister for Land Transport and Infrastructure Support of the Amann Aviation coastal surveillance contract".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support-

Mr Beale addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

30 PRIVACY 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 Blunt addressing the House-

31	ADJOURNMENT:	Ιt	being	3.45	p.m.—The	question	was	proposed—That	the	House
	do now adjour	'n.	_							

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 3.45 p.m., adjourned until Monday next at 2 p.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 18 September 1987:

Defence Act—Defence Force Remuneration Tribunal—Determination—1987—No. 7.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act-

Betting (Totalizator Agency) Ordinance—Determination of percentage for purposes of subsection 28 (1), dated 13 September 1987.

Determinations—Listing fees and/or charges for purposes of the following ordinances—

Dated 9 September 1987-

Adoption of Children.

Agents.

Architects.

Building.

Building and Services.

Cemeteries.

City Area Leases.

Co-operative Societies.

Credit.

Hawkers.

Lakes.

Machinery.

Motor Omnibus Services.

Motor Traffic.

Nature Conservation.

Plumbers, Drainers and Gasfitters Board.

Pounds.

Racecourses.

Real Property.

Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages.

Sale of Motor Vehicles.

Stock.

Surveyors.

Unit Titles.

Water Pollution.

Water Rates.

Weights and Measures.

Housing Assistance, dated 8 September 1987.

Scaffolding and Lifts, dated 16 September 1987.

Sewerage Rates, dated 24 August 1987.

Water Rates, dated 24 August 1987.

Rates and Land Tax Ordinance—Declarations (2), dated 24 August 1987.

Taxation (Administration) Ordinance—Stamp Duties (Conveyances)

Determination (No. 2), dated 9 September 1987.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Adermann, Mr Bowen, Mr J. J. Brown, Mr. R. J. Brown, Mr Cohen, Mr Downer, Mr Duffy, Mr Hayden, Mr Hunt, Mr Katter, Mr Keating, Mr Macphee, Mr A. A. Morris, Mr Nehl, Mr Robinson, Mr Rocher, Mrs Sullivan and Mr Wright.

A. R. BROWNING
Clerk of the House of Representatives