

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 34

TUESDAY, 4 DECEMBER 1990

1 The House met, at 2 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Leo McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 **TELEVISION REPLAYS OF HOUSE PROCEEDINGS—STATEMENT BY MR SPEAKER:** Mr Speaker referred to the matters raised by Mr Charles on 19 September 1990 and 7 November 1990 concerning access of Members to television replays of House proceedings. Mr Speaker stated that, on a trial basis, the Parliamentary Sound and Vision Office will be authorised to rebroadcast on the House monitoring system a contribution by a Member to the proceedings of the House following a request by that Member. He informed the House of guidelines for the conduct of the trial and advised that, due to the possibility of undue demands on the resources of the Sound and Vision Office, question time had been excluded from the trial. However, the Sound and Vision Office had been authorised to replay question time at 6.30 p.m. on each sitting day on the House monitoring system channel 24.

3 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice having been called on—

Prime Minister, Treasurer and the Government—Motion of want of confidence:

Dr Hewson (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, moved—That this House expresses its want of confidence in the Prime Minister, the Treasurer and in the Government for their economic incompetence which, contrary to their assurances, has resulted in the Australian economy going into recession. Debate ensued.

Closure: Mr Keating (Treasurer) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr McLeay, in the Chair)—

AYES, 68

Mr Baldwin	Mr Elliott	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Beazley	Ms Fatin	Mr Jenkins	Mr Price
Mr Beddall	Mr Ferguson	Mr Johns	Mr Punch
Mr Bilney	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr Brereton	Mr Free	Mr Keating	Mr J. L. Scott
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Gayler	Mrs Kelly	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr Campbell	Mr Gear*	Mr Kerin	Mr Simmons
Dr Catley	Mr Gibson	Mr Kerr	Mr Snow
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Gorman	Mr Lavarch	Mr Snowdon
Mr Courtice	Mr Grace*	Mr Lee	Mr Staples
Ms Crawford	Mr Hand	Mr Lindsay	Dr Theophanous
Mr Crean	Mr Hawke	Ms McHugh	Mr Tickner
Mrs Crosio	Mr Holding	Mr Martin	Mr Walker
Mr Dawkins	Mr Hollis	Mr Melham	Mr West
Mr Dubois	Mr Howe	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr Duffy	Mr Hulls	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr H. F. Woods
Mr R. F. Edwards	Mr Humphreys	Mr Newell	Mr Wright

NOES, 62

Mr Aldred	Mr Cowan	Dr Kemp	Mr Ruddock
Mr Anderson	Mr Dobie	Mr Lloyd	Mr B. C. Scott
Mr Andrew*	Mr Downer	Mr McArthur	Mr Shack
Mrs Bailey	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr McGauran	Mr Sharp
Mr Beale	Mr Fife	Mr Mack	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bradford	Mr Filing	Mr MacKellar	Mr Smith
Mr Braithwaite	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr McLachlan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Broadbent	Mr P. S. Fisher	Mr Moore	Mrs Sullivan
Mr N. A. Brown	Mrs Gallus	Mr Nugent	Mr Truss
Mr Burr	Mr Hall	Mr Peacock	Mr Tuckey
Mr Cadman	Mr Halverson	Mr Prosser	Mr Webster
Mr Carlton	Mr Hawker	Mr Reid	Mr Wilson
Mr Chaney	Dr Hewson	Mr Reith	Dr R. L. Woods
Mr Charles	Mr Hicks*	Mr Riggall	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Cobb	Mr Howard	Mr Rocher	
Mr Costello	Mr Jull	Mr Ronaldson	

* 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, Mr McLeay, in the Chair)—

AYES, 61

Mr Aldred	Mr Cowan	Dr Kemp	Mr B. C. Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr Dobie	Mr Lloyd	Mr Shack
Mr Andrew*	Mr Downer	Mr McArthur	Mr Sharp
Mrs Bailey	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr McGauran	Mr Sinclair
Mr Beale	Mr Fife	Mr MacKellar	Mr Smith
Mr Bradford	Mr Filing	Mr McLachlan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Braithwaite	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Moore	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Broadbent	Mr P. S. Fisher	Mr Nugent	Mr Truss
Mr N. A. Brown	Mrs Gallus	Mr Peacock	Mr Tuckey
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Mr Charles	Mr Hicks*	Mr Rocher	
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Mr Baldwin	Mr Elliott	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Beazley	Ms Fatin	Mr Jenkins	Mr Price
Mr Beddall	Mr Ferguson	Mr Johns	Mr Punch
Mr Bilney	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr Brereton	Mr Free	Mr Keating	Mr J. L. Scott
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Gayler	Mrs Kelly	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr Campbell	Mr Gear*	Mr Kerin	Mr Simmons
Dr Catley	Mr Gibson	Mr Kerr	Mr Snow
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Gorman	Mr Lavarch	Mr Snowdon
Mr Courtice	Mr Grace*	Mr Lee	Mr Staples
Ms Crawford	Mr Hand	Mr Lindsay	Dr Theophanous
Mr Crean	Mr Hawke	Ms McHugh	Mr Tickner
Mrs Crosio	Mr Holding	Mr Martin	Mr Walker
Mr Dawkins	Mr Hollis	Mr Melham	Mr West
Mr Dubois	Mr Howe	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr Duffy	Mr Hulls	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr H. F. Woods
Mr R. F. Edwards	Mr Humphreys	Mr Newell	Mr Wright

* Tellers

And so it was negated.

Questions without notice concluded.

4 PAPER: Mr Speaker presented the following paper:

Public Service Act—Department of the Parliamentary Library—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report, for 1989-90.

5 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORTS—PUBLICATION OF PAPERS AND REFERENCE TO COMMITTEES: Mr Speaker presented the following papers:

Audit Act—Auditor-General—Audit reports of 1990-91—

No. 12—Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission: Community Development Employment Projects.

No. 13—Australian International Development Assistance Bureau: aid to Papua New Guinea.

No. 14—Aggregate financial statement prepared by the Minister for Finance, year ended 30 June 1990—
Report.

Copy of the statement.

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 the Auditor-General's audit reports Nos. 12, 13 and 14 (accompanied by the aggregate financial statement prepared by the Minister for Finance for the year ended 30 June 1990) of 1990-91;

(2) the reports be printed; and

(3) audit report No. 12 of 1990-91—Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission: Community Development Employment Projects be referred to the Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs, and audit report No. 13 of 1990-91—Australian International Development Assistance Bureau: aid to Papua New Guinea be referred to the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade.

Question—put and passed.

6 PAPERS: The following papers were presented:

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Act—Aboriginal Development Commission—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report and freedom of information statement, for period 1 July 1989 to 4 March 1990.

Aboriginal deaths in custody—Royal Commission—Report of inquiry into the death of—

Patrick Thomas Booth.

Donald Chatungalgi.

Harrison Day.

Joyce Thelma Egan.

Michael Leslie James Gollan.

Paul Lawrence Kearney.

Arthur Moffatt.

James Archibald Moore.

Edward Stanley West.

Aboriginal Land Commissioner—Report to the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and the Administrator of the Northern Territory relating to—

Kidman Springs/Jasper Gorge land claim (Report No. 30).

Mataranka Area land claim (Report No. 29).

Albury-Wodonga Development Act—Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation—17th Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report and freedom of information statement, for 1989-90.

ANL Act—ANL Limited—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report, for 1989-90.

Australia Council Act—Australia Council—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report and freedom of information statement, for 1989-90.

Australian Biological Resources Study Advisory Committee—Report for 1989-90.

Australian Capital Territory (Planning and Land Management) Act—National Capital Planning Authority—2nd Report and financial statements, including

- the Auditor-General's Report and freedom of information statement, for 1989-90.
- Australian Film Commission Act—Australian Film Commission—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report, for 1989-90.
- Australian Film, Television and Radio School Act—Australian Film, Television and Radio School—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report, for 1989-90.
- Bankruptcy Act—Report for 1989-90.
- Commonwealth Fire Board—Report for 1989-90.
- Commonwealth Grants Commission Act—Commonwealth Grants Commission—57th Report, including freedom of information statement, for 1989-90.
- Equal Employment Opportunity (Commonwealth Authorities) Act—Equal employment opportunity program—
ANL Limited—Report for 1989-90.
- Army and Air Force Canteen Service (AAFCANS)—Report on implementation, 1990.
- Family Law Act—Family Law Council—Report for 1989-90.
- Fisheries Act—Copy of agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and KKFC Proprietary Limited, dated 17 October 1990.
- Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Act—Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report, for 1989-90.
- Honey Marketing Act—Australian Honey Board—27th Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report, for 1989-90.
- International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (General Capital Increase) Act—Report on the operations of the Act, for 1989-90.
- International Monetary Agreements Act—Report on the operations of the Act, for 1989-90.
- Law Reform Commission Act—Law Reform Commission—
Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report and freedom of information statement, for 1989-90.
Report No. 48—Criminal admiralty jurisdiction and prize.
- Members of Parliament (Staff) Act—Report on consultants engaged under section 4, for 1989-90.
- National Measurement Act—National Standards Commission—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report and freedom of information statement, for 1989-90.
- National Occupational Health and Safety Commission Act—National Occupational Health and Safety Commission—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report and freedom of information statement, for 1989-90.
- Papua New Guinea (Staffing Assistance) Act—Commissioner for Superannuation—Report on the Papua New Guinea Superannuation Scheme and certain other schemes, for 1989-90.
- Pig Industry Act—
Australian Pig Industry Policy Council—Report and financial statement, for 1989-90.
Australian Pork Corporation—3rd Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report, for 1989-90.
- Public Lending Right Act—Public Lending Right Committee—Report for 1989-90.
- Public Service Act—
Department of Aboriginal Affairs—Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report and freedom of information statement, for period 1 July 1989 to 4 March 1990.

Department of the Arts, Sport, the Environment, Tourism and Territories—
Report and financial statements, including the Auditor-General's Report
and freedom of information statement, for 1989-90.

Rural Industries Research Act—

Egg Industry Research Council—Report for 1989-90.

Wheat Research Council—Report for 1989-90.

Snowy Mountains Council—Report for 1989-90.

Social Security Act—Social Security Appeals Tribunal—Report, including
freedom of information statement, for 1989-90.

Soil Conservation (Financial Assistance) Act—Soil Conservation Advisory
Committee—Report for 1989-90.

Student Assistance Act—Report by Minister on operation of Act, for 1989.

Video Material—Joint Select Committee—Report, dated 28 April 1988—
Government response.

- 7 ABORIGINAL DEATHS IN CUSTODY—ROYAL COMMISSION—REPORTS—
PUBLICATION OF PAPERS:** Mr Beazley (Leader of the House), by leave,
moved—That this House, in accordance with the provisions of the
Parliamentary Papers Act 1908, authorises the publication of the reports of
the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody of the inquiries
into the deaths of—

Patrick Thomas Booth.

Donald Chatungalgi.

Harrison Day.

Joyce Thelma Egan.

Michael Leslie James Gollan.

Paul Lawrence Kearney.

Arthur Moffatt.

James Archibald Moore.

Edward Stanley West.

Question—put and passed.

- 8 LAW REFORM COMMISSION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:**
Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of
the following paper:
Law Reform Commission Act—Law Reform Commission—Report No.
48—Criminal admiralty jurisdiction and prize.
Debate adjourned (Mr Fife), and the resumption of the debate made an order
of the day for the next sitting.

- 9 BANKRUPTCY ACT—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** Mr
Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the
following paper:
Bankruptcy Act—Report for 1989-90.
Debate adjourned (Mr Fife), and the resumption of the debate made an order
of the day for the next sitting.

- 10 WHEAT RESEARCH COUNCIL—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:**
Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of
the following paper:
Rural Industries Research Act—Wheat Research Council—Report for
1989-90.
Debate adjourned (Mr Fife), and the resumption of the debate made an order
of the day for the next sitting.

- 11 INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT
(GENERAL CAPITAL INCREASE) ACT—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE**

OF PAPER: Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following paper:

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (General Capital Increase) Act—Report on the operations of the Act, for 1989-90.

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

12 INTERNATIONAL MONETARY AGREEMENTS ACT—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following paper:

International Monetary Agreements Act—Report on the operations of the Act, for 1989-90.

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

13 STUDENT ASSISTANCE ACT—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following paper:

Student Assistance Act—Report by Minister on operation of Act, for 1989.

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

14 SITUATION IN THE PERSIAN GULF—PRIME MINISTER'S STATEMENT AND LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION'S REPLY—TELEVISION COVERAGE: Mr Beazley (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That this House authorises:

- (1) the Speaker to make arrangements for the television recording by the Parliamentary Sound and Vision Office of the statement by the Prime Minister on the situation in the Persian Gulf and the reply by the Leader of the Opposition; and
- (2) the use by any television station of any part of the recorded proceedings in subsequent news, current affairs and documentary programs in accordance with the guidelines approved by the Presiding Officers.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

15 SITUATION IN THE PERSIAN GULF—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr Hawke (Prime Minister), by leave, made a ministerial statement concerning the situation in the Persian Gulf, and presented the following paper:

Situation in the Persian Gulf—Ministerial statement, 4 December 1990.

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

Suspension of standing and sessional orders—Extended time for speech: Mr Beazley, by leave, moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Leader of the Opposition speaking for a period not exceeding 37 minutes.

Question—put and passed.

Debate ensued.

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

16 PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—ECONOMIC POLICY: The House was informed that Dr Hewson (Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The economic incompetence of the Government which, contrary to their assurances, has resulted in the Australian economy going into recession".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Dr Hewson rising to address the House—

Mr Free (Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister) moved—That the business of the day be called on.

Question—put.

The House proceeded to divide and an incident having occurred in the Chamber—

Suspension of sitting: At 5.03 p.m., the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

Resumption of sitting: At 5.18 p.m., the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr MacKellar, in the Chair)—

AYES, 65

Mr Baldwin	Ms Fatin	Mr Johns	Mr Price
Mr Beazley	Mr Ferguson	Mr Jones	Mr Punch
Mr Beddall	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Brereton	Mr Free	Mrs Kelly	Mr J. L. Scott
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Gayler	Mr Kerin	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr Campbell	Mr Gear*	Mr Kerr	Mr Simmons
Dr Catley	Mr Gibson	Mr Lavarch	Mr Snow
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Gorman	Mr Lee	Mr Snowdon
Mr Courtice	Mr Grace*	Mr Lindsay	Mr Staples
Ms Crawford	Mr Hand	Ms McHugh	Dr Theophanous
Mr Crean	Mr Holding	Mr Mack	Mr Tickner
Mrs Crosio	Mr Hollis	Mr Martin	Mr Walker
Mr Dawkins	Mr Howe	Mr Melham	Mr H. F. Woods
Mr Dubois	Mr Hulls	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Wright
Mr Duffy	Mr Humphreys	Mr P. F. Morris	
Mr R. F. Edwards	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr Newell	
Mr Elliott	Mr Jenkins	Mr O'Keefe	

NOES, 59

Mr Aldred	Mr Dobie	Dr Kemp	Mr Ruddock
Mr Andrew*	Mr Downer	Mr Lloyd	Mr B. C. Scott
Mrs Bailey	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr McArthur	Mr Shack
Mr Beale	Mr Fife	Mr McGauran	Mr Sharp
Mr Bradford	Mr Filing	Mr McLachlan	Mr Sinclair
Mr Braithwaite	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr Moore	Mr Smith
Mr Broadbent	Mr P. S. Fisher	Mr Nehl	Mr Somlyay
Mr N. A. Brown	Mrs Gallus	Mr Nugent	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Burr	Mr Hall	Mr Peacock	Mr Truss
Mr Cadman	Mr Halverson	Mr Prosser	Mr Tuckey
Mr Carlton	Mr Hawker	Mr Reid	Mr Webster
Mr Chaney	Dr Hewson	Mr Reith	Mr Wilson
Mr Cobb	Mr Hicks*	Mr Riggall	Dr R. L. Woods
Mr Costello	Mr Howard	Mr Rocher	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Cowan	Mr Jull	Mr Ronaldson	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

17 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE: Messages from the Senate were reported:

(a) returning the following Bills without amendment:

16 November 1990 a.m.—Message—

No. 78—Wool Legislation Amendment 1990.

No. 79—Wool Tax (Nos. 1 to 5) Further Amendment 1990 (*without requests*).

29 November 1990—Message—

No. 82—Appropriation (No. 1) 1990-91 (*without requests*).

No. 83—Appropriation (No. 2) 1990-91.

No. 84—Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) 1990-91; and

(b) acquainting the House that it had referred the following matter to the Parliamentary Joint Committee on the National Crime Authority: The relationship between the National Crime Authority and James McCartney

Anderson, and whether the Authority has properly performed its statutory functions in respect of James McCartney Anderson—Message No. 80, dated 28 November 1990.

- 18 **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:

20 November 1990—Message—

No. 68—Australian National Maritime Museum 1990.

No. 69—

Arts, Environment, Tourism and Territories Legislation Amendment 1990.

First Home Owners Amendment 1990.

29 November 1990—Message No. 70—

Wool Tax (No. 1) Further Amendment 1990.

Wool Tax (No. 2) Further Amendment 1990.

Wool Tax (No. 3) Further Amendment 1990.

Wool Tax (No. 4) Further Amendment 1990.

Wool Tax (No. 5) Further Amendment 1990.

Wool Legislation Amendment 1990.

Crimes (Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances) 1990.

- 19 **PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENT BY MEMBER:** Mr Gear (Chairman) presented the following report and related papers:

Committee of Privileges—Matter referred to the committee on 19 September 1990—Report on article in the Melbourne *Sunday Herald* dated 16 September 1990 concerning Joint Standing Committee on Migration Regulations—

Report, incorporating a dissenting report, dated 15 November 1990.

Minutes of proceedings.

Ordered—That the report be printed.

Mr Gear, by leave, made a statement in connection with the report.

- 20 **PUBLIC WORKS—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENT BY MEMBER:** Mr Hollis (Chairman) presented the following report:

Public Works—Parliamentary Standing Committee—Report relating to the Jindalee Over-The-Horizon-Radar (12th report of 1990).

Ordered to be printed.

Mr Hollis, by leave, made a statement in connection with the report.

- 21 **INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION—PUNTA DEL ESTE CONFERENCE, 1990—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS:** Mr Holding, by leave, presented the following paper:

Inter-Parliamentary Union—84th Conference, Punta Del Este, Uruguay, 15-20 October 1990—Report of the Australian Delegation.

Mr Holding, Mrs Sullivan and Mr Burr, by leave, made statements in connection with the report.

- 22 **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—PRIVACY AMENDMENT BILL 1990:** Message No. 81, dated 12 November 1990, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a bill for “*An Act to amend the ‘Privacy Act 1988’*”.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Duffy (Attorney-General) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

- 23 **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—AUSTRALIAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS (PARLIAMENTARY SUPERVISION OF PROPOSALS) AMENDMENT BILL 1990:** Message No. 77, dated 15 November 1990, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a bill for “*An Act to amend the Australian Bureau of Statistics Act 1975 to provide for parliamentary supervision of the collection of information for statistical purposes*”.

Bill read a first time.

Mrs Sullivan moved—That the second reading be made an order of the day for the next sitting.

Question—put and passed.

- 24 **AUSTRALIAN HORTICULTURAL CORPORATION AMENDMENT BILL 1990:** Mr Staples (Minister for Aged, Family and Health Services) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Australian Horticultural Corporation Act 1987* and to provide for the establishment of the Dried Fruits Board, 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 Downer), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 25 **DRIED VINE FRUITS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1990:** Mr Staples (Minister for Aged, Family and Health Services) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Dried Sultana Production Underwriting Act 1982*, the *Dried Vine Fruits Equalization Act 1978* and the *Dried Vine Fruits Equalization Levy Act 1978*, 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 Downer), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 26 **PIG SLAUGHTER LEVY AMENDMENT BILL 1990:** Mr Staples (Minister for Aged, Family and Health Services), for Mr Kerin (Minister for Primary Industries and Energy), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Pig Slaughter Levy Act 1971*.

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

- 27 **SITUATION IN THE PERSIAN GULF—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:** The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Beazley (Leader of the House)—That the House take note of the paper (*presented this day—see entry No. 15*), viz.:

Situation in the Persian Gulf—Ministerial statement, 4 December 1990—
Debate resumed.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 10.59 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 10 a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 4 December 1990:

- Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation Act—Orders—1990—M42/90—1991 Performance.
- MQ35/90—High Quality Beef to EEC—1991 Quota Administration Scheme.
- MQ36/90—Sheepmeat and/or Goatmeat to EEC—1991 Quota Administration Scheme.
- MQ37/90—Buffalo Meat to EEC—1991 Quota Administration Scheme.
- Christmas Island Act—Regulations—1990—No. 1 (Christmas Island Assembly Ordinance).
- Civil Aviation Act—Civil Aviation Regulations—Civil Aviation Orders—Parts—
 - 29—Amendments, dated 29 November 1990.
 - 40—Amendments, dated 29 November 1990.
- Defence Act—
 - Defence Force Remuneration Tribunal—Determinations—1990—Nos. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14.
 - Determinations under section 58B—1990—
 - No. 140—Rates of Travelling Allowance—Tonga and other allowances.
 - No. 143—Contribution for full-time use of official vehicle.
 - No. 146—Rates of Travelling Allowance—Czechoslovakia and other allowances.
 - No. 151—Rates of Travelling Allowance—Republic of the Marshall Islands and other allowances.
 - No. 156—Rates of Travelling Allowance—Western Samoa and other allowances.
 - No. 157—United Nations Iran/Iraq Military Observer Group Cease-Fire Line Allowance and other allowances.
 - No. 158—Travelling allowance—allowance not payable and Meal Allowance Overseas—allowance not payable.
 - No. 159—Rates of Travelling Allowance—Bangladesh and other allowances.
 - No. 161—Rates of Travelling Allowance—Argentina and other allowances.
 - No. 163—Rates of Travelling Allowance—India (Elsewhere) and other allowances.
 - No. 165—Repeal of provisions of Overseas Defence Determination 1990/73 and other allowances.
 - No. 166—Rate of allowance—PNGDF and other allowances.
 - No. 170—Revised rates of allowance and other allowances.
 - No. 174—Temporary Accommodation Allowance.
 - No. 175—Cadet Forces Allowances.
- Fisheries Act—
 - Notices—Nos. BSS 2, NTF 2, NWS 2, SBT 1.
 - Plan of Management—Nos. NPF 3, NPF 4, NPF 5—Northern Prawn Fishery Management Plan (Amendment).
- Heard Island and McDonald Islands Act—Ordinance—1990—No. 1—Environment Protection and Management (Amendment).
- Judiciary Act—Rule of Court—Statutory Rules 1990, No. 349.
- Lands Acquisition Act—Statement of land acquired by agreement authorised under subsection 125 (3).
- National Health Act—Determinations—1990—Nos. BPT9, BPT10, BPT11, BPT12.

Proclamation by His Excellency the Governor-General fixing 14 November 1990 as the date on which subsection 17 (3), section 28 and subsections 29 (3) and 34 (3) of the *Protection of the Sea Legislation Amendment Act 1986* shall come into operation.

Protection of Movable Cultural Heritage Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1990, Nos. 293 (*in substitution for paper presented on 9 October 1990*), 350.

Public Service Act—

Determinations—1990—Nos. 86, 131, 135, 139, 140, 142, 143, 149, 151, 157, 181, 182, 184, 188, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 209, 210, LES 7, LES 11, LES 14, LES 15.

Parliamentary Presiding Officers' Determination—1990—No. 28.

Quarantine Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1990, No. 352.

Radiocommunications Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1990, Nos. 353, 354.

Securities Industry Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1990, No. 351.

Telecommunications Act—Direction pursuant to subsection 73(2)—No. 2, dated 9 November 1990.

Veterans' Entitlements Act—Instruments varying—

Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme, dated 21 November 1990.

Treatment Principles, dated 6 November 1990.

ATTENDANCE: All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Bevis, Dr Blewett, Mr Connolly, Mrs Darling, Mr Duncan, Mr Griffiths, Mr Langmore, Mr O'Neil, Mr Sawford and Mr Sciacca.

A. R. BROWNING
Clerk of the House of Representatives