# THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 5

# **TUESDAY, 11 MAY 1993**

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

# 2 QUESTIONS

Ouestions without notice were asked.

#### 3 PAPERS

The following papers were presented:

Employment, Education and Training Act—National Board of Employment, Education and Training—Reports—

Australian Language and Literacy Council, including the Board's comments—Adult English language and literacy provision by the community based education sector, May 1993.

Australian Research Council, including the Board's comments—

Advice on the Small Grants Scheme, May 1993.

Implementation of the recommendations of the external review of the Waite Agricultural Research Institute, University of Adelaide, May 1993.

Postgraduate support and student mobility, May 1993.

Reviews of grants outcomes-

No. 6-Ecology 1986-1990, March 1993.

No. 7—Condensed matter physics 1986-1990, March 1993.

No. 9—Mathematical sciences 1987-1991, March 1993.

Employment and Skills Formation Council, including the Board's comments—Supplementary advice on assessment for Australian vocational certificates, May 1993.

Higher Education Council, including the Board's comments—

Competency based approaches to university selection and credit transfer, May 1993.

Funding principles for the 1993-95 triennium and advice on funds allocated to higher education institutions, May 1993.

National Common Police Services—Australasian Police Ministers' Council—Report for 1991-92.

# 4 NATIONAL BOARD OF EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION AND TRAINING—HIGHER EDUCATION COUNCIL—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER

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

Employment, Education and Training Act—National Board of Employment, Education and Training—Report by the Higher Education Council, including the Board's comments—Competency based approaches to university selection and credit transfer, May 1993.

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

# 5 NATIONAL BOARD OF EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION AND TRAINING—EMPLOYMENT AND SKILLS FORMATION COUNCIL—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER

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

Employment, Education and Training Act—National Board of Employment, Education and Training—Report by the Employment and Skills Formation Council, including the Board's comments—Supplementary advice on assessment for Australian vocational certificates, May 1993.

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

# 6 NATIONAL COMMON POLICE SERVICES—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER

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

National Common Police Services—Australasian Police Ministers' Council—Report for 1991-92.

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

# 7 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—RURAL AND REGIONAL AUSTRALIA

The House was informed that Mr Anderson (Deputy Leader of the National Party of Australia) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The economic and social plight across rural and regional Australia, particularly wool-growing areas".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Anderson addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

## 8 MURRAY-DARLING BASIN BILL 1993

Mr Gear (Assistant Treasurer), for Mr Crean (Minister for Primary Industries and Energy), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to approve and provide for carrying out an agreement entered into between the Commonwealth, New South

Wales, Victoria and South Australia with regard to the water, land and other environmental resources of the Murray-Darling Basin, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

# 9 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1993

Mr Gear (Assistant Treasurer), for Mr Crean (Minister for Primary Industries and Energy), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend legislation relating to primary industries, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

# 10 BROADCASTING SERVICES AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1993

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. 7, dated 7 May 1993, 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 Beddall (Minister for Communications), the Bill was read a third time.

### 11 EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL 1993

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—Mr Katter dissenting.

Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Lindsay (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Technology and Regional Development), the Bill was read a third time.

# 12 ROAD TRANSPORT CHARGES (AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY) BILL 1993

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 O'Keefe (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Transport and Communications), the Bill was read a third time.

# 13 AUSTRALIAN WOOL REALISATION COMMISSION AMENDMENT BILL 1993

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 Anderson (Deputy Leader of the National Party of Australia) who moved, as an amendment—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "while not opposing the extension of the repayment schedule for the wool debt, the House is of the opinion that the retention in legislation of any time limit sends the wrong signals to an uncertain wool market".

## Debate continued.

Limitation of debate: At 11.20 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 words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr J. N. Andrew, in the Chair)—

#### **AYES, 75**

#### **NOES, 54**

| Mr Aldred        | Mr Evans     | Mr MacKellar   |   | Mr Sharp      |
|------------------|--------------|----------------|---|---------------|
| Mr Anderson      | Mr Filing*   | Mr McLachlan   |   | Mr Sinclair   |
| Mr K. J. Andrews | Mr Fischer   | Mr Miles       |   | Mr Slipper    |
| Mr Atkinson      | Mr Forrest   | Mrs Moylan     |   | Mr Somlyay    |
| Mr Beale         | Mrs Gallus   | Mr Nehl        |   | Mrs Sullivan  |
| Mr Bradford      | Mr Hall      | Mr Neville     |   | Mr Taylor     |
| Mr Braithwaite   | Mr Hawker    | Mr Prosser     |   | Mr Truss      |
| Mr Cadman        | Mr Hicks*    | Mr Pyne        |   | Mr Tuckey     |
| Mr Cameron       | Mr Jull      | Mr Reid        |   | Mr Vaile      |
| Mr Charles       | Mr Katter    | Mr Reith       |   | Mr Wakelin    |
| Mr Cobb          | Dr Kemp      | Mr Rocher      |   | Dr Wooldridge |
| Mr Connolly      | Mr Lieberman | Mr Ronaldson   | _ | Ms Worth      |
| Mr Costello      | Mr McArthur  | Mr Ruddock     |   |               |
| Mr Downer        | Mr McGauran  | Mr B. C. Scott |   |               |
|                  |              |                |   |               |

<sup>\*</sup> Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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.

### 14 ADJOURNMENT

Mr Crean (Minister for Primary Industries and Energy) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 11.52 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 10 a.m.

# **PAPERS**

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 11 May 1993:

Social Security Act—Determinations—Nos. 93/25, 93/26, 93/27.

Wildlife Protection (Regulation of Exports and Imports) Act—Declaration under subsection 9(1), 1 February 1993.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Halverson and Mr Jones.

### L. M. BARLIN

Clerk of the House of Representatives