

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 134

WEDNESDAY, 30 AUGUST 1989

1 The House met, at 10 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Leo McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS—ROUTINE OF BUSINESS FOR 31 AUGUST 1989:** Mr Beazley (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the ordinary routine of business on Thursday, 31 August 1989, being as follows:

1. Presentation of petitions.
2. Presentation and consideration of reports from parliamentary committees and delegations.
3. Private Members' business (commencing no later than 11 a.m., debate concluding no later than 12.20 p.m.).
4. Questions without notice (at 2.30 p.m.).
5. Presentation of papers.
6. Ministerial statements, by leave.
7. Matter of public importance.
8. Notices and orders of the day.

Question—put and passed.

3 **APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 1989-90—BUDGET DEBATE:** 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 Lamb 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 **AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORTS—PUBLICATION OF PAPERS AND REFERENCE TO COMMITTEES:** Mr Speaker presented the following papers:

Audit Act—Auditor-General—Audit reports—1989-90—

No. 2—Department of Veterans' Affairs.

No. 3—Industry, Technology and Commerce portfolio.

No. 4—Department of Employment, Education and Training: Aboriginal Student Assistance Schemes.

No. 5—Department of Employment, Education and Training: Jobstart.

Mr Beazley (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That:

- (1) this House, in accordance with the provisions of the *Parliamentary Papers Act 1908*, authorises the publication of audit reports Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the Auditor-General for 1989-90;
- (2) the reports be printed;
- (3) audit report No. 4 of 1989-90—Department of Employment, Education and Training: Aboriginal Student Assistance Schemes be referred to the Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs; and
- (4) audit report No. 5 of 1989-90—Department of Employment, Education and Training: Jobstart be referred to the Standing Committee on Employment, Education and Training.

Question—put and passed.

6 COMMUNITY AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON QUALITY OF SERVICE PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SECURITY—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—PAPER AND MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr Howe (Minister for Social Security) presented the following paper:

Community Affairs—Standing Committee—Fairness, courtesy and efficiency?—
Report on the quality of service provided by the Department of Social Security—Government response—

and, by leave, made a ministerial statement in connection with the Government response.

Mr Connolly, by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.

7 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—AUSTRALIAN TRANSPORT SYSTEM: The House was informed that Mr Jull had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The havoc wreaked upon the Australian economy by the Prime Minister’s confrontationist mismanagement of the Australian transport system”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Jull addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

8 GOAT FIBRE LEVY BILL 1989: Mr Kerin (Minister for Primary Industries and Energy) presented a Bill for an Act to impose a levy on goat fibre produced in Australia.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

Goat Fibre Levy 1989.

Goat Fibre Levy Collection 1989.

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

9 GOAT FIBRE LEVY COLLECTION BILL 1989: Mr Kerin (Minister for Primary Industries and Energy) presented a Bill for an Act providing for the collection of levy imposed by the *Goat Fibre Levy Act 1989*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

10 NATIONAL HEALTH AMENDMENT BILL 1989: Mr Staples (Minister for Housing and Aged Care), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *National Health Act 1953*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

11 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 1989-90—BUDGET DEBATE: 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.

Debate adjourned (Mr Lee), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

12 SELECTION COMMITTEE—AMENDED REPORT: Mr Cunningham presented the amended report of the Selection Committee relating to the program of business prior to 12.20 p.m., on Thursday, 31 August 1989, and, by leave, moved—That the report be adopted in lieu of the report presented on 17 August 1989.

Question—put and passed.

13 **APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 1989-90—BUDGET DEBATE:** 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.

14 **ADJOURNMENT:** It being 10.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Paper: Mr Johns, by leave, presented the following paper:
Censorship classifications in Australia, December 1984.
Debate continued.

The House continuing to sit until 11 p.m., Mr Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at 10 a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 30 August 1989:

- Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation Act—Order—1989—L7/89—
Prohibition on Export of Sheep to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
 - Defence Act—Determinations under section 58B—1989—
No. 103—In Port Allowance and other allowances.
 - No. 116—Revised rates of allowance and other allowances.
 - No. 118—Post Allowance—Tuvalu.
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MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr J. J. Brown, Mr Cowan, Mr Gorman, Dr Klugman, Mr Mountford, Mr Shipton, Mr Uren and Mr White.

A. R. BROWNING
Clerk of the House of Representatives