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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 79

THURSDAY, 9 JUNE 1994

1 The House met, at 9.30 a.m., pursuant to adjournment.

2 ABSENCE OF SPEAKER

The Clerk having informed the House that the Speaker (the Honourable Stephen Martin) was absent until later this day, the Deputy Speaker (Mr Jenkins) took the Chair as Acting Speaker, and read Prayers.

3 SUPERANNUATION LAWS AMENDMENT BILL 1994

The order of the day having been read for the second reading—Mr Beazley (Minister for Finance) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 156, dated 13 May 1994, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Beazley, the Bill was read a third time.

4 INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1994

The order of the day having been read for the second reading—Mr Johns (Assistant Minister for Industrial Relations) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr Howard moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “whilst not opposing the passage of this Bill, the House, aware of the distress caused by Australia’s continuing high rate of unemployment, mindful that a heavily regulated labour market contributes to unemployment, and conscious of the OECD’s strictures of Australia’s dilatory rate of labour market reform; reminds the Government that it has acknowledged the need for greater flexibility in the labour market, states its belief that this Bill

will do nothing to achieve it, and urges the Government to abandon its Industrial Relations Reform Act which not only has failed to relieve labour market deficiencies but exacerbated them”.

Debate continued.

Limitation of debate: At 12 noon, the time allotted for the second reading having expired—

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

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

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Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Johns	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Baldwin	Ms Fatin	Mr Jones	Mr Price
Mr Beazley	Mr Ferguson	Mrs Kelly	Mr Quick
Mr Beddall	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Kerr	Mr Sawford*
Mr Bevis	Mr Free	Mr Knott	Mr Sciacca
Mr Brown	Mr Gear	Mr Langmore	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr Campbell	Mr Gibson	Mr Latham	Mr Simmons
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Gorman	Mr Lavarch	Mrs S. J. Smith
Mr Cleary	Mr Grace*	Dr Lawrence	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Cleeland	Mr Griffin	Mr Lee	Mr Snow
Ms Crawford	Mr Griffiths	Mr Lindsay	Mr Snowdon
Mrs Crosio	Mr Haviland	Ms McHugh	Mr Staples
Mr Cunningham	Ms Henzell	Mr Mack	Mr Swan
Ms Deahm	Mr Holding	Mr McLeay	Mr Tanner
Mr Dodd	Mr Hollis	Mr Melham	Dr Theophanous
Mr Duffy	Mr Horne	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Tickner
Mr Duncan	Mr Howe	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Walker
Mrs Eason	Mr Humphreys	Mr Newell	Mr Willis
Mr Elliott	Mr Jenkins	Mr O'Connor	Mr Woods

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Mr Abbott	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McGauran	Mr Ruddock
Mr Aldred	Mr Filing	Mr McLachlan	Mr B. C. Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr Fischer	Mr Miles	Mr Sharp
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr Forrest	Mr Moore	Mr Slipper
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mrs Gallus	Mrs Moylan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Atkinson	Mr Hall	Mr Nehl	Mr Taylor
Mrs Bishop	Mr Halverson	Mr Neville	Mr Tuckey
Mr Bradford	Mr Hawker*	Mr Nugent	Mr Vaile
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Hicks*	Mr Peacock	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cadman	Mr Howard	Mr Prosser	Mr Williams
Mr Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Pyne	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Charles	Mr Katter	Mr Reid	Ms Worth
Mr Cobb	Mr Lieberman	Mr Reith	
Mr Connolly	Mr Lloyd	Mr Rocher	
Mr Costello	Mr McArthur	Mr Ronaldson	

* 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.

Consideration in detail

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

New clauses—

Mr Johns, by leave, moved—That the following new clauses be inserted in the Bill:

Regulations may exclude employees as permitted by Convention

“4A. Section 170CC of the Principal Act is amended by omitting paragraphs (a) and (b) and substituting the following paragraphs:

- ‘(a) it is permitted by paragraph 2, 4 or 5 of Article 2 of the Termination of Employment Convention; and
- (b) in respect of an exclusion permitted by paragraph 2 of that Article—it is limited in such a way as to provide adequate safeguards as mentioned in paragraph 3 of that Article.’.

Insertion of new section

“4B. After section 170CC of the Principal Act the following section is inserted in Subdivision A of Division 3 of Part VIA:

Exclusion of employees not employed under award conditions whose wages exceed a particular amount

‘170CD.(1) The following Subdivisions do not apply to a termination of employment of an employee who is not employed under award conditions if:

- (a) in respect of an employee who was continuously employed by the employer during the period of 12 months immediately before the termination day—on the termination day the employee’s relevant wages exceeded the applicable amount; or
- (b) in respect of an employee who was continuously employed by the employer for a period less than 12 months immediately before the termination day—on the termination day the employee’s relevant wages exceeded the amount worked out using the formula:

$$\frac{\text{days employed}}{365} \times \text{applicable amount}$$

‘(2) The applicable amount for the purposes of subsection (1) is:

- (a) subject to paragraph (b), \$60,000; or
- (b) if regulations made in accordance with Subdivision CA prescribe a formula for the annual indexation of the amount referred to in paragraph (a)—the amount worked out using that formula as it applies from time to time.

‘(3) For the purposes of this section, an employee is taken not to be employed under award conditions if wages and conditions of employment of the employee are not regulated by one or more relevant awards that bind the employer of the employee.

‘(4) In this section:

“**days employed**” means the number of days in the period for which the employee was continuously employed by the employer immediately before the termination day;

“**relevant award**” means an award or a State award;

“**relevant wages**”, in relation to an employee, means the total amount of the wages that the employee received, or was entitled to receive, from the employer in respect of:

- (a) if paragraph (1)(a) applies to the employee—the period of 12 months referred to in that paragraph; or
- (b) if paragraph (1)(b) applies to the employee—the lesser period referred to in that paragraph;

but, in relation to an employee whose contract of employment prescribes normal hours for the performance of work (whether by prescribing the number of hours in which, or the times at which, work is normally to be performed in a particular period), does not include any wages, additional to normal wages, in respect of additional hours of work performed or in respect of work performed at other times;

“termination day” means the day on which the employer terminated the employee’s employment;

“termination of employment” means a termination of employment that occurred before, or occurs after, the commencement of this section, but does not include a termination of employment in respect of which an application under section 170EA was made to the Court before that commencement.’

Insertion of new section

“4C. After section 170ED of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:

Onus of proof

‘170EDA.(1) If an application under section 170EA alleges that a termination of employment of an employee contravened subsection 170DE(1):

- (a) the termination is taken to have contravened subsection 170DE(1) unless the employer proves that, apart from subsection 170DE(2), there was a valid reason, or valid reasons, of a kind referred to in subsection 170DE(1); and
- (b) if the employer so proves, the termination is nevertheless taken to have contravened subsection 170DE(1) if the applicant proves that, because of subsection 170DE(2), the reason or reasons proved by the employer were not valid.

‘(2) If an application under section 170EA alleges that a termination of employment of an employee contravened subsection 170DF(1) on the ground that the termination:

- (a) was for a particular reason or reasons referred to in that subsection that were stated in the application; or
- (b) was for reasons stated in the application that included a particular reason or reasons referred to in that subsection;

the termination is taken to have contravened subsection 170DF(1) unless the employer proves that:

- (c) the employment was not terminated for the particular reason or reasons or for reasons that included the particular reason or reasons; or
- (d) the particular reason was a reason, or the particular reasons were reasons, to which subsection 170DF(2) or (3) applied.

‘(3) In this section:

“termination of employment” means a termination of employment that occurred before, or occurs after, the commencement of this section, but does not include a termination of employment in respect of which an application under

section 170EA was made to the Court before that commencement if the Court pronounced final judgment in respect of the application before that commencement.’

Repeal of section and substitution of new section

“4D. Section 170EE of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section is substituted:

Remedies the Court may grant

‘170EE.(1) In respect of a contravention of a provision of this Division (other than section 170DB or 170DD) constituted by the termination of employment of an employee, the Court may make the following orders:

- (a) an order requiring the employer to reinstate the employee by:
 - (i) reappointing the employee to the position in which the employee was employed immediately before the termination; or
 - (ii) appointing the employee to another position on terms and conditions no less favourable than those on which the employee was employed immediately before the termination; and
- (b) if the Court makes an order under paragraph (a):
 - (i) any order that it thinks necessary to maintain the continuity of the employee’s employment; and
 - (ii) an order requiring the employer to pay to the employee the remuneration lost by the employee because of the termination.

‘(2) If the Court thinks, in respect of a contravention of a provision of this Division (other than section 170DB or 170DD) constituted by the termination of employment of an employee, that the reinstatement of the employee is impracticable, the Court may make an order requiring the employer to pay to the employee compensation of such amount as the Court thinks appropriate.

‘(3) In working out the amount of the compensation for the purposes of subsection (2), the Court is to have regard to the remuneration that the employee would have received, or would have been likely to have received, if the employer had not terminated the employment, but the amount of compensation:

- (a) must not exceed, in respect of any employee, the amount of the remuneration that would have been received by the employee in respect of the period of 6 months that immediately followed the day on which the termination took effect if the employer had not terminated the employment and the employee had continued to receive remuneration in respect of the employment at the rate at which he or she received remuneration immediately before the termination took effect; and
- (b) must not exceed, in respect of an employee who is not employed under award conditions, the applicable amount on the day on which the termination took effect.

‘(4) The applicable amount for the purposes of paragraph (3)(b) is:

- (a) subject to paragraph (b), \$30,000; or
- (b) if regulations made in accordance with Subdivision CA prescribe a formula for the annual indexation of the amount referred to in paragraph (a)—the amount worked out using that formula as it applies from time to time.

‘(5) In respect of a contravention of section 170DB constituted by the termination of employment of an employee, the Court may make an order requiring the employer to pay to the employee an amount of damages equal to the amount of the compensation which, if it had been given by the employer to the employee when the employment was terminated, would have resulted in the employer not contravening that section.

‘(6) Nothing in section 170EC or in this section limits the Court’s power to make an interim or interlocutory order in relation to an application under section 170EA.

‘(7) For the purposes of this section, an employee is taken not to be employed under award conditions if wages and conditions of employment of the employee are not regulated by one or more relevant awards that bind the employer of the employee.

‘(8) In this section:

“relevant award” means an award or a State award;

“termination of employment” means a termination of employment that occurred before, or occurs after, the commencement of this section, but does not include a termination of employment in respect of which an application under section 170EA was made to the Court before that commencement if the Court pronounced final judgment in respect of the application before that commencement.’

Insertion of new Subdivision

“4E. After Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part VIA, the following Subdivision is inserted:

‘Subdivision CA—Regulations may prescribe formula for indexing certain amounts

Regulations may prescribe formula for indexation

‘170EI. The regulations may prescribe a formula for the annual indexation of:

- (a) the amount stated in paragraph 170CD(2)(a); and
- (b) the amount stated in paragraph 170EE(4)(a);

in accordance with increases in the average total weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) of all employees in Australia.’

Insertion of new section

“4F. After section 170JE of the Principal Act, the following section is inserted:

Representation of employers

‘170JEA. Without limiting the operation of paragraphs 42(7)(b) and 469(7)(b), an employer that is a party to a proceeding under this Part before the Commission or the Court may be represented by a member, officer or employee of an association of employers of which the employer is a member.’”

Paper: Mr Johns presented a supplementary explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Debate ensued.

Limitation of debate: At 12.25 p.m., the time allotted for the consideration in detail stage having expired—

Question—That the new clauses proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and passed.

Further question—That the Bill, as amended, be agreed to—put and passed—Mr Cleary dissenting.

Consideration in detail concluded.

On the motion of Mr Johns, the Bill was read a third time.

5 VETERANS' AFFAIRS (1994-95 BUDGET MEASURES) LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1994

The order of the day having been read for the second reading—Mr Beazley (Minister for Finance) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 157, dated 7 June 1994, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the Bill.

Consideration in detail

Clauses 1 to 10, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 11 debated.

Question—That the clause be agreed to—put.

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

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Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Jones	Mr Quick
Mr Baldwin	Ms Fatin	Mrs Kelly	Mr Sawford*
Mr Beazley	Mr Ferguson	Mr Kerr	Mr Sciacca
Mr Beddall	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Knott	Mr L. J. Scott
Mr Bevis	Mr Free	Mr Langmore	Mr Simmons
Mr Bilney	Mr Gear	Mr Latham	Mrs S. J. Smith
Mr Brown	Mr Gibson	Mr Lavarch	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Campbell	Mr Gorman	Dr Lawrence	Mr Snow
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Grace*	Mr Lee	Mr Snowdon
Mr Cleary	Mr Griffin	Mr Lindsay	Mr Staples
Mr Cleeland	Mr Griffiths	Ms McHugh	Mr Swan
Ms Crawford	Mr Haviland	Mr McLeay	Mr Tanner
Mrs Crosio	Ms Henzell	Mr Melham	Dr Theophanous
Mr Cunningham	Mr Holding	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Tickner
Ms Deahm	Mr Hollis	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Walker
Mr Dodd	Mr Home	Mr Newell	Mr Willis
Mr Duffy	Mr Howe	Mr O'Connor	Mr Woods
Mr Duncan	Mr Humphreys	Mr O'Keefe	
Mrs Easson	Mr Jenkins	Mr Price	
Mr Elliott	Mr Johns	Mr Punch	

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Mr Abbott	Mr Downer	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ronaldson
Mr Aldred	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McArthur	Mr Ruddock
Mr Anderson	Mr Filing	Mr McGauran	Mr B. C. Scott
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr Fischer	Mr Mack	Mr Sharp
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr McLachlan	Mr Sinclair
Mr Atkinson	Mrs Gallus	Mr Miles	Mr Slipper
Mrs Bishop	Mr Hall	Mr Moore	Mr Somlyay
Mr Bradford	Mr Halverson	Mrs Moylan	Mr Taylor
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Hawker*	Mr Nehl	Mr Truss
Mr Cadman	Mr Hicks*	Mr Neville	Mr Tuckey
Mr Cameron	Mr Howard	Mr Nugent	Mr Vaile
Mr Charles	Mr Jull	Mr Peacock	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cobb	Mr Katter	Mr Prosser	Mr Williams
Mr Connolly	Dr Kemp	Mr Pyne	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Costello	Mr Lieberman	Mr Reid	Ms Worth

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Limitation of debate: The time allotted for the remaining stages of the Bill having expired—

Question—That the remainder of the Bill be agreed to and that the Bill be read a third time—put and passed—Bill read a third time.

6 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice were asked.

7 PRIVILEGE—SERVING OF WRITS FOR DEFAMATION—REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES

The Speaker referred to the matter of privilege raised yesterday by Mr Katter concerning writs of defamation served on certain persons and stated that while Mr Katter had not presented the detailed information which would lead him to conclude absolutely that there was *prima facie* evidence of an attempt to interfere improperly in the performance of his duties as a Member, it was a borderline case and he was prepared to allow precedence to a motion on the matter.

Mr Katter then moved—That the question of whether the serving of defamation writs on Mr Roland John Ellems and on Mr Ayden Cross by Mr Peter Laurance amounts to improper interference in the honourable Member for Kennedy's performance of his duties as a Member of the House be referred to the Committee of Privileges.

Question—put and passed.

8 PAPERS

The following papers were presented:

Advance to the Minister for Finance—

Statements for May 1994.

Supporting applications of issues from the Advance during May 1994.

9 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—DISPARITY OF WEALTH

The House was informed that Mr Ruddock had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The increasing disparity of wealth in Australia, as exemplified by the emergence of a Government created underclass".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Ruddock addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

10 PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE—12TH REPORT

Mr Fitzgibbon (Chairman) presented the following report:

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE 12TH REPORT

The Publications Committee reports that it has met in conference with the Publications Committee of the Senate.

The Committee, having considered petitions and documents presented to the Parliament since 10 May 1994, recommends that the following be printed:

Aboriginal Deaths in Custody—Royal Commission—Implementation reports of—

Queensland Government—Progress report, December 1993—

Volume 1—Summary.

Volume 2—Policies and programs.

Volume 3—Implementation of the recommendations.

South Australian Government, April 1994.

Western Australian Government, December 1993.

Australia-China Council—Report for 1992-93.

Australia and the Asian Development Bank—Report by the Hon. Ralph Willis, MP, Treasurer, for 1993.

Australian Wool Corporation Act—Australian Wool Corporation—Final report, for period 1 July to 30 November 1993.

Human Rights Commission—Federal Race Discrimination Commissioner—Water: A report on the provision of water and sanitation in remote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, 16 May 1994.

Science and technology budget statement 1994-95.

Working together: Mental health federal budget initiatives 1994-95—Report, incorporating the Federal Government's response to the report of the national inquiry into the human rights of people with mental illness.

Director of Public Prosecutions Act—Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions—Report for 1992-93—Corrigendum.

ERIC FITZGIBBON
Chairman

9 June 1994

Mr Fitzgibbon, by leave, moved—That the report be agreed to.

Question—put and passed.

11 ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER COMMISSION AMENDMENT BILL 1994—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Main Committee had returned the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Amendment Bill 1994 to the House for the motion for the second reading and remaining stages, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Ordered—That further proceedings on the Bill be made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

12 CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL 1994—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Customs Tariff Amendment Bill 1994 had been fully considered in the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Mr Lavarch (Attorney-General), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

13 INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1994—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Main Committee had returned the Industry, Science and Technology Legislation Amendment Bill 1994 to the House for continuation of the second reading debate and remaining stages, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Ordered—That further proceedings on the Bill be made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

14 CORPORATIONS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1994—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Corporations Legislation Amendment Bill 1994 had been fully considered in the Main Committee and agreed to with amendments and with an unresolved question (*see item No. 3, Minutes of Proceedings of the Main Committee of 9 June 1994*), and presented a certified copy of the Bill together with a schedule of amendments and a schedule of the unresolved question.

Unresolved question—That the following amendment be agreed to: Schedule 4, page 35, omit item 19, substitute the following item:

“19. Subsection 194(4):

Omit the subsection, substitute:

“(4) A person who appears at an inquiry is entitled to have another person present to assist the person and a person who so assists is entitled to address the Panel.”.

Debate ensued.

Question negatived.

Amendments made by the Main Committee agreed to.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

On the motion of Mr Lavarch (Attorney-General), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

15 ADJOURNMENT

It being 5.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 5.54 p.m., adjourned until Monday, 27 June 1994, at 12.30 p.m.

PAPERS

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 9 June 1994:

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Act—Determination under section 194 1994 No. 1.

Australian Bureau of Statistics Act—Australian Bureau of Statistics—Proposal 1994 No. 14.

Proclamation by His Excellency the Governor-General fixing the dates on which the following provisions of the *Education Services for Overseas Students (Registration of Providers and Financial Regulation) Amendment Act 1993* shall come into operation—

Subsection 3(2), sections 5 and 6, subsections 9(2) and 10(2) and section 11—
1 June 1994.

Section 8—24 June 1994.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Beale, Mr Brereton, Mr Crean, Dr Hewson, Mr Keating and Mrs Sullivan.

L. M. BARLIN

Clerk of the House of Representatives

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 79

MAIN COMMITTEE**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS****THURSDAY, 9 JUNE 1994**

1 The Main Committee met at 10 a.m.

2 ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER COMMISSION AMENDMENT BILL 1994

The order of the day having been read for the second reading—

On the motion of Mr McLeay (Chief Government Whip), further proceedings on the Bill to be conducted in the House.

3 CORPORATIONS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1994

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—

Debated resumed.

Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Consideration in detail

Clauses 1 to 17, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Schedules 1 to 3, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Schedule 4—

Mr Williams moved the following amendment: Page 35, omit item 19, substitute the following item:

“19. Subsection 194(4):

Omit the subsection, substitute:

‘(4) A person who appears at an inquiry is entitled to have another person present to assist the person and a person who so assists is entitled to address the Panel.’”.

Debate ensued.

Question unresolved.

On the motion of Mr Lavarch (Attorney-General) the following amendment was made, after debate:

Page 35, item 20, proposed subsection 195(3), omit the proposed subsection, substitute the following subsection:

“ (3) It is intended that this Division and the regulations will set out procedural requirements that equate to the rules of natural justice.’ ”.

Schedule agreed to with an amendment and an unresolved question.

Schedules 5 to 7, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Schedule 8—

On the motion of Mr Lavarch, by leave, the following amendments were made together:

Page 45, item 4, omit the item.

Pages 45 and 46, item 5, omit the item.

Page 46, item 6, omit the item.

Page 46, item 7, omit the item.

Page 46, item 8, omit the item.

Page 50, item 21, omit the item.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill agreed to with amendments and an unresolved question.

Consideration in detail concluded.

Ordered—That the Bill be reported to the House with amendments and an unresolved question.

4 CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL 1994

The order of the day having been read for the second reading—Mr Lindsay (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Science and Technology) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

Civil Aviation Authority—

Singleton Air Services Pty Ltd, trading as Yanda Airlines—

Electronic memo to Ken Cannane from Bob Vale, District Airworthiness Manager, Bankstown North DO, 19 August 1993.

Report, 16 August 1993.

Note, together with attachments, relating to issue of an AME licence.

Mr Jull addressing the Committee—

Suspension of sitting: At 12.01 p.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

Resumption of sitting: At 12.16 p.m., the proceedings were resumed.

Debate continued.

Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for the motion for the Bill to be reported to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Lindsay, Bill to be reported to the House without amendment.

5 INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1994

The order of the day having been read for the second reading—Mr Lindsay (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Industry, Science and Technology) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Mr Lindsay, further proceedings on the Bill to be conducted in the House.

6 ADJOURNMENT

The Main Committee adjourned at 12.46 p.m.

I. C. HARRIS

Clerk of the Main Committee