

## AUSTRALIA

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

No. 72

MONDAY, 26 NOVEMBER 1973

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

2 **DEATH OF FORMER MEMBER (THE HONOURABLE J. J. DEDMAN):** Mr Whitlam (Prime Minister) referred to the death of the Honourable J. J. Dedman, and moved—That this House expresses its deep regret at the death on 22 November 1973 of the Honourable John Johnstone Dedman, a Member of this House for the Division of Corio from 1940 to 1949 and a Minister of the Crown from 1941 to 1949, places on record its appreciation of his long and meritorious public service and tenders its profound sympathy to his family in their bereavement.

And Mr Lynch (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion, and Mr Anthony (Leader of the Australian Country Party) and other honourable Members having addressed the House in support thereof, and all Members present having risen, in silence—

Question—passed.

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

Dr Patterson (Minister for Northern Development), Dr Everingham (Minister for Health), Mr Bonnett, Mr D. M. Cameron, Mr Cooke, Mr Corbett, Mr Drury, Mr Hurford, Mr Katter, Mr Killen, Mr King, Mr McLeay, Mr McVeigh, Mr E. L. Robinson, Mr Ruddock, Mr Viner and Mr Wilson—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government take no measures to interfere with the existing national health scheme.

Mr L. R. Johnson (Minister for Housing), Mr Morrison (Minister for Science), Mr Bury, Mr FitzPatrick, Mr Luchetti and Mr Turner—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.

Mr FitzPatrick and Mr Riordan—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.

Mr Bury—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House immediately revoke all Australian whaling licences and ban the importation of all whale produce.

Dr Forbes—from certain citizens of Kangaroo Island, South Australia, praying that a local telephone charge rate apply between all points within the Kangaroo Island community.

Petitions received.

4 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.

5 MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILLS: A message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:

22 November 1973—Message No. 99—

- Wine Overseas Marketing 1973.
- Wine Grapes Charges 1973.
- Diesel Fuel Tax (No. 1) 1973.
- Diesel Fuel Tax (No. 2) 1973.
- Excise (No. 2) 1973.
- Excise Tariff (No. 3) 1973.
- Customs Tariff 1973.
- Broadcasting Stations Licence Fees 1973.

6 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE: A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:

22 November 1973—Message No. 171—Student Assistance 1973.

7 INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT BILL (No. 5) 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—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Lynch (Deputy Leader of the Opposition), viz.*—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof: “whilst not declining to give the Bill a second reading, the House is of the opinion that the provisions of the Bill are a contravention of the Government’s electoral undertakings not to increase taxes and that the Bill specifically:

- (a) imposes unwarranted taxes on pensioners;
- (b) eliminates incentives for manufacturing industry inconsistent with the economic requirement to increase productivity and ease the pressure on domestic resources;
- (c) removes or drastically reduces important rural productivity incentives;
- (d) jeopardises the savings and future security of Australians holding life assurance policies;
- (e) places inflexible rules on the sale of property which take no account of reasons unconnected with profit motives such as illness and additional family responsibilities;
- (f) impedes the development of small businesses by increasing the rates of private company tax, and
- (g) places added cost burdens on Australia’s wine and brandy producers especially the smaller producers of wine grapes”—

Debate resumed.

Several Members rising to address the House—

*Closure:* Mr Hansen 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 omitted stand part of the question—being accordingly put—

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

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

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Mr Adermann	Dr Forbes	Mr Lucock	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anthony	Mr Giles	Mr Lynch	Mr Staley
Mr Bouchier	Mr Graham	Mr MacKellar	Mr Street
Mr Bury	Mr Hamer	Mr McMahon	Mr Turner
Mr Chipp	Mr Hewson	Mr McVeigh	Mr Viner
Mr Corbett	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	Mr Wentworth
Mr Drummond	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon	Mr Whittorn
Mr Drury	Mr Jarman	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Wilson
Mr Edwards	Mr Katter	Mr Peacock	
Mr Erwin	Mr Kelly	Mr E. L. Robinson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Fairbairn	Mr King	Mr I. L. Robinson	Mr England
Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock	Mr Fox

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

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*In the committee*

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Mr Crean (Treasurer), by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Clause 4, page 2, lines 8 and 9, omit “paragraphs (k), (kaa), (kab), (ka) and (o)”, substitute “paragraphs (k), (kaa), (kab) and (ka)”.

Clause 6, page 5, omit the clause.

Clause 28, page 19, omit the clause.

Clause 30, page 19, omit the clause.

Clause 32, page 19, omit the clause.

Clause 38, pages 26–28, omit the clause.

Clause 39, page 28, omit the clause.

Debate continued.

Mr Viner rising to address the committee—

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

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

And the question—That the amendments be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

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The House resumed; Mr Scholes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Crean, by leave, the House adopted the report.

Mr Crean moved, by leave—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

8 INCOME TAX 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.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Crean (Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

9 INCOME TAX (NON-RESIDENT DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST) 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.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Crean (Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

10 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY: Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 4 and 5, government business, be postponed until the next sitting.

- 11 HIGH COMMISSIONER (UNITED KINGDOM) ACT REPEAL BILL 1973: The order of the day having been read for the second reading—Mr Whitlam (Minister representing the Minister for Foreign Affairs) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate ensued.  
 Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.  
 Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.  
 On the motion of Mr Whitlam, the Bill was read a third time.
- 12 CUSTOMS BILL 1973: The order of the day having been read for the second reading—Mr Daly (Minister for Services and Property) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate adjourned (Mr Lynch—Deputy Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 13 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY: Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 8 to 16, government business, be postponed until the next sitting.
- 14 STATES GRANTS (ADVANCED EDUCATION) BILL (No. 2) 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. 100, dated 10 October 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 L. F. Bowen (Acting Minister for Education), the Bill was read a third time.
- 15 STATES GRANTS (ADVANCED EDUCATION) BILL (No. 3) 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. 101, dated 27 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 L. F. Bowen (Acting Minister for Education), the Bill was read a third time.
- 16 STATES GRANTS (ADVANCED EDUCATION) 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—  
 Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.  
*Message from the Governor-General:* Message No. 102, dated 22 November 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 L. F. Bowen (Acting Minister for Education), the Bill was read a third time.
- 17 STATES GRANTS (UNIVERSITIES) BILL (No. 3) 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. 103, dated 14 November 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 L. F. Bowen (Acting Minister for Education), the Bill was read a third time.

18 COMMISSION ON ADVANCED EDUCATION 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.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr L. F. Bowen (Acting Minister for Education), the Bill was read a third time.

19 ADJOURNMENT: It being fifteen minutes to eleven o'clock p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until eleven o'clock p.m.—Mr Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at eleven o'clock a.m., or such time thereafter as Mr Speaker may take the Chair.

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PAPER: The following paper was deemed to have been presented on 26 November 1973, pursuant to statute:

Customs Tariff—Order—LDC Preferential Tariff—No. 4 (1973).

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MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Beazley, Mr Bonnett, Mr Cooke, Sir John Cramer, Mr Duthie, Mr Fraser, Mr Garland\*, Dr Klugman\* and Mr Snedden.

\* On leave

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