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# **AUSTRALIA**

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 43

# THURSDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER 1973

- 1 The House met, at ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable J. F. Cope) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 Petitions: The Acting Clerk announced that the following honourable Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
  - Mr McLeay and Mr Wilson—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government take no measures to interfere with the existing national health scheme.
  - Mr Coates—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House move to make available to the Tasmanian Government a special grant for the purpose of securing Lake Pedder in its natural state.
  - Mr Edwards—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House take steps to ensure that the Government does not site a second international airport for Sydney in the Galston area or surrounding suburbs.
  - Mr Gorton—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government take no measures to interfere with the continued existence and viability of private nursing homes.
  - Mr Wilson—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House acknowledge the right of every Australian child to equal grants of Government money spent on education.

Petitions received.

- 3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 4 STATEMENTS BY MEMBER—LEAVE TO MAKE NOT GRANTED: Mr McMahon asked leave to make a statement.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

Mr McMahon having again asked leave to make a statement-

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

5 Papers: The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Lake Pedder Committee of Enquiry-

Interim Report on the Future of Lake Pedder, dated June 1973.

Engineering Review of Interim Report by the Snowy Mountains Engineering Corporation, dated August 1973.

National Public Works Conference—General Conditions of Contract—

N.P.W.C. Edition 1.

Explanatory statement.

- 6 SEXUAL RELATIONSHIPS—SOCIAL, EDUCATIONAL AND LEGAL ASPECTS—PROPOSED ROYAL COMMISSION: Mr Mathews moved, pursuant to notice—
  - (1) That, in the opinion of this House, a Federal Judge should be appointed as sole Commissioner in accordance with the provisions of the Royal Commissions Act to inquire into the social, educational and legal aspects of sexual relationships with particular emphasis on the concepts of responsible sexuality, responsible parenthood and family life, such inquiry to investigate and evaluate the following

matters in Australia and comparable countries and make recommendations for areas within the jurisdiction of the laws of the Australian Parliament:

- (a) The extent and effectiveness of existing sex education programs in providing a sound basis in the fundamentals of sexuality and as a prerequisite for the understanding of reproductive potential and voluntary fertility control;
- (b) The extent and adequacy of existing birth control studies in medical schools as a means of providing comprehensive medical training in contraceptive techniques and encouraging acceptance by the medical profession of its responsibilities in the field of contraceptive counselling;
- (c) The provision, adequacy and effectiveness of existing fertility control facilities, such as family planning clinics; educational and motivational information on fertility control; and methods of evaluation of all contraceptive techniques;
- (d) In the event of failed contraception and consequent unplanned, unwanted pregnancies, the social, psychological and medical results of termination and failure to terminate such pregnancies, and adequacy and effectiveness of existing medico-legal determinations in relation to termination of pregnancy, including the incidence of such terminations, the factors influencing their occurrence, the adequacy of medical training in, and evaluation of methods of termination and the consultative rights of the family and other parties to the pregnancy, and
- (e) The provision, adequacy and viability of pregnancy support services, adoption services, counselling and other forms of assistance for families, mothers and mothers-to-be, given the social, economic, medical and social welfare problems in which they may find themselves involved.
- (2) That all matters relevant to these problems be investigated with regard to the sanctity and preservation of life, and to enabling the maximum number of persons to act according to their own religious, social and moral convictions.

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

- Mr Fraser moved, as an amendment—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof: "in the opinion of this House, Commissioners should be appointed to inquire into the family, social, education, legal and sexual aspects of male-female relationships with particular emphasis on the concept of responsible parenthood, such inquiry to investigate and evaluate the following matters in Australia and overseas and make recommendations for areas within the jurisdiction of the laws of the Australian Parliament and further to indicate whether such recommendations should be implemented through existing bodies or through government instrumentalities to be created:
  - (a) The extent and effectiveness of existing education programs in providing a sound basis in the fundamentals of inter-personal relationships in the Australian social environment;
  - (b) The extent and adequacy of existing programs in medical schools directed to providing comprehensive medical training in contraceptive techniques and encouraging acceptance by the medical profession of its responsibilities in the field of contraceptive counselling;
  - (c) The provision, adequacy and effectiveness of existing family planning facilities, and
  - (d) In the event of conceptions which are unplanned or unwanted, the social, economic, psychological and medical pressures on women in determining whether to proceed with the pregnancy or to have an abortion. Such pressures should be examined having regard to the adequacy of (i) housing, (ii) child-minding facilities, (iii) pre-school facilities, (iv) disabilities of families with handicapped children and the means of assisting them, (v) domestic assistance for families and working mothers, (vi) adoption procedures, (vii) assistance to single parent families, (viii) social status of women in the community and (ix) other assistance to mothers employed in industry.

- (2) That all matters relevant to these problems be investigated having regard to-
  - (a) the United Nations declaration of the rights of a child which states that the child, by reason of his physical and mental immaturity, needs special safeguards and care, including appropriate legal protection, before as well as after birth, and
  - (b) the sanctity and preservation of human life".

#### Debate continued.

It being two hours after the time fixed for the meeting of the House, the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 109.

Ordered—That the time for the discussion of notice No. 1 be extended until fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m.

#### Debate continued.

Closure: Mr Berinson moved-That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

Ayes, 92				
Mr Adermann	Mr Doyle	Mr Jarman	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Anthony	Mr Drummond	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow	
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Drury	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Reynolds	
Mr Barnard	Mr Duthie	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Riordan	
Mr Beazley	Mr Edwards	Mr Jones	Mr E. L. Robinson	
Mr Bennett	Mr Enderby	Mr Katter	Mr I. L. Robinson	
Mr Berinson	Mr Erwin	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes	
Mr Birrell	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Sinclair	
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Kerin	Mr Street .	
Mr Bourchier	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Killen	Mr Thorburn	
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Fraser	Mr King	Mr Uren	
Mr Bryant	Mr Fulton	Mr Lamb	Mr Viner	
Mr Bury	Mr Garrick	Mr Lloyd	Mr Wallis	
Mr Calder	Mr Gorton	Mr MacKellar	Mr Wentworth	
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Grassby	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan	
Dr Cass	Mr Hallett	Mr McLeay	Mr Whitlam	
Mr Chipp	Mr Hayden	Mr McMahon	Mr Willis	
Mr Coates	Mr Hewson	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wilson	
Mr Cohen	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey		
Mr Collard	Mr Hunt	Mr Mathews		
Mr Corbett	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris		
Mr Crean	Mr Innes	Mr Morrison	Tellers:	
Mr Cross	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mulder	Mr England	
Mr Davies	Mr James	Mr Nixon	Mr Nicholls	
Noes, 14				
Mr Armitage	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Kelly	Tellers:	
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Graham	Mr Martin	Mr Giles	
Mr Connor	Dr Gun	Mr Stewart	Mr Hansen	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hamer	Mr Whittorn		

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 Speaker, Mr Cope, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 47				
Mr Bennett	Dr Everingham	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Scholes	
Mr Berinson	Mr Fulton	Mr Jones	Mr Thorburn	
Mr Bryant	Mr Garrick	Mr Kelly	Mr Turner	
Mr Bury	Mr Gorton	Mr Kerin	Mr Uren	
Mr C. R. Cameron	Dr Gun	Mr Lamb	Mr Wallis	
Dr Cass	Mr Hamer	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan	
Mr Chipp	Mr Hayden	Mr Mathews	Mr Whitlam	
Mr Coates	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris	Mr Willis	
Mr Cohen	Mr Innes	Mr Morrison	Mr Wilson	
Mr Crean	Mr Jacobi	Mr Nicholls	Tellers:	
Mr Duthie	Mr James	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr D. M. Cameron	
Mr Enderby	Dr Jenkins	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr L. K. Johnson	

# Noes, 61

Mr Adermann	Mr Davies	Mr Hunt	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Anthony	Mr Doyle	Mr Jarman	Mr Reynolds
Mr Armitage	Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr Riordan
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Drury	Mr Keating	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Barnard	Mr Edwards	Mr Keogh	Mr Sinclair
Mr Beazley	Mr England	Mr Killen	Mr Snedden
Mr Birrell	Mr Erwin	Mr King	Mr Stewart
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Lloyd	Mr Street
Mr Bourchier	Mr Fisher	Mr MacKellar	Mr Viner
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr McLeay	Mr Wentworth
Mr Calder	Mr Fraser	Mr McMahon	Mr Whittorn
Mr Collard	Mr Graham	Mr McVeigh	
Mr Connor	Mr Grassby	Mr Maisey	
Mr Corbett	Mr Hallett	Mr Martin	Tellers:
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hewson	Mr Mulder	Mr Giles
Mr Cross	Mr Holten	Mr Nixon .	Mr Hansen

# And so it was negatived.

The time allotted for precedence to general business having expired—

Suspension of standing orders—General business notice: Mr Morrison (Minister for Science) moved, by leave—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent consideration of notice No. 1, general business, being continued.

#### Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

Question proposed—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted.

Mr Reynolds proposing to move an amendment-

Speaker's ruling: Mr Speaker ruled that the proposed amendment was out of order as it was not in the correct form.

Debate continued.

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Closure: Mr Nicholls moved—That the question be now put.

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

And the question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—being accordingly put—

Mr Iarman

Mr Scholes

Mr Nivan

Mr Morris

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

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Mr Davies	•	
Mr Doyle		

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Mr Adermann	Mr Davies	Mr Jarman	Mr Nixon
Mr Armitage	Mr Doyle	Dr Jenkins .	Mr O'Keste
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Drummond	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Barnard	Mr Drury	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Beazley	Mr Edwards	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Bennett	Mr Enderby	Mr Katter	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Berinson	Mr Erwin	Mr Keating	Mr Sinclair
Mr Birrell	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Snedden
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Kerin	Mr Stewart
Mr Bourchier	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr King	Mr Street
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Fraser	Mr Lamb	Mr Thorburn
Mr Bryant	Mr Garrick	Mr Lloyd	Mr Viner
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr MacKellar	Mr Wallis
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Grassby	Mr McKenzie	Mr Wentworth
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hallett	Mr McLeay	Mr Whan
Mr Cohen	Mr Hewson	Mr McVeigh	Mr Whittorn
Mr Collard	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	Mr Wilson
Mr Connor	Mr Hunt	Mr Martin	
Mr Corbett	Mr Hurford	Mr Mathews	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Innes	Mr Morrison	Tellers:
Mr Crean	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mulder	Mr England
Mr Cross	Mr James	Mr Nicholls	Mr Hansen
	Noes, 1	1	
Mr Bury	Mr Giles	Mr Killen	Tellers:
Mr Chipp	Mr Gorton	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr Hayden
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Kelly

Motion, as amended, agreed to.

Mr Fairbairn

7 CONSUMER STANDARDS—INTERIM COMMISSION—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr Morrison (Minister for Science), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the Government's decision to establish an Interim Commission on Consumer Standards, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

Consumer standards—Interim Commission—Ministerial statement, 13 September

1973.

Mr L. F. Bowen (Acting Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the paper.

Debate ensued.

Mr Sinclair (Deputy Leader of the Australian Country Party) 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.

8 DEATH PENALTY ABOLITION BILL 1973: 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.

The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Armitage, in the Chair)-

Ayes, 73				
Mr Davies	Mr James	Mr Reynolds		
Mr Doyle	Mr Jarman	Mr Riordan		
Mr Drury	Dr Jenkins	Mr E. L. Robinson		
Mr Duthie	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Scholes		
Mr Edwards	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Snedden		
Mr Enderby	Mr Jones	Mr Stewart		
Dr Everingham	Mr Keating	Mr Thorburn		
Mr Fisher	Mr Keogh	Mr Turner		
Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kerin	Mr Uren		
Mr Fulton	Mr Killen	Mr Viner		
Mr Garrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Wallis		
Mr Gorton	Mr MacKellar	Mr Whan		
Mr Grassby	Mr McKenzie	Mr Willis		
Dr Gun	Mr Martin	Mr Wilson		
Mr Hamer	Mr Mathews			
Mr Hayden	Mr Morris			
Mr Hurford	Mr Morrison	Tellers:		
Mr Innes	Mr Mulder	Mr Hansen		
Mr Jacobi	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr Nicholls		
Noes, 27				
Mr Hallett	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sinclair		
Mr Hewson		Mr Street		
Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wentworth		
Mr Hunt	Mr Maisey	Mr Whittorn		
Mr Katter	Mr Nixon	Tellers:		
Mr Kelly	Mr O'Keefe	Mr England		
Mr King	Mr I. L. Robinson	Mr Giles		
	Mr Davies Mr Doyle Mr Doyle Mr Drury Mr Duthie Mr Edwards Mr Enderby Dr Everingham Mr Fisher Mr FitzPatrick Mr Fulton Mr Garrick Mr Gorton Mr Grassby Dr Gun Mr Hamer Mr Hayden Mr Hurford Mr Innes Mr Jacobi  Noes, 27 Mr Hallett Mr Hewson Mr Holten Mr Hunt Mr Katter Mr Ketly	Mr Davies Mr James Mr Doyle Mr Jarman Mr Doyle Mr Jarman Mr Duthie Mr L. K. Johnson Mr Edwards Mr L. R. Johnson Mr Enderby Mr Jones Dr Everingham Mr Keating Mr Fisher Mr Keogh Mr FitzPatrick Mr Kerin Mr Fulton Mr Killen Mr Garrick Mr Lamb Mr Gorton Mr MacKellar Mr Grassby Mr McKenzie Dr Gun Mr Martin Mr Hamer Mr Mathews Mr Hayden Mr Morris Mr Hurford Mr Morrison Mr Innes Mr Mulder Mr Jacobi Mr Lloyd Mr Hewson Mr McLeay Mr Holten Mr McCeigh Mr Hunt Mr Maisey Mr Katter Mr Nixon Mr Kelly Mr O'Keefe		

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

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

#### In the committee

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Mr Sinclair (Deputy Leader of the Australian Country Party) moved the following amendment: Clause 3, page 1, lines 10 and 11, omit the words ", and, to the extent to which the powers of the Parliament permit, in relation to, and in relation to offences under, Imperial Acts".

Debate continued.

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

The committee divided (the Chairman, Mr Scholes, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 68					
Mr Armitage	Mr Drury	Mr Jarman	Mr Riordan		
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Duthie	Dr Jenkins	Mr E. L. Robinson		
Mr Beazley	Mr Edwards	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Stewart		
Mr Bennett	Mr Enderby	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Thorburn		
Mr Berinson	Dr Everingham	Mr Keating	Mr Turner		
Mr Birrell	Mr Fisher	Mr Keogh	Mr Uren		
Mr Bourchier	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kerin	Mr Viner		
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Fulton	Mr Killen	Mr Wallis		
Mr Bryant	Mr Garrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Whan		
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Giles	Mr MacKellar	Mr Whitlam		
Dr Cass	Mr Grassby	Mr McKenzie	Mr Willis		
Mr Coates	Dr Gun	Mr Martin	Mr Wilson		
Mr Collard	Mr Hamer	Mr Mathews			
Mr Connor	Mr Hayden	Mr Morris			
Mr Crean	Mr Hurford	Mr Morrison			
Mr Cross	Mr Innes	Mr Mulder	Tellers:		
Mr Davies	Mr Jacobi	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr Hansen		
Mr Doyle	Mr James	Mr Reynolds	Mr Nicholls		
Noes, 32					
Mr Adermann	Mr Fraser	Mr Lloyd	Mr Street		
Mr Bonnett	Mr Gorton	Mr McLeay	Mr Wentworth		
Mr Bury	Mr Hallett	Mr McVeigh	Mr Whittorn		
Mr Calder	Mr Hewson	Mr Maisey			
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Holten	Mr Nixon			
Mr Corbett	Mr Hunt	Mr O'Keefe			
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Katter	Mr I. L. Robinson	Tellers:		
Mr Drummond	Mr Kelly	Mr Sinclair	Mr England		
Mr Fairbairn	Mr King	Mr Snedden	Mr Erwin		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Proposed new clause—
Mr Sinclair moved—That the following new clause be added to the Bill:

"6. This Act does not apply to the offence of treason.". Treason. Debate ensued.

Question—That the new clause proposed to be added be so added—put. The committee divided (the Chairman, Mr Scholes, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 38

Mr Adermann	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Killen	Mr Snedden
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr King	Mr Street
Mr Bourchier	Mr Fraser	Mr Lloyd	Mr Turner
Mr Bury	Mr Gorton	Mr McLeay	Mr Viner
Mr Calder	Mr Hallett	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wentworth
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hewson	Mr Maisey	Mr Whittorn
Mr Corbett	Mr Holten	Mr Nixon	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hunt	Mr O'Keefe	Tellers:
Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr I. L. Robinson	Mr England
Mr Erwin	Mr Kelly	Mr Sinclair	Mr Giles
	Noes, 65	;	
Mr Armitage	Mr Davies	Mr James	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Doyle	Mr Jarman	Mr Reynolds
Mr Barnard	Mr Drury	Dr Jenkins	Mr Riordan
Mr Beazley	Mr Duthie	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bennett	Mr Edwards	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Stewart
Mr Berinson	Mr Enderby	Mr Jones	Mr Thorburn
Mr Birrell	Dr Everingham	Mr Keating	Mr Uren
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Keogh	Mr Wallis
Mr Bryant	Mr Fulton	Mr Kerin	Mr Whan
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Garrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Whitlam
Dr Cass	Mr Grassby	Mr MacKellar	Mr Willis .
Mr Coates	Dr Gun	Mr McKenzie	Mr Wilson
Mr Cohen	Mr Hamer	Mr Martin	
Mr Collard	Mr Hayden	Mr Mathews	
Mr Connor	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris	Tellers:
Mr Crean	Mr Innes	Mr Morrison	Mr Hansen
Mr Cross	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mulder	Mr Nicholls

And so it was negatived.

Proposed new clause-

Mr Sinclair moved—That the following new clause be added to the Bill:

"6. This Act does not apply to or in relation to the offence of Murder of murder committed by a person undergoing imprisonment for life police force where the person murdered was a member of the Commonwealth Police Force or of the Police Force of a State or Territory of the Commonwealth, or a person employed in a prison or other place of custody of offenders.".

Debate ensued.

Proposed new clause negatived.

Proposed new clause-

Mr Sinclair moved—That the following new clause be added to the Bill:

"6. This Act does not apply to or in relation to offence of Murder in murder when committed-

relation to operation of aircraft.

- (1) for the purpose of, or in the course of, unlawfully taking or exercising control of an aircraft or while unlawfully exercising control of an aircraft; or
- (2) by an act or omission wilfully causing destruction of or serious damage to such aircraft in flight.".

Debate ensued.

Proposed new clause negatived.

Proposed new clause—

Mr Sinclair moved—That the following new clause be added to the Bill:

"6. This Act does not apply to the Geneva Conventions Act 1957.". Geneva

Debate ensued.

Proposed new clause negatived.

Proposed new clause—

Mr Sinclair moved—That the following new clause be added to the Bill:

"6. This Act does not apply to or in relation to the offence of Murder in murder when committed for the purpose of or in the course of unlawful political or terrorist activity.".

political or activity.

Debate ensued.

Proposed new clause negatived.

Bill agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Scholes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Enderby (Minister representing the Attorney-General), the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

9 Messages from the Senate: Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:

13 September 1973-Message-

No. 109-Defence (Re-establishment) 1973.

No. 110—Cellulose Acetate Flake Bounty 1973.

10 SOCIAL SERVICES BILL (No. 4) 1973: 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.

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

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 69, dated 11 September 1973, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Hayden (Minister for Social Security), the Bill was read a third time.

11 ADJOURNMENT: Mr L. F. Bowen (Acting Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question-put and passed.

And then the House, at three minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until Monday next at two o'clock p.m.

PAPER: The following paper was deemed to have been presented on 13 September 1973, pursuant to statute:

Commonwealth Banks Act-Appointment certificate-R. F. Sabatier.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Dr Cairns, Mr Cooke, Mr Daly, Dr Forbes, Mr Fox, Mr Garland, Dr Klugman, Mr Luchetti, Mr Lucock, Mr Lynch, Mr Olley, Dr Patterson, Mr Peacock, Mr Sherry and Mr Staley.

J. A. PETTIFER,
Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives