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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 48

WEDNESDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 1996

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

2 SEX DISCRIMINATION AMENDMENT BILL 1996

Mr Williams (Attorney-General and Minister for Justice), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Sex Discrimination Act 1984*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

3 HEALTH INSURANCE AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1996

The order of the day having been read for the further consideration in detail of the Bill—

Clause 1—

Suspension of standing and sessional orders moved

Mr Lee, by leave, moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Member for Dobell moving a motion to refer the Health Insurance Amendment Bill (No. 2) 1996 to the Standing Committee on Family and Community Affairs for consideration and an advisory report to the House as soon as possible.

Debate ensued.

Mr Filing addressing the House—

Closure of Member: Mr Cadman moved—That the Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 77

Mr Abbott	Mrs Elson	Mr McDougall	Mr Slipper
Mr Anderson	Mr Entsch	Mr McGauran	Mr A. C. Smith
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McLachlan	Mr W. L. Smith
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr Marek	Mr Somlyay
Mr Anthony	Ms Gambaro	Mr Miles	Dr Southcott
Mrs Bailey	Mrs Gash	Mr Moore	Mrs Stone
Mr Barresi	Mr Georgiou	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Bartlett	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr Mutch	Mr Taylor
Mr Billson	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nairn	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mrs Bishop	Mr Hawker	Mr Nehl	Mr Truss
Mr Bradford	Mr Hicks*	Mr Neville	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hockey	Mr Nugent	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr Brough	Ms Jeanes	Mr Prosser	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cadman	Mrs Johnston	Mr Pyne	Mr Williams
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mr Jull	Mr Randall	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Causley	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Reith	Ms Worth
Mr Cobb	Mr Lieberman	Mr Ronaldson	Mr Zammit
Mr Dondas	Mr Lindsay	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Downer	Mr Lloyd	Mr Scott	
Mrs Draper	Mr McArthur*	Mr Sinclair	

NOES, 39

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr Price
Mr Albanese	Mr Filing	Mr Lee	Mr Quick
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Sawford*
Mr Beddall	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McLeay	Mr Sercombe
Mr Bevis	Mr Griffin	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Brown	Mr Hatton	Mr Martin	Mr Tanner
Mr Crean	Mr Holding	Mr A. A. Morris	Dr Theophanous
Mrs Crosio	Mr Hollis	Mr Mossfield	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Langmore	Mr O'Connor	Mr Wilton
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr O'Keefe	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the motion for the suspension of standing and sessional orders be agreed to—put.

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

AYES, 39

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr Price
Mr Albanese	Mr Filing	Mr Lee	Mr Quick
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Sawford*
Mr Beddall	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McLeay	Mr Sercombe
Mr Bevis	Mr Griffin	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Brown	Mr Hatton	Mr Martin	Mr Tanner
Mr Crean	Mr Holding	Mr A. A. Morris	Dr Theophanous
Mrs Crosio	Mr Hollis	Mr Mossfield	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Langmore	Mr O'Connor	Mr Wilton
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr O'Keefe	

NOES, 77

Mr Abbott	Mrs Elson	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper
Mr Anderson	Mr Entsch	Mr McDougall	Mr A. C. Smith
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McGauran	Mr W. L. Smith
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr McLachlan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Anthony	Mrs Gallus	Mr Marek	Dr Southcott
Mrs Bailey	Ms Gambaro	Mr Miles	Mrs Stone
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gash	Mr Moore	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Bartlett	Mr Georgiou	Mrs Moylan	Mr Taylor
Mr Billson	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr Mutch	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mrs Bishop	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mr Bradford	Mr Hawker	Mr Nehl	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hicks*	Mr Neville	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr Brough	Mr Hockey	Mr Nugent	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cadman	Ms Jeanes	Mr Pyne	Mr Williams
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mrs Johnston	Mr Randall	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Causley	Mr Jull	Mr Reith	Ms Worth
Mr Cobb	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Ronaldson	Mr Zammit
Mr Dondas	Mr Lieberman	Mr Ruddock	
Mr Downer	Mr Lindsay	Mr Scott	
Mrs Draper	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sinclair	

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Clause 1 agreed to, after debate.

Clause 2—

Mr Lee moved—That the clause be postponed until after Schedule 2.

Question—put and negatived.

On the motion of Dr Wooldridge (Minister for Health and Family Services), by leave, the following amendments were made together, after debate:

Page 1 (line 10), after “subsections”, insert “(2A),”.

Page 1 (after line 12), after subclause (2), insert:

(2A) Items 14A and 15A of Schedule 1 commence:

- (a) on 1 January 1997; or
- (b) immediately after the commencement of the remainder of Schedule 1;

whichever is later.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 3 agreed to.

Schedule 1—

Mr Lee moved—That items 1 to 13 be omitted.

Debate continued.

Question—That the items proposed to be omitted stand part of the Bill—put and passed.

Mr Lee moved—That item 14 be omitted.

Debate continued.

Question—That the item proposed to be omitted stand part of the Bill—put.

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

AYES, 80

Mr Abbott	Mrs Elson	Dr Kemp	Mr Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr Entsch	Mr Lieberman	Mr Sharp
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr Lindsay	Mr Sinclair
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Fahey	Mr Lloyd	Mr Slipper
Mr Anthony	Mr Forrest	Mr McArthur*	Mr A. C. Smith
Mrs Bailey	Mrs Gallus	Mr McDougall	Mr W. L. Smith
Mr Barresi	Ms Gambaro	Mr McGauran	Mr Somlyay
Mr Bartlett	Mrs Gash	Mr Marek	Dr Southcott
Mr Billson	Mr Georgiou	Mr Miles	Mrs Stone
Mrs Bishop	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Bradford	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Mutch	Mr Taylor
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hawker	Mr Nairn	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Brough	Mr Hicks*	Mr Nehl	Mr Truss
Mr Cadman	Mr Hockey	Mr Neville	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr R. A. Cameron	Ms Jeanes	Mr Nugent	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr Campbell	Mrs Johnston	Mr Prosser	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cobb	Mr Jull	Mr Pyne	Mr Williams
Mr Dondas	Mr Katter	Mr Randall	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Downer	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Reith	Ms Worth
Mrs Draper	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Ronaldson	Mr Zammit

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Mr Albanese	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Lee	Mr Quick
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McClelland	Mr Sawford*
Mr Beddall	Mr Griffin	Mr McLeay	Mr Sercombe
Mr Bevis	Mr Hatton	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Brown	Mr Holding	Mr Martin	Mr Tanner
Mr Crean	Mr Hollis	Mr Melham	Dr Theophanous
Mrs Crosio	Mr Jenkins	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr G. J. Evans	Mr Kerr	Mr Mossfield	Mr Wilton
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Langmore	Mr O'Connor	
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr M. J. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr Price	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of Dr Wooldridge, the following amendment was made: Page 11 (after line 6), after item 14, insert:

14A After section 19AA

Insert:

19AB Medicare benefits not payable in respect of services rendered by certain overseas trained doctors etc.

- (1) Subject to subsection (3), a medicare benefit is not payable in respect of a professional service rendered by a person who is an

overseas trained doctor or who is a former overseas medical student, unless:

- (a) the person first became a medical practitioner before 1 January 1997; or
 - (b) the person:
 - (i) was, at a time before 1 January 1997, an overseas trained doctor; and
 - (ii) before 1 January 1997, the Australian Medical Council received an application from the person to undertake examinations, successful completion of which would ordinarily enable the person to become a medical practitioner; and
 - (iii) on the day the application was so received, the person was eligible to undertake those examinations under the rules of the Australian Medical Council as in force on the day the application was so received; or
 - (c) at the time the service was rendered, a determination under subsection 3J(1) applied to the person; or
 - (d) the service was rendered after the end of the period of 10 years beginning when the person first became a medical practitioner.
- (2) Subject to subsection (3), a medicare benefit is not payable in respect of a professional service rendered on behalf of a person who is an overseas trained doctor or who is a former overseas medical student, unless:
- (a) the person first became a medical practitioner before 1 January 1997; or
 - (b) the person:
 - (i) was, at a time before 1 January 1997, an overseas trained doctor; and
 - (ii) before 1 January 1997, the Australian Medical Council received an application from the person to undertake examinations, successful completion of which would ordinarily enable the person to become a medical practitioner; and
 - (iii) on the day the application was so received, the person was eligible to undertake those examinations under the rules of the Australian Medical Council as in force on the day the application was so received; or
 - (c) at the time the service was rendered, a determination under subsection 3J(1) applied to the person; or

- (d) the service was rendered after the end of the period of 10 years beginning when the person first became a medical practitioner.
- (3) The Minister may, by writing, grant an exemption from the operation of subsections (1) and (2) in respect of a person or a class of persons.
- (4) An exemption under subsection (3) may be made subject to such conditions (if any) as the Minister thinks fit.
- (5) If a person to whom an exemption under subsection (3) applies breaches a condition of the exemption, the exemption ceases to apply to the person at all times during which the person is in breach.
- (6) Despite anything contained in subsection 488(1) of the *Migration Act 1958*, the Secretary to the Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs may, for the purpose of:
 - (a) the granting of an exemption under subsection (3); or
 - (b) assisting the Minister or the Commission to ascertain whether a condition of such an exemption has been breached;
 disclose to the Minister or to an officer of the Department of Health and Family Services, or to an officer of the Commission, information about the conditions on which a person has entered or remains in Australia.
- (7) In this section:
 - former overseas medical student*** means a person:
 - (a) whose primary medical qualification was obtained from a medical school located in Australia; and
 - (b) who was not a permanent resident or an Australian citizen when he or she first enrolled at a medical school located in Australia.

overseas trained doctor means a person whose primary medical qualification was not obtained from a medical school located in Australia.

permanent resident has the same meaning as in the *Migration Act 1958*.

professional service has the same meaning as in section 19AA.

19AC Reconsideration and review of decisions under subsection 19AB(3)

- (1) An individual applicant for an exemption under subsection 19AB(3) may apply to the Minister for reconsideration of a refusal by the Minister to make such an exemption in respect of the applicant.
- (2) The Minister is taken to have refused to grant an exemption under subsection 19AB(3) if the Minister fails to notify the applicant of his or her decision in relation to the exemption within 28 days of the day on which the application is received by the Minister.

- (3) The applicant may apply to the Minister for reconsideration of a decision under subsection 19AB(4) to impose one or more conditions on an exemption under subsection 19AB(3) in respect of the applicant.
- (4) The Minister must make a decision on the reconsideration within 28 days after receiving the application.
- (5) The Minister is taken to have made a decision on the reconsideration confirming the original decision if the Minister has not informed the applicant of the decision on the reconsideration before the end of the period of 28 days.
- (6) An application may be made to the Administrative Appeals Tribunal for a review of the Minister's decision on a reconsideration under this section.

Mr Lee moved—That item 15 be omitted.

Question—That the item proposed to be omitted stand part of the Bill—put and passed.

On the motion of Dr Wooldridge, the following amendment was made: Page 11 (after line 22), after item 15, insert:

15A Paragraph 19CC(a)

After “19AA”, insert “or 19AB”.

Mr Lee moved—That item 16 be omitted.

Question—That the item proposed to be omitted stand part of the Bill—put and passed.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Schedule 2—

Mr Lee moved—That items 2 to 9 be omitted.

Debate continued.

Question—That the items proposed to be omitted stand part of the Bill—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mrs Crosio, in the Chair)—

AYES, 83

Mr Abbott	Mr Entsch	Mr Lindsay	Mr Scott
Mr Anderson	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sharp
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr Fahey	Mr McArthur*	Mr Sinclair
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr McDougall	Mr Slipper
Mr Anthony	Mrs Gallus	Mr McGauran	Mr A. C. Smith
Mrs Bailey	Ms Gambaro	Mr McLachlan	Mr W. L. Smith
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gash	Mr Marek	Mr Somlyay
Mr Bartlett	Mr Georgiou	Mr Miles	Dr Southcott
Mr Billson	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr Moore	Mrs Stone
Mrs Bishop	Mr Hardgrave	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Bradford	Mr Hawker	Mr Mutch	Mr Taylor
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hicks*	Mr Nairn	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Brough	Mr Hockey	Mr Nehl	Mr Truss
Mr Cadman	Ms Jeanes	Mr Neville	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mrs Johnston	Mr Nugent	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr Causley	Mr Jull	Mr Prosser	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cobb	Mr Katter	Mr Pyne	Mr Williams
Mr Dondas	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Randall	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Downer	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Reith	Ms Worth
Mrs Draper	Dr Kemp	Mr Ronaldson	Mr Zammit
Mrs Elson	Mr Lieberman	Mr Ruddock	

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Mr Adams	Mr Fitzgibbon	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Albanese	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr Lee	Mr Price
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr Griffin	Mr McClelland	Mr Quick
Mr Beddall	Mr Hatton	Mr McLeay	Mr Sawford*
Mr Bevis	Mr Holding	Mr McMullan	Mr Sercombe
Mr Brown	Mr Hollis	Mr Martin	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Crean	Mr Jenkins	Mr Melham	Mr Tanner
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Kerr	Mr A. A. Morris	Dr Theophanous
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Langmore	Mr Mossfield	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr O'Connor	Mr Wilton

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Schedule agreed to.

Schedule 3—

On the motion of Dr Wooldridge, the following amendment was made, after debate: Page 16 (after line 6), after item 8, insert:

8A Paragraphs 19AB(1)(c) and (2)(c)

Omit “a determination under subsection 3J(1)”, substitute “paragraphs 3J(1)(c) and (d)”.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

Dr Wooldridge, by leave, moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

4 HINDMARSH ISLAND BRIDGE BILL 1996

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 Melham, 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 is of the opinion that the construction of the Hindmarsh Island bridge can now proceed without further delay and without prejudicing the operation of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975*”—

Debate resumed.

Mr Campbell was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

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

5 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY

Ordered—That order of the day No. 3, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

6 PRIVILEGE—COMPLAINT OF BREACH

Dr Theophanous raised, as a matter of privilege, a letter which he had received concerning immigration and related matters and which contained a threat against him.

The Speaker stated that he would consider the matter and report to the House in due course.

7 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

Paper: Mr Downer (Minister for Foreign Affairs) presented the following paper:

Foreign aid—Copy of transcript of speeches by Mr McMullan and Mr Gordon Bilney.

Questions without notice continued.

8 PAPERS

The following papers were presented:

ADI Limited—Report for 1995-96.

Australian Horticultural Corporation Act—Australian Horticultural Corporation—Report for 1995-96.

Equal Employment Opportunity (Commonwealth Authorities) Act—Equity and diversity program 1994-1997—Airservices Australia—Progress report, for 1995-96.

Family Law Council—Reports—

Family law appeals and review: An evaluation of the appeal and review of family law decisions, June 1996.

Involving and representing children in family law, August 1996.

Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Power Act—Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Authority—Report for 1995-96.

9 SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS—VARIATION OF ROUTINE OF BUSINESS

Mr Reith (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the routine of business for this sitting being varied to allow notice No. 2, government business, to be called on before the matter of public importance.

Question—put and passed.

10 ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA—AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION

Mr Reith (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—That:

- (1) the resolution of the House of 17 October 1996 concerning the proposed address by the President of the United States of America on Wednesday, 20 November 1996, be amended by omitting paragraph (3)(b) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(b) the only proceedings shall be remarks of welcome to the President of the United States of America by the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition followed by an address by the President of the United States of America, after which the Speaker shall forthwith adjourn the House and declare the meeting concluded; and”;

- (2) A message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of this resolution and requesting that it concur and take action accordingly.

Question—put and passed.

11 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—PUBLIC EDUCATION FUNDING

The House was informed that Mr P. J. Baldwin had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The adverse impact on public education of the Federal Government’s funding decisions”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr P. J. Baldwin addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

12 HINDMARSH ISLAND BRIDGE BILL 1996

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 Melham, 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 is of the opinion that the construction of the Hindmarsh Island bridge can now proceed without further delay and without prejudicing the operation of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975*”—

Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned (Mr Miles—Parliamentary Secretary (Cabinet) to the Prime Minister), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

13 CORPORATIONS LAW AMENDMENT BILL 1996

Mr Miles (Parliamentary Secretary (Cabinet) to the Prime Minister), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Corporations Law, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

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

14 HINDMARSH ISLAND BRIDGE BILL 1996

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 Melham, 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 is of the opinion that the construction of the Hindmarsh Island bridge can now proceed without further delay and without prejudicing the operation of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975*”—

Debate resumed.

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

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

AYES, 85

Mr Abbott	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr Fahey	Mr McDougall	Mr A. C. Smith
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr McGauran	Mr W. L. Smith
Mr Anthony	Mrs Gallus	Mr McLachlan	Mr Somlyay
Mrs Bailey	Ms Gambaro	Mr Marek	Dr Southcott
Mr Barresi	Mrs Gash	Mr Miles	Mrs Stone
Mr Bartlett	Mr Georgiou	Mr Moore	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Billson	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mrs Moylan	Mr Taylor
Mrs Bishop	Ms Hanson	Mr Mutch	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Bradford	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hawker	Dr Nelson	Mr Tuckey
Mr Brough	Mr Hicks*	Mr Neville	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Cadman	Mr Hockey	Mr Prosser	Ms D. S. Vale
Mr R. A. Cameron	Ms Jeanes	Mr Pyne	Mr Wakelin
Mr Campbell	Mrs Johnston	Mr Randall	Mrs West
Mr Causley	Mr Katter	Mr Reith	Mr Williams
Mr Cobb	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Rocher	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Costello	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Ronaldson	Ms Worth
Mr Dondas	Dr Kemp	Mr Ruddock	Mr Zammit
Mrs Draper	Mr Lieberman	Mr Scott	
Mrs Elson	Mr Lindsay	Mr Sharp	
Mr Entsch	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sinclair	

NOES, 40

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr O'Connor
Mr Albanese	Mr Fitzgibbon	Dr Lawrence	Mr O'Keefe
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr Lee	Mr Price
Mr Beddall	Mr Griffin	Mr McClelland	Mr Quick
Mr Bevis	Mr Hatton	Mr McLeay	Mr Sawford*
Mr Brown	Mr Holding	Mr McMullan	Mr Sercombe
Mr Crean	Mr Hollis	Mr Martin	Mr S. F. Smith
Mrs Crosio	Mr Jenkins	Mr Melham	Dr Theophanous
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Kerr	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Langmore	Mr Mossfield	Mr Wilton

* 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

Clauses 1 and 2, by leave, taken together, and debated.

15 ADJOURNMENT

It being 7.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 8 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 9.30 a.m.

PAPERS

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 6 November 1996:

Banks (Shareholdings) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1996 No. 223.

Civil Aviation Act—Civil Aviation Regulations—Exemption No. CASA 20/96.

Foreign States Immunities Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1996 No. 222.

Life Insurance Act—Actuarial standard No. 1.01.

Protection of the Sea (Oil Pollution Compensation Fund) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1996 No. 221.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr R. C. Baldwin, Mr Beazley, Mr Brereton, Mr E. H. Cameron, Mr Charles, Mr Fischer, Mr Jones, Ms Macklin, Mr Reid* and Mr Willis*.

* On leave

L. M. BARLIN

Clerk of the House of Representatives

1996

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 48

MAIN COMMITTEE**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

WEDNESDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 1996

1 Due to a division having been called in the House, the Main Committee met at 10.22 a.m.

2 EUTHANASIA LAWS BILL 1996

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 Dondas, viz.*—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “the House declines to give the Bill a second reading as it is of the opinion that to do so would be inappropriate given the conventions of self government, the judicial finding that voluntary euthanasia is a matter within the legislative and executive powers of the self governing Northern Territory and that such legislation would be within the capacity of the States and other self governing Territories of Australia”—

Debate resumed.

Suspension of sitting: At 11.55 a.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

Resumption of sitting: At 12.10 p.m., the proceedings were resumed.

Debate continued.

Mr Fitzgibbon was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

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

3 ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Mr. M. A. J. Vaile, the Main Committee adjourned at 12.52 p.m.

The Deputy Speaker fixed tomorrow at 10 a.m. for the next meeting of the Main Committee.



B. C. WRIGHT
Clerk of the Main Committee