

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 153

MONDAY, 27 NOVEMBER 1989

- 1 The House met, at 2 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Leo McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 **MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS:** Mr Hawke (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the absence abroad of Mr Jones (Minister for Science, Customs and Small Business), Senator Button (Minister for Industry, Technology and Commerce) would perform Mr Jones' duties and would be represented in this House by Mr Duffy (Minister for Trade Negotiations).
- 3 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.
- 4 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS—MOTION OF CENSURE OF PRIME MINISTER:** Mr Peacock (Leader of the Opposition) moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Leader of the Opposition moving forthwith—That this House censures the Prime Minister for his arrogant disregard for the impact of his Government's mismanagement on Australian families and businesses struggling under record high interest rates and struggling to cope with the continuing fall-out from the pilots' dispute.
Question—put and passed, with the concurrence of an absolute majority.
- 5 **PRIME MINISTER—MOTION OF CENSURE:** Mr Peacock (Leader of the Opposition) moved—That this House censures the Prime Minister for his arrogant disregard for the impact of his Government's mismanagement on Australian families and businesses struggling under record high interest rates and struggling to cope with the continuing fall-out from the pilots' dispute.
Debate ensued.
Mr Keating (Treasurer) moved, as an amendment—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "this House expresses its concern at the total failure of the Opposition to produce a credible alternative economic strategy, as evidenced by the so-called Economic Action Plan, which would result in a relaxation of fiscal policy, a less effective wages policy, a tighter monetary policy, and no effective mechanism to advance microeconomic reforms, all of which would contribute to a rise in the level of interest rates, massively increase the level of unemployment and smash the economic fabric and structure of this country".
Debate continued.
Closure: Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the question be now put.
Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr R. F. Edwards, in the Chair)—

AYES, 74

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

NOES, 55

Mr Adermann	Mr Cobb	Mr Lloyd	Mr Rocher
Mr Aldred	Mr Connolly	Mr McArthur	Mr Ruddock
Mr Anderson	Mr Cowan	Mr McGauran	Mr Shack
Mr Andrew	Mr Downer	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sharp
Mr Beale	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr Macphee	Mr Shipton
Mr Blunt	Mr Fife	Mr Miles	Mr Sinclair
Mr Braithwaite	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Millar	Mr Smith
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Hall	Mr Nehl	Mr Spender
Mr Burr	Mr Halverson	Mr Peacock	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Cadman	Mr Hawker*	Mr Porter	Mr Tuckey
Mr D. M. Cameron	Dr Hewson	Mr Pratt	Mr Webster
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Mr Prosser	Mr Wilson
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Howard	Mr Reith	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Carlton	Mr Jull	Mr Robinson	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—being accordingly put—

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr R. F. Edwards, in the Chair)—

AYES, 55

Mr Adermann	Mr Cobb	Mr Lloyd	Mr Rocher
Mr Aldred	Mr Connolly	Mr McArthur	Mr Ruddock
Mr Anderson	Mr Cowan	Mr McGauran	Mr Shack
Mr Andrew	Mr Downer	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sharp
Mr Beale	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr Macphee	Mr Shipton
Mr Blunt	Mr Fife	Mr Miles	Mr Sinclair
Mr Braithwaite	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Millar	Mr Smith
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Hall	Mr Nehl	Mr Spender
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Mr Beazley	Mr Dawkins	Mr Johns	Mr Price
Mr Beddall	Mr Dubois	Mr Keating	Mr Punch
Mr Blanchard	Mr Duncan	Mrs Kelly	Mr Saunderson
Dr Blewett	Ms Fatin	Mr Kent	Mr Sawford
Mr Bowen	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Kerr	Mr Scholes
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mr Lamb*	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr Brumby	Mr Gayler	Mr Langmore	Mr Simmons
Mr Campbell	Mr Gear	Mr Lavarch	Mr Snow
Mr Charles	Mr Gorman	Mr Lee	Mr Snowdon
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Grace	Mr Lindsay	Mr Staples
Mrs Child	Mr Griffiths	Ms McHugh	Dr Theophanous
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Hand	Mr Martin	Mr Tickner
Mr Cleeland	Mrs Harvey	Mr Mildren	Mr Uren
Mr Cohen	Mr Hawke	Mr Milton	Mr West
Mr Courtice	Mr Hollis	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Willis
Ms Crawford	Mr Howe	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Wright
Mr Cross	Mr Humphreys	Mr Mountford	
Mr Cunningham*	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr O'Keefe	

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr R. F. Edwards, in the Chair)—

AYES, 75

Mr Baldwin	Mrs Darling	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Beazley	Mr Dawkins	Mr Jenkins	Mr O'Neil
Mr Beddall	Mr Dubois	Mr Johns	Mr Price
Mr Blanchard	Mr Duncan	Mr Keating	Mr Punch
Dr Blewett	Ms Fatin	Mrs Kelly	Mr Saunderson
Mr Bowen	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Kent	Mr Sawford
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mr Kerr	Mr Scholes
Mr Brumby	Mr Gayler	Mr Lamb*	Mr L. J. Scott
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Mr Charles	Mr Gorman	Mr Lavarch	Mr Snow
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Mrs Child	Mr Griffiths	Mr Lindsay	Mr Staples
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Hand	Ms McHugh	Dr Theophanous
Mr Cleeland	Mrs Harvey	Mr Martin	Mr Tickner
Mr Cohen	Mr Hawke	Mr Mildren	Mr Uren
Mr Courtice	Mr Holding	Mr Milton	Mr West
Ms Crawford	Mr Hollis	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr Cross	Mr Howe	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Wright
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Mr Blunt	Mr Fife	Mr Miles	Mr Sinclair
Mr Braithwaite	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Millar	Mr Smith
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Hall	Mr Nehl	Mr Spender
Mr Burr	Mr Halverson	Mr Peacock	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Cadman	Mr Hawker*	Mr Porter	Mr Tuckey
Mr D. M. Cameron	Dr Hewson	Mr Pratt	Mr Webster
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Mr Prosser	Mr Wilson
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Howard	Mr Reith	Dr Woolldridge
Mr Carlton	Mr Jull	Mr Robinson	

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the motion, as amended, be agreed to—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr R. F. Edwards, in the Chair)—

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Mr Beazley	Mr Dawkins	Mr Jenkins	Mr O'Neil
Mr Beddall	Mr Dubois	Mr Johns	Mr Price
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Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mr Kerr	Mr Scholes
Mr Brumby	Mr Gayler	Mr Lamb*	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr Campbell	Mr Gear	Mr Langmore	Mr Simmons
Mr Charles	Mr Gorman	Mr Lavarch	Mr Snow
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Mrs Child	Mr Griffiths	Mr Lindsay	Mr Staples
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Mr Cleeland	Mrs Harvey	Mr Martin	Mr Tickner
Mr Cohen	Mr Hawke	Mr Mildren	Mr Uren
Mr Courtice	Mr Holding	Mr Milton	Mr West
Ms Crawford	Mr Hollis	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr Cross	Mr Howe	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Wright
Mr Cunningham*	Mr Humphreys	Mr Mountford	

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Mr Anderson	Mr Cowan	Mr McGauran	Mr Shack
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Mr Blunt	Mr Fife	Mr Miles	Mr Sinclair
Mr Braithwaite	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Millar	Mr Smith
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Hall	Mr Nehl	Mr Spender
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Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Mr Prosser	Mr Wilson
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Howard	Mr Reith	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Carlton	Mr Jull	Mr Robinson	

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

6 PAPERS: The following papers were presented:

Australian Film, Television and Radio School Act—Australian Film, Television and Radio School—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report, for 1988-89.

Employment, Education and Training Act—National Board of Employment, Education and Training—An issues paper prepared by the Schools Council, including the Board's comments: Teacher quality, dated November 1989.

Inter-State Commission Act—Inter-State Commission—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report, for 1988-89.

Local Government (Financial Assistance) Act—Recommendations by State and Northern Territory Local Government Grants Commissions for—
1988-89.
1989-90.

Ombudsman Act—Commonwealth Ombudsman and Defence Force Ombudsman—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report, freedom of information statement and reports made pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act and the Complaints (Australian Federal Police) Act, for 1988-89.

Public Service Act—Department of Aboriginal Affairs—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report and freedom of information statement and a report on the operation of the *States Grants (Aboriginal Assistance) Act 1976*, for 1988-89.

Student Assistance Act—Report by Minister on operation of Act, for 1988.

War Graves Act—Office of Australian War Graves, Department of Veterans' Affairs—Report, including freedom of information statement, for 1988-89.

- 7 **LIBRARY COMMITTEE—MEMBERSHIP:** Mr Beazley (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That Mrs Jakobsen be discharged from attendance on the Library Committee and that, in her place, Mr Campbell be appointed a member of the committee.

Question—put and passed.

- 8 **NATIONAL LIBRARY OF AUSTRALIA COUNCIL:** Mr Beazley (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *National Library Act 1960*, this House elects Mr Langmore to be a member of the Council of the National Library of Australia and to continue as a member for a period of 3 years from and including 4 December 1989.

Question—put and passed.

- 9 **MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE:** Messages from the Senate, dated 23 November 1989, were reported:

- (a) returning the following Bills without amendment:

Message—

No. 484—Judicial and Statutory Officers Remuneration Legislation Amendment 1989.

No. 485—Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims 1989.

- (b) acquainting the House that the Senate has granted leave to the Joint Select Committee on Migration Regulations to meet during the sitting of the Senate after 10 p.m. on 23 November 1989, for the purpose of considering its draft report—Message No. 486.
- (c) acquainting the House that the Senate has granted leave to the Parliamentary Joint Committee on the National Crime Authority to meet during the sitting of the Senate on 7 December 1989, for the purpose of hearing evidence *in camera*—Message No. 487.
- (d) acquainting the House that the Senate has granted leave to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works to meet during the sitting of the Senate on 13 December 1989, for the purpose of hearing evidence in public session—Message No. 488.

- 10 **MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILLS:** Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:

23 November 1989—Message—

No. 271—

Medicare Levy Amendment 1989.

Goat Fibre Levy 1989.

Pasture Seed Levy Collection 1989.

Grape Research Levy Amendment 1989.

Wine Grapes Levy Amendment 1989.

No. 272—

Income Tax Amendment (No. 2) 1989.

Goat Fibre Levy Collection 1989.

Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation Amendment 1989.

Crimes (Superannuation Benefits) 1989.

Pasture Seed Levy 1989.

- 11 **PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—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 failure of the Hawke-Keating Government to bring about a sustainable reduction in interest rates".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Dr Hewson rising to address the House—

Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the business of the day be called on.

Question—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr R. F. Edwards, in the Chair)—

AYES, 72

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

NOES, 54

Mr Adermann	Mr Cobb	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr Aldred	Mr Connolly	Mr McArthur	Mr Shack
Mr Anderson	Mr Cowan	Mr McGauran	Mr Sharp
Mr Andrew	Mr Downer	Mr MacKellar	Mr Shipton
Mr Beale	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr Macphee	Mr Sinclair
Mr Blunt	Mr Fife	Mr Miles	Mr Smith
Mr Braithwaite	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Millar	Mr Spender
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Hall	Mr Nehl	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Burr	Mr Halverson	Mr Porter	Mr Tuckey
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Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Mr Reith	Dr Wooldridge
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Howard	Mr Robinson	
Mr Carlton	Mr Jull	Mr Rocher	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

12 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REPORTS—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS: Mr Hollis (Chairman) presented the following reports from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:

Report relating to the Defence Housing Authority housing developments at Randwick, Holsworthy and East Hills, Sydney (21st report of 1989).

Report relating to the proposed Stage 2 development, Commonwealth Government Centre, Townsville (22nd report of 1989).

Severally ordered to be printed.

Mr Hollis and Mr Tickner, by leave, made statements in connection with the reports.

13 TRANSPORT, COMMUNICATIONS AND INFRASTRUCTURE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS: Mr Saunderson (Chairman) presented the following report and related paper:

Transport, Communications and Infrastructure—Standing Committee—Rail: Five systems, one solution—The efficiency of Australian National's east-west operations—

Report, dated November 1989.

Minutes of proceedings.

Ordered—That the report be printed.

Mr Sanderson, Mr Sharp, Mr O'Neil, Mr T. A. Fischer, Mr Gorman, Mr Downer, Mr Hollis and Mr Tuckey, by leave, made statements in connection with the report.

- 14 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—AERONAUTICAL RESEARCH LABORATORY SITE, FISHERMENS BEND, VIC.—REDEVELOPMENT: Mr West (Minister for Administrative Services), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for consideration and report: Redevelopment of Aeronautical Research Laboratory site, Fishermens Bend, Vic.

Mr West presented plans in connection with the proposed work.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 15 ALICE SPRINGS AIRPORT—REDEVELOPMENT OF TERMINAL FACILITIES—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: Redevelopment of terminal facilities at Alice Springs Airport.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 16 MELBOURNE AIRPORT—EXPANSION OF INTERNATIONAL TERMINAL FACILITIES—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: Expansion of international terminal facilities, Melbourne Airport.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 17 INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT AMENDMENT BILL 1989—SENATE'S AMENDMENT: The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole to consider the amendment made by the Senate.

In the committee

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT MADE BY THE SENATE

Page 4, clause 4, after proposed subsection 221EC (9), add the following new subsection:

“(10) This section does not apply to:

- (a) a public hospital;
- (b) a public benevolent institution;
- (c) a public university.”

Mr P. F. Morris (Minister Assisting the Treasurer) moved—That the amendment be disagreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the amendment be disagreed to—put.

The committee divided (the Chairman, Mr R. F. Edwards, in the Chair)—

AYES, 69

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

NOES, 49

Mr Adermann	Mr Carlton	Mr Jull	Mr Ruddock
Mr Aldred	Mr Connolly	Mr Lloyd	Mr Shack
Mr Anderson	Mr Dobie	Mr McArthur	Mr Sharp
Mr Andrew	Mr Downer	Mr McGauran	Mr Shipton
Mr Beale	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr MacKellar	Mr Smith
Mr Blunt	Mr Fife	Mr Macphee	Mr Spender
Mr Braithwaite	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Miles	Mrs Sullivan
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Hall	Mr Millar	Mr Webster
Mr Burr	Mr Halverson	Mr Nehl	Mr Wilson
Mr Cadman	Mr Hawker*	Mr Porter	Dr Wooldridge
Mr D. M. Cameron	Dr Hewson	Mr Pratt	
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Mr Reith	
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Howard	Mr Rocher	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr R. F. Edwards reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr P. F. Morris, the House adopted the report.

Mr P. F. Morris moved—That Mrs Child, Mr Jenkins and the mover be appointed a committee to draw up reasons for the House of Representatives disagreeing to the amendment of the Senate.

Question—put and passed.

Mr P. F. Morris, on behalf of the committee, brought up such reasons, which were circulated, and are as follows:

Reasons of the House of Representatives for disagreeing to the amendment of the Senate

The Senate amendment is not acceptable because:

- (1) the amendment would reduce the effectiveness of the 1989-90 Budget measure seeking to overcome the deferral of tax payments—that otherwise arises with monthly remittances of income tax instalment collections withheld by employers from the salary or wages of employees—by closer matching of remittances to collections;
- (2) the amendment would reduce the 1989-90 revenue gain from the measure by an estimated \$50 million;
- (3) the income tax instalment collections to be remitted twice-monthly by major employers, including the employers the subject of the amendment, do not belong to them, and there is no case for allowing any such employer to retain the money for a longer period;

- (4) the measure is the first step in a strategy aimed at moving large employers to a twice-monthly system of remittance of income tax instalments deductions, and small employers, comprising the majority of remitters, to a less frequent system than at present; and
- (5) Government assistance to public benevolent institutions, hospitals and universities is appropriately provided by means of outlays measures which are subject to review and compared with competing demands for Commonwealth funds in the Budgetary process. It would subvert this process to provide part of this funding by means of allowing selected institutions to use their employees' tax deductions for an extended period.

On the motion of Mr P. F. Morris, the committee's reasons were adopted.

18 CRIMES (TRAFFIC IN NARCOTIC DRUGS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES)

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.

Mr Kerr addressing the House—

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

Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until 11 p.m.—The Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at 2 p.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 27 November 1989:

A.C.T. Self-Government (Consequential Provisions) Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1989, No. 304.

Australian Bureau of Statistics Act—Australian Bureau of Statistics—Proposals for collection of information—1989—

No. 20—Monthly Survey of Tourist Accommodation.

No. 21—Statistics of Interstate Trade Transactions, Western Australia.

Australian National Railways Commission Act—Australian National Railways Commission—General By-Law—Amendment No. 6.

Census and Statistics Act—Australian Bureau of Statistics—Statement for disclosure of information—1989—No. 6—List of names and addresses of agricultural establishments for Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation.

Civil Aviation Act—Civil Aviation Regulations—Civil Aviation Orders—Part 105—Amendments, dated 30 October and 3, 9 (2) and 15 November 1989.

Defence Act—

Determinations under section 58B—1989—

No. 182—Revised Rates of Allowance and other allowances.

No. 184—Expense of Office Allowance and other allowances.

No. 185—Camping Allowance.

No. 187—Travelling Allowance and Meal Allowance.

No. 189—Temporary Accommodation Allowance and Dwelling Purchase or Sale Expenses Allowance.

No. 191—Attendance Allowance and other allowances.

Regulation—Statutory Rules 1989, No. 302.

Defence Act, Naval Defence Act and Air Force Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1989, No. 301.

Designs Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1989, No. 313.

Dried Fruits Export Charges Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1989, No. 316.

Excise Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1989, No. 307.

Fisheries Act—

Agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and—

Bluefin Exporters Pty Ltd, dated 20 November 1989.

Karina Fisheries Pty Ltd, dated 20 (2) November 1989.

Port Lincoln Tuna Processors Pty Ltd, dated 20 November 1989.

Notices—Nos. NPF7, OCS1, OCS2, OCS3.

Health Insurance Act—Determination under subsection 3C (1), dated 6 November 1989.

Honey Export Charge Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1989, No. 310.

Honey Levy Act (No. 1)—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1989, No. 308.

Honey Levy Act (No. 2)—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1989, No. 309.

National Health Act—Determination under subsection 4 (1) for the purposes of paragraph (dd) of the definition of “basic table” (benefit for prostheses), dated 20 November 1989.

Patents Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1989, No. 311.

Radiocommunications Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1989, No. 314.

Radiocommunications (Transmitter Licence Tax) Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1989, No. 315.

States Grants (Technical and Further Education Assistance) Act 1989—

Determinations—1989—Nos. 26, 27.

Superannuation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1989, Nos. 303, 305, 306.

Trade Marks Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1989, No. 312.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr J. J. Brown, Mr P. S. Fisher*, Mr Goodluck, Mr Jones, Mr Katter*, Dr Klugman*, Mr Moore, Mr Sciacca, Mr J. L. Scott, Mr Taylor and Mr White.

* On leave

A. R. BROWNING
Clerk of the House of Representatives