

1998

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 9

TUESDAY, 1 DECEMBER 1998



1 The House met, at 2 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (the Honourable Neil Andrew) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

**2 RETURN TO WRIT—NEWCASTLE DIVISION**

The Speaker announced that he had received a return to the writ for the supplementary election of a Member to serve for the electoral division of Newcastle, in the State of New South Wales. By the endorsement on the writ, it was certified that Allan Agapitos Morris had been elected.

**3 AFFIRMATION OF ALLEGIANCE BY MEMBER**

Mr Morris made and subscribed the affirmation of allegiance required by law.

**4 QUESTIONS**

Questions without notice were asked.

**5 PAPERS**

The following papers were presented:

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Act—Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commercial Development Corporation—Corporate plan 1998-2001.

Agriculture and Resource Management Council of Australia and New Zealand—Record and resolutions—13th meeting, Broome, W.A., 31 July 1998.

Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act—

Australia Foundation for Culture and the Humanities—Financial statements 1997-98.

Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation—Report for 1997-98.

Grape and Wine Research and Development Corporation—Report for 1997-98.

Horticultural Research and Development Corporation—Report for 1997-98.

Meat Industry Council—Report for 1997-98.

Finance—Issues from the Advance to the Minister as a final charge for 1997-98.

Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Power Act—Snowy Mountains Council—Report for 1997-98.

United Nations General Assembly—Report of the Australian Delegation—51st session 1996.

**6 COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION—REPORT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER**

Mr Reith (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the following paper:

Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act—Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation—Report for 1997-98.

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

**7 PAPER**

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

Petition not in accord with standing orders of the House—Request to allow commencement of the phasing out of battery hen egg production and sales within the Australian Capital Territory (Mr Billson, 22 006 petitioners).

**8 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—HIGHER EDUCATION TEACHING AND RESEARCH**

The House was informed that Mr Lee had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The damage being done to Australia’s long term interests by the Howard Government’s attacks on higher education teaching and research”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Lee addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

**9 SELECTION COMMITTEE—REPORT**

Mr Nehl (Chair) presented the following paper:

Selection Committee—Report relating to the consideration of committee and delegation reports and private Members’ business on Monday, 7 December 1998.

**10 AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION—REPORT—STATEMENT BY MEMBER**

Mr McLeay, by leave, presented the following paper:

Australian Parliamentary Delegation to the United Kingdom and Germany, 5 to 19 June 1998—Report, November 1998—

and, by leave, made a statement in connection with the report.

**11 BILLS REFERRED TO MAIN COMMITTEE**

Mr Ronaldson (Chief Government Whip), by leave, moved—That the following Bills be referred to the Main Committee for further consideration:

Education Services for Overseas Students (Registration of Providers and Financial Regulation) Amendment 1998;

Rural Adjustment Amendment 1998;

Migration Legislation Amendment (Strengthening of Provisions relating to Character and Conduct) 1998; and

Health Legislation Amendment (No. 3) 1998.

Question—put and passed.

**12 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE**

Messages from the Senate, 30 November 1998, were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:

Message—

No. 10—Film Licensed Investment Company 1998.

No. 11—Taxation Laws Amendment (Film Licensed Investment Company) 1998.

**13 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—CHILD SUPPORT LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1998**

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

30 November 1998—Message No. 9—Child Support Legislation Amendment 1998.

Ordered—That the amendments be considered at the next sitting.

**14 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—MIGRATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 1998**

Message No. 12, 30 November 1998, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for an Act to amend the *Migration Act 1958*, and for other purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an order of the day for the next sitting.

**15 PAYMENT PROCESSING LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (SOCIAL SECURITY AND VETERANS' ENTITLEMENTS) 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—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Swan, 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 condemns the Government for:

- (1) reducing the period in which many social security recipients will have to advise Centrelink of changes in their circumstances from 14 to 7 days while not adequately addressing Centrelink's inability to deal with the number of people attempting to contact them;
- (2) failing to provide Centrelink with sufficient resources, causing it to cut 5,000 staff positions and further reducing its capacity to provide an adequate service;
- (3) cutting the Social Security Budget by \$2.6 billion dollars over three budgets;
- (4) abolishing the Commonwealth Dental Program, and increasing the cost of pharmaceuticals and hearing services, in direct contradiction of the Prime Minister's pre-1996 election commitment that his Government would not cut social security pensions and entitlements"—

Debate resumed.

Amendment negatived.

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. 12, 11 November 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 Mr Truss (Minister for Community Services), the Bill was read a third time.

**16 SUPERANNUATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (RESOLUTION OF COMPLAINTS) 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.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Hockey (Minister for Financial Services and Regulation), the Bill was read a third time.

**17 SUPERANNUATION LEGISLATION (COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT) REPEAL AND 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 by Mr K. J. Thomson who moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “the House condemns the Howard Government for introducing this Bill which is a clear breach of the Prime Minister's pre-1996 election promise that the

Coalition would not cut and destroy public sector superannuation schemes or the entitlements of existing and prospective Commonwealth Government employees”.

Debate continued.

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

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

AYES, 72

Mr Abbott	Mr Fahey	Mr Lloyd	Mr Scott
Mr Andren	Mr Forrest	Mr McArthur*	Mr Secker
Mr Anthony	Mrs Gallus	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Mr Slipper
Ms Bailey	Ms Gambaro	Mr McGauran	Mr Somlyay
Mr Baird	Mrs Gash	Ms May	Dr Southcott
Mr Barresi	Mr Georgiou	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Stone
Mr Bartlett	Mr Haase	Mr Nairn	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Billson	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Nehl	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hawker	Dr Nelson	Mr A. P. Thomson
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Hockey	Mr Neville*	Mr Truss
Mr Brough	Mrs Hull	Mr Nugent	Mr Tuckey
Mr Cadman	Mr Jull	Mr Prosser	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Mr Cameron	Mr Katter	Mr Pyne	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Causley	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Reith	Mr Wakelin
Mr Charles	Jackie Kelly	Mr Ronaldson	Dr Washer
Mr Downer	Dr Kemp	Mr Ruddock	Mr Williams
Mrs Elson	Mr Lawler	Mr St Clair	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Entsch	Mr Lindsay	Mr Schultz	Ms Worth

NOES, 62

Mr Adams	Ms Gillard	Ms Macklin	Mr Rudd
Mr Albanese	Mr Griffin	Mr McLeay	Mr Sawford*
Mr Bevis	Ms Hall	Mr McMullan	Mr Sciacca
Ms Burke	Mr Hatton	Mr Martin	Mr Sercombe*
Mr Cox	Ms Hoare	Mr Melham	Mr Sidebottom
Mrs Crosio	Mr Hollis	Mr Morris	Mr Smith
Mr Danby	Mr Horne	Mr Mossfield	Mr Snowdon
Mr Edwards	Mrs Irwin	Mr Murphy	Mr Swan
Ms Ellis	Mr Jenkins	Ms O'Byrne	Mr Tanner
Dr Emerson	Ms Kernot	Mr O'Connor	Dr Theophanous
Mr M. J. Evans	Mr Latham	Mr O'Keefe	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Dr Lawrence	Ms Plibersek	Mr Wilkie
Mr M. J. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr Price	Mr Wilton
Mr Fitzgibbon	Ms Livermore	Mr Quick	Mr Zahra
Ms Gerick	Mr McClelland	Mr Ripoll	
Mr Gibbons	Ms J. S. McFarlane	Ms Roxon	

\* 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. 13, 11 November 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 K. J. Thomson, by leave, moved Opposition amendments (1) to (8) as circulated, together.

Debate continued.

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put.

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

AYES, 61

Mr Adams	Ms Gillard	Mr McLeay	Mr Sawford*
Mr Albanese	Mr Griffin	Mr McMullan	Mr Sciacca
Mr Bevis	Ms Hall	Mr Martin	Mr Sercombe*
Ms Burke	Mr Hatton	Mr Melham	Mr Sidebottom
Mr Cox	Ms Hoare	Mr Morris	Mr Smith
Mrs Crosio	Mr Horne	Mr Mossfield	Mr Snowdon
Mr Danby	Mrs Irwin	Mr Murphy	Mr Swan
Mr Edwards	Mr Jenkins	Ms O'Byrne	Mr Tanner
Ms Ellis	Ms Kernot	Mr O'Connor	Dr Theophanous
Dr Emerson	Mr Latham	Mr O'Keefe	Mr K. J. Thomson
Mr M. J. Evans	Dr Lawrence	Ms Plibersek	Mr Wilkie
Mr L. D. T. Ferguson	Mr Lee	Mr Price	Mr Wilton
Mr M. J. Ferguson	Ms Livermore	Mr Quick	Mr Zahra
Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr McClelland	Mr Ripoll	
Ms Gerick	Ms J. S. McFarlane	Ms Roxon	
Mr Gibbons	Ms Macklin	Mr Rudd	

## NOES, 73

Mr Abbott	Mr Entsch	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper
Mr Andren	Mr Fahey	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Mr Somlyay
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr McGauran	Dr Southcott
Mr Anthony	Mrs Gallus	Ms May	Mrs Stone
Ms Bailey	Ms Gambaro	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Sullivan
Mr Baird	Mrs Gash	Mr Nairn	Mr C. P. Thompson
Mr Barresi	Mr Georgiou	Mr Nehl	Mr A. P. Thomson
Mr Bartlett	Mr Haase	Dr Nelson	Mr Truss
Mr Billson	Mr Hardgrave	Mr Neville*	Mr Tuckey
Mrs B. K. Bishop	Mr Hawker	Mr Nugent	Mr M. A. J. Vaile
Ms J. I. Bishop	Mr Hockey	Mr Prosser	Mrs D. S. Vale
Mr Brough	Mrs Hull	Mr Pyne	Mr Wakelin
Mr Cadman	Mr Katter	Mr Reith	Dr Washer
Mr Cameron	Mrs D. M. Kelly	Mr Ronaldson	Mr Williams
Mr Causley	Jackie Kelly	Mr Ruddock	Dr Wooldridge
Mr Charles	Dr Kemp	Mr St Clair	Ms Worth
Mr Downer	Mr Lawler	Mr Schultz	
Mrs Draper	Mr Lindsay	Mr Scott	
Mrs Elson	Mr Lloyd	Mr Secker	

\* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

Bill agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

On the motion of Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

#### 18 COMMONWEALTH SUPERANNUATION BOARD 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. 14, 11 November 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 Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration), the Bill was read a third time.

#### 19 SUPERANNUATION LEGISLATION (COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT—SAVING 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 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 Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration), the Bill was read a third time.

**20 SUPERANNUATION LEGISLATION (COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT) REPEAL AND AMENDMENT (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) 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 Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration), the Bill was read a third time.

**21 WORKPLACE RELATIONS AMENDMENT (UNFAIR DISMISSALS) 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 Bevis who moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “the Bill be withdrawn and redrafted to provide for:

- (1) increased job security for all Australian workers;
- (2) protection for workers from harsh, unfair or unreasonable dismissal, regardless of the size of the business;
- (3) ready access for all workers to an affordable and fair industrial umpire to deal with unfair, unreasonable or harsh dismissal; and
- (4) repeal of paragraph 170CC(1)(a) of the *Workplace Relations Act 1996* to give workers engaged under a contract of employment for a specified period of time or a specified task protection from unfair, unreasonable or harsh dismissal”.

Debate continued.

Mr Fitzgibbon addressing the House—

*Closure*

Mr Reith (Minister for Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

## AYES, 72

Mr Abbott	Mr Fahey	Mr Lindsay	Mr Scott
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mr Forrest	Mr Lloyd	Mr Secker
Mr Anthony	Mrs Gallus	Mr McArthur*	Mr Slipper
Ms Bailey	Ms Gambaro	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Mr Somlyay
Mr Baird	Mrs Gash	Mr McGauran	Dr Southcott
Mr Barresi	Mr Georgiou	Ms May	Mrs Stone
Mr Bartlett	Mr Haase	Mrs Moylan	Mrs Sullivan
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Mr Albanese	Ms Gillard	Ms Macklin	Mr Rudd
Mr Andren	Mr Griffin	Mr McLeay	Mr Sawford*
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—being accordingly put—

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

## AYES, 73

Mr Abbott	Mr Fahey	Mr Lloyd	Mr Slipper
Mr Andren	Mr Forrest	Mr McArthur*	Mr Somlyay
Mr K. J. Andrews	Mrs Gallus	Mr I. E. Macfarlane	Dr Southcott
Mr Anthony	Ms Gambaro	Mr McGauran	Mrs Stone
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put.

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

## AYES, 73

Mr Abbott	Mr Fahey	Mr Lloyd	Mr Slipper
Mr Andren	Mr Forrest	Mr McArthur*	Mr Somlyay
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a second time.

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**22 ADJOURNMENT**

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

Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until 11 p.m.—The Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at 9.30 a.m.

**PAPERS**

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 1 December 1998:

Civil Aviation Act—Civil Aviation Regulations—Civil Aviation Orders—Part 40—Amendments 1998 30 November.

Customs Act—Instruments of approval 1998 Nos. 40, 41, 42, 43.

Higher Education Funding Act—Determination 1998 No. T22.

Migration Act—Certificate under section 502 24 November 1998.

**ATTENDANCE**

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Brereton.



**I. C. HARRIS**

Clerk of the House of Representatives