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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 86

MONDAY, 26 MAY 1997

1 The House met, at 12.30 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (the Honourable Bob Halverson) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 QUESTIONS, ANSWERS, RELEVANCE AND POINTS OF ORDER—STATEMENT BY SPEAKER

The Speaker made a statement concerning the content of questions asked without notice, the length and relevance of answers to those questions and the use of points of order especially during question time.

3 AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

Dr Theophanous presented the following paper:

Australian Parliamentary Delegation to the European Institutions, UK (Northern Ireland) and the Republic of Ireland, 13 September to 8 October 1996—Report, March 1997.

Dr Theophanous, Mr Forrest, Mr Griffin and Mr Ronaldson (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Transport and Regional Development) made statements in connection with the report.

4 INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER

Mr Reid (Chair) presented the following papers:

Industry, Science and Technology—Standing Committee—Finding a balance: Towards fair trading in Australia—

Report, incorporating a dissenting report, May 1997.

Evidence received by the committee.

Minutes of proceedings.

Ordered—that the report be printed.

Mr Reid, Mr Beddall, Mr R. D. C. Evans and Mr A. A. Morris made statements in connection with the report.

The time for consideration of committee and delegation reports having expired—

Mr Reid moved—That the House take note of the report.

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

In accordance with standing order 102B, the debate was adjourned and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

5 TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (BETTER BUSINESS CONDUCT) BILL 1997

Mr Crean, for Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition), pursuant to notice and in accordance with the resolution of 15 May 1997, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to trade practices to promote better business conduct, and for related purposes.

Mr Crean made a statement in relation to the Bill.

Paper

Mr Crean, by leave, presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an order of the day for the next sitting, in accordance with standing order 104A.

6 PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS NOTICE

Upon notice No. 2, private Members' business being called on, Mr Price fixed the next sitting Monday as the day for presenting the Child Support Amendment Bill 1997.

7 WORKPLACE RELATIONS (UNJUST STATE LEGISLATION) AMENDMENT BILL 1997

Mr Crean, for Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition), pursuant to notice and in accordance with the resolution of 15 May 1997, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Workplace Relations Act 1996*, and for related purposes.

Mr Crean made a statement in relation to the Bill.

Paper

Mr Crean, by leave, presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an order of the day for the next sitting, in accordance with standing order 104A.

8 CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1997

Mr Crean, pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*.

Mr Crean made a statement in relation to the Bill.

Paper

Mr Crean, by leave, presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an order of the day for the next sitting, in accordance with standing order 104A.

9 TEACHERS

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Hicks—That this House:

- (1) expresses its strong support for Australia's teachers;
- (2) notes its concern at the greater responsibilities and increasing stress being placed on teachers because of many social factors, including the disintegration of many of Australia's families and resulting lack of discipline within the school environment; and
- (3) recommends that more authority be given to teachers so that teachers and their students are not placed in danger and teachers can get on with the job of educating those students who wish to be taught—

Debate resumed.

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

10 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Members' statements were made.

11 DEATH OF FORMER MEMBER (THE HONOURABLE SIR WILLIAM JOHN ASTON)

Mr Howard (Prime Minister) referred to the death of the Honourable Sir William Aston, and moved—That the House expresses its deep regret at the death on Wednesday, 21 May 1997, of the Honourable Sir William John Aston, KCMG, a Member of this House for the Division of Phillip from 1955 to 1961 and 1963 to 1972, Deputy Government Whip from 1959 to 1961 and 1963 to 1964, Government Whip from 1964 to 1967 and Speaker of the House of Representatives from 1967 to 1972, places on record its appreciation of his long and meritorious public service, and tenders its profound sympathy to his family in their bereavement.

And Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion, Mr Anderson (Deputy Leader of the National Party of Australia) and Mr Sinclair having addressed the House in support thereof, and the comments having been endorsed by the Speaker, and all Members present having risen, in silence—

Question—passed.

12 MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Mr Howard (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the absence abroad of Mr Fischer (Minister for Trade), Mr Downer (Minister for Foreign Affairs) would answer questions on his behalf.

13 ABORIGINAL RECONCILIATION PROCESS

Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) stated that the National Aboriginal Reconciliation Convention had opened earlier today and suggested that the House should observe one minute's silence to reflect upon the concerns and problems endured by many indigenous Australians over the years.

Mr Howard (Prime Minister) referred to the matter.

All Members present stood, in silence.

14 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

Paper

Mr Sharp (Minister for Transport and Regional Development) presented the following paper:

Air traffic control—Mobile telephone call by Mr Sharp to Airservices Australia—Copy of letter from Mr William H. Pollard, Chief Executive, Airservices Australia, to Ms Linda Morris, Aviation Writer, the *Sydney Morning Herald*, 23 May 1997.

Questions without notice continued.

15 SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS MOVED

Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Leader of the Opposition moving forthwith—That the Minister for Transport and Regional Development be required to table immediately the whole document, part of which he presented in question time.

Debate ensued.

Papers

Mr Sharp (Minister for Transport and Regional Development) presented the following papers:

Air traffic control—Mobile telephone call by Mr Sharp to Airservices Australia—Copies of—

Enroute Supplement Australia—FAC S-232, 27 March 1997.

Transcript of conversation between John Sharp and Kevin Morrin on Saturday, 17 May 1997.

The time allowed by standing order 91 for debate on the motion having expired—

Question—put.

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

AYES, 45

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

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

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

16 PETITIONS AND MINISTER'S RESPONSE

The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:

Mr K. J. Andrews, Mr Billson, Mr Brown, Mrs Draper, Mr Jenkins, Dr Lawrence, Mr McLachlan, Mr McLeay, Mr Martin, Mr P. F. Morris, Mr Nairn, Mr O'Connor, Mr Sawford, Mr A. P. Thomson, Mr M. A. J. Vaile, Mr Wakelin and Mrs West, from 83, 21, 2, 35, 10, 111, 10, 5, 30, 83, 53, 5, 20, 25, 19, 32 and 5 petitioners, respectively, praying that action be taken to remove the

exclusion of members of the Royal Australian Navy, who served in the Malaya campaign, from repatriation benefits under the Veterans' Entitlements Act.

Mr Jull, from 5 petitioners, in similar terms.

Mr P. J. Baldwin, Mrs Crosio, Mr Fitzgibbon, Mr Hockey and Mr Latham, from 1770, 17, 16, 854 and 85 petitioners, respectively, praying that the practice of issuing provider numbers only to certain medical practitioners be opposed.

Mr Andren and Mr Georgiou, from 195 and 13 petitioners, respectively, praying that the current level of funding to the ABC be maintained.

Mr Nehl, from 1057 petitioners, in similar terms.

Mr E. H. Cameron and Ms Jeanes, from 2859 and 27 petitioners, respectively, praying that the importation of animals for exhibition in circuses be prohibited.

Mr L. D. T. Ferguson and Mr Mossfield, from 320 and 18 residents of New South Wales, respectively, praying that nursing home care be available to all and that the family home be exempted from asset tests relating to payment for such care.

Mr McClelland, from 1418 residents of Sydney, and Mr P. F. Morris, from 212 electors of the Division of Shortland, respectively, praying that the proposal to introduce nursing home entry fees be abandoned and full funding for capital assistance to nursing homes be restored.

Mr Albanese, from 2375 petitioners, praying that funding for legal aid continue at the pre-election level.

Mr Albanese, from 362 petitioners, praying that certain action be taken to assist small businesses affected by the acquisition of houses in Sydenham, NSW.

Mr K. J. Andrews, from 367 residents of Victoria, praying that legislation be introduced to ban the sale of X-rated videos.

Mrs Bailey, from 11 petitioners, praying that proposals to extinguish native title be rejected.

Mr E. H. Cameron, from 1008 petitioners, praying that certain action be taken to reduce the tax on fuel.

Mr E. H. Cameron, from 770 petitioners, praying that action be taken to stop the practice in China of extracting bile from caged bears for medical purposes.

Mr E. H. Cameron, from 156 residents of Western Australia, praying that the proposed reintroduction of limited trade in elephant parts be opposed.

Mr E. H. Cameron, from 18 residents of Western Australia, praying that Medicare funding of D & X abortions be opposed.

Mr E. H. Cameron, from 15 residents of Western Australia, praying that the use of landmines be opposed.

Mr E. H. Cameron, from 14 petitioners, praying that certain reforms to the Child Support Scheme be implemented.

Mr Cobb, from 61 residents of Broken Hill and district, NSW, praying that matters pertaining to the Wik decision be addressed urgently.

Mrs Crosio, from 1037 members of the South Western Sydney Women's Health Coalition, NSW, praying that the National Women's Health Program continue to be funded.

Mrs Crosio, from 449 clients and supporters of the Fairfield Multicultural Family Planning Centre, NSW, in similar terms.

Mrs Elson, from 1235 residents of Queensland and the City of Gold Coast, praying that sufficient funding be provided to the Diabetes Resource Centre at the Gold Coast Hospital to ensure its continued operation after May 1997.

Mr Entsch, from 687 residents of Cooktown, far north Queensland, praying that Radio Classic FM, Triple J and SBS Television be made available to residents of Cooktown and district.

Mr Hollis, from 765 residents of the Illawarra region, NSW, praying that the decision to cut funding to legal aid be reversed.

Mr Howard, from 20 residents of New South Wales, praying that the grant-in-aid program at Christian Community Aid Services Inc., Eastwood, NSW, continue to be funded.

Ms Jeanes, from 447 residents of South Australia, praying that the property known as Glenthorne at O'Halloran Hill, SA, be protected from urban or industrial development and ownership be granted to the people of South Australia.

Mr Jull, from 195 residents of Wallangarra, Qld, and surrounding areas, praying that the re-opening of the Armidale-Wallangarra standard rail link urgently be considered.

Mr Latham, from 445 petitioners, praying that the 1997 Budget increase the allocation to higher education.

Mr Latham, from 175 residents of Campbelltown and Liverpool, NSW, praying that any plan to construct an airport at Holsworthy, NSW, be abandoned.

Mr Lindsay, from 223 electors and businesses of the Division of Herbert, praying that the Copyright Act be amended to exclude business from the requirement to hold copyright music licences for the playing of background music.

Mr Marek, from 66 owners of freehold and leasehold land, praying that legislation be passed to ensure that granting pastoral leases and freehold land automatically extinguishes native title.

Mr McClelland, from 77 residents of New South Wales, praying that education programs be initiated to promote the benefits of Australia's immigration policy.

Mr McClelland, from 17 residents of Sydney, praying that the decision to cut funding to education programs and assistance schemes be revoked.

Mr McClelland, from 11 petitioners, praying that the decision to increase the cost of listed prescription drugs and the increased contribution to be made by pensioners be revoked.

Mr McClelland, from 5 residents of Sydney, praying that the decision to implement certain changes to aged care funding be revoked.

Mr McClelland, from 3 residents of Sydney, praying that adequate funding for the delivery of services in the job training area be reinstated.

Mr McClelland, from 2 residents of Sydney, praying that retrenchments in the public service stop so that services in Government offices remain at current levels.

Mr McClelland, from 2 residents of Sydney, praying that funding for the St George Campus of the University of New South Wales be continued.

Mr McMullan, from 5688 petitioners, praying that ABC funding arrangements be retained and that its services be free of commercial sponsorship and advertising.

Mr P. F. Morris, from 30 electors of the Division of Shortland, praying that the Belmont, NSW, Medicare Office remain open.

Mr P. F. Morris, from 16 electors of the Division of Shortland, praying that the Swansea, NSW, Visiting Service of the Department of Social Security continue to operate.

Mr Mossfield, from 184 petitioners, praying that timed local calls on data services be recognised as an untenable proposition for small business.

Mr Mossfield, from 17 residents of New South Wales, praying that certain action be taken to retain sufficient funding for the ABC.

Mr Mossfield, from 14 residents of New South Wales, praying that action be taken to ensure consistent petrol prices.

Mr Mossfield, from 13 residents of New South Wales, praying that nursing homes receive adequate funding to provide additional beds.

Mr Mossfield, from 12 residents of New South Wales, praying that concession cards be granted to all recipients of widows allowance.

Mr Wakelin, from 534 petitioners, praying that the decision to end Earnings Credit Schemes be reversed.

Mr Williams, from 9 petitioners, praying that the national gun law measures be supported and expedited.

Petitions received.

The Clerk announced that the following Minister's response to a petition previously presented to the House had been received, viz.:

From the Minister for Foreign Affairs relating to a petition lodged by Mr E. H. Cameron, on 28 October 1996, praying that action be taken to stop the practice in China of extracting bile from caged bears for medical purposes.

17 IMMUNISATION

Mr E. H. Cameron, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House:

- (1) acknowledges the importance of immunisation of children against harmful infections;
- (2) recognises the unnecessarily and dangerously low rate of immunisation of children in Australia; and

(3) welcomes the initiatives announced by the Minister for Health and Family Services as a positive step to reversing the low levels of immunisation, and preventing the unnecessary ill health and deaths of children which can be prevented.

Debate ensued.

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

18 QUARANTINE AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1996

The order of the day having been read for the second reading—Mr Fitzgibbon moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

The time allotted for private Members' business having expired, the debate was interrupted, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

19 SEPARATION OF ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER CHILDREN FROM THEIR FAMILIES—NATIONAL INQUIRY—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER

Mr Williams (Attorney-General and Minister for Justice) presented the following paper:

Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Act—Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission—Bringing them home: Report of the national inquiry into the separation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children from their families, April 1997—

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

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

20 GRIEVANCE DEBATE

Pursuant to the provisions of standing order 106, the order of the day having been read—

Question proposed—That grievances be noted.

Debate ensued.

The time allotted for the debate having expired—

Question—That grievances be noted—put and passed.

21 MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILL

A message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bill:

22 May 1997—Message No. 138—Hindmarsh Island Bridge 1997.

**22 SOCIAL SECURITY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (WORK FOR THE DOLE)
BILL 1997**

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 P. J. Baldwin, 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) is of the view that the Bill is unacceptable in its present form because it will:
 - (a) displace existing workers;
 - (b) lead to below award payments, particularly in the community services industry;
 - (c) not guarantee participants accredited on or off the job training;
 - (d) not provide appropriate case management and supervision to participants to assist them to make decisions about taking up any opportunities under the proposed arrangements;
 - (e) not provide appropriate legislative coverage and financial support for workers' compensation, superannuation, occupational health and safety and industrial relations protection;
 - (f) not guarantee placements for the minimum required period of 6 months;
 - (g) not require organisations contracting to provide employment projects:
 - (i) to state the proportion of people who will obtain permanent employment following the placement; and
 - (ii) measure future contracts against performance in this respect; and
 - (h) waste time and effort on further trials instead of replicating and building upon the successful aspects of real labour market and training programs under Working Nation such as LEAP and New Work Opportunities; and further
- (2) also calls on the Government to apply the concept of reciprocal obligation to other public sector outlays, especially financial assistance to large private sector corporations”—

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, 78

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

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Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Evans	Dr Lawrence	Mr Price
Mr Albanese	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr Quick
Mr Andren	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Sawford*
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr E. L. Grace*	Ms Macklin	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Beddall	Mr Griffin	Mr McLeay	Mr Tanner
Mr Bevis	Mr Hatton	Mr Martin	Dr Theophanous
Mr Brereton	Mr Holding	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Brown	Mr Hollis	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Willis
Mrs Crosio	Mr Jenkins	Mr Mossfield	Mr Wilton
Mr Dargavel	Mr Jones	Mr O'Connor	
Ms Ellis	Mr Latham	Mr O'Keefe	

* 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.

Message from the Governor-General

Message No. 139, dated 25 March 1997, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the Bill.

Consideration in detail

Schedule 1—

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

Item 4—

Ms Macklin, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Page 3 (after line 22), after proposed subsection 28(1), insert:

(1A) The Employment Secretary must not declare a particular program of work to be an approved program of work for unemployment payment unless the Employment Secretary is satisfied that:

- (a) the scheme will not cause persons in employment to lose their employment; and
- (b) the Commonwealth will pay the person participating in the program a rate of Newstart Allowance which is equivalent to the amount, at the relevant National Training Wage award rate, which would be paid for the hours the person participates in the program;
- (c) participants in the program will be provided with accredited on- or off-the-job training skills relevant to the program; and
- (d) participants in the program will have the case management and supervision they require to assist them to make decisions about opportunities relevant to the program and relevant to associated on- and off-the-job training; and
- (e) participants in the program will be able to leave the program without penalty in order to accept education, training or employment opportunities; and
- (f) the Commonwealth will provide financial assistance to the person or persons responsible for conducting the program to meet any costs associated with the supervision of and materials for participants in the program, and to meet any workers' compensation, superannuation and safety-related costs arising from a person's participation in the program; and
- (g) the Commonwealth will provide financial assistance to the person or persons responsible for conducting the program, or to the participants in the program, as the case may be, to meet any unavoidable employment-related costs such as costs for protective clothing, safety equipment, transport, and childcare; and
- (h) participants will be offered the opportunity to participate in the program for at least 6 months.

(1B) In considering whether to declare a particular program to be an approved program for the purposes of this section, the Employment Secretary must have regard to the results of such programs in terms of participants' success in gaining employment, traineeships, apprenticeships, educational opportunities or access to other labour market programs.

Page 4 (after line 5), after proposed subsection 28(3), insert:

- (4) A program of work for unemployment payment approved by the Employment Secretary under subsection (1) is a labour market program for the purposes of subsection 601(2) and subsection 606(1);
- (5) A decision to approve a program of work for unemployment payment made by the Employment Secretary under subsection (1) is a decision to approve a labour market program for the purposes of subsection 1239(2), subsection 1240(2) and subsection 1250(1).

Debate continued.

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put.

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

AYES, 45

Mr Adams	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr Price
Mr Albanese	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr Quick
Mr Andren	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Sawford*
Mr Beddall	Mr E. L. Grace*	Ms Macklin	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Bevis	Mr Griffin	Mr McLeay	Mr Tanner
Mr Brereton	Mr Hatton	Mr McMullan	Dr Theophanous
Mr Brown	Mr Holding	Mr Martin	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mrs Crosio	Mr Hollis	Mr A. Morris	Mr Willis
Mr Dargavel	Mr Jenkins	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Wilton
Ms Ellis	Mr Jones	Mr Mossfield	
Mr G. J. Evans	Mr Kerr	Mr O'Connor	
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr O'Keefe	

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

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Adjournment negatived

It being past 10.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Dr Kemp (Minister representing the Minister for Employment, Education, Training and Youth Affairs) requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—

Question—put and negatived.

Item agreed to.

Remainder of Schedule, by leave, taken together—

Ms Macklin, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Page 4, lines 6 to 9, omit item 5.

Page 4, line 10 to page 5, line 4, omit item 6.

Page 5, lines 5 to 14, omit item 7.

Page 5, lines 15 to 17, omit item 8.

Page 5, lines 18 to 20, omit item 9.

Item 10, page 6, line 22 to page 7, line 6, omit proposed section 631C.

Page 8, lines 6 to 9, omit item 15.

Page 8, lines 10 to 13, omit item 16.

Page 8, lines 14 to 16, omit item 17.

Debate continued.

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put.

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

AYES, 46

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Albanese	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr Price
Mr Andren	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr Quick
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Sawford*
Mr Beddall	Mr E. L. Grace*	Ms Macklin	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Bevis	Mr Griffin	Mr McLeay	Mr Tanner
Mr Brereton	Mr Hatton	Mr McMullan	Dr Theophanous
Mr Brown	Mr Holding	Mr Martin	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mrs Crosio	Mr Hollis	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Willis
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Ms Ellis	Mr Jones	Mr Mossfield	
Mr G. J. Evans	Mr Kerr	Mr O'Connor	

NOES, 81

Mr Abbott	Mrs Elson	Mr Lindsay	Mr Slipper
Mr Anderson	Mr Entsch	Mr Lloyd	Mr A. C. Smith
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McArthur*	Mr W. L. Smith
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Fahey	Mr McDougall	Mr Somlyay
Mr Anthony	Mr Forrest	Mr McGauran	Dr Southcott
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Mr R. A. Cameron	Mrs Johnston	Mr Reith	Mr Williams
Mr Causley	Mr Jull	Mr Ronaldson	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Charles	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Ruddock	Mr Zammit
Mr Cobb	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Scott	
Mr Dondas	Dr Kemp	Mr Sharp	
Mrs Draper	Mr Lieberman	Mr Sinclair	

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Remainder of Schedule agreed to.

Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole—

Ms Macklin, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Amendments

Clause 3, page 2 (line 2) before “Each Act”, insert “Subject to section 5”.

Clause 4, page 2 (lines 6 to 13), omit the clause, substitute the following clause:

4 Object

The object of this Act is to set out the circumstances in which people receiving payments under Part 2.12 of the *Social Security Act 1991* may be required to participate in approved programs of work.

Proposed new clause

Page 2 (after line 13), after clause 4, insert:

5 Amendments to cease to have effect

The amendments to the *Social Security Act 1991* and the *Data-matching Program (Assistance and Tax) Act 1990* made by this Act cease to have effect from 30 June 1998.

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put.

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

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Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Kerr	Mr O'Connor
Mr Albanese	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Andren	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr Price
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Lee	Mr Quick
Mr Beddall	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McClelland	Mr Sawford*
Mr Bevis	Mr Griffin	Ms Macklin	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Brereton	Mr Hatton	Mr McLeay	Mr Tanner
Mr Brown	Mr Holding	Mr Martin	Dr Theophanous
Mrs Crosio	Mr Hollis	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Dargavel	Mr Jenkins	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Willis
Ms Ellis	Mr Jones	Mr Mossfield	Mr Wilton

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

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Remainder of Bill agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

On the motion of Dr Kemp, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

23 ADJOURNMENT

Dr Kemp (Minister for Schools, Vocational Education and Training) moved—
That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 11.08 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 2 p.m.

PAPERS

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 26 May 1997:

Airports Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1997 Nos. 103, 104, 105, 112, 113, 114.

Australian Bureau of Statistics Act—Australian Bureau of Statistics—Proposal for the collection of information 1997 No. 8.

Chemical Weapons (Prohibition) Act—Instrument of approval of forms (8), 28 April 1997.

Civil Aviation Act—

Civil Aviation Regulations—Civil Aviation Orders—

Exemptions 1997 Nos. 11, 36/FRS, 37/FRS.

Part 105—Amendments 28 April (*in substitution for paper presented on 13 May 1997*), 2, 5, 6(3), 7(2), 8(3), 9(4), 12(3), 13(5) May 1997.

Part 106—Amendments 9, 14 May 1997.

Part 107—Amendments 8, 9(2) May 1997.

Regulations—Statutory Rules 1997 No. 111.

Corporations Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1997 No. 102.

Customs Act—Instruments of approval 1997 Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.

Defence Act—Determination under section 58B 1997 No. 17.

Excise Tariff Act—Guidelines 1997 No. ETFG 1.

Extradition Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1997 No. 108.

Federal Court of Australia Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1997 No. 107.

Judiciary Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1997 No. 106.

Migration Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1997 No. 109.

National Health Act—Declaration 1997 No. PB 8.

Navigation Act—Marine orders 1997 No. 2.

Proceeds of Crime Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1997 No. 110.

Public Service Act—Determinations 1997 Nos. 11, 12, 13, 14, LES 9, LES 10, LES 11, SESROB 23, SESROB 24.

Remuneration Tribunal Act—Determination 1997 No. 3.

Superannuation (Resolution of Complaints) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1997 No. 115.

Telecommunications Act 1991—Determinations—

Telecommunications (Due Date for Numbering Charge) 1997.

Telecommunications (Late Payment of Numbering Charge) 1997.

Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) Act—Determinations—

Telecommunications (Amount of Numbering Charge) 1997.

Telecommunications (Exemption From Numbering Charge) 1997.

Veterans' Entitlements Act—Instrument 1997 No. 3.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Fischer, Mr Katter, Mr Melham, Mrs Moylan, Mr Nugent and Ms Worth.

L. M. BARLIN
Clerk of the House of Representatives