

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 102

THURSDAY, 2 MARCH 1989

1 The House met, at 10 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Madam Speaker (the Honourable Joan Child) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 **PETITIONS:** The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation as follows:

Mr Adermann, Mr Beazley, Mr Bilney, Dr Blewett, Mr N. A. Brown, Mr D. M. Cameron, Mr Carlton, Mr Charles, Mr Cohen, Ms Crawford, Mr Downer, Dr H. R. Edwards, Ms Fatin, Mr P. S. Fisher, Dr Hewson, Mr Johns, Mr Jones, Mr Jull, Mr Langmore, Mr Lloyd, Mr Moore, Mr Mountford, Mr Porter, Mr Reith, Mr Sawford, Mr L. J. Scott, Mr Spender, Mrs Sullivan, Mr White and Dr Woods, from 80, 26, 25, 621, 189, 35, 9, 163, 173, 45, 107, 78, 53, 88, 201, 24, 54, 28, 27, 53, 217, 74, 27, 127, 27, 53, 135, 27, 47 and 27 petitioners, respectively, praying that the decision to place certain pharmaceutical drugs on the "Authority only" listing be abandoned.

Dr Blewett and Mr Nehl, from 9 and 572 petitioners, respectively, in similar terms.

Mr Aldred, Mr Beale, Mr N. A. Brown, Mr Cunningham, Mr P. S. Fisher, Mr Griffiths, Mr Hand, Mr Hawker, Mr Holding, Mr Lamb, Mr Lloyd, Mr McGauran, Mr Macphee, Mr Mildren, Mr Milton, Mr Peacock, Mr Reith, Mr Scholes and Mr Shipton, from 20, 11, 32, 13, 31, 42, 33, 51, 32, 28, 35, 44, 40, 44, 30, 65, 27, 41 and 47 petitioners, respectively, praying that the national flag not be changed except by a referendum.

Mr Beale, Mr Dubois, Mr Griffiths, Mr Jones, Mr Kerr, Mr Shack, Mr Smith and Mr Wilson, from 20, 37, 16, 45, 96, 5200, 40 and 8 petitioners, respectively, praying that the importation and availability of pornography in videos, films and television be banned and certain other action be taken in relation to pornography.

Mr Beddall, Mr Johns, Mr Lloyd, Mr Nehl and Mr Webster, from 4, 72, 12, 12 and 24 petitioners, respectively, praying that an International Earth Repair Action Decade begin on 5 June 1990.

Mr Baldwin, Mrs Kelly and Dr Woods, from 11, 39 and 50 petitioners, respectively, praying that Parliament do all that is within its power and influence to halt immediately the cultural genocide occurring in Romania.

Mr Duffy, Mr Howard and Mr Smith, from 91, 104 and 702 petitioners, respectively, praying that X-rated video material and its R-rated equivalent be refused classification for the purposes of Commonwealth laws.

Dr Blewett and Dr Hewson, from 54 and 54 petitioners, respectively, praying that the decision to place certain drugs on the "Authorities Required" list be reversed.

- Mr Porter and Mr Reith, from 80 electors of the Division of Barker and 14 residents of the Division of Flinders, respectively, praying that the incidence of crime and violence broadcast on television be reduced.
- Mr Milton and Mr J. L. Scott, from 40 and 8 petitioners, respectively, praying that importation of cobalt 60 and other radioactive substances be banned and regulations permitting irradiation of food in Australia be disallowed.
- Mr Beale, from 22 petitioners, praying that legislation banning X-rated videos be passed.
- Mr Beazley, from 32 petitioners, praying that section 13 of the Customs (Cinematograph Films) Regulations be retained and certain other action be taken in relation to censorship.
- Mr Beddall, from 20 petitioners, praying that the implementation of the *Disability Services Act 1986* be halted until 1 July 1989 and certain other action be taken in relation to eligible services.
- Dr Blewett, from 82 petitioners, praying that the proposal to increase aircraft activity at the Parafield Airport, Salisbury, SA, be rejected.
- Dr Blewett, from 59 petitioners, praying that the decision to place the anti-epileptic medication "Epilim" on the "Authority only" listing be rescinded.
- Dr Blewett, from 51 petitioners, praying that entry into Australia by homosexuals under the family reunion program be forbidden.
- Dr Blewett, from 21 petitioners, praying that the introduction of food irradiation into Australia be blocked and certain other action be taken in relation to the irradiation of food.
- Mr D. M. Cameron, from 75 petitioners, praying that there be no further public release of confidential medical information.
- Mr Cohen, from 9 petitioners, praying that pension loss be phased in gradually after the permissible earnings ceiling has been reached.
- Mr Cohen, from 9 petitioners, praying that CPI increases be paid to Social Security and Service Pension beneficiaries immediately they are announced or back-dated to that date.
- Mr Downer, from 72 petitioners, praying that the Coromandel Valley post office agency, SA, be retained.
- Mr Downer, from 200 petitioners, praying that the post office agency on Baker Street, Callington, SA, be kept operating on full services for a minimum of 2 years.
- Mr Hand, from 119 petitioners, praying that mining and mineral exploration in the Kakadu conservation zone be halted and certain other action be taken in relation to Kakadu National Park.
- Mr Hawker, from 86 residents of the Division of Wannon, praying that the incidence of crime and violence broadcast on television be reduced and tighter controls on the sale and classification of videos introduced.
- Mr Hicks, from 103 petitioners, praying that adequate funding of the Lillian Brady Village Nursing Home, Cobar, NSW, be restored.
- Mr Howe, from 18 petitioners, praying that the last line in each chorus of the National Song be altered from "Advance Australia Fair" to "God bless Australia Fair".
- Mr Jull, from 50 petitioners, praying that it be recognised that there are different childbirth procedures and a system for different re-imburement of fees be provided by Medicare.
- Mr Kerr, from 62 petitioners, praying that the importation of any radioactive substances or machinery for the purposes of food irradiation be banned and certain other action be taken in relation to food irradiation.
- Mr Langmore, from 135 residents of the Australian Capital Territory, praying that the horse track over Mount Majura be left open.
- Mr Lloyd, from 103 petitioners, praying that the ABC reinstate parliamentary broadcasts for country people.

- Mr Lloyd, from 10 petitioners, praying that legislation which would reduce pension entitlements and access to fringe benefits not apply retrospectively to certain forms of investment.
- Mr Lloyd, from 296 petitioners, praying that plans to deregulate the grain industry be opposed unless approved by a majority of growers.
- Mr McArthur, from 86 petitioners, praying that the sale of pornographic and violent videos, books and toys of violence be banned in the ACT.
- Mr Mildren, from 63 petitioners, praying that due consideration be given to increasing the amount of funds available to local government authorities for roadworks.
- Mr Mildren, from 15 petitioners, praying that all advertising of alcohol on radio and television be banned.
- Mr Miles, from 20 petitioners, praying that the conclusion of a treaty between Aboriginal and other Australians or any proposal which divides rather than unites Australia be opposed.
- Mr Mountford, from 277 petitioners, praying that an employment alternative for persons receiving the services supplied by Sheltered Workshops and Activity Therapy Centres but not able to be employed in open industry be specified and incorporated in the *Disability Services Act 1986*.
- Mr Nehl, from 1143 petitioners, praying that any restructuring of Australia Post's operation not result in any reduction of postal services to customers.
- Mr Nehl, from 75 petitioners, praying that Telecom's proposal to time-charge local calls be rejected.
- Mr Nehl, from 20 petitioners, praying that amendments to ACT legislation and customs regulations which permit the distribution of pornographic material be reversed.
- Mr O'Neil, from 373 residents of Eyre Peninsula, SA, praying that amendments be made to fiscal policies to bring about an immediate reduction of interest rates.
- Mr Sawford, from 23 petitioners, praying that the introduction of the graduate tax be rejected.
- Mr J. L. Scott, from 13 petitioners, praying that the establishment of the public interest functions of the Australian Government Analytical Laboratories be given high priority and certain other action be taken in relation to food analysis.
- Mr J. L. Scott, from 9 petitioners, praying that Australia withdraw from the Asian Regional Co-operative Project on Food Irradiation and from the International Consultative Group on Food Irradiation and certain other action be taken in relation to food irradiation.
- Mr Shack, from 277 petitioners, praying that funds be allocated to allow the Community Youth Support Scheme, Kalamunda, WA, to continue operating at its present level.
- Mrs Sullivan, from 38 petitioners, praying that laws be passed banning X-rated videos.
- Mr Tuckey, from 22 petitioners, praying that any proposal to absorb road funds into general revenue assistance to local or State governments be opposed and certain other action be taken in relation to road funding.
- Mr Tuckey, from 2 petitioners, praying that the House take note of the sentiments expressed in a petition opposing the Australia Card Bill which was not in conformity with the standing orders of the House.
- Mr Tuckey, from 1021 petitioners, praying that legislation be passed to enable a constitutional change to allow voters' referenda to initiate or veto legislation.
- Dr Woods, from 253 residents of Drummoyne, NSW, praying that new flight arrangements at Sydney (Kingsford-Smith) Airport be restricted to the Botany Bay runways and certain other action be taken in relation to these flight restrictions.

Dr Woods, from 33 petitioners, praying that the creation of embryos for the specific purpose of life destroying research be banned.

Petitions received.

3 FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS: Mr Martin (Chairman) presented the following report and related papers:

Finance and Public Administration—Standing Committee—Going for Gold: Inquiry into sports funding and administration—

First report, dated March 1989.

Evidence received by the committee.

Minutes of proceedings.

Ordered—That the report be printed.

Mr Martin, Mr McArthur and Dr Charlesworth made statements in connection with the report.

4 DEMOCRACY IN THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY: Mr Langmore, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House supports the introduction of democracy to the ACT.

Debate ensued.

The time allotted for the debate having expired, the debate was interrupted and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting Thursday.

5 NATIONAL ENERGY POLICY: Mr Smith, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House:

- (1) recognises the need for Australia to develop urgently a national energy policy;
- (2) acknowledges the significant and vital contribution to the national wealth provided by our energy based industries such as oil, coal, uranium, gas and hydrogeneration; and
- (3) notes the complacency of the Government in not providing a taxation regime and other policies to foster the best development, exploration and utilisation of Australia's energy assets for the greater community welfare and accepts an urgency to address the situation.

Debate ensued.

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

6 ROAD FUNDING: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr McGauran—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges the critical importance of Australia's road network to the well-being of rural communities and to the economic performance of export orientated industries;
- (2) recognises that a deterioration of this national infrastructure is highly wasteful in both human and economic terms; and
- (3) accepts the need to address urgently the many issues surrounding road funding by the 3 tiers of government—

Debate resumed.

Mr Cowan addressing the House—

It being 12.30 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with sessional order 104A, the resumption of the debate was made an order of the day for the next sitting Thursday, and Mr Cowan was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

7 GRIEVANCE DEBATE: Pursuant to the provisions of sessional order 106, the order of the day having been read—

Question proposed—That grievances be noted.

Debate ensued.

It being 1.45 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with sessional order 106.

Question—That grievances be noted—put and passed.

8 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS: Members' statements were made.

9 AUSTRALIAN FLAG—BURNING IN FORECOURT—STATEMENT BY MADAM SPEAKER: Madam Speaker made a statement in response to a question asked in the House yesterday by Mr Cobb concerning the burning of an Australian flag in the Forecourt of Parliament House on 28 February 1989.

10 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.

11 PAPERS: The following papers were presented:

Aboriginal deaths in custody—Royal Commission—Reports—

Interim report (Commonwealth, New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, Western Australia, South Australia, Tasmania and Northern Territory).

Inquiry into the death of—

Charles Sydney Michael.

Edwards James Murray.

John Clarence Highfold.

Kingsley Richard Dixon.

Advance to the Minister for Finance—

Statements for November and December 1988 and January 1989.

Supporting explanations of issues from the Advance during November and December 1988 and January 1989.

Anglo-Australian Telescope Agreement Act—Anglo-Australian Telescope Board—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report, for 1987-88.

Australian Capital Territory Schools Authority—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report and freedom of information statement, for 1987-88.

Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation Act—Safety Review Committee—Report for period 27 April 1987 to 30 June 1988.

Australian Security Intelligence Organization Act—Security Appeals Tribunal—Report for 1987-88.

Australian Water Resources Council—Minutes of 30th meeting, Brisbane, 26-27 July 1988.

Canberra Public Cemeteries Trust—Report for 1987-88.

Canberra Retail Markets Trust—Report for 1987-88.

Central Land Council—Report for 1987-88.

Commonwealth Electoral Act—Australian Electoral Commission—Report, including freedom of information statement, for 1987-88.

Equal Employment Opportunity (Commonwealth Authorities) Act—Qantas—Equal employment opportunity—Report for 1987-88.

Family Law Act—Family Law Council—Report for 1987-88.

Foreign Investment Review Board—Report for 1987-88.

Law Reform Commission Act—Law Reform Commission—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report and freedom of information statement, for 1987-88.

Northern Land Council—Report for 1987-88.

Tiwi Land Council—9th Report, for 1987-88.

12 ABORIGINAL DEATHS IN CUSTODY—ROYAL COMMISSION—INTERIM REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following paper:

Aboriginal deaths in custody—Royal Commission—Interim report (Commonwealth, New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, Western Australia, South Australia, Tasmania and Northern Territory).

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

- 13 **ABORIGINAL DEATHS IN CUSTODY—ROYAL COMMISSION—REPORT OF INQUIRY INTO DEATH OF C. S. MICHAEL—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following paper:

Aboriginal deaths in custody—Royal Commission—Report of inquiry into death of Charles Sydney Michael.

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

- 14 **ABORIGINAL DEATHS IN CUSTODY—ROYAL COMMISSION—REPORT OF INQUIRY INTO DEATH OF E. J. MURRAY—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following paper:

Aboriginal deaths in custody—Royal Commission—Report of inquiry into death of Edward James Murray.

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

- 15 **ABORIGINAL DEATHS IN CUSTODY—ROYAL COMMISSION—REPORT OF INQUIRY INTO DEATH OF J. C. HIGHFOLD—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following paper:

Aboriginal deaths in custody—Royal Commission—Report of inquiry into death of John Clarence Highfold.

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

- 16 **ABORIGINAL DEATHS IN CUSTODY—ROYAL COMMISSION—REPORT OF INQUIRY INTO DEATH OF K. R. DIXON—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following paper:

Aboriginal deaths in custody—Royal Commission—Report of inquiry into death of Kingsley Richard Dixon.

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

- 17 **NORTHERN LAND COUNCIL—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following paper:

Northern Land Council—Report for 1987-88.

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

- 18 **CENTRAL LAND COUNCIL—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following paper:

Central Land Council—Report for 1987-88.

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

- 19 **PRIME MINISTER—VISIT TO THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA, THAILAND, PAKISTAN AND INDIA—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—PAPER NOTED:** Mr Hawke (Prime Minister), by leave, made a ministerial statement concerning his recent visit to the Republic of Korea, Thailand, Pakistan and India, and presented the following paper:

Prime Minister—Visit to the Republic of Korea, Thailand, Pakistan and India—Ministerial statement, 2 March 1989.

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

Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for speech: Mr Beazley, by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Leader of the Opposition speaking for a period not exceeding 26 minutes.

Question—put and passed.

Debate ensued on the question—That the House take note of the paper.

Question—put and passed.

- 20 **DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—HOUSING SUMMIT:** The House was informed that Mr Downer had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The inability of the Housing Summit to solve the real problems being experienced by young home buyers”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Downer addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

- 21 **SELECTION COMMITTEE—REPORT:** Mr McLeay (Chairman) presented the report of the Selection Committee relating to the program of business prior to 12.30 p.m. on Thursday, 9 March 1989.

- 22 **NEW PARLIAMENT HOUSE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REFERENCE:** Mr Holding (Minister for the Arts and Territories), pursuant to notice, moved—That the following proposed work within the Parliamentary zone be referred to the Joint Standing Committee on the New Parliament House for consideration and report:

The construction of lighting throughout the zone and landscape development of the southern foreshore of Lake Burley Griffin.

Question—put and passed.

- 23 **EXPORT INSPECTION (QUANTITY CHARGE) AMENDMENT BILL 1989:** Mr P. F. Morris (Minister for Industrial Relations) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Export Inspection (Quantity Charge) Act 1985*.

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 (Dr Hewson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 24 **MINISTERS OF STATE AMENDMENT BILL 1989:** Mr West (Minister for Administrative Services), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend section 5 of the *Ministers of State Act 1952*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

- 25 **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION (EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR WOMEN) AMENDMENT BILL 1989:** Mr P. F. Morris (Minister for Industrial Relations), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Affirmative Action (Equal Employment Opportunity for Women) Act 1986*.

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

- 26 **GENERAL INSURANCE SUPERVISORY LEVY BILL 1989:** Mr P. F. Morris (Minister Assisting the Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to impose a levy on bodies that are required to lodge accounts under the *Insurance Act 1973*.
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 (Dr Hewson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 27 **LIFE INSURANCE SUPERVISORY LEVY BILL 1989:** Mr P. F. Morris (Minister Assisting the Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to impose a levy on companies that are required to lodge accounts under the *Life Insurance Act 1945*.
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 (Dr Hewson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 28 **INSURANCE SUPERVISORY LEVIES COLLECTION BILL 1989:** Mr P. F. Morris (Minister Assisting the Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to make provision for the collection of the levy imposed by the *General Insurance Supervisory Levy Act 1989* and the *Life Insurance Supervisory Levy Act 1989*, 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 (Dr Hewson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 29 **INSURANCE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1989:** Mr P. F. Morris (Minister Assisting the Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to insurance.
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 (Dr Hewson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 30 **STUDENT ASSISTANCE AMENDMENT BILL 1989:** Mr Duncan (Minister for Employment and Education Services), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Student Assistance Act 1973*.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Duncan moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Paper: Mr Duncan presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.
Debate adjourned (Dr Hewson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 31 **AUDIT AMENDMENT BILL 1989:** Mr Duncan (Minister for Employment and Education Services), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Audit Act 1901*.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Duncan moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Paper: Mr Duncan presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.
Debate adjourned (Dr Hewson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 32 **GENEVA CONVENTIONS AMENDMENT BILL 1989:** Mr Duncan (Minister for Employment and Education Services), for Mr Bowen (Attorney-General),

pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Geneva Conventions Act 1957*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

33 **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY:** Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 2 and 3, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

34 **TRANSPORT LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1988:** 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 Mr R. J. Brown (Minister for Land Transport and Shipping Support), the Bill was read a third time.

35 **AGED OR DISABLED PERSONS HOMES AMENDMENT BILL 1988:** 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 Braithwaite who moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “whilst not declining to give the Bill a second reading, the House:

- (1) notes the concerns of service-providers in adhering to the changed arrangements, at the lack of funding, and at the lack of flexibility in the arrangements which are diminishing the quality of care to our aged; and
- (2) expresses its concern at the diminishing morale of the providers of services to the aged because of various Government initiatives, particularly the commissioning of the report *I'm Still an Individual*”.

Debate continued.

Mr Pratt addressing the House—

36 **ADJOURNMENT:** It being 10.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate resumed.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 10.59 p.m., adjourned until Monday next at 2 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Bowen, Mr Duffy, Mr R. F. Edwards, Mr A. A. Morris, Mr Robinson, Mr Snowdon and Mr Uren.

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Clerk of the House of Representatives