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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 129

THURSDAY, 9 MARCH 1995

1 The House met, at 9.30 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (the Honourable Stephen Martin) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 PUBLIC WORKS—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—LABORATORY COMPLEX FOR CSIRO DIVISION OF MINERALS, CLAYTON, VIC.

Mrs Crosio (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Social Security), for Mr Walker (Minister for Administrative Services), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for consideration and report: Laboratory complex for CSIRO Division of Minerals, Clayton, Vic.

Paper: Mrs Crosio presented plans in connection with the proposed work.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

3 PUBLIC WORKS—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—JOINT VENTURE DEVELOPMENT WITH DELFIN PROPERTY GROUP OF THE WILLOWS, TOWNSVILLE, FOR DEFENCE HOUSING

Mrs Crosio (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Social Security), for Mr Walker (Minister for Administrative Services), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for consideration and report: Joint venture development with Delfin Property Group of The Willows, Townsville, for defence housing.

Question—put and passed.

4 STATES GRANTS (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1994

The order of the day having been read for the second reading—Mr Free (Minister for Schools, Vocational Education and Training) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper: Mr Free presented a supplementary explanatory memorandum to the Bill. Mr Ronaldson moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “whilst not declining to give the Bill a second reading, the House:

- (1) expresses its grave concern at the direction of the Federal Government’s new schools policy, and calls on the Government to abandon this policy;
- (2) despite the widespread cynicism as to the Government’s motives in commissioning a review of arrangements in this area, calls on the Government to have this review completed as soon as possible, and no later than September 1995”.

Debate continued.

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

5 POSTPONEMENT OF BUSINESS

Ordered—That business intervening before order of the day No. 10, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

6 COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1994

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

Debate ensued.

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

Messages from the Governor-General: The following messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were announced:

No. 246, dated 15 November 1994, recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the Bill; and

No. 247, dated 9 March 1995, recommending an appropriation for the purpose of amendments to be moved to the Bill by a Minister.

Consideration in detail

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Mr Walker, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Clause 5—

Page 2, lines 20 and 21, omit “31 December 1994”, substitute “the day on which the *Commonwealth Electoral Amendment Act 1995* commenced”.

Page 2, line 29, omit “1 January 1995”, substitute “the day after the day on which the *Commonwealth Electoral Amendment Act 1995* commenced”.

Page 2, line 32, omit “1 January 1995”, substitute “the day on which this Act commenced”.

Clause 6, pages 2 and 3, omit “the second half of the financial year” (wherever occurring), substitute “the part of the financial year that commenced on the date of commencement of the *Commonwealth Electoral Amendment Act 1995* and ended at the end of the financial year”.

Schedule—

Page 4, item 1, after the proposed definition of “associated entity” insert:
“‘**entitlement**’ means an entitlement under section 294 in respect of an election;”

Page 4, after item 1 insert:

“1A. Paragraph 290(3)(a):

Omit ‘claim or’.

1B. Section 293:

Repeal the section.”

Page 4, omit items 3, 4 and 5, substitute:

“3. Section 295:

Repeal the section.

4. Section 296:

Repeal the section.

5. Section 298:

Repeal the section.

5A. Subsection 299(1):

Omit ‘the Electoral Commission is satisfied, in relation to a claim under subsection 295(2), that’.

5B. Subsections 299(2):

Omit ‘the Electoral Commission is satisfied, in relation to a claim under subsection 295(3), that’.

5C. Subsections 299(3):

Omit ‘the Electoral Commission is satisfied, in relation to a claim under subsection 295(4), that’.

5D. Subsections 299(4):

Omit ‘the Electoral Commission is satisfied, in relation to a claim under subsection 295(5) or (6), that’.

5E. Subsection 299(5):

Omit ‘at the time when the relevant claim under section 295 is lodged’, substitute ‘before the 20th day after the polling day in the election.’

5F. After subsection 299(5) insert:

‘(5A) A notice may be lodged with the Electoral Commission for the purposes of this section requesting that payments that would otherwise be made to the agent of a registered political party specified in the notice are to be paid instead to the agent of another registered political party specified in the notice.

‘(5B) A notice under subsection (5A):

- (a) must be signed by the registered officer of each of the registered political parties specified in the notice; and
- (b) can only be withdrawn by a notice lodged with the Electoral Commission and signed by the registered officer of each of those political parties.

‘(5C) If a notice is lodged under subsection (5A), payments under this section must be made in accordance with the notice for any election for which the polling day is:

- (a) after the day on which the notice was lodged; and
- (b) before the day (if any) on which the notice is withdrawn.

‘(5D) Where the Electoral Commission is required to make a payment under this section in respect of an entitlement:

- (a) at least 95% of the entitlement (calculated on the basis of the votes counted as at the 20th day after the polling day in the election) must be paid as soon as possible after that 20th day; and
- (b) any balance must be paid as soon as possible after the amount of the full entitlement is known.’.

5G. Subsection 299(6):

Omit ‘whether because of a false statement in a claim or otherwise,’.

5H. Section 299A:

Repeal the section.

5I. Section 300:

Omit ‘a claim for the payment may be made by, and the payment may be made to,’ substitute ‘the payment may be made to’.

5J. Section 301:

Omit ‘a claim for the payment may be made by, and the payment may be made to,’ substitute ‘the payment may be made to’.

Page 6, after item 10 insert:

“10A. Paragraph 308(1)(f):

Omit the paragraph, substitute:

- ‘(f) the production and distribution of electoral matter that is addressed to particular persons or organisations and is distributed during the election period; or’.

10B. Before subsection 309(1A):

Insert:

‘(1) Where electoral expenditure in relation to an election is incurred by or with the authority of a registered political party or a State branch of a registered political party, the agent of the party or branch must, before the end of 15 weeks after the polling day in the election, furnish to the Electoral Commission a return, in an approved form, setting out details of the expenditure.’.

Page 6, after item 11 insert:

“11A. Section 313:

Add the following subsection:

‘(2) If no electoral expenditure in relation to an election was incurred by or with the authority of a particular registered political party or State branch of a registered political party that endorsed a candidate in the election, a return under this Division in respect of the party or branch must nevertheless be lodged and must include a statement to the effect that no electoral expenditure was incurred in relation to the election by or with the authority of the party or branch.’.

Page 8, item 26, omit proposed subsection (4), substitute the following subsection:

“(4) A person is not entitled under this section to peruse, or obtain a copy of, a return under Division 4 or 5 (other than section 305B) until after the end of 24 weeks after the polling day in the election to which the return relates.”.

Debate continued.

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

Amendments agreed to.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

On the motion of Mr Walker, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

7 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Message No. 423, dated 8 March 1995, from the Senate was reported acquainting the House that Senator Reynolds had been appointed a member of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on the Australian Security Intelligence Organization in place of Senator Zakharov, deceased.

8 STATES GRANTS (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ASSISTANCE) AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 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—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Ronaldson, viz.*—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “whilst not declining to give the Bill a second reading, the House:

- (1) expresses its grave concern at the direction of the Federal Government’s new schools policy, and calls on the Government to abandon this policy;
- (2) despite the widespread cynicism as to the Government’s motives in commissioning a review of arrangements in this area, calls on the Government to have this review completed as soon as possible, and no later than September 1995”—

Debate resumed.

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

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

AYES, 71

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

NOES, 53

Mr Abbott	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McGauran	Mr Sharp
Mr Aldred	Mr Filing	Mr McLachlan	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anderson	Mr Forrest	Mr Miles	Mr Slipper
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mrs Gallus	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Atkinson	Mr Georgiou	Mr Nehl	Mr Taylor
Mr Beale	Mr Hall	Mr Neville	Mr Truss
Mr Bradford	Mr Halverson	Mr Nugent	Mr Tuckey
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Hawker*	Mr Prosser	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cadman	Mr Hicks*	Mr Pyne	Mr Williams
Mr Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Reid	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Charles	Mr Katter	Mr Reith	Ms Worth
Mr Connolly	Mr Lieberman	Mr Rocher	
Mr Costello	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ronaldson	
Mr Dobie	Mr McArthur	Mr Ruddock	

* 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.

Messages from the Governor-General: The following messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were announced:

No. 244, dated 6 June 1994, recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the Bill; and

No. 245, dated 7 March 1995, recommending an appropriation for the purpose of amendments to be moved to the Bill by a Minister.

Consideration in detail

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Mr Free, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Clause 2—

Page 2, lines 2 and 3, omit “subsections 31(1), (2), (4) and (5),”, substitute “subsection 31(2),”.

Page 2, line 9, omit “Section”, substitute “Sections 17A, 17B, 18A and”.

Page 2, line 10, omit “31(3)”, substitute “31(1)”.

Page 2, line 12, omit “Paragraphs”, substitute “Sections 17C and 18B, paragraphs”.

Clause 17, page 12, after the clause insert the following clauses:

Grants for recurrent expenditure on general education in English as a second language in government schools

“17A. Section 62 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting subsection (2) and substituting the following subsection:

‘(2) The total of the amounts paid to a State under subsection (1) for a program year must not be greater than the amount set out opposite to the name of that State in column 2 of the Part of Schedule 6 that relates to that program year.’

Grants for recurrent expenditure on general education in English as a second language in non-government schools—program year 1993

“17B. Section 64 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting subsection (2) and substituting the following subsection:

‘(2) The total of the amounts paid to a State for the program year 1993 must not be greater than the amount set out opposite to the name of that State in column 3 of the Part of Schedule 6 that relates to that program year.’

Grants for recurrent expenditure on general education in English as a second language in non-government schools—program years 1994, 1995 and 1996

“17C. Section 65A of the Principal Act is amended by omitting subsection (4) and substituting the following subsection:

‘(4) The total of the amounts paid to a State for the program year 1994, 1995 or 1996 must not be greater than the amount set out opposite to the name of that State in column 3 of the Part of Schedule 6 that relates to that year.’.”

Clause 18, page 12, after the clause insert the following clauses:

Grants for primary or secondary education in prescribed country areas—program year 1993

“18A. Section 72 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting subsection (2) and substituting the following subsection:

‘(2) The total of the amounts paid to a State for the program year 1993 must not be greater than the amount set out opposite to the name of the State in column 4 of the Part of Schedule 7 that relates to that year.’.”

Grants for primary and secondary education provided in government schools in prescribed country areas or geographically isolated areas—program years 1994, 1995 and 1996

“18B. Section 72A of the Principal Act is amended by omitting subsection (2) and substituting the following subsection:

‘(2) The total of the amounts paid to a State for the program year 1994, 1995 or 1996 must not be greater than the amount set out opposite to the name of that State in column 4 of the Part of Schedule 7 that relates to that year.’.”

Clause 29, page 18, lines 1 to 5, omit proposed section 93C, substitute the following section:

Ceiling for grants under sections 93A and 93B

“ ‘93C.(1) The total of the amounts paid to the States under section 93A and subsections 93B(1) and (2) for a program year must not be greater than the amount set out in column 2 of the Part of Schedule 10 that relates to that program year.

‘(2) If an amount is set out opposite to the name of a State in column 2 of the Part of Schedule 10 that relates to a program year, the total of the amounts paid to the State under section 93A and subsections 93B(1) and (2) for that program year must not be greater than the amount so set out.’.”

Clause 31, page 19, lines 16 to 34, omit the clause, substitute the following clause:

Amendment of Schedules

“31.(1) The Principal Act is further amended by omitting Part 1 of Schedule 6 to that Act and substituting the Part set out in Schedule 2 to this Act.

“(2) The Principal Act is further amended by omitting Schedules 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 5A, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 to that Act and the notes to those Schedules and substituting the Schedules and notes set out in Schedule 3 to this Act.”

Schedules 2, 3, 4 and 5, pages 23 to 26, omit the Schedules, substitute the following Schedules:

"SCHEDULE 2

Subsection 31(1)

SUBSTITUTION OF NEW PART 1 IN SCHEDULE 6 TO THE PRINCIPAL ACT

SCHEDULE 6

Sections 62 to 69

GRANTS TO FACILITATE ACCESS TO SCHOOL EDUCATION

PART 1—1993

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6	Column 7	Column 8
State	Grants for general education in English as a second language provided at or in connection with government schools	Grants for general education in English as a second language provided at or in connection with non-government schools	Amount per eligible new arrival	Grants for special education in government schools and centres	Grants for special education in non-government schools and centres	Grants for special education intervention support	Grants for capital projects for children and students with disabilities in non-government schools and centres
New South Wales	16,647,000	8,185,911	\$	8,855,000	7,782,000	\$	\$
Victoria	12,847,000	7,730,655		6,327,000	7,633,000		5,223,000
Queensland	3,744,000	1,765,756		4,721,000	3,340,000		4,334,000
Western Australia	3,271,000	1,708,445		2,596,000	2,137,000		3,286,000
South Australia	3,286,000	1,267,615		2,216,000	1,654,000		1,535,000
Tasmania	432,000	152,320		779,000	538,000		1,360,000
Australian Capital Territory	816,000	419,160		485,000	488,000		506,000
Northern Territory	842,000	371,138		322,000	199,000		276,000
Total	41,885,000	21,601,000	2,722	26,301,000	23,771,000	16,726,000	3,915,000

“SCHEDULE 3

Subsection 31(2)

**SUBSTITUTION OF NEW SCHEDULES 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 5A, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 AND 11
TO THE PRINCIPAL ACT AND OF THE NOTES TO THOSE SCHEDULES****SCHEDULE 1**

Sections 47 and 48

CAPITAL GRANTS FOR GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS**PART 1—1993**

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
State	General grants	Grants for projects assisting retention	Grants for projects relating to refurbishment
	\$	\$	\$
New South Wales	67,177,000	4,175,000	20,931,000
Victoria	48,005,000	3,064,000	15,854,000
Queensland	35,823,000	1,904,000	9,808,000
Western Australia	19,699,000	987,000	5,270,000
South Australia	16,813,000	904,000	4,417,000
Tasmania	5,910,000	369,000	1,911,000
Australian Capital Territory	3,680,000	—	1,261,000
Northern Territory	2,445,000	103,000	548,000
Total	199,552,000	11,506,000	60,000,000

PART 2—1994

Column 1	Column 2
State	General grants
	\$
New South Wales	68,482,000
Victoria	48,309,000
Queensland	36,295,000
Western Australia	20,000,000
South Australia	16,971,000
Tasmania	5,946,000
Australian Capital Territory	3,718,000
Northern Territory	2,425,000
Total	202,146,000

PART 3—1995

Column 1 State	Column 2 General grants
	\$
New South Wales	68,769,000
Victoria	47,780,000
Queensland	36,678,000
Western Australia	20,182,000
South Australia	16,750,000
Tasmania	5,873,000
Australian Capital Territory	3,679,000
Northern Territory	2,435,000
Total	202,146,000

Note: This Schedule presently contains only Parts 1, 2 and 3, which relate to capital grants for government schools in 1993, 1994 and 1995. It is proposed to insert an additional Part, relating to 1996, by a subsequent amending Act.

SCHEDULE 2

Section 49

GENERAL RECURRENT GRANTS FOR GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS**PART 1—PRIMARY EDUCATION**

Column 1 1993	Column 2 1994	Column 3 1995	Column 4 1996
\$	\$	\$	\$
319	336	336	336

PART 2—SECONDARY EDUCATION

Column 1 1993	Column 2 1994	Column 3 1995	Column 4 1996
\$	\$	\$	\$
472	497	497	497

SCHEDULE 3

Section 53

**CAPITAL GRANTS FOR
NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS**

Column 1 Year	Column 2 Grants
	\$
1993	129,150,000
1994	105,504,000
1995	110,569,000
1996	

Note: The figure for 1996 will be inserted by a subsequent amending Act.

SCHEDULE 4

Section 55

GENERAL RECURRENT GRANTS FOR NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS**PART 1—PRIMARY EDUCATION**

Column 1 Funding level	Column 2 1993	Column 3 1994	Column 4 1995	Column 5 1996
	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	423	445	445	445
2	565	594	594	594
3	707	744	744	744
4	860	904	904	904
5	997	1,055	1,063	1,070
6	1,106	1,169	1,177	1,185
7	1,216	1,286	1,293	1,301
8	1,334	1,411	1,420	1,430
9	1,425	1,521	1,544	1,566
10	1,514	1,620	1,650	1,679
11	1,607	1,727	1,764	1,800
12	1,701	1,833	1,880	1,925

PART 2—SECONDARY EDUCATION

Column 1 Funding level	Column 2 1993	Column 3 1994	Column 4 1995	Column 5 1996
	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	671	706	706	706
2	892	938	938	938
3	1,034	1,087	1,087	1,087
4	1,356	1,426	1,426	1,426
5	1,452	1,537	1,549	1,558
6	1,614	1,707	1,718	1,729
7	1,775	1,878	1,888	1,899
8	1,952	2,067	2,079	2,093
9	2,088	2,230	2,262	2,296
10	2,212	2,367	2,409	2,454
11	2,346	2,521	2,574	2,627
12	2,486	2,681	2,747	2,813

SCHEDULE 5

Section 59

**GRANTS OF SHORT TERM EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR
NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS**

Column 1 1993	Column 2 1994	Column 3 1995	Column 4 1996
\$	\$	\$	\$
499,000	524,000	524,000	524,000

SCHEDULE 5A

Section 60A

**GRANTS FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS IN CONNECTION WITH
NON-GOVERNMENT RURAL STUDENT HOSTELS**

Column 1 1994	Column 2 1995	Column 3 1996
\$	\$	\$
1,633,000	1,089,000	1,089,000

Sections 62 to 69

SCHEDULE 6

GRANTS TO FACILITATE ACCESS TO SCHOOL EDUCATION

PART 1—1993

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6	Column 7	Column 8
State	Grants for general education in English as a second language provided at or in connection with government schools	Grants for general education in English as a second language provided at or in connection with non-government schools	Amount per eligible new arrival	Grants for special education in government schools and centres	Grants for special education in non-government schools and centres	Grants for special education intervention support	Grants for capital projects for children and students with disabilities in non-government schools and centres
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
New South Wales	16,647,000	8,185,911		8,855,000	7,782,000	5,223,000	
Victoria	12,847,000	7,730,655		6,327,000	7,633,000	4,334,000	
Queensland	3,744,000	1,765,756		4,721,000	3,340,000	3,286,000	
Western Australia	3,271,000	1,708,445		2,596,000	2,137,000	1,535,000	
South Australia	3,286,000	1,267,615		2,216,000	1,654,000	1,360,000	
Tasmania	432,000	152,320		779,000	538,000	506,000	
Australian Capital Territory	816,000	419,160		485,000	488,000	276,000	
Northern Territory	842,000	371,138		322,000	199,000	206,000	
Total	41,885,000	21,601,000	2,722	26,301,000	23,771,000	16,726,000	3,915,000

Sections 62 to 69B and
Section 78A

SCHEDULE 6

PART 2—1994

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6	Column 7	Column 8	Column 9	Column 10
State	Grants for general education in English as a second language provided at or in connection with government schools	Grants for general education in English as a second language provided at or in connection with non-government schools	Amount per eligible new arrival	Grants for special education in government schools and centres	Grants for special education in non-government schools and centres	Grants for intervention support	Grants for capital projects in connection with education in non-government schools and centres	Grants for capital projects for children and students with disabilities in non-government centres	Grants for transition support programs
New South Wales	\$ 17,496,000	\$ 8,520,000	\$	\$ 9,363,000	\$ 8,229,000	\$ 5,449,000	\$	\$	\$
Victoria	13,502,000	8,174,000		6,606,000	7,992,000	4,537,000			
Queensland	3,935,000	1,872,000		4,963,000	3,509,000	3,504,000			
Western Australia	3,438,000	1,820,000		2,735,000	2,223,000	1,612,000			
South Australia	3,453,000	1,403,000		2,321,000	1,741,000	1,423,000			
Tasmania	454,000	189,000		813,000	568,000	536,000			
Australian Capital Territory	858,000	436,000		509,000	513,000	295,000			
Northern Territory	885,000	289,000		332,000	208,000	223,000			
Total	44,021,000	22,703,000	2,861	27,642,000	24,983,000	17,579,000	2,300,000	1,666,000	2,178,000

Sections 62 to 69B and
Section 78A

SCHEDULE 6

PART 3—1995

Column 1	Column 2 Grants for general education in English as a second language provided at or in connection with government schools	Column 3 Grants for general education in English as a second language provided at or in connection with non-government schools	Column 4 Amount per eligible new arrival	Column 5 Grants for special education in government schools and centres	Column 6 Grants for special education in non-government schools and centres	Column 7 Grants for special education intervention support	Column 8 Grants for capital projects in connection with special education in non-government schools and centres	Column 9 Grants for capital projects for children and students with disabilities in non-government centres	Column 10 Grants for transition support programs
State	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
New South Wales	17,496,000	8,520,000		9,404,000	8,232,000	5,454,000			
Victoria	13,502,000	8,174,000		6,534,000	7,901,000	4,503,000			
Queensland	3,935,000	1,872,000		5,014,000	3,572,000	3,542,000			
Western Australia	3,438,000	1,820,000		2,759,000	2,253,000	1,613,000			
South Australia	3,453,000	1,403,000		2,292,000	1,738,000	1,417,000			
Tasmania	454,000	189,000		804,000	566,000	533,000			
Australian Capital Territory	858,000	436,000		503,000	509,000	293,000			
Northern Territory	885,000	289,000		332,000	212,000	224,000			
Total	44,021,000	22,703,000	2,861	27,642,000	24,983,000	17,579,000	2,300,000	1,666,000	2,178,000

Sections 62 to 69B and
Section 78A

SCHEDULE 6
PART 4—1996

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6	Column 7	Column 8	Column 9	Column 10
State	Grants for general education in English as a second language provided at or in connection with schools		Amount per eligible new arrival	Grants for special education in government schools and centres	Grants for special education in non-government schools and centres	Grants for special education intervention support	Grants for capital projects in connection with special education in non-government schools and centres	Grants for capital projects for children and students with disabilities in non-government centres	Grants for transition support programs
New South Wales									
Victoria									
Queensland									
Western Australia									
South Australia									
Tasmania									
Australian Capital Territory									
Northern Territory									
Total	66,724,000	*	2,861	27,642,000	22,946,000	17,579,000	2,300,000	1,666,000	1,017,000

Note: Amounts in respect of each State will be added by subsequent amending Acts.

Note*: The allocation is a total figure for government and non-government schools. Subsequent amending Acts will split the amount between the 2 sectors.

SCHEDULE 7

Sections 70 to 73

GRANTS TO PROMOTE EQUITY IN SCHOOL EDUCATION**PART 1—1993**

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5
State	Grants for disadvantaged government schools	Grants for disadvantaged non-government schools	Grants for schools in prescribed country areas	Grants for enhancing literacy and learning
	\$	\$	\$	\$
New South Wales	19,673,000	3,268,000	3,711,000	2,127,000
Victoria	13,846,000	3,590,000	2,194,000	1,619,000
Queensland	6,605,000	732,000	3,562,000	678,000
Western Australia	5,561,000	625,000	2,620,000	573,000
South Australia	4,913,000	414,000	1,543,000	497,000
Tasmania	2,401,000	122,000	514,000	234,000
Australian Capital Territory	52,000	18,000		
Northern Territory	1,187,000	78,000	551,000	117,000
Total	54,238,000	8,847,000	14,695,000	5,845,000

Note: Grants for enhancing literacy and learning cease from end of 1993.

SCHEDULE 7

Sections 70 to 72B

PART 2—1994

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5
State	Grants for disadvantaged government schools	Grants for disadvantaged non-government schools	Grants for government schools in prescribed country areas or geographically isolated areas	Grants for non-government schools in prescribed country areas or geographically isolated areas
	\$	\$	\$	\$
New South Wales	20,674,000	3,435,000	3,467,000	432,000
Victoria	14,552,000	3,773,000	1,992,000	315,000
Queensland	6,942,000	769,000	3,298,000	446,000
Western Australia	5,845,000	657,000	2,343,000	411,000
South Australia	5,164,000	435,000	1,605,000	16,000
Tasmania	2,521,000	131,000	512,000	28,000
Australian Capital Territory	55,000	19,000		
Northern Territory	1,248,000	82,000	574,000	5,000
Total	57,001,000	9,301,000	13,791,000	1,653,000

Note: Grants for schools in prescribed country areas (Column 4) in 1993 has changed to Grants for government schools in geographically isolated areas (Column 4) and Grants for non-government schools in geographically isolated areas (Column 5) in 1994, 1995 and 1996.

SCHEDULE 7

Sections 70 to 72B

PART 3—1995

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5
State	Grants for disadvantaged government schools	Grants for disadvantaged non-government schools	Grants for government schools in prescribed country areas or geographically isolated areas	Grants for non-government schools in prescribed country areas or geographically isolated areas
	\$	\$	\$	\$
New South Wales	20,674,000	3,435,000	3,435,800	463,200
Victoria	14,552,000	3,773,000	1,992,000	315,000
Queensland	6,942,000	769,000	3,298,000	446,000
Western Australia	5,845,000	657,000	2,343,000	411,000
South Australia	5,164,000	435,000	1,605,000	16,000
Tasmania	2,521,000	131,000	512,000	28,000
Australian Capital Territory	55,000	19,000		
Northern Territory	1,248,000	82,000	574,000	5,000
Total	57,001,000	9,301,000	13,759,800	1,684,200

Note: Grants for schools in prescribed country areas (Column 4) in 1993 has changed to Grants for government schools in geographically isolated areas (Column 4) and Grants for non-government schools in geographically isolated areas (Column 5) in 1994, 1995 and 1996.

SCHEDULE 7

Sections 70 to 72B

PART 4—1996

Column 1	Column 2 and Column 3	Column 4 and Column 5
State	Grants for disadvantaged schools	Grants for schools in prescribed country areas or geographically isolated areas
	\$	\$
New South Wales		
Victoria		
Queensland		
Western Australia		
South Australia		
Tasmania		
Australian Capital Territory		
Northern Territory		
	*	*
Total	66,302,000	15,444,000

Note*: The allocation is a total figure for government and non-government schools. Subsequent amending Acts will split the total figure between the 2 sectors and allocate specific amounts in each State.

Sections 74 to 78

SCHEDULE 8

GRANTS TO MEET NATIONAL PRIORITIES

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5	Column 6	Column 7	Column 8
Year	Grants for national projects in prescribed country areas	Grants for national projects enhancing literacy and learning	Grants for students at risk in government schools	Grants for students at risk in non-government schools	Grants for national projects for gifted and talented students	Grants for projects fostering literacy in early years of schooling at government schools	Grants for projects fostering literacy in early years of schooling at non-government schools
1993	\$ 3,561,000	\$ 1,669,000	\$ 5,180,000	\$ 2,072,000	\$ 1,036,000	\$	\$
1994	3,743,000	1,754,000	5,444,000	2,178,000	1,089,000		
1995		1,754,000	5,055,000	2,022,000	1,089,000	6,535,000	2,165,000
1996				7,077,000 *	1,089,000		

Note*: The allocation is a total figure for both government and non-government schools.

A subsequent amending Act will split the total figure between the 2 sectors for 1996.

SCHEDULE 9

Sections 79 to 81

INCENTIVE GRANTS

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
Year	Amounts per eligible Year 11 or Year 12 mathematics or physics student	Amounts per student with disabilities in a government primary school	Amounts per student with disabilities in a government secondary school
	\$	\$	\$
1993	315	64	95
1994	327	68	100
1995	344	68	100
1996	344	68	100

SCHEDULE 10

Sections 87, 88, 89 and 94

SCHOOL LANGUAGE PROGRAM**PART 1—1993**

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
State	Amount per eligible Year 12 language student	Grants for community languages provided at or in connection with government schools or by persons or organisations other than non-government school systems or non-systemic schools	Grants for community languages provided at or in connection with non-government schools
	\$	\$	\$
New South Wales		2,669,000	813,000
Victoria		1,807,000	2,998,000
Queensland		494,000	295,000
Western Australia		283,000	139,000
South Australia		378,000	118,000
Tasmania		20,000	4,000
Australian Capital Territory		82,000	86,000
Northern Territory		30,000	
Total	315	5,763,000	4,453,000

SCHEDULE 10

Sections 87, 88, 89 and 94

SCHOOL LANGUAGE PROGRAM**PART 2—1994**

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
State	Amount per eligible Year 12 language student	Grants for community languages provided at or in connection with government schools or by persons or organisations other than non-government school systems or non-systemic schools	Grants for community languages provided at or in connection with non-government schools
	\$	\$	\$
New South Wales		2,805,000	855,000
Victoria		1,899,000	3,151,000
Queensland		519,000	310,000
Western Australia		298,000	146,000
South Australia		397,000	124,000
Tasmania		21,000	4,000
Australian Capital Territory		86,000	90,000
Northern Territory		32,000	
Total	327	6,057,000	4,680,000

SCHEDULE 10

Sections 93A, 93B and 94

SCHOOL LANGUAGE PROGRAM**PART 3—1995**

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
State	Grants for priority languages	Grants for community languages provided at or in connection with government schools or by persons or organisations other than non-government school systems or non-systemic schools	Grants for community languages provided at or in connection with non-government schools
	\$	\$	\$
New South Wales		2,805,000	855,000
Victoria		1,899,000	3,151,000
Queensland		519,000	310,000
Western Australia		298,000	146,000
South Australia		397,000	124,000
Tasmania		21,000	4,000
Australian Capital Territory		86,000	90,000
Northern Territory		32,000	
Total	4,000,000	6,057,000	4,680,000

SCHEDULE 11

Sections 100 and 102

**JOINT PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT PRIMARY AND
SECONDARY EDUCATION**

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Year	Grants for approved education centres	Grants for projects of national significance
1993	2,412,000	2,579,000
1994	2,535,000	2,711,000
1995	2,535,000	2,711,000
1996	2,535,000	2,711,000

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Debate continued.

Paper: Mr Ronaldson, by leave, presented the following paper:

Commonwealth Grants Commission—Ratio of actual expenditure to standardised expenditure 1993-94—Chart.

Debate continued.

Amendments agreed to.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

On the motion of Mr Free, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

9 FIRST CORPORATE LAW SIMPLIFICATION 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—

Debate resumed.

Paper: Mr Lavarch (Attorney-General) presented the following paper:

Corporations and Securities—Parliamentary Joint Committee—First Corporate Law Simplification Bill 1994—Advisory report, 2 March 1995—Government response.

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

Consideration in detail

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Mr Lavarch, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Clause 2, page 1, subclause (1), line 9, omit “and 2”, substitute “, 2 and 7”.

After clause 6, page 2, insert the following new clause:

“7 Commencement of Schedule 6 to the Corporations Legislation Amendment Act 1994

Section 2 of the *Corporations Legislation Amendment Act 1994* is amended by omitting subsection (2) and substituting the following subsection:

“(2) Schedule 6 commences on the day on which the *First Corporate Law Simplification Act 1995* receives the Royal Assent.”.

Schedule 4, page 68, item 84, omit “before ‘Section 126’”, substitute “after ‘Section 111AU’”.

Schedule 5, page 76, proposed section 216F, add at the end:

“(6) *ASC power in relation to register of debenture holders*

The ASC may exempt a company from complying with subsections (1) and (3) in relation to information in a register of debenture holders about debentures that are not convertible into shares or options over unissued shares.

(7) The exemption:

- (a) must be in writing; and
- (b) may be general or limited; and
- (c) may be subject to conditions specified in the exemption.

(8) The ASC must publish a copy of the exemption in the *Gazette*.

- (9) A person must not contravene a condition of the exemption.
- (10) On application by the ASC, the Court may order a person who contravenes a condition of the exemption to comply with the condition.”.

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

Debate continued.

Amendments agreed to.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

On the motion of Mr Lavarch, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

10 **RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS (TRANSMITTER LICENCE TAX) 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—

Debate resumed.

Mr Adams addressing the House—

It being 3 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 101A, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

11 **QUESTIONS**

Questions without notice being asked—

Paper: Mr Tickner (Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs) presented the following paper:

Envelope—University of Adelaide—Pre-paid A4, with affixed sheet marked “CONFIDENTIAL APPENDICES 2 & 3 TO BE READ BY WOMEN ONLY”.

Suspension of standing and sessional orders—Motion of censure of Minister for Communications and the Arts

Mr Costello (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Deputy Leader of the Opposition moving forthwith—That this House censures the Minister for Communications and the Arts for:

- (1) making unfounded and false allegations that the Leader of the Opposition entered into a secret deal with Mr Kerry Packer to change Australia’s media ownership laws;
- (2) wilfully and falsely asserting that a senior executive of Mr Packer’s had told the Prime Minister of the supposed deal asserting he knew the identity of that person and the substance of his claims;
- (3) attempting to aid and abet the deceit of the Prime Minister on the subject by repeating baseless claims of the Prime Minister which he knew to be false;
- (4) failing to detail any evidence in support of the alleged conspiracy to this House and attempting to mislead it into believing the falsehood;

- (5) refusing to apologise to the Leader of the Opposition and the House for his smears and misconduct; and
- (6) failing to competently discharge his duties as a Minister of the Crown and a Member of this House.

Question—put and passed, with the concurrence of an absolute majority.

Minister for Communications and the Arts—Motion of censure

Mr Costello moved—That this House censures the Minister for Communications and the Arts for:

- (1) making unfounded and false allegations that the Leader of the Opposition entered into a secret deal with Mr Kerry Packer to change Australia's media ownership laws;
- (2) wilfully and falsely asserting that a senior executive of Mr Packer's had told the Prime Minister of the supposed deal asserting he knew the identity of that person and the substance of his claims;
- (3) attempting to aid and abet the deceit of the Prime Minister on the subject by repeating baseless claims of the Prime Minister which he knew to be false;
- (4) failing to detail any evidence in support of the alleged conspiracy to this House and attempting to mislead it into believing the falsehood;
- (5) refusing to apologise to the Leader of the Opposition and the House for his smears and misconduct; and
- (6) failing to competently discharge his duties as a Minister of the Crown and a Member of this House.

Mr Lee (Minister for Communications and the Arts) moved, as an amendment—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "this House censures the Leader of the Opposition for his reversal of his media policy against media concentration and his refusal to state his policy towards the current threats to the cross-media ownership rules. The House further notes that the Opposition confusion on this matter comes against a background of the Government's success in achieving record job growth and the Opposition Leader's own dereliction in dealing with front bench colleagues who steal documents related to court cases".

Debate continued.

Amendment amended by Mr Beazley (Leader of the House), for Mr Lee, by leave, to read as follows: That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: "this House censures the Leader of the Opposition for his reversal of his media policy against media concentration and his refusal to state his policy towards the current threats to the cross-media ownership rules. The House further notes that the Opposition confusion on this matter comes against a background of the Government's success in achieving record job growth".

Debate continued.

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

Mr Beazley requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—

Question—put and negatived.

Debate continued.

Question—That the amendment, be agreed to—put.

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

AYES, 69

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

NOES, 59

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

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

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Mr Dobie	Mr Lieberman	Mr Rocher	Ms Worth
Mr Downer	Mr McArthur	Mr Ronaldson	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Questions without notice concluded.

12 ADJOURNMENT

Mr Beazley (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Several Members rising to address the House—

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 House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at 5.53 p.m., adjourned until Monday, 27 March 1995, at 12.30 p.m.

PAPERS

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 9 March 1995:

Australian Capital Territory (Planning and Land Management) Act—National Capital Plan—Amendment No. 13.

Migration Act—

Statements (2) under section 33.

Statements (4) under section 115.

Statements (12) under section 137.

Statement under section 345.

Veterans' Entitlements Act—Instruments 1995 Nos. 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr J. N. Andrew, Mr Bevis, Mrs Bishop, Mr Horne, Mr Keating, Mr Langmore, Dr Lawrence, Mr Newell, Mr Sawford and Mr Snowdon.

L. M. BARLIN

Clerk of the House of Representatives

1993-94-95

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 129

MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, 9 MARCH 1995

1 The Main Committee met at 10 a.m.

**2 COMMUNITY AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON THE
MANAGEMENT AND TREATMENT OF BREAST CANCER—MOTION TO TAKE
NOTE OF PAPER**

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Ms Fatin—That the House take note of the paper (*presented on 6 March 1995*), viz.:

Community Affairs—Standing Committee—The management and treatment of breast cancer—Report, 17 February 1995—

Debate resumed.

Ms Fatin, by leave, addressed the Main Committee without closing the debate.

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

3 ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Mr A. A. Morris, the Main Committee adjourned at 11.59 a.m.

The Deputy Speaker fixed Wednesday, 29 March 1995, at 10 a.m., for the next meeting of the Main Committee.

I. C. HARRIS

Clerk of the Main Committee