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STATISTICAL SUMMARY

BILLS

*Autumn
Sittings
1996*

PROGRESS

Initiated in House of Representatives.....	63
Received from Senate.....	11
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	74
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Passed both Houses and assented to	31
Not passed into law—	
Still before—	
House.....	33
Senate	8
Discharged or laid aside in House	2
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	74
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OTHER DETAILS

Second reading amendments moved	10
Bills referred to—	
Main Committee.....	23
Other committees for advisory report	3
Bills initiated in House and amended in—	
House	1
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Bills with amendments requested by Senate and made by House	2
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Private Members' bills—	
Introduced in House.....	4
Brought from Senate.....	0
Number of pages in bills (as introduced in House)	2460

STATISTICAL SUMMARY—*continued*

MISCELLANEOUS

*Autumn
Sittings
1996*

House—	
Sitting weeks.....	6
Sitting days	23 [†]
Hours of sittings*—	
Including suspensions of sittings ¹	256
Excluding suspensions of sittings ¹	226
Main Committee—	
Meetings	10
Hours of meetings*—	
Including suspensions ²	30
Excluding suspensions ²	27
Sittings after midnight	0
Days on which—	
Adjournment motion debated	18
Grievance debate called on and debated.....	4
Matters of public importance discussed	14
Private Members' business given precedence	4
Meetings of House and joint committees—	
Total No.	87
Aggregate duration in hours	88
Parliamentary committee reports presented.....	16
Items of private Members' business debated	16
90 second statements by private Members	50
Divisions	89
Closures of—	
Members agreed to.....	4
Questions agreed to.....	15
Petitions presented	117
Signatures to petitions	118 903
Questions placed on Notice Paper	522
Questions without notice	437
Average number of questions without notice asked for each sitting day on which question time occurred	19.9
Visitors to the House of Representatives galleries during sittings.....	51 701

[†] The sitting commencing 9.30 a.m. on 27 June and adjourning at 4.23 p.m. on 28 June comprises one sitting day

* adjusted to nearest hour

1 For example: suspensions for meals and during sitting between 27 and 28 June

2 For example: suspensions for divisions and other proceedings in the House

BILLS

Does not include Bills introduced in Senate but not transmitted to House

PROGRESS

Passed both Houses and assented to (31)

	<i>Second reading moved</i>	<i>Act No. of 1996</i>	<i>Date of Assent</i>
Australian Federal Police Amendment (<i>Senate bill</i>)	26 Jun	27	8 Jul
Australian Sports Drug Agency Amendment (<i>Senate bill</i>).....	19 Jun	20	28 Jun
Crimes Amendment (Controlled Operations) (<i>Senate bill</i>)	20 Jun	28	8 Jul
Customs Amendment	30 May	30	9 Jul
Customs and Excise Legislation Amendment (No. 1) (<i>Senate bill</i>) ¹	18 Jun	21	28 Jun
Customs Tariff Amendment (No. 1) ^{2,3}	30 May	32	9 Jul
Customs Tariff (Miscellaneous Amendments)	22 May	15	24 Jun
Dairy Produce Amendment.....	1 May	3	6 Jun
Dairy Produce Levy (No. 1) Amendment.....	1 May	4	6 Jun
Education and Training Legislation Amendment	9 May	13	14 Jun
Excise Tariff Amendment	1 May	5	6 Jun
Export Market Development Grants Amendment (No. 1) (<i>Senate bill</i>)	24 Jun	23	28 Jun
Hazardous Waste (Regulation of Exports and Imports) Amendment (<i>Senate bill</i>).....	23 May	7	11 Jun
Health Legislation (Powers of Investigation) Amendment (<i>Senate bill</i>).....	19 Jun	19	28 Jun
Housing Assistance ^{4,5}	8 May	24	28 Jun
Housing Loans Insurance Corporation (Transfer of Assets and Abolition)	8 May	14	24 Jun
Income Tax Assessment Amendment.....	29 May	17	27 Jun
Indigenous Education (Supplementary Assistance) Amendment.....	9 May	9	14 Jun
Loan	8 May	8	14 Jun
Medicare Levy Amendment.....	29 May	16	27 Jun
Migration Legislation Amendment (No. 1)	30 May	25	28 Jun
Ministers of State Amendment.....	2 May	2	30 May
Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Amendment.....	30 May	29	9 Jul
Primary Industries and Energy Legislation Amendment (No. 1)	9 May	18	28 Jun
Supply (No. 1) 1996-97	8 May	10	14 Jun
Supply (No. 2) 1996-97	8 May	11	14 Jun
Supply (Parliamentary Departments) 1996-97.....	8 May	12	14 Jun

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- 1 Amended in House and agreed to by Senate
 2 Amendment/s requested by Senate and made by House
 3 Further amendments requested by Senate and made by House
 4 Amendment/s requested by Senate and not made by House
 5 Amended in Senate and agreed to by House

BILLS—continued

PROGRESS—continued

Passed both Houses and assented to—continued

	<i>Second reading moved</i>	<i>Act No. of 1996</i>	<i>Date of Assent</i>
Sydney 2000 Games (Indicia and Images) Protection (<i>Senate bill</i>)	20 Jun	22	28 Jun
Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 1) ⁶	9 May	31	9 Jul
Telecommunications (Carrier Licence Fees) Amendment	22 May	26	28 Jun
Therapeutic Goods Amendment (<i>Senate bill</i>)	29 May	6	11 Jun

Not passed into law—

Still before House (33)

	<i>First reading moved</i>	<i>Second reading moved</i>
Australian Animal Health Council (Live-stock Industries) Funding	26 Jun	26 Jun
Australian Capital Territory Government Service (Consequential Provisions) Amendment.....	26 Jun	26 Jun
Australian Law Reform Commission	20 Jun	20 Jun
Australian Law Reform Commission (Repeal, Transitional and Miscellaneous).....	20 Jun	20 Jun
Bankruptcy Legislation Amendment	26 Jun	26 Jun
Cattle Export Charges Amendment (AAHC)	26 Jun	26 Jun
Cattle Transaction Levy Amendment (AAHC).....	26 Jun	26 Jun
Defence Legislation Amendment (No. 1).....	26 Jun	26 Jun
Flags Amendment.....	26 Jun	26 Jun
Health and Other Services (Compensation) Amendment (<i>Private Member's bill</i>)	24 Jun	
Higher Education Funding Amendment (No. 1).....	26 Jun	26 Jun
Income Tax Assessment ⁷	19 Jun	19 Jun
Income Tax (Consequential Amendments) ⁷	19 Jun	19 Jun
Income Tax (Transitional Provisions) ⁷	19 Jun	19 Jun
Industry Research and Development Amendment	26 Jun	26 Jun
Laying Chicken Levy Amendment (AAHC).....	26 Jun	26 Jun
Legislative Instruments.....	26 Jun	26 Jun
Live-stock Export Charge Amendment (AAHC)	26 Jun	26 Jun
Live-stock Slaughter Levy Amendment (AAHC).....	26 Jun	26 Jun
Meat Chicken Levy Amendment (AAHC)	26 Jun	26 Jun
Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Legislation Amendment	26 Jun	26 Jun
Native Title Amendment.....	27 Jun	27 Jun
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia	19 Jun	19 Jun
Ombudsman Amendment (<i>Private Member's bill</i>)	24 Jun	
Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Amendment.....	30 Apr	
Pig Slaughter Levy Amendment (AAHC)	26 Jun	26 Jun

6 Amended in Senate and disagreed to by House; Senate did not insist upon amendment and requested amendments in place thereof; House made requested amendments

7 Referred to Joint Committee of Public Accounts for advisory report

BILLS—continued

PROGRESS—continued

Not passed into law—Still before House—continued

	<i>First reading moved</i>	<i>Second reading moved</i>
Primary Industries and Energy Legislation Amendment (No. 2)	27 Jun	27 Jun
Public Service (Parliamentary Departments) Amendment (<i>Private Member's bill</i>)	20 May	
Sales Tax Laws Amendment (No. 1)	27 Jun	27 Jun
Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 2).....	27 Jun	27 Jun
Taxation Laws Amendment (International Tax Agreements).....	27 Jun	27 Jun
Trade Practices Amendment (Better Business Conduct) (<i>Private Member's bill</i>)	17 Jun	
Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (No. 1)	22 May	22 May

Still before Senate (8)

	<i>Second reading moved</i>	<i>Third reading</i>
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Amendment.....	27 Jun	27 Jun
Airports	23 May	29 May
Airports (Transitional).....	23 May	29 May
Civil Aviation Amendment	22 May	27 Jun
Shipping Grants Legislation.....	1 May	22 May
Social Security Legislation Amendment (Newly Arrived Resident's Waiting Periods and Other Measures).....	23 May	30 May
Telstra (Dilution of Public Ownership)	2 May	9 May
Workplace Relations and Other Legislation Amendment ⁸	23 May	26 Jun

Discharged or laid aside in House (2)

	<i>First reading</i>	<i>Discharged or laid aside</i>
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Amendment [No. 2] (<i>Senate bill</i>) ⁹	28 Jun	28 Jun
Development Allowance Authority Amendment (<i>Senate bill</i>) ¹⁰	25 Jun	28 Jun

8 Amended in House

9 Discharged

10 Amended in House; Senate disagreed to House's amendments; House insisted on its amendments; Senate insisted on disagreeing to House's amendments; bill laid aside

OTHER DETAILS

Second reading amendments moved (10)

	<i>Moved</i>	<i>Mover</i>
Airports	28 May	Mr Tanner
Civil Aviation Amendment ^{mc}	26 Jun	Mr Tanner
Customs Tariff Amendment (No. 1)	18 Jun	Mr Crean
Export Market Development Grants Amendment (No. 1) (<i>Senate bill</i>)	24 Jun	Mr S. F. Smith
Housing Assistance	22 May	Ms Macklin
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia	28 Jun	Dr Lawrence
Social Security Legislation Amendment (Newly Arrived Resident's Waiting Periods And Other Measures)	29 May	Mr Kerr
Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 1).....	27 May	Mr Latham
Telstra (Dilution of Public Ownership)	7 May	Mr Latham
Workplace Relations and Other Legislation Amendment.....	30 May	Mr McMullan

Referred to Main Committee (23)

	<i>Referred</i>	<i>Reported</i>
Australian Federal Police Amendment (<i>Senate bill</i>) ^w	18 Jun	26 Jun
Australian Sports Drug Agency Amendment (<i>Senate bill</i>) ^w	18 Jun	20 Jun
Civil Aviation Amendment ^u	19 Jun	27 Jun
Crimes Amendment (Controlled Operations) (<i>Senate bill</i>) ^w	18 Jun	26 Jun
Customs Tariff (Miscellaneous Amendments) ^w	27 May	29 May
Dairy Produce Amendment ^w	7 May	8 May
Dairy Produce Levy (No. 1) Amendment ^w	7 May	8 May
Excise Tariff Amendment ^w	7 May	8 May
Hazardous Waste (Regulation of Exports and Imports) Amendment (<i>Senate bill</i>) ^w	21 May	29 May
Health Legislation (Powers of Investigation) Amendment (<i>Senate bill</i>) ^w	18 Jun	19 Jun
Housing Loans Insurance Corporation (Transfer of Assets and Abolition) ^w	21 May	22 May
Indigenous Education (Supplementary Assistance) Amendment ^w	21 May	23 May
Loan ^w	21 May	22 May
Migration Legislation Amendment (No. 1) ^w	18 Jun	19 Jun
Ministers of State Amendment ^w	7 May	8 May
Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Amendment ^w	18 Jun	19 Jun
Primary Industries and Energy Legislation Amendment (No. 1) ^u	21 May	22 May

mc Moved in Main Committee
u Reported with unresolved question
w Agreed to without amendment

BILLS—continued

OTHER DETAILS—continued

Referred to Main Committee—continued

	<i>Referred</i>	<i>Reported</i>
Supply Bill (No. 1) 1996-97 ^w	27 May	29 May
Supply Bill (No. 2) 1996-97 ^w	27 May	29 May
Supply (Parliamentary Departments) 1996-97 ^w	27 May	29 May
Sydney 2000 Games (Indicia and Images)		
Protection (<i>Senate bill</i>) ^w	18 Jun	20 Jun
Telecommunications (Carrier Licence Fees) Amendment ^w	27 May	29 May
Therapeutic Goods Amendment (<i>Senate bill</i>) ^w	27 May	30 May

Referred to other committees for advisory report (3)

	<i>Referred</i>	<i>Reported</i>
<i>Public Accounts—Joint Committee</i>		
Income Tax Assessment	19 Jun	
Income Tax (Consequential Amendments).....	19 Jun	
Income Tax (Transitional Provisions)	19 Jun	

Declared urgent (considered under a “guillotine”) (3)

	<i>Declared urgent</i>
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Amendment.....	27 Jun
Export Market Development Grants Amendment (No. 1)(<i>Senate bill</i>).....	25 Jun
Workplace Relations and Other Legislation Amendment.....	26 Jun

TARIFF PROPOSALS

Customs Tariff Proposals—

No. 1 (1996) moved on 27 Jun

^w Agreed to without amendment

COMMITTEES

Relates to the period 30 Apr to 28 Jun, inclusive—times are rounded to the nearest half hour

Committee activity recorded between the last sitting of the House in the 37th Parliament (1 Dec 1995) and prorogation (29 Jan 1996) is listed in an appendix at the end of this issue of *Work of the Session*. Reports of committees of the 37th Parliament released after the last sitting are also listed in the appendix.

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER AFFAIRS (Standing)

Membership

Mr Lieberman (*Chair*), Mr Albanese, Mr Campbell, Mr Dondas, Mr Entsch, Mr Holding, Mr Katter, Mr Lloyd, Mr Marek (from 27 Jun), Mr Melham, Dr Nelson, Mr Neville (to 27 Jun), Mr Pyne, Mr Quick, Mr A. C. Smith.

The committee met 4 times for a total of 4 hours.

AUSTRALIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION (Joint Statutory)

Membership

Senator MacGibbon (*Presiding Member*), Mr Hicks, Mr Sercombe, Mr Somlyay, Mr Zammit, Senator J. A. L. Macdonald, Senator Ray.

The committee met twice for a total of 3 hours.

BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS (Joint Statutory)

Membership

The Speaker (*Chairman*), The President, Mr Adams, Mr R. D. C. Evans, Mr Hicks, Mr Lindsay, Mr Martin, Senator Knowles, Senator West.

The committee met twice for a total of 1½ hours.

The committee also met informally once for half an hour.

COMMUNICATIONS, TRANSPORT AND MICROECONOMIC REFORM (Standing)

Membership

Mr M. A. J. Vaile (*Chair*), Mr Albanese, Mr R. C. Baldwin, Mr R. A. Cameron, Mrs Crosio, Mr Hardgrave, Mr McArthur, Mr McDougall, Mr P. F. Morris, Mr Neville, Mr Randall, Mr Tanner, Mr Wakelin, Mr Willis.

COMMITTEES—*continued*

Communications, Transport and Microeconomic Reform—*continued*

Current inquiries

Australia Post's rural and remote letter delivery services.

Air freight exports.

The committee met 3 times for a total of 5 hours.

CORPORATIONS AND SECURITIES (Joint Statutory)

Membership

Senator Chapman (*Chairman*), Mrs Johnston, Mrs D. M. Kelly, Mr Latham, Mr McLeay, Mr Sinclair, Senator Cook, Senator Cooney, Senator Ellison, Senator Spindler.

Current inquiry

Draft second Corporate Law Simplification Bill 1996.

The committee met twice for a total of 2½ hours.

ELECTORAL MATTERS (Joint Standing)(Formed 30 May)

Membership

Mr Cobb (*Chair*), Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, Mr Griffin, Mr McDougall, Mr Nairn, Senator Abetz, Senator Chamarette, Senator Conroy, Senator Lees, Senator Minchin.

Current inquiry

All aspects of the conduct of the 1996 federal election and matters related thereto.

The committee met once for half an hour.

The committee also met informally once for 2 hours.

EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION AND TRAINING (Standing)

Membership

Mr Charles (*Chair*), Mr P. J. Baldwin, Mr Barresi, Mr Bradford, Mr Brough, Mrs Elson, Mr M. J. Ferguson, Mrs Gash, Mr Griffin, Mr Marek, Mr Mossfield, Mr Neville, Mr Pyne, Mr Sawford.

Current inquiry

Factors influencing the employment of young people.

The committee met 3 times for a total of an hour.

The committee also met informally once for 1½ hours.

COMMITTEES—*continued*

ENVIRONMENT, RECREATION AND THE ARTS (Standing)

Membership

Mr Truss (*Chair*), Mr Anthony, Mr Billson, Mr E. H. Cameron, Mrs Crosio, Mr Entsch, Mr Hockey, Mr Jenkins, Miss J. M. Kelly, Mr Langmore, Dr Lawrence, Mr McDougall, Mr Martin, Dr Southcott.

Current inquiries

Review of the Auditor-General's audit report No. 31 of 1995-96—Performance audit—Environmental management of Commonwealth land: Site contamination and pollution prevention.

World Heritage areas.

The committee met 4 times for a total of 4 hours.

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS (Standing)

Membership

Mr Slipper (*Chair*), Mr R. A. Cameron, Ms Ellis, Mrs Elson, Mr Forrest, Mrs E. J. Grace, Mrs D. M. Kelly (from 27 Jun), Mr Kerr, Ms Macklin, Mr Marek (to 27 Jun), Mr A. A. Morris, Dr Nelson, Mr Quick, Mrs D. S. Vale, Mrs West.

Current inquiries

Concession card availability and eligibility for concessions.

Health information management and telemedicine.

The committee met 3 times for a total of 2 hours.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (Standing)

Membership

Mr Hawker (*Chair*), Mr Albanese, Mr Anthony, Mrs Bailey, Mr Causley, Mrs Gallus, Mr Hockey, Mr Latham, Mr McMullan, Mr Mutch, Dr Nelson, Mr Pyne, Mr Willis, Mr Wilton.

The committee met 3 times for a total of 2½ hours.

COMMITTEES—*continued*

FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE (Joint Standing)(Formed 30 May)

Membership

Mr Sinclair (*Chair*), Mr R. C. Baldwin, Mr Bevis, Mr Bradford, Mr Brereton, Mr Brough, Mr Dondas, Mrs Gallus, Mr Georgiou, Mr E. L. Grace, Mr Hicks, Mr Hollis, Mr Jones, Mr Lieberman, Mr Nugent, Mr Price, Mr Slipper, Mr S. F. Smith, Mr Taylor, Ms Worth, Senator Bolkus, Senator Bourne, Senator Chapman, Senator Childs, Senator Harradine, Senator Jones, Senator I. D. Macdonald, Senator MacGibbon, Senator Margetts, Senator Panizza, Senator Schacht, Senator Teague.

The committee met 11 times for a total of 9 hours and its subcommittees met twice for a total of an hour.

The committee also met informally once for half an hour and a subcommittee also met informally once for half an hour.

HOUSE (Standing)

Membership

The Speaker, Mr Hollis, Mr McLeay, Mr Nehl, Mr Sawford, Mr Somlyay, Mrs Sullivan.

The committee met once for 1½ hours.

INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (Standing)

Membership

Mr Reid (*Chair*), Mrs Bailey, Mr R. C. Baldwin, Mr Beddall, Mr Broadbent, Mr M. J. Evans, Mr R. D. C. Evans, Mr Forrest, Ms Gambaro, Mr Jenkins, Mr A. A. Morris, Mr Nugent, Mr O'Connor, Mr Zammit.

Current inquiry

Business conduct issues arising out of commercial dealings between firms.

The committee met 4 times for a total of 2½ hours.

LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS (Standing)

Membership

Mr K. J. Andrews (*Chair*), Mr J. N. Andrew, Mr Barresi, Mr Broadbent, Mrs E. J. Grace, Mr Hatton (from 26 Jun), Mr Kerr, Mr Lee (to 26 Jun), Mr McClelland, Mr Melham, Mr Mutch, Mr Randall, Mr Sinclair, Dr Southcott, Mr K. J. Thomson.

The committee met 3 times for a total of 2 hours.

COMMITTEES—*continued*

LIBRARY (Standing)

Membership

The Speaker, Mr Adams, Mr Barresi, Mr Causley, Mr Filing, Mr Jones, Mr Nugent.

The committee met once for an hour.

MEMBERS' INTERESTS (Standing)

Membership

Mr Reid (*Chair*), Mr E. L. Grace, Mr Jenkins, Mr Martin, Mr Neville, Mr Ronaldson, Mr Somlyay.

Report

Operations of the committee for 1995. (*presented 25 Jun*)

Papers

Register of Members' Interests for the 38th Parliament—

Register, incorporating notifications of alterations of interests to 17 Jun—

Volume 1—A-F.

Volume 2—G-M.

Volume 3—N-Z. (*presented 25 Jun*)

Notifications of alterations of interests received during the period 18 to 24 Jun.

(*presented 25 Jun*)

The committee met once for an hour.

MIGRATION (Joint Standing)(Formed 30 May)

Membership

Mrs Gallus (*Chair*), Ms Gambaro, Mr Holding, Mr Kerr, Mr Martin (from 27 Jun), Mr Sinclair, Dr Theophanous (to 27 Jun), Senator McKiernan, Senator Stott Despoja, Senator Tierney, Senator Troeth.

Current inquiry

Working holiday visas.

The committee met once for an hour.

COMMITTEES—*continued*

NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES (Joint Standing)(Formed 30 May)

Membership

Senator McGauran (*Chair*), Ms Ellis, Mrs Johnston, Mr Langmore, Mr Nehl, Mr Neville, Dr Southcott, Senator Colston, Senator Ferguson, Senator Lundy, Senator Reid, Senator Stott Despoja.

The committee met once for half an hour.

NATIONAL CRIME AUTHORITY (Joint Statutory)

Membership

Mr Bradford (*Chairman*), Mr Filing, Mr Sercombe, Mr Truss, Mrs West, Senator Bolkus, Senator Conroy, Senator I. D. Macdonald, Senator McGauran, Senator Spindler.

The committee met twice for a total of an hour.

The committee also met informally once for 1½ hours.

NATIVE TITLE AND THE ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER LAND FUND (Joint Statutory)

Membership

Senator Abetz (*Chair*), Mr Causley, Mr Dondas, Mr Entsch, Mr Melham, Mr Quick, Senator Chamarette, Senator Ellison, Senator Evans, Senator Reynolds.

Current inquiries

Matters pursuant to section 206 of the *Native Title Act 1993* including proposed changes to the Act—

Contained in the Native Title Amendment Bill 1996.

Outlined in the Government's discussion paper of May 1996 entitled *Towards a more workable Native Title Act*.

The committee met 4 times for a total of 4½ hours.

COMMITTEES—*continued*

PRIMARY INDUSTRIES, RESOURCES AND RURAL AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS (Standing)

Membership

Mr Ronaldson (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Andren, Mrs Bailey, Mr R. C. Baldwin, Mr Broadbent, Mr Causley, Mr Crean, Mr Fitzgibbon, Mr Forrest, Mr McLeay, Mr Nairn, Mrs Stone, Mr Wakelin.

Current inquiry

Review of the Auditor-General's audit report No. 32 of 1995-96—Performance audit—Commonwealth fisheries management—Australian Fisheries Management Authority.

The committee met 3 times for a total of 3 hours.

PRIVILEGES (Standing)

Membership

The Leader of the House or his nominee, the Deputy Leader of the Opposition or his nominee, Mr K. J. Andrews, Mr Brown, Mr E. H. Cameron, Mr Holding, Mr McLeay, Mr Sawford, Mr Somlyay, Mrs Sullivan, Mr M. A. J. Vaile.

The committee met once for half an hour.

PROCEDURE (Standing)

Membership

Mrs Sullivan (*Chair*), Mr J. N. Andrew, Mr Cadman, Mr Martin, Mr Mossfield, Mr K. J. Thomson, Mr Reid, Mr Truss.

Current inquiries

Conduct of divisions.

Operation of standing order 143.

The committee met once for an hour.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS (Joint Statutory)

Membership

Mr Somlyay (*Chairman*), Mr Anthony, Mr Beddall, Mr Broadbent, Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, Mr Fitzgibbon, Mr Georgiou, Mr Griffin, Mrs Stone, Mr M. A. J. Vaile, Senator Baume, Senator Crowley, Senator Mackay, Senator Watson, Senator Woods.

COMMITTEES—*continued*

Public Accounts—*continued*

Current inquiry

Review of Auditor-General's reports.

Bills referred:

Income Tax Assessment Bill 1996;
Income Tax (Consequential Amendments) Bill 1996; and
Income Tax (Transitional Provisions) Bill 1996. (*To report by 22 August 1996.*)

Report

344th—A continuing focus on accountability: Review of Auditor-General's reports 1993-94 and 1994-95. (*presented 27 Jun*)

Papers

Finance minutes on reports—

337—A focus on accountability: Review of Auditor-General's reports 1992-93.
(*presented 27 Jun*)

340—Cash matters: Cash management in the Commonwealth. (*presented 27 Jun*)

343—Tax law improvement: A watching brief. (*presented 27 Jun*)

The committee met 3 times for a total of 6 hours and a sectional committee met once for an hour.

A sectional committee also met informally once for 2 hours.

PUBLIC WORKS (Joint Statutory)

Membership

Mr J. N. Andrew (*Chairman*), Mr R. D. C. Evans, Mr Forrest, Mr E. L. Grace, Mr Hatton (from 26 Jun), Mr Hollis, Mr Lee (to 26 Jun), Senator Calvert, Senator Ferguson, Senator Murphy.

Current inquiry

Christmas Island—Implementation of rockfall risk reduction strategies.

The committee met 4 times for a total of 10 hours and a sectional committee met once for 3 hours.

PUBLICATIONS (Standing)

Membership

Mr Lieberman (*Chair*), Mr Cobb, Ms Ellis, Mr R. D. C. Evans, Mr Griffin, Mr Martin, Mr Mutch.

COMMITTEES—*continued*

Publications—*continued*

Report

1st Report. (*presented 27 Jun*)

The committee met twice, once in conference with the Senate Publications Committee, for a total of half an hour.

SELECTION (Standing)

Membership

Mr Nehl (*Chair*), Mr J. N. Andrew, Mr Cadman, Mr Filing, Mr E. L. Grace, Mr Hicks, Mr Hollis, Mr McArthur, Mr McLeay, Mr Sawford, Mr M. A. J. Vaile, Ms Worth.

Reports

General principles relating to the selection of private Members' business. (*presented 7 May*)

Reports relating to the program of business on Monday—

20 May. (*presented 7 May*)

27 May. (*presented 21 May*)

17 Jun. (*presented 28 May*)

24 Jun. (*presented 18 Jun*)

24 Jun (amended). (*presented 19 Jun*)

The committee met 4 times for a total of 2 hours.

TREATIES (Joint Standing)(Formed 30 May)

Membership

Mr Taylor (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Bartlett, Mr L. D. T. Ferguson, Mr Hardgrave, Mr McClelland, Mr A. C. Smith, Mr Truss, Mr Tuckey, Senator Abetz, Senator Bourne, Senator Carr, Senator Denman, Senator Ellison, Senator Neal, Senator O'Chee.

Current inquiry

Treaties presented to House on 21 May and 18 Jun.

The committee met twice for a total of 1½ hours.

RESPONSES TO COMMITTEE REPORTS

Presented

Committee reports—Schedule of Government responses to the reports of House of Representatives and joint committees, for period 30 Nov 1995 to 29 Jan, and outstanding responses—Paper..... 9 May

Government responses to parliamentary committee reports—Response, 27 Jun, to the list tabled in the House of Representatives on 9 May—Paper 27 Jun

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee—Reports—

Officer education: The Military after next—Report, incorporating a dissenting report, October 1995—Paper 30 May

Visit of Defence Subcommittee to Exercise Kangaroo 95, 8-11 Aug 1995, Sep 1995—Paper 20 Jun

MOTIONS

Authorisation of publication

Auditor-General—Audit reports—1995-96—

No. 15—Financial statement audit—Aggregate financial statement prepared by the Minister for Finance year ended 30 June 1995 (*Mr Reith, 1 May*); agreed to.

No. 16—Performance audit—Assessable government industry assistance: Australian Taxation Office (*Mr Reith, 1 May*); agreed to.

No. 17—Preliminary study—Management of Australian Defence Force preparedness; Department of Defence (*Mr Reith, 1 May*); agreed to.

No. 18—Performance audit—Competitive employment, training and placement services: Department of Health and Family Services (*Mr Reith, 1 May*); agreed to.

No. 19—Performance audit—The management of small and medium-sized overseas posts: Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade—Australian Trade Commission (*Mr Reith, 1 May*); agreed to.

No. 20—Performance audit—Diesel fuel rebate scheme: Australian Customs Service (*Mr Reith, 2 May*); agreed to.

No. 21—Performance audit—Meat Research Corporation: Management of project Fututech (*Mr Reith, 7 May*); agreed to.

No. 22—Performance audit—Workers' compensation case management: Comcare Australia and selected agencies (*Mr Reith, 9 May*); agreed to.

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Authorisation of publication—Auditor-General's audit reports—continued

- No. 23—Performance audit—Procurement of training services—Department of Employment, Education, Training and Youth Affairs (*Mr Ruddock, 20 May*); agreed to.
- No. 24—Performance audit—Impact of sunset clause on investigatory powers: Health Insurance Commission (*Mr Ruddock, 20 May*); agreed to.
- No. 25—Performance audit—Performance information: Department of Employment, Education, Training and Youth Affairs (*Mr Reith, 22 May*); agreed to.
- No. 26—Performance audit—Defence export facilitation and controls: Department of Defence (*Mr A. P. Thomson, 17 Jun*); agreed to.
- No. 27—Financial control and administration audit—Asset management (*Mr A. P. Thomson, 17 Jun*); agreed to.
- No. 28—Performance audit—Jindalee Operational Radar Network Project: Department of Defence (*Mr Reith, 18 Jun*); agreed to.
- No. 29—Performance audit—Management of the estate: Australian Estate Management (*Mr Reith, 19 Jun*); agreed to.
- No. 30—Performance audit—Implementation of competition in case management—Employment Services Regulatory Authority: Department of Employment, Education, Training and Youth Affairs (*Mr Reith, 20 Jun*); agreed to.
- No. 31—Performance audit—Environmental management of Commonwealth land: Site contamination and pollution prevention (*Mr Reith, 24 Jun*); agreed to.
- No. 32—Performance audit—Commonwealth fisheries management: Australian Fisheries Management Authority—Volumes 1 and 2 (*Mr Reith, 25 Jun*); agreed to.
- No. 33—Preliminary study—Joint commercial arrangements (*Mr Reith, 27 Jun*); agreed to.

Censure/want of confidence

Minister for Foreign Affairs—

(*Mr Brereton, 24 Jun*); debated and negatived.

(*Mr Beazley, 25 Jun*); amendment moved (*Mr Downer*); amendment debated and agreed to; motion, as amended, agreed to.

(*Mr Beazley, 26 Jun*); debated and negatived.

Committees

Corporations and Securities—Parliamentary Joint Committee—

Proposed powers and proceedings (*Mr Reith, 9 May*); debated and agreed to.

Senate modifications be agreed to (*Mr Reith, 30 May*); amendment moved (*Mr Filing*); amendment debated and negatived; motion agreed to.

Electoral Matters—

Proposed Joint Standing Committee (*Mr Reith, 21 May*); amendment moved (*Mr Crean*); amendment debated and negatived; motion agreed to.

Senate modifications be agreed to (*Mr Reith, 30 May*); amendment moved (*Mr Filing*); amendment debated and negatived; motion agreed to.

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General purpose standing committees—Amended standing order (*Mr Reith, 9 May*); amendment moved (*Mr Crean*); amendment debated and negatived; motion agreed to.

Migration—Joint Standing Committee—Senate modifications be agreed to (*Mr Reith, 30 May*); amendment moved (*Mr Filing*); amendment debated and negatived; motion agreed to.

National Capital and External Territories—Joint Standing Committee—Senate modifications be agreed to (*Mr Reith, 30 May*); amendment moved (*Mr Filing*); amendment debated and negatived; motion agreed to.

National Crime Authority—Parliamentary Joint Committee—Senate modifications be agreed to (*Mr Reith, 30 May*); amendment moved (*Mr Filing*); amendment debated and negatived; motion agreed to.

Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund—Parliamentary Joint Committee—Senate modifications be agreed to (*Mr Reith, 30 May*); amendment moved (*Mr Filing*); amendment debated and negatived; motion agreed to.

Proposed Joint Committees—

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Treaties—

(*Mr Reith, 21 May*); amendment moved (*Mr Martin*); amendment debated and negatived; motion agreed to.

Public Works—Parliamentary Standing Committee—Leave to meet during sittings (*Mr W. L. Smith, 18 Jun*); agreed to.

Selection Committee—

General principles—Private Members' business (*Mr W. L. Smith, 7 May*); agreed to.

Sessional order (*Mr Reith, 7 May*); agreed to.

Treaties—Joint Standing Committee—Senate modifications be agreed to (*Mr Reith, 30 May*); amendment moved (*Mr Filing*); amendment debated and negatived; motion agreed to.

Private Members' business

Care services for disabled dependants (*Mrs Stone, 17 Jun*); debated.

Downsizing (*Mr Langmore, 24 Jun*); debated.

Gun control (*Ms Worth, 27 May*); debated. Further debated (*17 Jun, 24 Jun*).

Italian general elections (*Mr Brown, 20 May*); amendment moved (*Mr Sinclair*); amendment debated.

Learning disorders (*Mr R. D. C. Evans, 20 May*); debated.

Middle East conflict (*Mr Brereton, 27 May*); debated.

National Reconciliation Week (*Mr Nugent, 27 May*); debated.

National wage-earner protection fund scheme (*Mrs Crosio, 17 Jun*); debated.

Racism (*Mrs Crosio, 24 Jun*); debated.

Women parliamentarians (*Mr R. D. C. Evans, 20 May*); debated.

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Procedural

Special adjournment—

(*Mr Sharp, 9 May*); agreed to.

(*Mr Reith, 28 Jun*); agreed to.

Standing orders—Amendments (*Mr Reith, 1 May*); amendment moved (*Mr Crean*); amendment debated and negated; motion agreed to.

Suspension of—

Standing orders—

103 (*Mr Reith, 27 Jun*); agreed to.

Routine of business for 6 May (*Mr Reith, 1 May*); debated and agreed to.

Variation of routine of business (*Mr Reith, 1 May*); debated and agreed to.

Standing and sessional orders—

Adjournment debate (*Mr Reith, 28 Jun*); agreed to.

Government business notices—To be called on together and one motion being moved (*Mr Reith, 21 May*); debated and agreed to.

Income tax bills—Reference to committee (*Mr Miles, 19 Jun*); agreed to.

Motion of censure of the Minister for Foreign Affairs—

(*Mr Brereton, 24 Jun*); agreed to.

(*Mr Beazley, 25 Jun*); agreed to.

Routine of business for this sitting [17 Jun] (*Mr Reith, 17 Jun*); agreed to.

Other

Advisory Council on Australian Archives—Appointment of member (*Mr Scott, 24 Jun*); agreed to.

Broadcasting of proceedings—Conditions for broadcasters (*Mr Reith, 1 May*); debated and agreed to.

Deaths—Vote of condolence—

Mitterand, Mr Francois (*Mr Fischer, 1 May*); debated and agreed to.

Opperman, Hon. Sir Hubert Ferdinand (*Mr Howard, 30 Apr*); debated and agreed to.

Young, Hon. Michael Jerome (*Mr Howard, 30 Apr*); debated and agreed to.

Parliamentary Retiring Allowances Trust—Appointment of trustee (*Mr Scott, 24 Jun*); agreed to.

Tragedy at Port Arthur, Tasmania (*Mr Howard, 30 Apr*); debated and agreed to.

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BANKING, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (Standing)

The committee met once for 2½ hours.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS (Standing)

Report

A fair go for all—Report on migrant access and equity, Jan 1996. (*released 24 Jan*)(*presented 2 May*)

ELECTORAL MATTERS (Joint Standing)

Report

Electoral redistributions: Report on the effectiveness and appropriateness of the redistribution provisions of Parts III and IV of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*, Dec 1995. (*released 20 Dec 1995*)(*presented 2 May*)

The committee met once for an hour.

EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION AND TRAINING (Standing)

Report

Truancy and exclusion from school: Inquiry into non-attendance at school by young people under fifteen years of age, Dec 1995. (*released 22 Dec 1995*)(*presented 2 May*)

FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE (Joint Standing)

Report

Bosnia: Australia's response, Jan 1996. (*released 25 Jan*)(*presented 2 May*)

The committee met once for an hour and a subcommittee met once for 2 hours.

MIGRATION (Joint Standing)

Report

Australia's visa system for visitors, Jan 1996. (*released 27 Jan*)(*presented 2 May*)

The committee met twice for a total of 12 hours.

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PUBLIC ACCOUNTS (Joint Statutory)

The committee met once for 2 hours and its sectional committees met 3 times for a total of 15 hours.

PUBLIC WORKS (Joint Statutory)

A sectional committee met once for an hour.

TRANSPORT COMMUNICATIONS AND INFRASTRUCTURE (Standing)

Reports

Plane safe—Report on the inquiry into aviation safety: The commuter and general aviation sectors, Dec 1995. (*released 13 Dec*)(*presented 7 May*)

Ships of shame—A sequel: Report on the inquiry into ship safety, Nov 1995. (*released 13 Dec*)(*presented 7 May*)