

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 157

MONDAY, 9 NOVEMBER 1992

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

2 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice being asked—

Paper: Mr Reith (Deputy Leader of the Opposition), by leave, presented the following paper:

Public sector borrowings information incorporated in the budget papers—
Copy of letter from Mr I. Castles, Australian Statistician, Australian Bureau of Statistics, to Mr P. Reith, MP, Deputy Leader of the Opposition, 6 November 1992.

Questions without notice continued.

Papers: Mr Keating (Prime Minister) presented the following papers:

Goods and services tax—New Zealand—Copies of—
Return.

GST Guide, September 1991.

Questions without notice continued.

3 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS MOVED:** Mr Reith (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Treasurer:

- (1) informing the House forthwith of his knowledge, including when he first learnt, of the breach by the Victorian Labor Government of its global borrowing limits as set by the Loan Council for 1991-92; and
- (2) releasing all documents held by him or his Department that relate to this issue.

Closure of Member: Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the honourable Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 75

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

NOES, 61

Mr Aldred	Mr Downer	Mr Lloyd	Mr Shack
Mr Anderson	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr McArthur	Mr Sharp
Mr J. N. Andrew*	Mr Fife	Mr McGauran	Mr Sinclair
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Filing	Mr Mack	Mr Smith
Mr Atkinson	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr McLachlan	Mr Somlyay
Mrs Bailey	Mr P. S. Fisher	Mr Miles	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Beale	Mr Ford	Mr Moore	Mr Taylor
Mr Broadbent	Mrs Gallus	Mr Nehl	Mr Truss
Mr Burr	Mr Hall	Mr Nugent	Mr Tuckey
Mr Cadman	Mr Halverson	Mr Peacock	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	
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr McGauran (seconder) addressing the House—

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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Closure: Mr Beazley moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

And the question—That the motion for the suspension of standing orders be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 60

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And so it was negated.

4 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT—PUBLICATION OF PAPER: The Speaker presented the following paper:

Audit Act—Auditor-General—Audit report No. 4 of 1992-93—Project audit—Royal Australian Mint: Review of Manufacturing Resources Planning System.

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 report No. 4 of 1992-93; and
- (2) the report be printed.

Question—put and passed.

5 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 1992.

Question—put and passed.

6 LEGISLATIVE PROCESS IN THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH: AMENDMENTS AND REQUESTS—PAPER AND STATEMENT BY SPEAKER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: The Speaker presented the following paper:

Legislative process in the Parliament of the Commonwealth—Amendments and requests: Background paper, 9 November 1992—
and made a statement in connection with the paper.

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

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

7 PAPERS: The following papers were presented:

Civil Aviation Act—Civil Aviation Authority—Report for 1991-92.

Employment, Education and Training Act—National Board of Employment, Education and Training—Report of the Higher Education Council, including the Board's comments—Higher Education: Achieving quality, October 1992.

Members of Parliament (Staff) Act—Report on consultants engaged under section 4, for 1991-92.

8 CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following paper:

Civil Aviation Act—Civil Aviation Authority—Report for 1991-92.

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

9 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—EMPLOYEES' PAY AND ENTITLEMENTS: The House was informed that both Mr P. F. Morris and Mr Reith (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that definite matters of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion today. In accordance with the provisions of standing order 107, the Speaker had given priority to the matter proposed by Mr P. F. Morris, namely, "The urgent need for the Government to allay concern and uncertainty in the community caused by the threat posed by Liberal-National Party proposals to cut employees' pay and entitlements".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—
Mr P. F. Morris addressing the House—

Member named: The Speaker named the Member for Moore (Mr Filing) for again interjecting after having been warned by the Chair.

Mr Filing having apologised to, and the apology having been accepted by, the Chair, the matter was not further proceeded with.

Mr P. F. Morris continued his speech.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

- 10 **MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILL:** A message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bill:

5 November 1992—Message No. 328—Disability Discrimination 1992.

- 11 **PUBLIC WORKS—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORTS—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS:** Mr Hollis (Chairman) presented the following reports:

Public Works—Parliamentary Standing Committee—Reports—

Facilities for an increased Army presence in the north (10th report of 1992).

Redevelopment of Larrakeyah Barracks, Darwin (11th report of 1992).

Defence Logistics Redevelopment Project—Defence National Storage and Distribution Centre (12th report of 1992).

Severally ordered to be printed.

Mr Hollis, Mr Downer, Mr Snowdon (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Employment, Education and Training) and Mr Taylor, by leave, made statements in connection with the reports.

- 12 **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE:** A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:

5 November 1992—Message No. 547—Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation Amendment 1992.

- 13 **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—STUDENT ASSISTANCE AMENDMENT BILL 1992:** The following message from the Senate was reported:

Message No. 545

Mr Speaker,

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the bill for "*An Act relating to financial assistance for tertiary students, and for connected purposes*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the bill with the amendments indicated by the annexed schedule, in which amendments the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

KERRY SIBRAA
President

The Senate,
Canberra, 5 November 1992

Ordered—That the amendments be taken into consideration, in committee of the whole House, forthwith.

In the committee

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE

No. 1—Clause 2, page 1, line 7, omit "This Act", substitute "(1) Subject to subsection (2), this Act".

- No. 2—Clause 2, page 1, at end of clause, add the following subclause:
“(2) Division 2A of Part 3 commences, or is taken to have commenced, on 1 January 1993.”
- No. 3—Clause 4, page 3, subclause (3), after definition of “**notional repayments**”, insert the following definition:
“**‘office’**, in relation to a financial corporation, has the meaning given by the regulations;”
- No. 4—Clause 6, page 6, at end of proposed section 12D, add the following subsection:
“(8) A participating corporation may disclose to an officer any information about a student that is relevant to the exercise or performance of any rights, powers or obligations conferred or imposed on an officer or on the Commonwealth in respect of the student under this Part.”
- No. 5—Clause 6, page 9, line 6, before “applies”, insert “who is entitled to do so”.
- No. 6—Clause 6, page 9, proposed subsection 12K(2), line 17, at end of subsection, add “and for the making, if the student so wishes, of repayments during the contract period in accordance with Division 5 in respect of the amount outstanding from time to time under the contract”.
- No. 7—Clause 6, page 9, after proposed subsection 12K(2), insert the following subsections:
“(2A) Despite subsection (2), any amount paid to the student by the corporation in accordance with advice provided by the Commonwealth is taken to be financial supplement paid under the contract even though the student may not have been eligible to obtain that amount.
“(2B) Subsection (2A) does not affect the operation of Division 4.
“(2C) In determining the extent (if any) to which it is liable to make a payment in respect of financial supplement to a student under a financial supplement contract, a participating corporation is entitled to rely on advice provided by the Commonwealth.”
- No. 8—Clause 6, page 9, proposed subsection 12K(4), lines 22 to 24, omit the subsection, substitute the following subsection:
“(4) A financial supplement contract is not invalid, and is not voidable, under any other law (whether written or unwritten) in force in a State or Territory.”
- No. 9—Clause 6, page 9, proposed subsection 12L(2), line 35, omit “A”, substitute “An application for the payment of financial supplement, a”.
- No. 10—Clause 6, page 10, at end of proposed section 12N, add the following subsection:
“(3) If, after an amount paid by a participating corporation to the Commonwealth in respect of a student under subsection (1) is paid into the Fund, it is found, for any reason, not to be possible to pass on the amount to the student under paragraph (2)(a), an amount equal to the first-mentioned amount is to be paid as soon as practicable out of the Fund to the corporation.”
- No. 11—Clause 6, page 13, proposed paragraph 12U(2)(b), line 27, omit “time when the notice was given to the corporation”, substitute “end of that period of 4 weeks”.
- No. 12—Clause 6, page 13, proposed paragraph 12U(2)(c), lines 34 and 35, omit “time when the notice was given to the student”, substitute “end of that period of 4 weeks”.
- No. 13—Clause 6, page 14, proposed subsection 12X(1), line 35, omit the formula, substitute the following formula:
“**principal sum minus (actual repayments plus discounts).**”

No. 14—Clause 6, page 14, after proposed subsection 12X(1), insert the following subsection:

“(1A) In subsection (1):

“**discounts**” means the sum of the discounts under subsection 12ZA(6) to which the student became entitled in respect of the financial supplement before the time mentioned in subsection (1).”

No. 15—Clause 6, page 15, proposed subsection 12X(2), line 3, omit the formula, substitute the following formula:

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{previous} \\ \text{amount} \\ \text{outstanding} \end{array} \times \begin{array}{l} \text{indexation} \\ \text{factor} \end{array} \right) \text{ minus } \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{actual} \\ \text{repayments} \\ \text{+ discounts} \end{array} \right)$$

No. 16—Clause 6, page 15, proposed subsection 12X(3), line 5, after “in relation to”, insert “a time (**the relevant time**) within”.

No. 17—Clause 6, page 15, proposed subsection 12X(3), definition of “**actual repayments**”, line 11, at end of definition, add “but before the relevant time”.

No. 18—Clause 6, page 15, proposed subsection 12X(3), definition of “**notional repayments**”, lines 12 and 13, omit the definition, substitute the following definition:

“**discounts**” means the sum of the discounts under subsection 12ZA(6) to which the student became entitled in respect of the financial supplement during the relevant 12 months but before the relevant time;”

No. 19—Clause 6, page 15, proposed subsection 12X(6), lines 27 to 30, omit the subsection.

No. 20—Clause 6, page 16, proposed paragraph 12Y(b), lines 3 to 11, omit the paragraph, substitute the following paragraph:

“(b) the amount outstanding under the contract at the relevant time exceeds the amount worked out using the formula:

principal sum — (actual repayments + notional repayments);”

No. 21—Clause 6, page 16, proposed subsection 12ZA(3), line 30, omit “financial supplement”, substitute “amount outstanding under the contract”.

No. 22—Clause 6, page 16, after proposed subsection 12ZA(4), insert the following subsection:

“(4A) If the student purports to make a repayment under subsection (3) that exceeds the amount that, having regard to the discount to which the student would be entitled under subsection (6), would be needed to be paid in order to pay in full the amount outstanding under the contract, the excess is taken not to be a repayment in respect of the financial supplement and is to be repaid by the corporation to the student.”

No. 23—Clause 6, page 16, proposed subsection 12ZA(5), line 38, after “repayment”, insert “(**the amount repaid**)”.

No. 24—Clause 6, page 17, after proposed subsection 12ZA(7), insert the following subsection:

“(7A) If no indexation amount existed in relation to the contract immediately before the repayment is made, the student is taken to have repaid to the corporation in respect of the financial supplement an amount (**the amount notionally repaid**) equal to the discount.”

No. 25—Clause 6, page 17, proposed subsection 12ZA(9), lines 19 to 25, omit the subsection, substitute the following subsection:

“(9) The Commonwealth is liable to pay to the corporation an amount equal to the amount notionally repaid.”

No. 26—Clause 6, page 17, proposed subsection 12ZA(10), line 26, after “If”, insert “, after the making of the repayment mentioned in subsection (5).”

No. 27—Clause 6, page 17, proposed subsection 12ZA(10), line 27, omit “referred to in paragraph (9)(b)”.

No. 28—After clause 30, page 39, insert the following Division:

“Division 2A—Amendments of the Social Security Act 1991

Principal Act

“30A. In this Division, ‘Principal Act’ means the *Social Security Act 1991*^{3A}.

Index of definitions

“30B. Section 3 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting in the index in the appropriate alphabetical position:

‘Student Financial Supplement Scheme 23’.

Family relationships definitions—children

“30C. Section 5 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after paragraph (c) of the definition of ‘prescribed educational scheme’ in subsection (1) the following paragraph:

‘(ca) the Student Financial Supplement Scheme; or’.

Income test definitions

“30D. Section 8 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting in paragraph 8(8)(zf) ‘pensioner’ before ‘education’.

General definitions

“30E. Section 23 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting in subsection (1) the following definition:

“‘Student Financial Supplement Scheme’ means the scheme constituted by Part 4A of the *Student Assistance Act 1973* for the making of loans to students;’.

Payment to a sole parent pensioner

“30F. Section 665A of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from paragraph (b) ‘is qualified to receive’ and substituting ‘is qualified, or if he or she were not in receipt of financial supplement under the Student Financial Supplement Scheme would be qualified, to receive’.

Payment to a disability support pensioner

“30G. Section 665E of the Principal Act is amended by inserting in paragraph (b) ‘, or if he or she were not in receipt of financial supplement under the Student Financial Supplement Scheme would be qualified,’ after ‘is qualified’.

Payment to a widow B pensioner

“30H. Section 665I of the Principal Act is amended by inserting in paragraph (b) ‘, or if she were not in receipt of financial supplement under the Student Financial Supplement Scheme would be qualified,’ after ‘is qualified’.

Payment to a special benefit recipient

“30J. Section 665M of the Principal Act is amended by inserting in paragraph (c) ‘, or if he or she were not in receipt of financial supplement under the Student Financial Supplement Scheme would be qualified,’ after ‘is qualified’.

Rate of job search allowance (under 18) and sickness allowance (under 18)

“30K. (1) Benefit Rate Calculator A in section 1067 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after paragraph (ca) of point 1067-C2 the following paragraph:

‘(cb) the person’s partner is receiving financial supplement under the Student Financial Supplement Scheme; or’.

“(2) Benefit Rate Calculator A in section 1067 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from point 1067-H2 ‘or ABSTUDY allowance’ and substituting ‘, ABSTUDY allowance or financial supplement under the Student Financial Supplement Scheme’.

Rate of job search allowance (18 or over) and newstart allowance and sickness allowance (18 or over)

“30L. (1) Benefit Rate Calculator B in section 1068 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after paragraph (ca) of point 1068-C3 the following paragraph:

‘(cb) the person’s partner is receiving financial supplement under the Student Financial Supplement Scheme; or’.

“(2) Benefit Rate Calculator B in section 1068 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from point 1068-G2 ‘or ABSTUDY allowance’ and substituting ‘, ABSTUDY allowance or financial supplement under the Student Financial Supplement Scheme’.

Rate of family payment

“30M. Family Payment Rate Calculator in section 1069 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after subparagraph (a)(ii) of point 1069-D10 the following subparagraph:

‘(iia) the Student Financial Supplement Scheme; or’.

Overpayments arising under other Acts and Schemes

“30N. Section 1228 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after subsection (2) the following subsection:

‘(2A) A debt referred to in paragraph (b) of the definition of “student assistance overpayment” in subsection 3(1) of the *Student Assistance Act 1973* is an overpayment that is recoverable by the Commonwealth by means of deductions.’.”.

NOTE

3A. No. 46, 1991, as amended. For previous amendments, see Nos. 68, 69, 70, 73, 74, 115, 116, 141, 175, 194 and 208, 1991; and Nos. 12, 69, 81, 94, 118, 133 and 134, 1992.

On the motion of Mr Tickner (Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs), the amendments were agreed to, after debate. Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr L. J. Scott reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Tickner, the House adopted the report.

- 14 **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT (ISOLATED AREA ZONE EXTENSION) AMENDMENT BILL 1992 [NO. 2]:** Message No. 544, dated 5 November 1992, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for “*An Act to amend the ‘Income Tax Assessment Act 1936’ to provide for an extension of the definition of isolated areas to include the seas situated in certain adjacent areas*”.

Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 15 **ABORIGINAL COUNCILS AND ASSOCIATIONS AMENDMENT BILL 1992:** 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.

Limitation of debate: At 5 p.m., the Deputy Speaker having called the attention of the House to the fact that the time allotted for the remaining stages of the Bill had expired—

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Further question—That the remaining stages of the Bill be agreed to—put and passed—Bill read a third time.

- 16 HOUSING ASSISTANCE AMENDMENT BILL 1992:** 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.
Limitation of debate: At 5.40 p.m., the Deputy Speaker having called the attention of the House to the fact that the time allotted for the remaining stages of the Bill had expired—
Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and passed—Bill read a second time.
Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 329, dated 5 November 1992, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.
Further question—That the remaining stages of the Bill be agreed to—put and passed—Bill read a third time.
- 17 AGRICULTURAL AND VETERINARY CHEMICALS (ADMINISTRATION) BILL 1992:** 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.
Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 330, dated 5 November 1992, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.
Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.
On the motion of Mr Duncan (Parliamentary Secretary to the Attorney-General), the Bill was read a third time.
- 18 AGRICULTURAL AND VETERINARY CHEMICALS AMENDMENT BILL 1992:**
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 Duncan (Parliamentary Secretary to the Attorney-General), the Bill was read a third time.
- 19 CHILD SUPPORT LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1992:** 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.
The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Clauses 1 to 37, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.
Clause 38 debated and agreed to.
Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.
Bill to be reported without amendment.

- The House resumed; Mr Dubois reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr R. J. Brown (Minister for Land Transport), the House adopted the report, and the Bill was read a third time.
- 20 SUPERANNUATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1992:** 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.

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 331, dated 5 November 1992, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Griffiths (Minister for Resources), the Bill was read a third time.

- 21 **NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY ADMINISTRATION BILL 1992:** 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.

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 332, dated 5 November 1992, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

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In the committee

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

On the motion of Mr Griffiths (Minister for Resources), by leave, the following amendments were made together, after debate:

Clause 8—

Page 3, paragraph (1)(b), line 25, omit “expenses”, substitute “expenditure”.

Page 3, subclause (2), line 33, omit “expenses”, substitute “expenditure incurred”.

Page 3, paragraph (2)(b), line 35, omit “expenses”, substitute “expenditure”.

Page 3, paragraph (2)(c), line 37, omit “expenses”, substitute “expenditure”.

Page 3, paragraph (2)(d), line 39, omit “expenses”, substitute “expenditure”.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr Dubois reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Griffiths, the House adopted the report, and the Bill was read a third time.

- 22 **NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (CONSEQUENTIAL PROVISIONS) BILL 1992:**

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.

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 333, dated 5 November 1992, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Griffiths (Minister for Resources), the Bill was read a third time.

- 23 **NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (COARSE GRAINS) LEVY BILL 1992,
NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (CATTLE TRANSACTIONS) LEVY BILL 1992,
NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER) LEVY BILL 1992,
NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (MEAT CHICKEN) LEVY BILL 1992,
NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (LAYING CHICKEN) LEVY BILL 1992,
NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (DAIRY PRODUCE) LEVY BILL 1992,
NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (HONEY) LEVY BILL 1992,**

NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (HONEY EXPORT) LEVY BILL 1992,
 NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (HORTICULTURAL PRODUCTS) LEVY BILL
 1992,
 NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (HORTICULTURAL PRODUCTS EXPORT) LEVY
 BILL 1992,
 NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (OILSEEDS) LEVY BILL 1992,
 NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (DRIED FRUITS) LEVY BILL 1992,
 NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (WHEAT) LEVY BILL 1992,
 NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (GRAIN LEGUMES) LEVY BILL 1992,
 NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (GAME ANIMALS) LEVY BILL 1992,
 NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (AQUATIC ANIMAL EXPORT) LEVY BILL 1992
 AND

NATIONAL RESIDUE SURVEY (HORSE SLAUGHTER) LEVY BILL 1992: The
 order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the
 question—That the Bills be now read a second time—

Question—put and passed—Bills together read a second time.

Leave granted for third readings to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Griffiths (Minister for Resources), the Bills were
 together read a third time.

- 24 COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYEES' REHABILITATION AND COMPENSATION
 AMENDMENT BILL 1992: 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.

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 334, dated 5 November
 1992, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced
 recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Kerin (Minister for Trade and Overseas Development),
 the Bill was read a third time.

- 25 AUSTRALIA'S OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION PROGRAM—PAPER—
 MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr Kerin (Minister for Trade and
 Overseas Development) presented the following paper:

Changing aid for a changing world: Key issues for Australia's aid program
 in the 1990s—Ministerial policy paper and 3rd annual report on
 Australia's Overseas Development Cooperation Program, November
 1992—

and moved—That the House take note of the paper.

Debate ensued.

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

- 26 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—SERVICE AND EXECUTION OF PROCESS
 BILL 1992: Message No. 548, dated 5 November 1992, from the Senate
 was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for "*An
 Act to provide for the service and execution, throughout the Commonwealth,
 of process of courts and tribunals, and for related purposes*".

Bill read a first time.

Mr Duncan (Parliamentary Secretary to the Attorney-General) moved—That
 the Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

- 27 **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—SERVICE AND EXECUTION OF PROCESS (TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 1992:** Message No. 546, dated 5 November 1992, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for “*An Act to repeal the ‘Service and Execution of Process Act 1901’, and to make transitional provisions and certain amendments consequential upon the enactment of the ‘Service and Execution of Process Act 1992’*”.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Duncan (Parliamentary Secretary to the Attorney-General) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

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

- 28 **ADJOURNMENT:** Mr Duncan (Parliamentary Secretary to the Attorney-General) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

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

Bounty applying to agricultural tractors and equipment—Copies of—
Industries Assistance Commission—Report for 1984-85—Extract.

Letter from B. J. Meredyth, Assistant Secretary, Engineering Industries, Department of Industry, Technology and Commerce, to the Manager, Safety Cab Developments Pty Ltd, Dandenong, Vic, 15 September 1987.

Debate continued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 11 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 2 p.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 9 November 1992:

Australian Capital Territory (Planning and Land Management) Act—
National Capital Plan—Amendment No. 4, November 1992.

Disability Services Act—Guidelines—No. DSA 92/2.

Higher Education Funding Act—Determinations—Nos. T35/92, T36/92.

Interstate Road Transport Act—Determination under section 43A, 7 October 1992.

ATTENDANCE: All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Bradford, Mr Cameron*, Mr Cowan, Mr Dobie, Mr Goodluck, Mr Jones, Mr MacKellar, Mr Prosser and Mr B. C. Scott.

*On leave

L. M. BARLIN

Clerk of the House of Representatives