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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 176

WEDNESDAY, 15 JULY 1998

1 The House met, at 10 a.m., according to the terms of the resolution of 2 July 1998. The Speaker (the Right Honourable Ian Sinclair) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT

Mr Reith (Leader of the House) moved—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Monday, 31 August 1998, at 12.30 p.m., unless the Speaker or, in the event of the Speaker being unavailable, the Deputy Speaker, fixes an alternative day or hour of meeting.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO ALL MEMBERS

Mr Reith (Leader of the House) 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.

4 PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS—BUSINESS ACCORDED PRIORITY FOR 31 AUGUST 1998

Mr Reith (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That business accorded priority for Monday, 10 August 1998, as determined by the Selection Committee, be accorded priority for Monday, 31 August 1998.

Question—put and passed.

5 REGIONAL FOREST AGREEMENTS 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 by Mr S. F. Smith who moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “whilst not declining to give the Bill a second reading, the House:

- (1) notes that Regional Forest Agreements are intended to secure environmental, economic, social, regional community and industry development objectives for two decades;
- (2) notes that the securing of such objectives is dependent upon the policy certainty which can only come from long term bipartisan support, and in this context the failure to consult on detail during the drafting process and bringing debate on now without providing adequate time for detailed consideration is particularly regrettable and not in the industry's long term best interests;
- (3) notes that the Opposition has consistently given in principle support for the legislative objectives sought by the Bill and reaffirmed such support on introduction of the Bill on 30 June 1998;
- (4) believes that it is inappropriate to extend the benefits of this Bill to any future RFA which purports to meet the objectives of the Bill, but which in fact does not and expresses concern in this context that the Bill provides no mechanism to allow the Parliament to review the adequacy of any future RFA;
- (5) notes that the Government has withdrawn plans to automatically provide financial compensation for adverse impacts if any caused by future Commonwealth action;
- (6) notes that the RFA process and underpinning legislation is inextricably interwoven with the full implementation of the National Forest Policy Statement and the Wood and Paper Industry Strategy;
- (7) as a consequence regrets that the Government has failed to progress the Wood and Paper Industry Strategy;
- (8) condemns the Government for its failure to introduce complementary industry policy measures to ensure that the resource security granted to industry by these measures is complemented by Government and industry commitments to investment, exports, jobs, and value adding to and downstream processing of Australia's forest resources; and in particular
- (9) condemns the Government for failing the Burnie workers facing retrenchment as a result of its inaction referred to above".

Debate continued.

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

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

AYES, 81

Mr Abbott	Mr Downer	Mr Lieberman	Mr Ruddock
Mr Andren	Mrs Draper	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 Fischer	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 A. P. Thomson
Mrs Bishop	Mr Georgiou	Mrs Moylan	Mr Truss
Mr Broadbent	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr Mutch	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Brough	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nairn	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Cadman	Mr Hawker	Mr Nehl	Mr Wakelin
Mr E. H. Cameron	Mr Hicks*	Dr Nelson	Mrs West
Mr R. A. Cameron	Mr Hockey	Mr Neville	Mr Williams
Mr Campbell	Ms Jeanes	Mr Prosser	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Causley	Mrs Johnston	Mr Pyne	Ms Worth
Mr Charles	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Randall	
Mr Costello	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Reith	
Mr Dondas	Dr Kemp	Mr Ronaldson	

NOES, 37

Mr Albanese	Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr McClelland	Mr Sawford*
Mr Beddall	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Macklin	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Bevis	Mr E. L. Grace*	Mr McLeay	Mr S. F. Smith
Mr Brereton	Mr Griffin	Mr McMullan	Mr Tanner
Mr Brown	Mr Hatton	Mr Martin	Dr Theophanous
Mr Crean	Mr Holding	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Wilton
Mrs Crosio	Mr Hollis	Mr Mossfield	Mr Zammit
Ms Ellis	Mr Jones	Mr O'Connor	
Mr G. J. Evans	Mr Kerr	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Latham	Mr Price	

* 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.

Suspension of standing and sessional orders moved

Mr S. F. Smith, by leave, moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent the Member for Perth moving that:

- (1) the Regional Forest Agreements Bill 1998 be referred to the Standing Committee on Primary Industries, Resources and Rural and Regional Affairs for consideration and an advisory report by 31 August 1998; and
- (2) the terms 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.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Miles (Parliamentary Secretary (Cabinet) to the Prime Minister), the Bill was read a third time.

6 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—COPYRIGHT AMENDMENT BILL 1997

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

11 July 1998—Message No. 563—Copyright Amendment Bill 1997.

Ordered—That the amendments be considered forthwith.

Mr Williams (Attorney-General) moved—That the amendments be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

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.

7 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice were asked.

8 RETIREMENT OF MR I. C. COCHRAN, CLERK ASSISTANT (PROCEDURE)

The Speaker informed the House of the forthcoming retirement of Mr I. C. Cochran, PSM, Clerk Assistant (Procedure), paid tribute to Mr Cochran's distinguished contribution to the Parliament and wished him and his family well in his retirement.

Mr Reith (Leader of the House), Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) and Mr McLeay associated themselves with the remarks of the Speaker.

9 AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION—REPORT

The Speaker presented the following paper:

Australian Parliamentary Delegation to Syria, Lebanon, Jordan and Israel, 5 to 21 June 1998—Report.

10 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT

The Speaker presented the following paper:

Auditor-General Act—Auditor-General—Audit report No. 2 of 1998-99—Performance audit—Commercial support program: Department of Defence.

Ordered to be printed.

11 PAPER

The following paper was presented:

Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee—Report, October 1997—
Industrial elections: The role of the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) in
conducting industrial elections—Government response.

**12 PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—TELSTRA
SALE**

The House was informed that Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The uncertainty in rural and regional Australia and the disarray in the Coalition’s ranks caused by the Prime Minister’s plan to sell off Telstra”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Beazley rising to address the House—

Mr Truss (Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs) moved—That the business of the day be called on.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 74

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

NOES, 41

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

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

13 MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILLS

Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:

2 July 1998—Message—

No. 297—

Cheques and Payment Orders Amendment 1998.

Cheques and Payment Orders Amendment (Turnback of Cheques) 1998.

No. 298—Corporations Legislation Amendment 1998.

No. 299—

Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty 1998.

Customs Legislation (Anti-dumping Amendments) 1998.

Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Amendment 1998.

National Firearms Program Implementation 1998.

National Road Transport Commission Amendment 1998.

Payment Systems and Netting 1998.

Social Security and Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Retirement Assistance for Farmers) 1998.

Taxation Laws Amendment (Farm Management Deposits) 1998.

3 July 1998—Message No. 300—

Stevedoring Levy (Collection) 1998.

Stevedoring Levy (Imposition) 1998.

14 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Messages from the Senate were reported:

(a) returning the following Bills without amendment:

Datacasting Charge (Imposition) 1998 (*without requests*)—No. 556, 3 July 1998; and

Gas Pipelines Access (Commonwealth) 1998—No. 561, 9 July 1998; and

- (b) returning the Native Title Amendment Bill 1997 [No. 2] and acquainting the House that the Senate does not insist on its amendments disagreed to by the House of Representatives and has agreed to the amendments made by the House—No. 557, 8 July 1998.

15 COPYRIGHT AMENDMENT BILL 1997—SENATE'S AMENDMENTS

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Williams (Attorney-General)—That the amendments made by the Senate be agreed to—

Debate resumed.

Question—put and passed.

16 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—COPYRIGHT AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1997

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

12 July 1998 a.m.—Message No. 564—Copyright Amendment (No. 2) 1997.

Ordered—That the amendments be considered forthwith.

Mr Williams (Attorney-General) moved—That the amendments be agreed to.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 74

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

NOES, 41

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

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

17 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—WHEAT MARKETING LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1998

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

9 July 1998—Message No. 559—Wheat Marketing Legislation Amendment 1998.

Ordered—That the amendments be considered forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Truss (Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs), the amendments were agreed to, after debate.

18 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND ENERGY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 3) 1997

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

9 July 1998—Message No. 562—Primary Industries and Energy Legislation Amendment (No. 3) 1997.

Ordered—That the amendment be considered forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Truss (Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs), the amendment was agreed to, after debate.

19 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—TRADE PRACTICES AMENDMENT (COUNTRY OF ORIGIN REPRESENTATIONS) BILL 1998

A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill with amendments and a resolution concerning country of origin representations:

8 July 1998—Message No. 558—Trade Practices Amendment (Country of Origin Representations) 1998.

Ordered—That the amendments be considered forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Truss (Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs), the amendments were agreed to, after debate.

20 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAWS AMENDMENT BILL 1998

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

9 July 1998—Message No. 560—Intellectual Property Laws Amendment 1998.

Ordered—That the amendment be considered forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Truss (Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs), the amendment was agreed to, after debate.

21 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—TELEVISION BROADCASTING SERVICES (DIGITAL CONVERSION) BILL 1998

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

3 July 1998—Message No. 555—Television Broadcasting Services (Digital Conversion) 1998.

Ordered—That the amendments be considered forthwith.

On the motion of Mr W. L. Smith (Minister representing the Minister for Communications, the Information Economy and the Arts), the amendments were agreed to, after debate.

22 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER

Mr Charles (Chairman) presented the following paper:

Public Accounts and Audit—Joint Committee—Report 363—Asset management by Commonwealth agencies, 1 July 1998.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr Charles, by leave, moved—That the House take note of the paper.

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

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

23 ADJOURNMENT NEGATIVED

Mr Fischer (Minister for Trade) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Closure of Member moved

Mr Abbott (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Employment, Education, Training and Youth Affairs) addressing the House—

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

Question—put.

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

AYES, 23

Mr Albanese	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Macklin	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Bevis	Mr Griffin*	Mr McLeay*	Mr Price
Mr Crean	Mr Hatton	Mr McMullan	Mr Quick
Mrs Crosio	Mr Kerr	Mr Martin	Mr Sercombe*
Mr G. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Wilton
Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr McClelland	Mr O'Connor	

NOES, 51

Mr Abbott	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McDougall	Mr Sharp
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr Fahey	Mr McGauran	Mr Slipper*
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mrs Gash	Mr McLachlan	Mr W. L. Smith
Mr Anthony	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr Marek	Mr Somlyay
Mrs Bailey	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Moore	Dr Southcott
Mr Bartlett	Mr Hawker	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Stone
Mr Billson	Mr Hicks*	Mr Mutch	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Broadbent	Mrs Johnston	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mr Brough	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Nehl	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Cadman	Mr Lieberman	Mr Neville	Mrs West
Mr E. H. Cameron	Mr Lindsay	Mr Prosser	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Charles	Mr Lloyd	Mr Randall	Ms Worth
Mrs Draper	Mr McArthur*	Mr Ronaldson	

* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Closure of Member

Mr O'Connor addressing the House—

Mr Truss (Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs) moved—That the Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 47

Mr Abbott	Mr Fahey	Mr McDougall	Mr Sharp
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mrs Gash	Mr McGauran	Mr Slipper*
Mr Anthony	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr McLachlan	Mr W. L. Smith
Mrs Bailey	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Marek	Mr Somlyay
Mr Bartlett	Mr Hawker	Mr Moore	Dr Southcott
Mr Billson	Mr Hicks*	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Stone
Mr Broadbent	Mrs Johnston	Mr Mutch	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Brough	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mr Cadman	Mr Lieberman	Mr Nehl	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr E. H. Cameron	Mr Lindsay	Mr Neville	Mrs West
Mr Charles	Mr Lloyd	Mr Prosser	Ms Worth
Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr McArthur*	Mr Randall	

NOES, 24

Mr Albanese	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Macklin	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Bevis	Mr Griffin*	Mr McLeay*	Mr Price
Mr Crean	Mr Hatton	Mr McMullan	Mr Quick
Mrs Crosio	Mr Kerr	Mr Martin	Mr Sercombe*
Mr G. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr A. A. Morris	Dr Theophanous
Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr McClelland	Mr O'Connor	Mr Wilton

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Closure of Member moved

Mr Brough addressing the House—

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

Question—put.

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

AYES, 24

Mr Albanese	Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Macklin	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Bevis	Mr Griffin*	Mr McLeay*	Mr Price
Mr Crean	Mr Hatton	Mr McMullan	Mr Quick
Mrs Crosio	Mr Kerr	Mr Martin	Mr Sercombe*
Mr G. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr A. A. Morris	Dr Theophanous
Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr McClelland	Mr O'Connor	Mr Wilton

NOES, 44

Mr Abbott	Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sharp
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mr Fahey	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper*
Mr Anthony	Mrs Gash	Mr McDougall	Mr W. L. Smith
Mrs Bailey	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr McLachlan	Mr Somlyay
Mr Bartlett	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Marek	Dr Southcott
Mr Billson	Mr Hawker	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Stone
Mr Broadbent	Mr Hicks*	Mr Mutch	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Brough	Mrs Johnston	Mr Nairn	Mr Truss
Mr Cadman	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Nehl	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr E. H. Cameron	Mr Lieberman	Mr Neville	Mrs West
Mr Charles	Mr Lindsay	Mr Prosser	Ms Worth

* Tellers

And so it was negated.

Closure

Mr Truss moved—That the question be now put.

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

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 22

Mr Albanese	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McLeay*	Mr Quick
Mr Bevis	Mr Griffin*	Mr McMullan	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Crean	Mr Hatton	Mr Martin	Dr Theophanous
Mrs Crosio	Mr Kerr	Mr A. A. Morris	Mr Wilton
Mr G. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr O'Connor	
Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr McClelland	Mr O'Keefe	

NOES, 43

Mr Abbott	Mr Fahey	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sharp
Mr J. N. Andrew	Mrs Gash	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper*
Mr Anthony	Mrs E. J. Grace	Mr McDougall	Mr W. L. Smith
Mrs Bailey	Mr Hardgrave	Mr McLachlan	Dr Southcott
Mr Bartlett	Mr Hawker	Mr Marek	Mrs Stone
Mr Billson	Mr Hicks*	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Broadbent	Mrs Johnston	Mr Mutch	Mr Truss
Mr Cadman	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Nairn	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr E. H. Cameron	Miss J. M. Kelly	Mr Nehl	Mrs West
Mr Charles	Mr Lieberman	Mr Neville	Ms Worth
Mr R. D. C. Evans	Mr Lindsay	Mr Prosser	

* Tellers

And so it was negated.

24 PAPER

Mr McLachlan (Minister for Defence) presented the following paper:

Keating, Mr P. J.—Euphron Pty Ltd matters.

25 ADJOURNMENT

Mr Truss (Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 6. 42 p.m., adjourned until Monday, 31 August 1998, at 12.30 p.m., in accordance with the resolution agreed to this sitting.

PAPERS

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 15 July 1998:

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Act—Rules 1998 Regional Council Election Amendment (No. 1).

Administrative Appeals Tribunal Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1998 No. 223.

Aged Care Act—Determinations 1998 ACA Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12.

Australian Parliamentary Delegation to the 99th Inter-Parliamentary Conference at Windhoek, Namibia and bilateral visits to Angola, Zimbabwe and Mozambique, 5-23 April 1998—Report, July 1998—Erratum.

Christmas Island Act—Ordinance 1998 No. 3.

Civil Aviation Act—

Civil Aviation Regulations—Exemption 1998 No. CASA 26.

Statutory Rules 1998 No. 219.

Currency Act—Determination 1998 No. 5.

Customs Act—Instruments of approval 1998 Nos. 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22.

Defence Act—

Determination 1998 Defence Force (Superannuation) (Productivity Benefit) (Amendment) No. 3.

Determinations under section 58B 1998 Nos. 24, 25, 26, 27, 28.

Export Control Act—Export Control (Orders) Regulations—Export Control Orders 1998 No. 2.

Family Law Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1998 No. 222.

Fisheries Management Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1998 No. 217.

Health Insurance Act—

Determination 1998 Health Insurance (Billing Agents—Conditions of Approval).

Guidelines 1998 Health Insurance (Approval of Billing Agents).

Regulations—Statutory Rules 1998 No. 220.

Health Insurance Commission Act—Determination 1998 Two Way Agency.

Higher Education Funding Act—Guidelines 1998 Nos. T16, T17.

Lands Acquisition Act—Statement under section 125.

Meat and Live-stock Industry Act—Orders 1998 Nos. L17, L18, M80.

Migration Act—Statements under section—

48B (3).

72 (3).

345 (6).

351 (13).

417 (15).

Military Superannuation and Benefits Act—Instrument 1998 Military Superannuation and Benefits Trust Deed (Amendment) (No. 3).

National Health Act—Determinations 1998 Nos. ACC 20, ACC 21, HIG 4, PB 13.

Native Title Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1998 No. 221.

Quarantine Act—Quarantine proclamation, 30 June 1998.

Proclamations by His Excellency the Governor-General fixing the dates on which the following Act and provisions of Acts shall come into operation—

Australian Prudential Regulation Authority Act 1998—1 July 1998.

Company Law Review Act 1998—Section 3 and Schedules 1, 2, 3 and 4, 1 July 1998.

Taxation Laws Amendment (Company Law Review) Act 1998—Act, except for items 23, 54, 55 and 56 of Schedule 5, and Schedule 6, 1 July 1998.

Public Service Act—Determinations 1998 Nos. FAT7, FAT8, LES 29.

Radiocommunications Act—Instrument 1998 Radiocommunications Class Licence (Infrared Devices) Amendment (No. 1).

Rice Levy Act—Specification 1998 Rice Levy No. 1.

Sales Tax Assessment Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1998 No. 218.

Taxation Administration Act—

Determination 1998 No. TD 93/44 Addendum.

Ruling 1998 No. TR 12.

Telecommunications Act 1997—Direction 1998 Telecommunications (Customer Service Guarantee) No. 1 of 1997 (Amendment No. 1).

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Anderson, Mr P. J. Baldwin, Mr Bradford, Mr Cobb, Mr Dargavel, Mrs Elson, Mr M. J. Evans, Mr Filing, Mr Halverson, Ms Hanson, Mr Jenkins, Mr Jull, Mr Katter, Mr Lee, Mr Melham, Mr Nugent, Mr Reid, Mr Taylor, Mr K. J. Thomson, Mr Tuckey and Mr Willis.

I. C. HARRIS

Clerk of the House of Representatives