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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 156

WEDNESDAY, 8 APRIL 1998

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

**2 STEVEDORING LEVY (COLLECTION) BILL 1998**

Mr Reith (Minister for Workplace Relations and Small Business) presented a Bill for an Act to provide for a levy on certain stevedoring operations, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

*Paper*

Mr Reith presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Debate adjourned (Mr Beazley—Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

**3 STEVEDORING LEVY (IMPOSITION) BILL 1998**

Mr Reith (Minister for Workplace Relations and Small Business) presented a Bill for an Act to impose a stevedoring levy, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

*Paper*

Mr Reith presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Debate, by leave, ensued.

Debate adjourned (Mr Ronaldson—Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Transport and Regional Development), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

**4 COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR TEST-BAN TREATY BILL 1998**

Mr Downer (Minister for Foreign Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to give effect to certain of Australia's obligations as a party to the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

*Paper*

Mr Downer presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

**5 TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (COUNTRY OF ORIGIN REPRESENTATIONS) BILL 1998**

Mr Truss (Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Trade Practices Act 1974*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

*Paper*

Mr Truss presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

**6 EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 1998**

Mr Truss (Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Excise Tariff Act 1921*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

*Paper*

Mr Truss presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

**7 NATIONAL MEASUREMENT AMENDMENT BILL 1998**

Mr Truss (Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *National Measurement Act 1960*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

*Paper*

Mr Truss presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

**8 CHEQUES AND PAYMENT ORDERS AMENDMENT (TURNBACK OF CHEQUES) BILL 1998**

Mr Miles (Parliamentary Secretary (Cabinet) to the Prime Minister), for Mr Costello (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Cheques and Payment Orders Act 1986*.

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 (Dr Theophanous), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

**9 CHEQUES AND PAYMENT ORDERS AMENDMENT BILL 1998**

Mr Miles (Parliamentary Secretary (Cabinet) to the Prime Minister), for Mr Costello (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Cheques and Payment Orders Act 1986*, 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 (Dr Theophanous), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

**10 TELSTRA (TRANSITION TO FULL PRIVATE OWNERSHIP) BILL 1998**

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—

Mr A. A. Morris rising to address the House—

*Closure*

Mr Fahey (Minister for Finance and Administration) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

## AYES, 80

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

## NOES, 45

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

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—being accordingly put—

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

## AYES, 80

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

## NOES, 48

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

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a second time.

*Message from the Governor-General*

Message No. 253, 26 March 1998, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the Bill.

*Consideration in detail*

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Mr Fahey, by leave, moved Government amendments (1) and (2) as circulated, together.

*Paper*

Mr Fahey presented a supplementary explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Debate continued.

*Closure*

Mr Fahey moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

And the question—That the amendments be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed.

Mr Filing, by leave, moved amendments (1) to (4) as circulated, together.

Debate continued.

*Closure*

Mr Fahey moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

And the question—That the amendments be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 6

Mr Andren*	Mr Filing*	Mr Rocher*
Mr Bradford	Ms Hanson	Mr Zammit

NOES, 114

Mr Abbott	Mrs Elson	Dr Lawrence	Mr Randall
Mr Adams	Mr Entsch	Mr Lee	Mr Reid
Mr Albanese	Mr G. J. Evans	Mr Lieberman	Mr Reith
Mr Anderson	Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Lindsay	Mr Ronaldson
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr Lloyd	Mr Scott
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Fahey	Mr McArthur*	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Anthony	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr McClelland	Mr Sharp
Mrs Bailey	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr McDougall	Mr Slipper*
Mr R. C. Baldwin	Mrs Gallus	Mr McGauran	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Barresi	Ms Gambaro	Mr McMullan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Bartlett	Mrs Gash	Mr Marek	Dr Southcott
Mr Beddall	Mr Georgiou	Mr Martin	Mrs Stone
Mr Bevis	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr Melham	Mr Tanner
Mr Billson	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr Miles	Mr Taylor
Mrs Bishop	Mr Griffin*	Mr Moore	Dr Theophanous
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hardgrave	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Brough	Mr Hatton	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Brown	Mr Hawker	Mr Mossfield	Mr Truss
Mr Cadman	Mr Hicks*	Mrs Moylan	Mr Tuckey
Mr E. H. Cameron	Mr Hockey	Mr Mutch	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mr Hollis	Mr Nairn	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Causley	Ms Jeanes	Mr Nehl	Mr Wakelin
Mr Charles	Mr Jenkins	Mr Neville	Mrs West
Mr Cobb	Mrs Johnston	Mr Nugent	Mr Willis
Mr Crean	Mr Jones	Mr O'Connor	Mr Wilton
Mrs Crosio	Mr Jull	Mr O'Keefe	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Dargavel	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Price	Ms Worth
Mrs Draper	Dr Kemp	Mr Prosser	
Ms Ellis	Mr Kerr	Mr Quick	

\* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

Mr Fahey, by leave, moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

*Closure*

Mr Fahey moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

And the question—That the Bill be now read a third time—was put accordingly, and passed—Bill read a third time.

#### 11 AUSTRALIAN PRUDENTIAL REGULATION AUTHORITY BILL 1998

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.

It being 2 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.

#### 12 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice being asked—

*Suspension of standing and sessional orders—Motion concerning waterfront reform*

Mr Reith (Minister for Workplace Relations and Small Business) moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Minister for Workplace Relations and Small Business moving forthwith at the completion of this suspension motion and without debate—That this House supports the introduction of genuine competition on the waterfront and the right of all employees to join or not to join a union of their choice and the outcomes which will flow from a more efficient, reliable waterfront, including:

- (1) creating more exports to help reduce Australia's foreign debt and improve job opportunities for the Australian people;
- (2) creating more jobs in manufacturing;
- (3) improving the opportunity of small businesses to grow and develop in world markets;
- (4) improving the safety of all workplaces on the waterfront; and
- (5) fuelling economic growth which will lead to higher living standards for all Australians.

Mr Tanner moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “this House deplors the action

of the Government in organising the financing of the dismissal of 1400 Australian workers in breach of the Workplace Relations Act and the relevant award provisions”.

Debate continued.

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

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

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

AYES, 85

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

NOES, 45

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Evans	Dr Lawrence	Mr Price
Mr Albanese	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr Quick
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr McClelland	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Beazley	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Macklin	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Beddall	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McMullan	Mr Tanner
Mr Bevis	Mr Griffin*	Mr Martin	Dr Theophanous
Mr Brown	Mr Hatton	Mr Melham	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr Crean	Mr Hollis	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Willis
Mrs Crosio	Mr Jenkins	Mr P. F. Morris	Mr Wilton
Mr Dargavel	Mr Jones	Mr Mossfield	
Ms Ellis	Mr Kerr	Mr O'Connor	
Mr G. J. Evans	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 Speaker, Mr Sinclair, in the Chair)—

AYES, 85

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

NOES, 47

Mr Adams	Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Albanese	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Mr Price
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr Quick
Mr Beazley	Mr Filing	Mr McClelland	Mr Rocher
Mr Beddall	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Macklin	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Bevis	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Brown	Mr Griffin*	Mr Martin	Mr Tanner
Mr Crean	Mr Hatton	Mr Melham	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
Mr G. J. Evans	Mr Kerr	Mr O'Connor	

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative by an absolute majority.

*Waterfront reform*

Mr Reith moved—That this House supports the introduction of genuine competition on the waterfront and the right of all employees to join or not to

join a union of their choice and the outcomes which will flow from a more efficient, reliable waterfront, including:

- (1) creating more exports to help reduce Australia's foreign debt and improve job opportunities for the Australian people;
- (2) creating more jobs in manufacturing;
- (3) improving the opportunity of small businesses to grow and develop in world markets;
- (4) improving the safety of all workplaces on the waterfront; and
- (5) fuelling economic growth which will lead to higher living standards for all Australians.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 87

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

## NOES, 45

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

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Questions without notice concluded.

### 13 SPEAKER'S RULING—DISSENT FROM RULING MOVED

#### *Point of order*

Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) having previously sought to move an amendment to the motion moved by Mr Reith (Minister for Workplace Relations and Small Business) concerning waterfront reform—

#### *Speaker's ruling*

The Speaker ruled that it was not open to a Member to move an amendment as the motion to suspend standing and sessional orders provided for no debate and therefore precluded a proposed amendment.

#### *Dissent from ruling moved*

Mr Beazley moved—That the ruling be dissented from.

Debate ensued.

#### *Closure*

Mr Truss (Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

And the question—That the ruling be dissented from—being accordingly put—

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

## AYES, 43

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

## NOES, 87

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

\* Tellers

And so it was negated.

## 14 PAPER

The Speaker presented the following paper:

Department of the House of Representatives—Internal audit report—Data matching of travel allowance records processed by the Department of the House of Representatives for the period 1 July 1995 to 30 June 1997.

**15 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT**

The Speaker presented the following paper:

Audit Act—Auditor-General—Audit report No. 39 of 1997-98—Performance Audit—Management of selected functions of the Child Support Agency: Australian Taxation Office.

Ordered to be printed.

**16 PAPERS**

The following papers were presented:

Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee—Report, June 1997—The 1996 federal election: Inquiry into the conduct of the 1996 federal election and matters related thereto—Government response.

Endangered Species Protection Act—1998 review—  
Report by Dr N. Keith Boardman.

Statement by the Minister for the Environment (Senator Hill) and summary of recommendations and government's preliminary response.

Environment, Recreation and the Arts—Standing Committee—Report, October 1996—Managing Australia's World Heritage—  
Government response, April 1998.

Statement by Senator Hill (Minister for the Environment), April 1998.

Equal Employment Opportunity (Commonwealth Authorities) Act—Equal Employment Opportunity Program—Health Insurance Commission— Report for 1996-97.

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee—Report, October 1997—Sharpening the focus: Seminar on the Simons Committee report, 11 July 1997—Government response.

National Common Police Services—Australasian Police Ministers' Council—  
Report for 1996-97.

**17 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT—SHARPENING THE FOCUS: SEMINAR ON THE SIMONS COMMITTEE REPORT—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**

Mr Truss (Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs) moved—That the House take note of the following paper:

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee—Report, October 1997—Sharpening the focus: Seminar on the Simons Committee report, 11 July 1997—Government response.

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

**18 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—WATERFRONT SACKINGS**

The House was informed that Mr Tanner had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The mass sackings on Australia’s waterfront”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Tanner addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

**19 SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT**

Mr Truss (Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs) moved—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 12 May 1998, at 2 p.m. unless otherwise called together by the Speaker, or, in the event of the Speaker being unavailable, by the Deputy Speaker.

Question—put and passed.

**20 LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO ALL MEMBERS**

Mr Truss (Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs) moved—That leave of absence be given to every Member of the House of Representatives from the determination of this sitting of the House to the date of its next sitting.

Question—put and passed.

**21 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY**

Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 3 to 13, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

**22 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS 48A AND 103**

Mr J. N. Andrew (Chief Government Whip), pursuant to notice, moved—That standing order 48A (adjournment and next meeting) and standing order 103 (new business) be suspended for this sitting.

Question—put and passed.

**23 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—PUBLICATION OF REPORT DURING NON-SITTING PERIOD**

Ms Worth (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Family Services), for Mr Reith (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—That:

- (1) if the House is not sitting when the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade has completed the report of its inquiry into the funding of Australia’s defence, the committee may send the report to the Speaker, or, in the absence or unavailability of the Speaker, to the Deputy Speaker. Upon receipt of the report by the Speaker or Deputy Speaker:

- (a) the publication of the report is authorised by this resolution; and
  - (b) the Speaker or Deputy Speaker, as the case may be, is authorised to give directions for the printing and circulation of the report.
- (2) the foregoing provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing and sessional orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing and sessional orders.
- (3) a message be sent to the Senate acquainting it of this resolution.

Question—put and passed.

**24 PUBLIC WORKS—PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—CSIRO QUEENSLAND CENTRE FOR ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES STAGE 2 DEVELOPMENT, PINJARRA HILLS, QLD**

Ms Worth (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Family Services), for Mr Fahey (Minister for Finance and Administration), 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: CSIRO Queensland Centre for Advanced Technologies Stage 2 development, Pinjarra Hills, Qld.

Question—put and passed.

**25 HMAS ALBATROSS STAGE 1 REDEVELOPMENT, NOWRA, NSW—APPROVAL OF WORK**

Ms Worth (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Family Services), for Mr Fahey (Minister for Finance and Administration), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: HMAS *Albatross* Stage 1 Redevelopment, Nowra, NSW.

Question—put and passed.

**26 PAPER**

The following paper was presented:

UNESCO General Conference, Paris, 1997—29th session (1997)—Report of Australian delegation.

**27 HUMAN RIGHTS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1998**

Mr Williams (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to rename the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission, create the Office of the Privacy Commissioner, amend the law relating to human rights, and for related purposes.

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

**28 TELEVISION BROADCASTING SERVICES (DIGITAL CONVERSION) BILL 1998**

Mr W. L. Smith (Minister representing the Minister for Communications, the Information Economy and the Arts), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to digital television broadcasting, and for other purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr W. L. Smith moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

*Paper*

Mr W. L. Smith presented an explanatory memorandum to the following Bills:

Television Broadcasting Services (Digital Conversion) 1998; and

Datacasting Charge (Imposition) 1998.

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

**29 DATACASTING CHARGE (IMPOSITION) BILL 1998**

Mr W. L. Smith (Minister representing the Minister for Communications, the Information Economy and the Arts) presented a Bill for an Act to impose a charge in relation to the provision of datacasting services by the ABC, the SBS and commercial television licensees.

Bill read a first time.

Mr W. L. Smith moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

**30 NATIONAL ROAD TRANSPORT COMMISSION AMENDMENT BILL 1998**

Mr Ronaldson (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Transport and Regional Development), for Mr M. A. J. Vaile (Minister for Transport and Regional Development), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *National Road Transport Commission Act 1991*, and for other purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

*Paper*

Mr Ronaldson 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.



**31 AUSTRALIAN RADIATION PROTECTION AND NUCLEAR SAFETY BILL 1998**

Ms Worth (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Family Services), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to regulate activities involving radiation, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Ms Worth moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

*Paper*

Ms Worth presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

**32 AUSTRALIAN RADIATION PROTECTION AND NUCLEAR SAFETY (LICENCE CHARGES) BILL 1998**

Ms Worth (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Family Services) presented a Bill for an Act to impose charges on licences issued under the *Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Act 1998*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Ms Worth moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

*Paper*

Ms Worth presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

**33 AUSTRALIAN RADIATION PROTECTION AND NUCLEAR SAFETY (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 1998**

Ms Worth (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Family Services), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to deal with consequential matters arising from the enactment of the *Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Act 1998*, and for other purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Ms Worth moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

*Paper*

Ms Worth presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

**34 TAXATION LAWS AMENDMENT (COMPANY LAW REVIEW) BILL 1998**

Mr Miles (Parliamentary Secretary (Cabinet) to the Prime Minister) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to taxation, 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 following Bills:

Taxation Laws Amendment (Company Law Review) 1998; and

Income Tax (Untainting Tax) 1998.

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

**35 INCOME TAX (UNTAINTING TAX) BILL 1998**

Mr Miles (Parliamentary Secretary (Cabinet) to the Prime Minister) presented a Bill for an Act to impose a tax in relation to untainting tainted share capital accounts of companies.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

**36 SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS—PRIVATE MEMBERS' NOTICE**

Ms Worth (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Family Services), by leave, moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent notice No. 10, private Members' business, being called on forthwith.

Question—put and passed.

**37 GREAT BARRIER REEF MARINE PARK REGULATIONS—MOTION FOR DISALLOWANCE**

Mr Martin, pursuant to notice, moved—That the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Regulations (Amendment), as contained in Statutory Rules 1997, No. 326, made under the *Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Act 1975*, be disallowed.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 43

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

## NOES, 74

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

\* Tellers

And so it was negated.

**38 MEMBERS' INTERESTS COMMITTEE—PAPER**

Mr E. L. Grace presented the following paper:

Committee of Members' Interests—Register of Members' Interests for the 38th Parliament—Notifications of alterations of interests received during the period 4 December 1997 to 7 April 1998.

**39 PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE—REPORT**

Mr E. H. Cameron (Chair) presented the following paper:

Committee of Privileges—Application for the publication of a response to a reference made in the House of Representatives—Report, March 1998.

**40 BALLAST WATER RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FUNDING LEVY COLLECTION BILL 1997—SENATE'S AMENDMENTS**

The order of the day having been read for the consideration of the amendments made by the Senate—

*Constitutional significance of Senate amendments—Statement by Deputy Speaker*

The Deputy Speaker made the following statement:

The changes in this bill proposed by the Senate raise important points of Constitutional principle to which it is my duty to draw the attention of the House.

The final Senate change seeks to amend Part 3 of the bill as transmitted to the Senate. This Part of the Bill proposed to establish a Strategic Ballast Water

Research and Development Fund, into which amounts were to be paid from the Consolidated Revenue Fund equal to amounts raised by the levy.

The alteration sought by the Senate to Part 3 of the original Bill, and amendments (1) and (2) which are consequential, would omit reference to “Fund” and substitute “Reserve”. The Bill is a 1997 Bill, and the amendment was necessitated because on 1 January 1998 the *Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997* commenced operation. This Act established a Reserved Money Fund to replace the trusts accounts previously provided for under the Audit Act. It also provided that if another Act establishes a component of the Reserved Money Fund and identified the purposes of the component, the component could be identified for those purposes, and standing appropriating provisions were included. Purported Senate amendment (3) identified the Reserve as a component of the Reserved Money Fund.

The Senate may seek by way of amendment the removal from a bill of appropriating provisions. However, having done that, the Senate should not then insert provisions which appropriate moneys. The appropriate way to proceed in these circumstances is by way of request, and it appears that this may have been the most appropriate course in these circumstances. This is supported by legal opinion.

The matter for consideration is not so much one of the privileges and rights between the two Houses, but observance of the requirements of the Constitution concerning the appropriation of revenue. An important point of Constitutional principle raised in the matter relates to section 56 of the Constitution, which provides that a vote, resolution or proposed law for the appropriation of revenue shall not be passed unless the Governor-General has recommended the appropriation by message. Complementary standing orders provide for the timing of announcement of such messages, including where amendments or requests for amendments are involved. As the Senate’s purported amendments have an appropriating effect, there is significant doubt as to the constitutionality of proceeding in the absence of a Governor-General’s message recommending appropriation.

It is, of course, for the House itself to decide what action to take on the matter.

Mr Somlyay (Minister for Regional Development, Territories and Local Government) moved—That the House endorses the statement of the Deputy Speaker in relation to the constitutional questions raised by message No. 448 transmitted by the Senate in relation to the Ballast Water Research and Development Funding Levy Collection Bill 1997.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Mr Somlyay, the Senate’s purported amendments were disagreed to.

*Message from the Governor-General*

Message No. 254, 6 April 1998, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of amendments to the Bill.

On the motion of Mr Somlyay Government amendments (1) to (3) as circulated, were made together.

41 **AUSTRALIAN PRUDENTIAL REGULATION AUTHORITY BILL 1998**

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.

*Closure*

Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 74

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

NOES, 44

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

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—was put accordingly, and passed—Bill read a second time.

*Message from the Governor-General*

Message No. 255, 30 March 1998, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop, the Bill was read a third time.

**42 AUTHORISED DEPOSIT-TAKING INSTITUTIONS SUPERVISORY LEVY IMPOSITION BILL 1998**

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—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), the Bill was read a third time.

**43 AUTHORISED NON-OPERATING HOLDING COMPANIES SUPERVISORY LEVY IMPOSITION BILL 1998**

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—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), the Bill was read a third time.

**44 SUPERANNUATION SUPERVISORY LEVY IMPOSITION BILL 1998**

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—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), the Bill was read a third time.

**45 RETIREMENT SAVINGS ACCOUNT PROVIDERS SUPERVISORY LEVY IMPOSITION BILL 1998**

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—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), the Bill was read a third time.

**46 LIFE INSURANCE SUPERVISORY LEVY IMPOSITION BILL 1998**

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—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), the Bill was read a third time.

**47 GENERAL INSURANCE SUPERVISORY LEVY IMPOSITION BILL 1998**

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—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), the Bill was read a third time.

**48 FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS SUPERVISORY LEVIES COLLECTION BILL 1998**

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—

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

*Message from the Governor-General*

Message No. 256, 30 March 1998, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), the Bill was read a third time.

**49 FINANCIAL SECTOR REFORM (AMENDMENTS AND TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS) BILL 1998**

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now a read a second time—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), the Bill was read a third time.

**50 PAYMENT SYSTEMS (REGULATION) BILL 1998**

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—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), the Bill was read a third time.

**51 FINANCIAL SECTOR (SHAREHOLDINGS) BILL 1998**

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—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mrs Bishop (Minister for Defence Industry, Science and Personnel), the Bill was read a third time.

**52 TAXATION LAWS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 7) 1997**

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

Bill, as a whole—

Debate resumed on the Bill and on Opposition amendments (1) to (6) and (8) to (10) moved together by Mr K. J. Thomson.

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr K. J. Andrews, in the Chair)—

AYES, 44

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



## NOES, 75

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

\* Tellers

And so it was negated.

Mr K. J. Thomson, by leave, moved additional Opposition amendments (1) to (3) as circulated, together.

Debate continued.

Amendments negated.

Mr Miles (Parliamentary Secretary (Cabinet) to the Prime Minister), by leave, moved Government amendments (1) to (83) as circulated, together.

Debate continued.

*Papers*

Mr Miles presented a replacement supplementary explanatory memorandum and an addendum to the replacement supplementary explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

Amendments agreed to.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

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

**53 STUDENT AND YOUTH ASSISTANCE AMENDMENT BILL 1998—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE**

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee, a Governor-General's message recommending an appropriation had been reported, and the Bill had been agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Mr Abbott (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Employment, Education, Training and Youth Affairs), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

**54 WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (SUPERANNUATION) BILL 1997—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE**

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Main Committee had resolved that further proceedings on the Bill be conducted in the House, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Ordered—That further proceedings on the Bill be made an order of the day for the next sitting.

**55 SOCIAL SECURITY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (PENSION BONUS SCHEME) BILL 1998—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE**

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee, a Governor-General's message recommending an appropriation had been reported, and the Bill had been agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Mr Abbott (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Employment, Education, Training and Youth Affairs), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

**56 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

Message No. 477, 8 April 1998, from the Senate was reported acquainting the House that the Senate had agreed to a resolution concerning industrial conflict on the waterfront.

*Suspension of standing and sessional orders moved*

Mr Crean moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the House from immediately debating the message from the Senate. In particular, given the new developments arising from this evening's Federal Court decision which has granted an interim injunction to prevent Patricks sacking its 1400 workers, and the revelation by Chris Corrigan on the 7.30 *Report* that he went to the Government telling them of the plan to sack the workers but unable to pay them out, this House demands to know why Patricks got special treatment whilst the Cobar and Woodlands workers got nothing.

*Closure of Member*

Mr Reith (Leader of the House) moved—That the Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

## AYES, 73

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

## NOES, 43

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

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr McMullan (seconder) addressing the House—

*Closure of Member*

Mr Reith moved—That the Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

## AYES, 73

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

## NOES, 43

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

\* 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 Speaker, Mr Sinclair, in the Chair)—

## AYES, 43

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

## NOES, 75

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

\* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

**57 PAPER**

Mr Reith (Leader of the House) presented the following paper:

Ballast Water Research and Development Funding Levy Collection Bill 1997—  
Supplementary explanatory memorandum.

**58 SUSPENSION OF SITTING**

At 10.50 p.m. the Speaker left the Chair.

## THURSDAY, 9 APRIL 1998

## 59 RESUMPTION OF SITTING

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 8.30 a.m.

## 60 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—NATIVE TITLE AMENDMENT BILL 1997 [NO. 2]

A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill with amendments:

9 April 1998 a.m.—Message No. 478—Native Title Amendment 1997 [No. 2].

Ordered—That the amendments be considered forthwith.

Mr Howard (Prime Minister) moved—That the following Senate amendments be disagreed to:

- (1) Dems-GWA (20); (21); (22); (23); (24); (25); (26); (27); (28); (29); (30); (31); (32A); (137); (192); (268); (270); and (333);
- (2) Dems-GWA (92)/Opp (100); and Dems-GWA (190)/Opp (223);
- (3) Harradine (14); (18); (21); (22); and (R9);
- (4) Harradine (N1)/Opp (N17); and Harradine (N2)/Opp (N18);
- (5) Opp (93); (94); (142) to (166); (173); (174); (176); (210); (N3); (N6) to (N8); (N21); (N22); (N24) to (N26); (N28); (N30); (N31); (N36) [as amended by Opp (N37)]; (N49); (R188); (R209); (RN2); (RN23); (RN27); (RN34); (RN35); and (RN42); Opp (95)/Dems-GWA (87); Opp (117)/Dems-GWA (107)/Harradine (23); Opp (118)/Dems-GWA (108)/Harradine (N3); Opp (125)/Dems-GWA (114); Opp (126)/Dems-GWA (115); Opp (127)/Dems-GWA (116); Opp (129)/Dems-GWA (119); Opp (130)/Dems-GWA (120); Opp (134)/Dems-GWA (124); Opp (135)/Dems-GWA (125); Opp (137)/Dems-GWA (127); Opp (139)/Dems-GWA (129); Opp (140)/Dems-GWA (130); Opp (167)/Dems-GWA (135); Opp (170)/Dems-GWA (136); Opp (172)/Dems-GWA (138); Opp (178)/Dems-GWA (146)/Harradine (31); Opp (183)/Dems-GWA (151); Opp (198)/Dems-GWA (167)/Harradine (52); Opp (200)/Dems-GWA (169); Opp (201)/Dems-GWA (170); Opp (203)/Dems-GWA (172)/Harradine (53); Opp (218)/Dems-GWA (185); Opp (221)/Dems-GWA (188); Opp (287)/Dems-GWA (258); Opp (295)/Dems-GWA (265); Opp (354)/Dems-GWA (329); and Opp (355)/Dems-GWA (330)/Harradine (54).

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

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

## AYES, 72

Mr Abbott	Mrs Draper	Dr Kemp	Mr Scott
Mr Anderson	Mrs Elson	Mr Lindsay	Mr Sharp
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr Lloyd	Mr Slipper*
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Filing	Mr McArthur*	Mr W. L. Smith
Mr Anthony	Mr Fischer	Mr McDougall	Mr Somlyay
Mrs Bailey	Mr Forrest	Mr McGauran	Dr Southcott
Mr R. C. Baldwin	Mrs Gallus	Mr McLachlan	Mrs Stone
Mr Barresi	Ms Gambaro	Mr Marek	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Bartlett	Mrs Gash	Mr Moore	Mr Taylor
Mr Billson	Mr Georgiou	Mr Mutch	Mr Truss
Mrs Bishop	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr Nairn	Mr Tuckey
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nehl	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr E. H. Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Dr Nelson	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mr Hockey	Mr Pyne	Mr Wakelin
Mr Causley	Mr Howard	Mr Randall	Mrs West
Mr Charles	Mr Jull	Mr Reith	Mr Williams
Mr Cobb	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Ronaldson	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Downer	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Ruddock	Ms Worth

## NOES, 35

Mr Albanese	Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Andren	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr Price
Mr P. J. Baldwin	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Bradford	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McMullan	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Brown	Mr Griffin*	Mr Martin	Mr Tanner
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Ms Ellis	Mr Jenkins	Mr Mossfield	Mr Wilton
Mr G. J. Evans	Mr Jones	Mr O'Connor	

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of Mr Howard, the following Senate amendments were agreed to:

- (1) Govt (1) to (30); (32) to (35); (37) to (45); (51) to (72); (74) to (77); (77A); and (78) to (98);
- (2) Opp (N5); (N10) to (N16); (N19); (N45) to (N48); (R114); (RN32); (RR101); (RR107); and (RR110); and
- (3) Dems-GWA (163).

On the motion of Mr Howard, the Bill was laid aside.

**61 ADJOURNMENT**

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 9.29 a.m., adjourned until Tuesday, 12 May 1998, at 2 p.m., in accordance with the resolution agreed to this sitting.

**PAPERS**

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 8 April 1998:

Commonwealth Electoral Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1998 No. 57.

Federal Court of Australia Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1998 No. 55.

Patents Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1998 No. 56.

Public Service Act—Determinations 1998 Nos. SESROB 20, SESROB 21, SESROB 22, SESROB 23, SESROB 24, SESROB 25.

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**ATTENDANCE**

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Brereton, Mr Campbell, Mr Halverson, Mr Holding, Mr McLeay, Mr Reid and Mr Sawford.

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**I. C. HARRIS**

Clerk of the House of Representatives



1996-97-98

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

No. 156

**MAIN COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

WEDNESDAY, 8 APRIL 1998

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1 The Main Committee met at 10 a.m.

**2 STUDENT AND YOUTH ASSISTANCE AMENDMENT BILL 1998**

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

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

*Message from the Governor-General*

Message No. 252, 2 April 1998, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for the question on the report to be put forthwith.

Question—That the Bill be reported to the House without amendment—put and passed.

**3 WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (SUPERANNUATION) 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—

Debate resumed.

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*Suspension of sitting*

At 10.53 a.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

*Resumption of sitting*

At 11.11 a.m., the proceedings were resumed.

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Debate continued.

On the motion of Mr Taylor, further proceedings to be conducted in the House.

**4 SOCIAL SECURITY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT  
(PENSION BONUS SCHEME) BILL 1998**

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.

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*Suspension of sitting*

At 12.23 p.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

*Resumption of sitting*

At 12.39 p.m., the proceedings were resumed.

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Debate continued.

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*Suspension of sitting*

At 12.58 p.m., the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

*Resumption of sitting*

At 4.31 p.m., the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

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Debate continued.

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*Suspension of sitting*

At 4.45 p.m., a division having been called in the House, the proceedings were suspended.

*Resumption of sitting*

At 4.56 p.m., the proceedings were resumed.

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Debate continued.

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

*Message from the Governor-General*

Message No. 249, 19 March 1998, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for the question on the report to be put forthwith.

Question—That the Bill be reported to the House without amendment—put and passed.

**5 ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Mr Ruddock (Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs), the Main Committee adjourned at 5.27 p.m.



**B. C. WRIGHT**  
Clerk of the Main Committee