THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 152

THURSDAY, 23 NOVEMBER 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 **PETITIONS:** The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
 - Mr Beale, Mr Bilney, Mr Brumby, Dr Charlesworth, Mrs Child, Ms Crawford, Mr Cross, Mr Dobie, Mr Downer, Mr Dubois, Mr Duffy, Mr Free, Mr Griffiths, Mr Hall, Mr Halverson, Mr Hand, Mr Hicks, Mr Hollis, Mr Humphreys, Mr Jenkins, Mr Kerin, Mr Lamb, Mr Langmore, Mr Lindsay, Mr Lloyd, Mr Mildren, Mr Milton, Mr O'Keefe, Mr O'Neil, Mr Peacock, Mr Prosser, Mr Reith, Mr Ruddock, Mr Saunderson, Mr Scholes, Mr Sciacca, Mr L. J. Scott, Mr Spender, Dr Theophanous and Mr Wilson, from 219, 92, 30, 184, 25, 28, 198, 9, 71, 19, 383, 236, 43, 179, 52, 182, 204, 20, 39, 223, 66, 34, 35, 399, 13, 81, 47, 189, 60, 26, 92, 28, 137, 6, 122, 60, 173, 168, 82 and 39 petitioners, respectively, praying that policies be implemented to increase Australian aid, fight poverty, protect the environment and promote human rights.
 - Mr Anderson, Mr Beale, Mrs Child, Mrs Darling, Mr Dobie, Mr Dubois, Mr T. A. Fischer, Mr Fitzgibbon, Mrs Harvey, Mr Lindsay, Mr P. F. Morris, Mr Mountford, Mr Peacock, Mr Ruddock, Mr Saunderson, Mr Sciacca and Mr Webster, from 72, 14, 161, 42, 24, 66, 86, 19, 224, 26, 25, 21, 16, 211, 18, 34 and 101 petitioners, respectively, praying that funding of abortions through Medicare cease and certain other action be taken to protect the right to life of the unborn.
 - Mr Langmore, from 301 petitioners, in similar terms.
 - Mr Anderson, Mr Blunt, Mr Cowan, Ms Crawford, Mr Howard, Mr Johns, Mr Katter, Mr Lamb, Mrs Sullivan and Dr Woods, from 15, 20, 200, 137, 60, 58, 55, 40, 207 and 120 petitioners, respectively, praying that steps be taken to maintain both high quality health care for the community and equity for community pharmacists.
 - Mr N. A. Brown, Mrs Child, Mr Cunningham, Mr Griffiths, Mr Hand, Mr Hawker, Mr O'Keefe, Mr Peacock and Mr Reith, from 68, 729, 508, 342, 241, 884, 42, 620 and 70 petitioners, respectively, praying that the Abortion Funding Abolition Bill be supported.
 - Mr Baldwin, Mr Beale, Ms Crawford, Mr Downer, Mr Hawker, Mr Ruddock and Mr Webster, from 12, 12, 12, 48, 11, 26 and 12 petitioners, respectively, praying that an International Earth Repair Action Decade begin on 5 June 1990.
 - Mr Anderson, Mr Webster, Mr West and Dr Woods, from 24, 70, 73 and 3303 petitioners, respectively, praying that the restructuring of the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme be reconsidered.
 - Mr T. A Fischer, from 100 petitioners, in similar terms.

Mr Andrew and Dr Woods, from 120 and 122 petitioners, respectively, praying that certain action be taken to ensure the viability of community pharmacists. Mr Downer, from 54 petitioners, in similar terms.

- Mr Cunningham and Mrs Kelly, from 92 and 112 petitioners, respectively, 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 Dubois and Mr Hawker, from 16 016 and 50 petitioners, respectively, praying that action be taken to phase out the consumption, production and export of chlorofluorocarbons and halons.
- Mr Grace and Mr Sharp, from 27 and 9940 petitioners, respectively, praying that the allocation to roads from fuel excise revenue be increased by 10 cents per litre from existing taxes and continue at that level for the next decade with adjustments for changes in fuel prices.
- Mr O'Keefe and Mr Sciacca, from 314 and 27 petitioners, respectively, praying that certain action be taken to oppose penal code reforms in El Salvador.
- Mr Ruddock and Dr Woods, from 251 and 9 petitioners, respectively, praying that the recent decision of the Pharmaceutical Benefits Remuneration Tribunal be set aside.
- Mrs Sullivan and Mr Webster, from 444 and 288 petitioners, respectively, praying that Government funding of abortion be abolished.
- Mr Anderson, from 11 petitioners, praying that the importation of X-rated video material be banned and certain other action taken in relation to its circulation and availability.
- Mr Andrew, from 61 electors of the Division of Wakefield, praying that due consideration be given to increasing the amount of funds available to local government authorities for roadworks.
- Mr Andrew, from 14 petitioners, praying that the necessary legislative action be taken to promote conservation and protect the environment.
- Mr Beale, from 185 petitioners, praying that proposed legislation which would require companies to assess their taxable income within 15 days of the end of a financial year not be passed.
- Mr Beale, from 2 petitioners, praying that the decision to place certain pharmaceutical drugs on the "Authority only" listing be abandoned.
- Mr Blanchard, from 230 petitioners, praying that action be taken to ensure the production of disposable nappies which are biodegradable and free of dioxin.
- Mr Blanchard, from 5 petitioners, praying that support for the capital gains tax be maintained.
- Mr Blunt, from 145 petitioners, praying that the moratorium on mining of the Antarctic continent be extended and certain other action be taken in relation to environmental protection of the Antarctic.
- Mr Blunt, from 111 petitioners, praying that woodchipping be phased out and certain other action be taken in relation to the forests of south eastern Australia.
- Mr Campbell, from 29 petitioners, praying that the ABC telecast the World Cup soccer to all areas not receiving SBS and that certain other action be taken with respect to telecasting events of national importance.
- Dr Charlesworth, from 45 petitioners, praying that the Shark Bay region, WA, be declared a national park and nominated for World Heritage listing.
- Mr Chynoweth, from 255 residents of Frankston, Vic., praying for additional funding for out of school hours child care in Frankston and throughout Australia.
- Mr Cohen, from 11 petitioners, praying that the aged pension be increased to 30 per cent of average weekly earnings and certain other action be taken in relation to pensions.

- Mr Downer, from 70 petitioners, praying that action be taken to reduce the current high levels of taxation and interest rates.
- Mr T. A. Fischer, from 533 petitioners, praying that an equitable financial remuneration be granted to pharmacists for dispensing prescriptions under the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme.
- Mr Halverson, from 374 petitioners, praying for the implementation of a breast cancer screening and education program which is covered by Medicare and accessible to all Australian women.
- Mr Hawker, from 130 petitioners, praying that the funding of road works be given higher priority and certain other action be taken in relation to upgrading Australia's road network.
- Mr Hawker, from 8 petitioners, praying that the new schools policy be abolished.
- Mr Howard, from 33 petitioners, praying that certain action be taken to facilitate the immediate release by South Korean authorities of Dr Kim Jin-Yeop.
- Mr Kerr, from Mr F. James, praying that legislation be enacted to enable the present system of government to be challenged at the next federal election.
- Mr Lamb, from 336 petitioners, praying that the major recommendations of the Senate Select Committee on the Human Embryo Experimentation Bill 1985 be implemented without delay.
- Mr Langmore, from 272 petitioners, praying that the USSR Government be called upon to declare the Ribbentrop-Molotov Pact invalid and to undertake certain other action in relation to the effects of the Pact.
- Mr Miles, from 2 petitioners, 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 Prosser, from 10 petitioners, praying that legislation be passed to enable a constitutional change to allow voters' referenda to initiate or veto legislation.
- Mr Reith, from 10 petitioners, praying that the recommendations in the majority report of the Joint Select Committee on Electoral Matters concerning advertising by political parties on radio and television be rejected.
- Mr Saunderson, from 2375 petitioners, praying that deregulation of television content be opposed.
- Mr Saunderson, from 17 petitioners, praying that the national flag not be changed except by a referendum.
- Mr Sinclair, from 191 petitioners, praying that the proportion of funds allocated to roads from fuel excise be increased and certain other action taken to improve the road system.
- Mr Smith, from 659 residents of Tasmania, praying that the portion of mortgage repayments for interest exceeding 13.5 per cent be tax deductible for first home buyers.
- Mrs Sullivan, from 17 electors of the Division of Moncrieff, praying that a Medicare facility in the Runaway Bay and Helensvale districts, Qld, be established as soon as possible.
- Dr Theophanous, from 99 petitioners, praying that action to reverse rising cost trends be taken and positive incentives provided to encourage all health funds tc share the cost of health care for the sick and elderly.
- Mr Wilson, from 182 petitioners, praying that action be taken to include the study of Portuguese language and culture at all levels of education in South Australia and the Northern Territory.
- Dr Woods, from 1125 petitioners, praying that the provision of an adequately funded pharmaceutical benefits scheme which ensures availability of pharmaceutical benefits through local pharmacies be guaranteed.
- Dr Woods, from 97 petitioners, praying that the Abortion Funding Abolition Bill be debated and voted upon during the current sittings of the House.

- Dr Woods, from 96 petitioners, praying that efforts to cut expenditure on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme by reducing pharmacists' remuneration be reconsidered.
- Dr Woods, from 46 residents of Newtown, NSW, praying that proposed cuts in funding of pharmaceutical benefits be rejected and a family chemist service maintained.

Dr Woods, from 26 petitioners, praying that the Privacy Amendment Bill be rejected.

Petitions received.

3 ENVIRONMENT, RECREATION AND THE ARTS—STANDING COMMITTEE— REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS: Mr Milton (Chairman) presented the following report:

Environment, Recreation and the Arts-Standing Committee-The effectiveness of land degradation policies and programs-Report, dated November 1989. Ordered-That the report be printed.

Mr Milton, Mr Webster, Mr Chynoweth and Mr Dobie made statements in connection with the report.

4 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT— STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS: Mr Kent presented the following report and related papers:

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Committee—Third world debt: an Australian view—

Report, including a dissenting report, dated November 1989.

Evidence received by the committee.

Minutes of proceedings.

Ordered—That the report be printed.

Mr Kent, Mr MacKellar, Mr Langmore and Dr H. R. Edwards made statements in connection with the report.

5 AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS: Mr Carlton presented the following paper:

Australian Parliamentary Delegation to Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia and Hungary, June-July 1989-Report-

and made a statement in connection with the report.

Mr R. F. Edwards also made a statement in connection with the report.

6 AUSTRALIAN WAR MEMORIAL AMENDMENT BILL 1989: Mr Shipton, pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Australian War Memorial Act 1980.

Mr Shipton made a statement in relation to the Bill.

Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an order of the day for the next sitting Thursday, in accordance with sessional order 104A.

7 UNESCO: Mr Hollis, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House:

- (1) recognises the contribution of Unesco to education, science, culture and communication since its formation in 1946;
- (2) applauds the Director-General's attempts to bring about reform in the organisation; and
- (3) reaffirms Australia's commitment to Unesco.

Debate ensued.

The time allotted for the debate having expired, the debate was interrupted, the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting Thursday, and Mr Shipton was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

- 8 WORLD WAR I PERSONNEL RECORDS: Mr Scholes, pursuant to notice, moved— That this House:
 - notes that the Central Army Records Office undertook and completed a project of recording on microfiche the personnel records of all persons who served in the Australian Army during World War I;
 - (2) notes that no such program has been completed in respect of those who served in the Royal Australian Navy; and
 - (3) requests that a grant of funds be made available to enable the proper recording of these records.

Debate ensued.

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

- 9 INTELLECTUALLY DISABLED PERSONS: Mr Tickner, pursuant to notice, moved— That this l-louse:
 - (1) notes with approval the substantial improvements in levels of public awarer.ess and increased government support for people with intellectual disabilities and their families; and
 - (2) in view of the need for continuous reforms, calls for a renewed commitment by governments and the community to intellectually disabled people and their families.

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.

- 10 SMALL BUSINESS: Mr Downer, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House calls for Government initiatives to revitalise Australian small business. 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.
- 11 MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY: Mr Hawker, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House:
 - (1) notes that Australia's sole remaining tractor manufacturer, Waltanna Tractors, of Hamilton, Vic., has to pay more in import duties on those components it cannot obtain locally than is paid on a similar fully imported tractor;
 - (2) notes that the Industries Assistance Commission advised the Government more than 12 months ago to address this injustice;
 - (3) deplores the Government's callous disregard of this injustice of which it has been aware for over two years; and
 - (4) condemns the Government's practice of criticising the Australian manufacturing industry for lack of performance while at the same time penalising it for trying.
 - It being 12.30 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with sessional order 104A and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting Thursday.
- 12 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.

Papers: Mr Aldred, by leave, presented the following papers:

Australian Yugoslav Welfare Society—Springvale group financial records—Letter headed "To whom it may concern" from Mr S. Stojkov, President, Springvale group.

Statutory declaration by Mr T. Bosnjak, dated 20 November 1989. Debate continued.

Papers: Mr Lee, by leave, presented the following papers:

Investments made by Mr and Mrs A. Gardiner in a private investment scheme of Dr J. A. Page—Copies of documents (27).

Debate continued.

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

Question-That grievances be noted-put and passed.

- 13 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS: Members' statements were made.
- 14 DEATH OF PRESIDENT OF LEBANON (MR RENÉ MUAWAD): Mr Hawke (Prime Minister), by leave, made a statement in regard to the assassination of Mr René Muawad, President of Lebanon, and to the deaths of other Lebanese people. Mr Hawke expressed sympathy to the late President's widow and family and to the families of those who were killed with him.
 - Mr Peacock (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, supported the remarks of the Prime Minister.
- 15 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 16 MEMBER NAMED AND SUSPENDED: Mr Speaker named the honourable Member for Hotham (Mr Kent) for refusing to withdraw an unparliamentary expression. Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the honourable Member for Hotham be suspended from the service of the House.

Question-put and passed.

The honourable Member was, therefore, suspended at 3.01 p.m. for 24 hours under standing order 305, and he accordingly withdrew from the Chamber.

17 PAPER: Mr Speaker presented the following paper:

Public Service Act—Department of the Parliamentary Reporting Staff—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report, for 1988-89.

18 PRIVILEGE—ALLEGATION AGAINST THE HONOURABLE MEMBER FOR HOTHAM (MR KENT)—REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES: Mr Holding (Minister for the Arts, Tourism and Territories) raised, as a matter of privilege, an allegation made by the honourable Member for Bruce (Mr Aldred) during the grievance debate today concerning the honourable Member for Hotham (Mr Kent).

Mr Speaker stated that the matter could be decided either by him considering the matter and reporting to the House or by a motion being moved that the matter be referred to the Committee of Privileges.

Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the allegation against the honourable Member for Hotham be referred to the Committee of Privileges. Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

- 19 PAPERS: The following papers were presented:
 - Australian Federal Police Act—Australian Federal Police—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report and freedom of information statement, for 1988-89.
 - Australian Manufacturing Council-Report for 1988-89.
 - Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation Act—Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report and freedom of information statement, for 1988-89.
 - Equal Employment Opportunity (Commonwealth Authorities) Act—Equal employment opportunity program—Health Insurance Commission—Report for 1988-89.

- Merit Protection (Australian Government Employees) Act—Merit Protection and Review Agency—
 - Report, including freedom of information statement, for 1987-88.

Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report and freedom of information statement, for 1988-89.

Public Service Act-

Department of Community Services and Health—Report and financial statements, includir g the Auditor-General's Report and freedom of information statement, for 1988-89.

Department of the Treasury-Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report and freedom of information statement, for 1988-89.

Veterans' Entitlements Act-Veterans' Review Board-Report, including freedom of information statement, for 1988-89.

20 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—BALANCE OF PAYMENTS AND INTEREST RATES: The House was informed that Dr Hewson had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The Hawke-Keating Government's failure to achieve any fundamental improvement in the balance of payments and, hence, to bring about a sustainable reduction in interest rates".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support-

Dr Hewson addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

- 21 SELECTION COMMITTEE—REPORT: Mr D. M. Cameron presented the report of the Selection Committee relating to the program of business prior to 12.30 p.m. on Thursday, 30 November 1989.
- 22 COMMONWEALTH OFFICES, ALICE SPRINGS—APPROVAL OF WORK: Mr West (Minister for Administrative Services), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Commonwealth offices, Alice Springs. Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

23 BOUNTY (PHOTOGRAPHIC FILM) BILL 1989: 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 resurt.ed.

Question-That the Bill be now read a second time-put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Rocher, in the Chair)-

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Mr Baldwin	Mr Duncan	Mr Kerr	Mr Sawford
Mr Beazley	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Lamb*	Mr Scholes
Mr Beddall	Mr Free	Mr Langmore	Mr Sciacca
Mr Bilney	Mr Gayler	Mr Lavarch	Mr J. L. Scott
Mr Blanchard	Mr Gear	Mr Lee	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr Bowen	Mr Gorman	Mr Lindsay	Mr Simmons
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Grace	Ms McHugh	Mr Snow
Mr Brumby	Mr Griffiths	Mr Martin	Mr Snowdon
Mr Campbell	Mr Hand	Mr Mildren	Mr Staples
Dr Charlesworth	Mrs Harvey	Mr Milton	Dr Theophanous
Mrs Child	Mr Holding	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Tickner
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Hollis	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Uren
Mr Cleeland	Mr Howe	Mr Mountford	Mr West
Mr Courtice	Mr Humphreys	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Willis
Ms Crawford	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr O'Neil	Mr Wright
Mr Cross	Mr Jenkins	Mr Price	-
Mr Cunningham*	Mr Johns	Mr Punch	
Mr Dubois	Mrs Kelly	Mr Saunderson	

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Mr Adermann	Mr Connolly	Mr Juli	Mr Ruddog
Mr Aldred	Mr Cowan	Mr Llovd	Mr Shack
Mr Anderson	Mr Dobie	Mr McArthur	Mr Sharp
Mr Beale	Mr Downer	Mr McGauran	Mr Shipton
Mr Blunt	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Fife	Mr Macphee	Mr Smith
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Miles	Mrs Sulliva
Mr Burr	Mr Goodluck	Mr Millar	Mr Webster
Mr Cadman	Mr Hall	Mr Nehl	Mr Wilson
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Halverson	Mr Porter	Dr Woods
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hawker*	Mr Prosser	Dr Wooldri
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Mr Reith	
Mr Cobb	Mr Howard	Mr Robinson	
	* Tel	lers	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative-Bill read a second time.

- Limitation of debate: The time allotted for the remaining stages of the Bill having expired-
- Question-That the remaining stages of the Bill be agreed to-put and passed-Bill read a third time.
- 24 GRAIN LEGUMES LEVY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1989: 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.

Mr Simmons (Minister for Defence Science and Personnel) moved-That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

- 25 HANSARD—ACCURACY OF TRANSCRIPT—STATEMENT BY MR SPEAKER: Mr Speaker made a statement on a matter raised in the House earlier today by Mr Fife concerning the accuracy of the Hansard record of a speech made in the House yesterday by the Prime Minister.
- 26 INCOME TAX (INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS) AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1989: 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 P. F. Morris (Minister Assisting the Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

27 MARINE NAVIGATION LEVY BILL 1989: 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.

Mr R. J. Brown (Minister for Land Transport and Shipping Support) moved---That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

28 MARINE NAVIGATION LEVY COLLECTION BILL 1989: 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-

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.

- 29 AUSTRALIAN HERITAGE COMMISSION AMENDMENT BILL 1989: 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 Smith 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) is of the opinion that the Australian Heritage Commission should:
 - (a) be restructured so as to include representatives of the States and Territories;
 - (b) develop mechanisms to allow it to consider and evaluate the economic impact of its decisions to enter places on the Register or Interim List cf the National Estate; and
 - (c) take steps, as a matter of urgency, to clear the backlog of outstanding nominations for the Register; and
 - (2) condemns the Government for its misuse of National Estate Listing for purposes unrelated to genuine heritage issues and for the failure of both the Government and the Commission to ensure adequate public understanding of the differences between National Estate areas and National Parks".

Debate continued.

Amendment negatived.

Question—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

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Mr Smith, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Clause 3, page 2, line 11, omit "(other than Australian Airlines Limited)".

Clause 9, page 6, line 31, omit "7 days", substitute "28 days".

Debate continued.

Amendments negatived.

Bill agreed to.

The House resumed; Mr Mountford reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Holding (Minister for the Arts, Tourism and Territories), the House adopted the report, and the Bill was read a third time.

30 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Holding (Minister for the Arts, Tourism and Territories) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Question-put and passed.

And then the House, at 11.37 p.m., adjourned until Monday next at 2 p.m.

- **PAPERS:** The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 23 November 1989:
 - Defence Act—Defence Force Remuneration Tribunal—Determinations—1989— Nos. 12, 13, 14, 15.

Navigation Act—Navigation (Orders) Regulations—Order—1989—No. 5—Marine, Part 30.

Public Service Act—Determinations—1989—Nos. 118, 150, 151, 154, 157, 158, 159, 161.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act-Variations of plan of layout of City of Canberra and its environs-1989-Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7.

Social Security Act—Determination of guidelines under subsection 19 (4B), dated 11 October 1989.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Charles, Mr Cohen, Mr Duffy, Ms Fatin, Mr P. S. Fisher*, Mr Katter*, Mr Keating, Dr Klugman*, Mr Moore, Mr Pratt, Mr Taylor and Mr Tuckey.

*On leave

A. R. BROWNING Clerk of the House of Representatives

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