

AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 49

WEDNESDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER 1973

1 The House met, at half-past eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable J. F. Cope) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 PETITIONS: The Clerk announced that the following honourable Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:

Mr D. M. Cameron and Mr McLeay—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government take no measures to interfere with the existing national health scheme.

Mr Lynch (Deputy Leader of the Opposition)—a similar petition from certain electors of the Division of Flinders.

Mr Beazley (Minister for Education) and Mr Lynch—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 Beazley—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House see that television is used to build into the nation integrity, teamwork and a sense of purpose by serving, and to bring faith in God to the heart of the family and national life.

Sir John Cramer—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 and so instruct the proposed National Schools Commission.

Petitions received.

3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.

4 MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE—LEAVE TO MOVE NOT GRANTED: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) asked leave to move a motion without notice.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

5 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—GOVERNMENT BUSINESS NOTICE: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Prime Minister moving forthwith notice No. 1 standing in his name.

Debate ensued.

The time allowed by standing order 91 for debate on the motion having expired—

Question—put.

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

AYES, 63

Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Olley
Mr Barnard	Mr Doyle	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Beazley	Mr Duthie	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Bennett	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Berinson	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Sherry
Mr Birrell	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kerin	Mr Stewart
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Fulton	Dr Klugman	Mr Thorburn
Mr Bryant	Mr Garrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Uren
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Grassby	Mr Luchetti	Mr Wallis
Dr Cass	Dr Gun	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan
Mr Coates	Mr Hayden	Mr Martin	Mr Whitlam
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Mathews	Mr Willis
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison	Mr Hansen
Mr Cross	Mr James	Mr Mulder	Mr Nicholls

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Mr Adermann	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Killen	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Anthony	Mr Fisher	Mr King	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fraser	Mr Lloyd	Mr Snedden
Mr Bouchier	Mr Gorton	Mr Lucock	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr Lynch	Mr Turner
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hallett	Mr MacKellar	Mr Viner
Mr Chipp	Mr Hamer	Mr McLeay	Mr Whittorn
Mr Cooke	Mr Hewson	Mr McMahan	Mr Wilson
Mr Corbett	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hunt	Mr Maisey	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drummond	Mr Jarman	Mr Nixon	Mr England
Mr Drury	Mr Katter	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Giles
Mr Edwards	Mr Kelly	Mr Peacock	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative by an absolute majority.

6 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (INCOMES) BILL 1973:

Mr Whitlam (Prime Minister) moved, pursuant to notice—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent a Bill for an Act to alter the Constitution so as to enable the Australian Parliament to make Laws with respect to Incomes being introduced and passed through all its stages without delay.

Closure: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) 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, 63

Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Olley
Mr Barnard	Mr Doyle	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Beazley	Mr Duthie	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Bennett	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Berinson	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Sherry
Mr Birrell	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kerin	Mr Stewart
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Fulton	Dr Klugman	Mr Thorburn
Mr Bryant	Mr Garrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Uren
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Grassby	Mr Luchetti	Mr Wallis
Dr Cass	Dr Gun	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan
Mr Coates	Mr Hayden	Mr Martin	Mr Whitlam
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Mathews	Mr Willis
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison	Mr Hansen
Mr Cross	Mr James	Mr Mulder	Mr Nicholls

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Mr Adermann	Mr Edwards	Mr Kelly	Mr Peacock
Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Killen	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr King	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bouchier	Mr Fraser	Mr Lloyd	Mr Snedden
Mr Bury	Mr Gorton	Mr Lucock	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr Lynch	Mr Turner
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hallett	Mr MacKellar	Mr Viner
Mr Chipp	Mr Hamer	Mr McLeay	Mr Whittorn
Mr Cooke	Mr Hewson	Mr McMahan	Mr Wilson
Mr Corbett	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hunt	Mr Maisey	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drummond	Mr Jarman	Mr Nixon	Mr England
Mr Drury	Mr Katter	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Giles

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 63

Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Olley
Mr Barnard	Mr Doyle	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Beazley	Mr Duthie	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Bennett	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Berinson	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Sherry
Mr Birrell	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kerin	Mr Stewart
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Fulton	Dr Klugman	Mr Thorburn
Mr Bryant	Mr Garrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Uren
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Grassby	Mr Luchetti	Mr Wallis
Dr Cass	Dr Gun	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan
Mr Coates	Mr Hayden	Mr Martin	Mr Whitlam
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Mathews	Mr Willis
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison	Mr Hansen
Mr Cross	Mr James	Mr Mulder	Mr Nicholls

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Mr Adermann	Mr Edwards	Mr Kelly	Mr Peacock
Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Killen	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr King	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bouchier	Mr Fraser	Mr Lloyd	Mr Snedden
Mr Bury	Mr Gorton	Mr Lucock	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr Lynch	Mr Turner
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hallett	Mr MacKellar	Mr Viner
Mr Chipp	Mr Hamer	Mr McLeay	Mr Whittorn
Mr Cooke	Mr Hewson	Mr McMahan	Mr Wilson
Mr Corbett	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hunt	Mr Maisey	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drummond	Mr Jarman	Mr Nixon	Mr England
Mr Drury	Mr Katter	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Giles

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

- 7 CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (INCOMES) BILL 1973: Mr Whitlam (Prime Minister) presented a Bill for an Act to alter the Constitution so as to enable the Australian Parliament to make Laws with respect to Incomes.

Bill read a first time.

Declaration of Bill as urgent Bill: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) declared that the Bill was an urgent Bill.

Question—That the Bill be considered an urgent Bill—put and passed.

Allotment of time: Mr Daly then moved—That the time allotted in connection with the Bill be as follows:

- (a) For the second reading, until 4 p.m. this day.
- (b) For the committee stage, until 4.15 p.m. this day.
- (c) For the remaining stages, until 4.30 p.m. this day.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 63

Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Olley
Mr Barnard	Mr Doyle	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Beazley	Mr Duthie	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Bennett	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Berinson	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Sherry
Mr Birrell	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kerin	Mr Stewart
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Fulton	Dr Klugman	Mr Thorburn
Mr Bryant	Mr Garrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Uren
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Grassby	Mr Luchetti	Mr Wallis
Dr Cass	Dr Gun	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan
Mr Coates	Mr Hayden	Mr Martin	Mr Whitlam
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Mathews	Mr Willis
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison	Mr Hansen
Mr Cross	Mr James	Mr Mulder	Mr Nicholls

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Mr Bonnett	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Kelly	Mr Peacock
Mr Bouchier	Mr Fisher	Mr Killen	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bury	Mr Fraser	Mr King	Mr Sinclair
Mr Calder	Mr Gorton	Mr Lloyd	Mr Snedden
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Graham	Mr Lucock	Mr Street
Mr Chipp	Mr Hallett	Mr Lynch	Mr Turner
Mr Cooke	Mr Hamer	Mr MacKellar	Mr Viner
Mr Corbett	Mr Hewson	Mr McMahan	Mr Whittorn
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wilson
Mr Drummond	Mr Hunt	Mr Maisey	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drury	Mr Jarman	Mr Nixon	Mr England
Mr Edwards	Mr Katter	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Giles

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Debate ensued.

Ordered—That Mr Snedden (Leader of the Opposition) be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

Limitation of debate: At four o'clock p.m., Mr Speaker having called the attention of the House to the fact that the time allotted for the second reading had expired—

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

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

AYES, 63

Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Olley
Mr Barnard	Mr Doyle	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Beazley	Mr Duthie	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Bennett	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Berinson	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Sherry
Mr Birrell	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kerin	Mr Stewart
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Fulton	Dr Klugman	Mr Thorburn
Mr Bryant	Mr Garrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Uren
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Grassby	Mr Luchetti	Mr Wallis
Dr Cass	Dr Gun	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan
Mr Coates	Mr Hayden	Mr Martin	Mr Whitlam
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Mathews	Mr Willis
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison	Mr Hansen
Mr Cross	Mr James	Mr Mulder	Mr Nicholls

NOES, 47

Mr Bonnett	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Kelly	Mr Peacock
Mr Bouchier	Mr Fisher	Mr Killen	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bury	Mr Fraser	Mr King	Mr Sinclair
Mr Calder	Mr Giles	Mr Lloyd	Mr Snedden
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Gorton	Mr Lucock	Mr Street
Mr Chipp	Mr Hallett	Mr Lynch	Mr Turner
Mr Cooke	Mr Hamer	Mr McLeay	Mr Viner
Mr Corbett	Mr Hewson	Mr McMahan	Mr Whittorn
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wilson
Mr Drummond	Mr Hunt	Mr Maisey	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drury	Mr Jarman	Mr Nixon	Mr England
Mr Edwards	Mr Katter	Mr O'Keefe	Mr MacKellar

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

Clause 1 debated.

Limitation of debate: At fifteen minutes past four o'clock p.m., the Chairman having called the attention of the committee to the fact that the time allotted for the committee stage had expired—

Question—That clause 1 be agreed to—put.

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

AYES, 62

Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Olley
Mr Barnard	Mr Doyle	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Beazley	Mr Duthie	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Bennett	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Sherry
Mr Berinson	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Stewart
Mr Birrell	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kerin	Mr Thorburn
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Fulton	Dr Klugman	Mr Uren
Mr Bryant	Mr Garrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Wallis
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Grassby	Mr Luchetti	Mr Whan
Dr Cass	Dr Gun	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whittlam
Mr Coates	Mr Hayden	Mr Martin	Mr Willis
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Mathews	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morris	Mr Hansen
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison	Mr Nicholls
Mr Cross	Mr James	Mr Mulder	

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Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Killen	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bouchier	Mr Fraser	Mr King	Mr Snedden
Mr Bury	Mr Giles	Mr Lloyd	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Gorton	Mr Lucock	Mr Turner
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Graham	Mr Lynch	Mr Viner
Mr Chipp	Mr Hallett	Mr McLeay	Mr Whittorn
Mr Cooke	Mr Hamer	Mr McMahan	Mr Wilson
Mr Corbett	Mr Hewson	Mr McVeigh	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drummond	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon	Mr England
Mr Drury	Mr Jarman	Mr O'Keefe	Mr MacKellar
Mr Edwards	Mr Katter	Mr Peacock	
Mr Fairbairn	Mr Kelly	Mr E. L. Robinson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Further question—That the remainder of the Bill be agreed to and that the Bill be reported without amendment—put.

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

AYES, 62

Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Olley
Mr Barnard	Mr Doyle	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Beazley	Mr Duthie	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Bennett	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Sherry
Mr Berinson	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Stewart
Mr Birrell	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kerin	Mr Thorburn
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Fulton	Dr Klugman	Mr Uren
Mr Bryant	Mr Garrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Wallis
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Grassby	Mr Luchetti	Mr Whan
Dr Cass	Dr Gun	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whitlam
Mr Coates	Mr Hayden	Mr Martin	Mr Willis
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Mathews	
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison	Mr Hansen
Mr Cross	Mr James	Mr Mulder	Mr Nicholls

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Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Killen	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bouchier	Mr Fraser	Mr King	Mr Snedden
Mr Bury	Mr Giles	Mr Lloyd	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Gorton	Mr Lucock	Mr Turner
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Graham	Mr Lynch	Mr Viner
Mr Chipp	Mr Hallett	Mr McLeay	Mr Whittorn
Mr Cooke	Mr Hamer	Mr McMahan	Mr Wilson
Mr Corbett	Mr Hewson	Mr McVeigh	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drummond	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon	Mr England
Mr Drury	Mr Jarman	Mr O'Keefe	Mr MacKellar
Mr Edwards	Mr Katter	Mr Peacock	
Mr Fairbairn	Mr Kelly	Mr E. L. Robinson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House resumed; Mr Scholes reported accordingly.

Limitation of debate: The time allotted for the remaining stages of the Bill having expired—

Question—That the report be adopted and the Bill be now read a third time—put.

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

AYES, 63

Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Olley
Mr Barnard	Mr Doyle	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Beazley	Mr Duthie	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Bennett	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Berinson	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Sherry
Mr Birrell	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kerin	Mr Stewart
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Fulton	Dr Klugman	Mr Thorburn
Mr Bryant	Mr Garrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Uren
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Grassby	Mr Luchetti	Mr Wallis
Dr Cass	Dr Gun	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan
Mr Coates	Mr Hayden	Mr Martin	Mr Whitlam
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Mathews	Mr Willis
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison	Mr Hansen
Mr Cross	Mr James	Mr Mulder	Mr Nicholls

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Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Killen	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bouchier	Mr Fraser	Mr King	Mr Snedden
Mr Bury	Mr Giles	Mr Lloyd	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Gorton	Mr Lucock	Mr Turner
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Graham	Mr Lynch	Mr Viner
Mr Chipp	Mr Hallett	Mr McLeay	Mr Whittorn
Mr Cooke	Mr Hamer	Mr McMahan	Mr Wilson
Mr Corbett	Mr Hewson	Mr McVeigh	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	
Mr Drummond	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon	
Mr Drury	Mr Jarman	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Edwards	Mr Katter	Mr Peacock	Mr England
Mr Fairbairn	Mr Kelly	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr MacKellar

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Speaker declared that the question—That the Bill be now read a third time—had been resolved in the affirmative by an absolute majority.

Bill accordingly read a third time.

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

Australian Broadcasting Commission—Public Opinion of the A.B.C.—Results of survey conducted in Sydney and Melbourne in April and May 1973 by the Audience Research Department of the Commission, dated July 1973.

Australian Dairy Produce Board—Interim Annual Report, for year 1972–73.

Australian Egg Board—Interim Report for year 1972–73.

Defence Service Homes—Interim Report of Director, for year 1972–73.

The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute:

Anglo-Australian Telescope Agreement Act—Anglo-Australian Telescope Board—Reports and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Reports, for years 1970–71 and 1971–72.

Industrial Research and Development Grants Act—Australian Industrial Research and Development Grants Board—Sixth Annual Report, for year 1972–73.

Snowy Mountains Engineering Corporation Act—Snowy Mountains Engineering Corporation—Third Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1972–73.

9 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE: Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:

25 September 1973—Message—

No. 111—Social Services (No. 4) 1973.

No. 112—Repatriation (No. 3) 1973.

No. 113—Compensation (Australian Government Employees) 1973.

No. 114—Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances (No. 2) 1973.

10 COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) moved, by leave—That, during the consideration of the matter referred to the Committee of Privileges on 20 September, Mr Crean be discharged from attendance on the committee and Mr Sherry be appointed to serve in his place.

Question—put and passed.

11 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—POWER STRIKE IN NEW SOUTH WALES:

Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr Fraser had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The serious situation caused by the New South Wales power strike".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Fraser addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Mr Hunt rising to address the House—

Mr Daly (Leader of the House) moved—That the business of the day be called on.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 56

Mr Armitage	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Doyle	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Riordan
Mr Barnard	Mr Duthie	Mr Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr Beazley	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Stewart
Mr Bennett	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Thorburn
Mr Birrell	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kerin	Mr Uren
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Fulton	Mr Lamb	Mr Wallis
Mr Bryant	Mr Garrick	Mr Luchetti	Mr Whan
Mr C. R. Cameron	Dr Gun	Mr McKenzie	Mr Willis
Mr Coates	Mr Hayden	Mr Mathews	
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris	
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morrison	
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mulder	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Cross	Mr James	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr Hansen
Mr Daly	Dr Jenkins	Mr Olley	Mr Nicholls

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Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Killen	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bouchier	Mr Fraser	Mr King	Mr Snedden
Mr Bury	Mr Giles	Mr Lloyd	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Gorton	Mr Lucock	Mr Turner
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Graham	Mr Lynch	Mr Viner
Mr Chipp	Mr Hallett	Mr McLeay	Mr Whittorn
Mr Cooke	Mr Hamer	Mr McMahan	Mr Wilson
Mr Corbett	Mr Hewson	Mr McVeigh	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	
Mr Drummond	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon	
Mr Drury	Mr Jarman	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Edwards	Mr Katter	Mr Peacock	Mr England
Mr Fairbairn	Mr Kelly	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr MacKellar

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

- 12 AGED PERSONS HOMES 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 and passed—Bill read a second time.

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 77, dated 22 August 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 Stewart (Minister for Tourism and Recreation), the Bill was read a third time.

- 13 DELIVERED MEALS SUBSIDY 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—

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

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 78, dated 22 August 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 Stewart (Minister for Tourism and Recreation), the Bill was read a third time.

14 STATES GRANTS (HOME CARE) 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 and passed—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Stewart (Minister for Tourism and Recreation), the Bill was read a third time.

15 APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1973–74: The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

In the committee

Second Schedule—

Proposed expenditure—Parliament, \$6,741,000—debated and agreed to.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr Drury reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said committee.

16 ADJOURNMENT: Mr C. R. Cameron (Minister for Labour) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at one minute to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 26 September 1973, pursuant to statute:

Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Health—B. P. Grace.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—

Ordinances—1973—

No. 39—Agents.

No. 40—Trading in Blood (Prohibition).

Regulations—1973—No. 7 (Agents Ordinance).

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Dr Cairns, Mr Crean, Mr Erwin, Dr Forbes, Mr Fox, Mr Garland, Dr Patterson, Mr I. L. Robinson, Mr Staley and Mr Wentworth.

N. J. PARKES,
Clerk of the House of Representatives