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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 205

THURSDAY, 23 AUGUST 2001

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

2 PARLIAMENTARY SERVICE AMENDMENT BILL 2001

The Speaker, pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Parliamentary Service Act 1999*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

The Speaker moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Paper

The Speaker presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

3 ROYAL COMMISSIONS AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2001

Mr Reith (Minister for Defence), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Royal Commissions Act 1902* and other legislation, 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 Fitzgibbon), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

4 MIGRATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 5) 2001

Mr Ruddock (Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Migration Act 1958*, and for other purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper

Mr Ruddock presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

5 AUSTRALIAN CITIZENSHIP LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2001

Mr Ruddock (Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Australian Citizenship Act 1948*, and for other purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper

Mr Ruddock presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

6 MIGRATION AGENTS REGISTRATION APPLICATION CHARGE AMENDMENT BILL 2001

Mr Ruddock (Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Act 1997*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper

Mr Ruddock presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

7 EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND SMALL BUSINESS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (APPLICATION OF CRIMINAL CODE) BILL 2001

Mr Abbott (Minister for Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the application of the *Criminal Code* to certain offences, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper

Mr Abbott presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

8 COMMONWEALTH INSCRIBED STOCK AMENDMENT BILL 2001

Mr Abbott (Minister for Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business), for Mr Hockey (Minister for Financial Services and Regulation),

pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Commonwealth Inscribed Stock Act 1911*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper

Mr Abbott presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

9 TAXATION LAWS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 5) 2001

Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to taxation, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

Paper

Mr Slipper presented an explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

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

10 ALCOHOL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATION ACCOUNT BILL 2001— SENATE'S REQUEST

The order of the day having been read for the consideration of the amendment requested by the Senate—

On the motion of Mr Tuckey (Minister for Forestry and Conservation), the requested amendment was made, after debate.

11 MIGRATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (IMMIGRATION DETAINEES) BILL (NO. 2) 2001

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.

Dr Theophanous 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 expresses its concern:

- (1) at the absence in the bill of important provisions to guarantee the basic human rights and entitlements of detainees;
- (2) that the bill fails to recognise the criticisms of the conditions of detention centres provided in the report of the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade, Human Rights Sub-Committee: *A report on visits to immigration detention centres*;

- (3) at the failure of the bill to adopt key recommendations of the Joint Standing Committee's report to improve the conditions in the detention centres, and ensure that the basic entitlements of detainees are provided for:
- (4) that the bill fails to take account of the numerous allegations of maltreatment of detainees, and consequently fails to put into place provisions to ensure that their rights to officially complain about such maltreatment are enshrined in legislation; and
- (5) that the bill, and the second reading speech of the Minister, seek to portray asylum-seekers in a completely negative way, and do not give any recognition for the difficult circumstances which they have endured".

Debate continued.

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—

Member named and suspended

The Deputy Speaker named the Member for Melbourne (Mr Tanner) for refusing to withdraw an unparliamentary expression when requested to do so.

Mr Reith (Leader of the House) moved—That the Member for Melbourne be suspended from the service of the House.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 75

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

NOES, 61

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

* Tellers

Pairs

Ms Worth Mr Swan

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Member was, therefore, suspended at 2.15 p.m. for 24 hours under standing order 305, and he accordingly withdrew from the Chamber.

Questions without notice continuing—

Papers

Mr Crean (Deputy Leader of the Opposition), in accordance with standing order 321, having called for documents quoted from by Mr Reith (Minister for Defence)—

Mr Reith presented the following papers:

Defence White Paper and Defence commitments—Note for Minister.

AMECON chosen to build RAN's new frigates—News release by Kim Beazley MP, Minister for Defence, 14 August 1989.

Questions without notice continuing—

Member ordered to withdraw

At 3.16 p.m. the Member for Paterson (Mr Horne) was ordered, under standing order 304A, to withdraw from the House for one hour for continuing to interject after a warning had been given from the Chair, and he accordingly withdrew from the Chamber.

Questions without notice continued.

Treasurer and Minister for Small Business—Motion of censure

Mr Crean, by leave, moved—That this House censures the Treasurer and the Minister for Small Business for:

- (1) being aware of and involved in the Groom Liberal Party FEC Executive entering into a scam arrangement with the Queensland Liberal Party to obtain GST input tax credits for the catering of a fundraiser involving the two ministers, without paying the GST;
- (2) failing to refer this GST scam by the Groom Liberal Party FEC Executive and other Queensland Liberal Party branches for investigation by the Taxation Office and the Federal Police:
- (3) being complicit in the Liberal Party not paying its fair share of GST whilst claiming that the GST was going to end the black economy; and
- (4) serious breaches of even the Prime Minister's discredited Ministerial Code of Conduct, with respect to the obligations of Ministers.

Debate ensued.

Paper

Mr Costello (Treasurer) presented the following paper:

Bracks GST dinner gaffe—Article by Rick Wallace, Media Monitors, 22 March 2001.

Debate continued.

Ordered—That Mr Costello be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Mr Beazley (Leader of the Opposition) moved—That Mr McClelland be granted an extension of time.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 58

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

NOES, 73

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

* Tellers

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Ms Worth Mr Swan

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Mr Crean moved—That Mr I. E. Macfarlane (Minister for Small Business) be granted an extension of time.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 59

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

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Ms Worth Mr Swan And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Question—That the motion be agreed to—put.

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

AYES, 59

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

NOES, 73

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

* Tellers

Pairs

Ms Worth Mr Swan And so it was negatived.

Papers

Mr Crean, by leave, presented the following papers:

Fund raising dinner held at Picnic Point, Toowoomba, 23 November 2000—Guest Speaker the Hon. Peter Costello—

Invitation from Mr Ian Macfarlane MP, invoices, minutes and related papers. Chronology of events.

Questions without notice concluded.

13 PAPER

The following paper was presented:

Corporations and Securities—Joint Statutory Committee—Report—"Shadow ledgers" and the provision of bank statements to customers—Government response.

14 PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—AUSTRALIA'S HEALTH SYSTEM

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 failure of the Government to provide adequate resources for Australia's health system, including its public hospitals".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Beazley rising to address the House—

Dr Stone (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment and Heritage) moved—That the business of the day be called on.

Ouestion—put.

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

AYES, 71

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

NOES, 57

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

* Tellers

Pairs

Ms Worth Mr Swan

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

15 AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (APPLICATION OF CRIMINAL CODE) BILL 2001—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Dr Stone (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment and Heritage), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

16 FAMILY LAW LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (SUPERANNUATION) (CONSEQUENTIAL PROVISIONS) BILL 2001—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to with amendments (*see item No. 4, Minutes of Proceedings of the Main Committee*), and presented a certified copy of the Bill together with a schedule of amendments.

Amendments made by the Main Committee agreed to.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

On the motion of Dr Stone (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment and Heritage), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

17 CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 5) 2001—REPORT FROM MAIN COMMITTEE

The Deputy Speaker reported that the Bill had been fully considered by the Main Committee and agreed to without amendment, and presented a certified copy of the Bill.

Bill agreed to.

On the motion of Dr Stone (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment and Heritage), by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

18 MIGRATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (IMMIGRATION DETAINEES) BILL (NO. 2) 2001

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 Dr Theophanous (see item No. 11, page 2533)—

Debate resumed.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put and negatived—Dr Theophanous dissenting.

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

Consideration in detail

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Dr Theophanous, by leave, moved amendments (1) to (4) together.

Adjournment negatived

It being 5.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Dr Stone (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment and Heritage) requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—

Question—put and negatived.

Debate continued.

Amendments negatived.

Paper

Mr Ruddock (Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs) presented a supplementary explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

On the motion of Mr Ruddock, Government amendment (2) was made.

Mr Ruddock, by leave, moved Government amendments (1) and (3) to (10) together.

Dr Theophanous rising to address the House—

Closure

Mr Ronaldson (Chief Government Whip) moved—That the question be now put.

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

And the question—That Government amendments (1) and (3) to (10) be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed.

Question—Bill, as amended, be agreed to—put and passed—Dr Theophanous dissenting.

Consideration in detail concluded.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

Mr Ruddock moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Question—put and passed—Dr Theophanous dissenting—Bill read a third time.

19 ADJOURNMENT

Dr Nelson (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Defence) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until 6 p.m.—The Deputy Speaker adjourned the House until Monday next at 12.30 p.m.

PAPERS

The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 23 August 2001:

Census and Statistics Act—Australian Bureau of Statistics—Statement of disclosure of information—2001 No. 2.

Financial Management and Accountability Act—Determination to establish a special account—2001 Financial Management and Accountability (Special Accounts) No. 12.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Anderson, Ms Corcoran, Mr McMullan, Ms O'Byrne, Mr O'Keefe, Mr Snowdon, Mr Swan* and Ms Worth.

* On leave

I. C. HARRIS

Clerk of the House of Representatives

1998-1999-2000-2001

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SUPPLEMENT TO VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 205

MAIN COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, 23 AUGUST 2001

- 1 The Main Committee met at 9.40 a.m.
- 2 MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Members' statements were made.

3 AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (APPLICATION OF CRIMINAL CODE) BILL 2001

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 the question on the report to be put forthwith.

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

4 FAMILY LAW LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (SUPERANNUATION) (CONSEQUENTIAL PROVISIONS) BILL 2001

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.

Consideration in detail

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Paper

Mr Williams (Attorney-General) presented a supplementary explanatory memorandum to the Bill.

On the motion of Mr Williams, by leave, Government amendments (1) to (4) were made together.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Consideration in detail concluded.

Ordered—That the Bill be reported to the House with amendments.

5 CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 5) 2001

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 the question on the report to be put forthwith.

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

6 ADJOURNMENT

Mr Slipper (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance and Administration) moved—That the Main Committee do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

At 11.35 a.m. the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Main Committee.

B. C. WRIGHTClerk of the Main Committee