

## AUSTRALIA

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 73

TUESDAY, 27 NOVEMBER 1973

1 The House met, at 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 Adermann, Mr Birrell, Mr Bonnett, Mr D. M. Cameron, Mr Cooke, Mr Corbett, Mr Drury, Mr Fairbairn, Mr Hansen, Mr Jarman, Mr Katter, Mr Killen, Mr McVeigh, Mr E. L. Robinson and Mr Wilson—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government take no measures to interfere with the existing national health scheme.

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

Mr Jones (Minister for Transport)—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 Enderby (Minister for Secondary Industry)—from certain citizens of Australia praying that a professional librarian be appointed executive head of the National Library of Australia.

Mr Hurford—from certain residents of Australia praying that the House maintain the ban on the export of kangaroo products, encourage the States to have government fauna officers perform any necessary culling of wildlife, establish kangaroo sanctuaries and provide for scientific research into wildlife populations.

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

Powers over Prices and Incomes—Report to the Australian Government by Mr T. C. Winter, dated November 1973.

Third Party Insurance Premiums Advisory Committee—Report on the level of premium rates for the Australian Capital Territory, dated 15 October 1973.

5 COMPANIES (FOREIGN TAKE-OVERS) BILL 1973: Mr Crean (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend section 2 of the *Companies (Foreign Take-overs) Act 1972*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 6 PUBLIC SERVICE BILL (No. 4) 1973: Mr Enderby (Minister for Secondary Industry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Law Relating to the Public Service.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 7 COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYEES' FURLOUGH BILL 1973: Mr Enderby (Minister for Secondary Industry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Commonwealth Employees' Furlough Act 1943–1968*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 8 STATES GRANTS (SCHOOLS) 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.

Ordered—That Mr Fraser 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: “whilst not declining to give the Bill a second reading, the House—

- (1) in recognising the need for substantial additional funds for schools, notes (a) the haste with which the Interim Schools Commission conducted its inquiries, (b) the fact that requirements differ between different States, and (c) that the States are the best judge of their own needs and priorities, and
- (2) is of the opinion that the Government should allow an accountable flexibility between different categories of expenditure on the initiative of the States, who would be accountable to Australia for any such changes, enabling the maximum advantage to education in Australia to be achieved”.

Debate continued.

Amendment negatived.

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

*Message from the Governor-General:* Message No. 104, dated 15 November 1973, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

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*In the committee*

Clauses 1 to 14, by leave, taken together.

On the motion, by leave, of Mr Fraser, the following amendments were made together, after debate:

Clause 3, page 4, line 41, omit “on”, substitute “in accordance with”.

Clause 3, page 5, line 25, omit “on”, substitute “in accordance with”.

Clause 14, page 12, line 21, omit “on”, substitute “in accordance with”.

Clause 14, page 12, line 43, omit “on”, substitute “in accordance with”.

Clauses, as amended, agreed to.

## Clause 15—

Mr Fraser, by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Page 14, after sub-clause (1) insert the following sub-clause:

“(1A) If, not later than 30 November 1974, the school authority of a non-systemic school requests the Minister to allot the school, as from 1 January 1975, to a category other than the category to which it was allotted under sub-section (1), the Minister shall, not later than 31 December 1974, consider the request and shall, if in his opinion it is appropriate so to do having regard to the need for assistance in respect of recurrent expenditure of the school in respect of the year commencing 1 January 1975, allot the school to another category for the purposes of financial assistance payable under paragraph (5) (b).”.

Page 14, omit sub-clause (2), substitute the following sub-clause:

“(2) The Minister may from time to time vary the list referred to in sub-section (1)—

- (a) for the purpose of adding to it schools that come into existence, or the existence of which first becomes known to the Minister, after the list has been prepared;
- (b) for the purpose of correcting clerical errors in the list or making alterations of a formal kind;
- (c) for the purpose of including a school in a category to which the school has been allotted by the Minister under sub-section (1A); or
- (d) for the purpose of giving effect to a decision of the Review Tribunal referred to in sub-section (6).”.

Page 15, at the end of the clause add the following sub-clauses:

“(6) Where the school authority of a non-systemic school is dissatisfied with a decision made by the Minister in relation to the school under sub-section (1) or (1A), the school authority may, in such manner and within such period as are prescribed, request the Review Tribunal established for the purposes of this section in accordance with the regulations to review the decision of the Minister, and the Tribunal shall, after due consideration of the matter, affirm the decision or set aside the decision and make a decision in substitution for the decision so set aside, and the Tribunal may, in considering the matter, disregard any opinion of the Minister in relation to the need for assistance in respect of recurrent expenditure of the school and give its decision based on the opinion of the Tribunal.

“(7) For the purposes of this section, the need for assistance in respect of recurrent expenditure of a non-systemic school shall be ascertained in accordance with such criteria as are prescribed.”.

*Paper:* Mr L. F. Bowen (Acting Minister for Education), during his speech, by leave, presented the following paper:

Interim Committee for the Schools Commission—Categories for recurrent grants for 1974 and 1975 for non-systemic schools, as at 27 November 1973.

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put.

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

AYES, 52

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

## NOES, 56

Mr Armitage	Mr Doyle	Mr Jones	Mr Reynolds
Mr Bennett	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Riordan
Mr Berinson	Dr Everingham	Mr Keogh	Mr Sherry
Mr Birrell	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kerin	Mr Stewart
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Fulton	Mr Lamb	Mr Thorburn
Mr Bryant	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 Hurford	Mr Mathews	Mr Willis
Mr Cohen	Mr Innes	Mr Morris	
Mr Collard	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison	
Mr Crean	Mr James	Mr Mulder	
Mr Cross	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Daly	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Olley	Mr Hansen
Mr Davies	Mr L. R. Johnson	Dr Patterson	Mr Nicholls

And so it was negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 16 to 65, by leave, taken together.

On the motion, by leave, of Mr Fraser, the following amendments were made together, after debate:

Clause 34, page 28, line 23, omit "on", substitute "in accordance with".

Clause 34, page 29, line 3, omit "on", substitute "in accordance with".

Clause 40, page 32, line 13, omit "on", substitute "in accordance with".

Clauses, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 66 debated.

Question—That the clause be agreed to—put.

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

## AYES, 58

Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Olley
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Davies	Mr L. R. Johnson	Dr Patterson
Mr Bennett	Mr Doyle	Mr Jones	Mr Reynolds
Mr Berinson	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Riordan
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 Hurford	Mr Mathews	Mr Willis
Mr Cohen	Mr Innes	Mr Morris	
Mr Collard	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Crean	Mr James	Mr Mulder	Mr Hansen
Mr Cross	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr Nicholls

## NOES, 51

Mr Adermann	Mr Fairbairn	Mr King	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Bonnett	Dr Forbes	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bourchier	Mr Fraser	Mr Lucock	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bury	Mr Giles	Mr Lynch	Mr Staley
Mr Calder	Mr Hallett	Mr MacKellar	Mr Street
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hamer	Mr McLeay	Mr Turner
Mr Chipp	Mr Hewson	Mr McMahon	Mr Viner
Mr Cooke	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wentworth
Mr Corbett	Mr Hunt	Mr Maisey	Mr Whittorn
Mr Drummond	Mr Jarman	Mr Nixon	Mr Wilson
Mr Drury	Mr Katter	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Edwards	Mr Kelly	Mr Peacock	Mr England
Mr Erwin	Mr Killen	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr Fox

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr Scholes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Bowen, by leave, the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

9 SCHOOLS COMMISSION BILL 1973—SENATE'S AMENDMENTS: The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole to consider the amendments made by the Senate.

*In the committee*

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE

No. 1—Page 1, clause 3, after the definition of "Australian Capital Territory", insert the following definition:

"'Australian Education Council' means the Australian Minister for Education and every Minister for Education of the States of Australia meeting together."

No. 2—Page 2, clause 3, at end of clause add the following sub-clause:

"(2) Any reference in a provision of this Act to schools shall, unless the contrary intention appears, be read as a reference both to government schools and to non-government schools."

No. 3—Page 2, clause 4, lines 40-41, leave out paragraph (b) of sub-clause (2), insert the following paragraph:

"(b) fourteen other members selected or appointed as hereinafter provided."

No. 4—Page 3, clause 4, lines 1-3, leave out sub-clause (4), insert the following sub-clause:

"(4) The Chairman and each other full-time member shall be appointed for a term not exceeding five years, and each part-time member shall be appointed for a term not exceeding three years."

No. 5—Page 3, after clause 4, insert the following new clauses:

"4A. The members of the Commission shall be appointed as follows:—

- (a) the Chairman and three other members upon the recommendation of the Minister of whom one shall be a person involved in research in relation to education;
- (b) four other members upon the recommendation of the Australian Education Council of whom one shall be a person involved in special education of handicapped children or children with special learning difficulties;
- (c) three other members of whom one shall be appointed upon the recommendation of the Education Executive of the Episcopal Conference of Australia, one shall be upon the recommendation of the National Council of Independent Schools and one shall be upon the recommendation of the Australian Parents' Council;
- (d) two other members who shall be appointed upon the recommendation of the Australian Teachers' Federation; and
- (e) two other members who shall be appointed upon the recommendation of the Australian Council of State School Organizations."

"4B. A member shall not be responsible to the person, body or organization which recommended the member's appointment."

No. 6—Page 3, clause 5, line 11, at end of sub-clause (2) add:

"of whom at least one shall be a member selected and appointed pursuant to paragraph 4A (c)".

No. 7—Page 6, clause 12, lines 1-12, leave out sub-clauses (5) and (6), insert the following sub-clause:

"(5) At a meeting of the Commission a quorum is constituted by not less than eight members."

No. 8—Page 6, clause 13, lines 26–29, leave out paragraph (a) of sub-clause (1), insert the following paragraph:

“(a) The definition, in consultation and co-operation with the State Departments of Education, the authorities in the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory responsible for primary education or secondary education in either or both of those Territories and with authorities responsible for or connected with non-government schools in Australia, parent and teacher organizations and such other organizations and persons as it may deem appropriate, of desirable standards for buildings, equipment, teaching and other staff and other facilities at government and non-government primary and secondary schools in Australia, and the means and provision necessary for attaining and maintaining those standards;”.

No. 9—Page 6, clause 13, lines 30–32, leave out paragraph (b) of sub-clause (1), insert the following paragraph:

“(b) The needs of primary and secondary school students in respect of buildings, equipment, teaching and other staff and other facilities and teaching aids and the respective priorities to be given to the satisfying of those various needs and to the improvement of the quality of education available for primary and secondary school students in Australia;”.

No. 10—Page 6, clause 13, lines 33–39, leave out paragraph (c) of sub-clause (1), insert the following paragraph:

“(c) Matters in connection with the grant by Australia of financial assistance to the States for and in respect of primary and secondary government and non-government school students, schools and school systems in Australia including the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory and whilst recognising the desirability of maximum flexibility and diversity and the right and responsibility of the State and individual school authorities to determine the specific allocation of such financial assistance, the conditions, if any, upon which financial assistance should be granted and the total amount and total allocation of any financial assistance so granted; and”.

No. 11—Page 7, clause 13, lines 13–16, leave out paragraph (a) of sub-clause (3), insert the following paragraphs:

“(a) Article 26 of the United Nations Charter of Human Rights and in particular the prior right of parents to choose the kind of education that shall be given to their children;

“(aa) the obligation for governments to provide or assist in the provision and maintenance of educational opportunities for all children which are of the highest standard and which recognise the prior right of parents to choose the kind of education that shall be given to their children and where provided and maintained by or on behalf of a government ensure that these opportunities are open without fees or religious tests, to all children;

“(ab) the rights and powers pursuant to the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act of the State Governments in relation to education;

“(ac) the need for research into education standards, quality, variety and opportunities in Australia;

“(ad) the importance of the improvement of the quality of education available to all students attending primary and secondary schools;”.

No. 12—Page 7, clause 13, paragraph (a) of sub-clause (4), line 41, leave out “conducting”, insert “responsible for or connected with”.

No. 13—Page 8, clause 14, at end of clause add the following sub-clauses:

“(4) The Commission shall, as soon as possible, but not later than six months after the expiration of each financial year, prepare and forward to the Minister a report on the operations of the Commission during that year for presentation to both Houses of Parliament.

“(5) A member may add a protest or dissent to any report furnished to the Minister.”.

No. 14—Page 8, clause 16, leave out the clause.

No. 15—Page 9, clause 17, line 3, at end of sub-clause (1) add:

“provided that such request shall be related to the matters referred to in section 13”.

Ordered—That the amendments be considered in the following order:

No. 2 separately, and

Nos. 1 and 3 to 15 together.

On the motion of Mr L. F. Bowen (Acting Minister for Education), amendment No. 2 was agreed to.

Mr Bowen moved—That amendments Nos. 1, and 3 to 15 be disagreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 59

Mr Armitage	Mr Cross	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Daly	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Olley
Mr Barnard	Mr Davies	Mr L. R. Johnson	Dr Patterson
Mr Bennett	Mr Doyle	Mr Jones	Mr Reynolds
Mr Berinson	Mr Enderby	Mr Keating	Mr Riordan
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
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Garrick	Mr Luchetti	Mr Uren
Dr Cass	Mr Grassby	Mr McKenzie	Mr Wallis
Mr Coates	Dr Gun	Mr Martin	Mr Whan
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 Crean	Mr James	Mr Mulder	Mr Nicholls

NOES, 52

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

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Resolutions to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Scholes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Bowen, the House adopted the report.

Mr Bowen moved—That Mr Daly (Minister for Services and Property), Mr Mathews, and the mover be appointed a committee to draw up reasons for the House of Representatives disagreeing to amendments Nos. 1, and 3 to 15 of the Senate.

Question—put and passed.

Mr Bowen, on behalf of the committee, brought up such reasons, which were circulated, and are as follows:

*Reasons of the House of Representatives for disagreeing to Amendments Nos. 1, and 3 to 15 of the Senate*

The amendments adopted by the Senate on the motion of the Opposition Parties are unacceptable. If they were accepted and become part of the legislation, their overall effect would be to embed conflicting interests and to institutionalise the inequalities which exist in Australian education and which it is this Government's intention to remove.

The amendments limit the flexibility of the Minister of the day in the choice of people best able to contribute to the Commission's activities. The majority of members of the Commission would be in effect delegates of particular organisations or institutions and thereby inhibited in their capacity to make decisions.

The Australian Education Council was not consulted before its suggested role was incorporated into the relevant amendments moved by the Opposition Parties in the Senate. A majority of the members of that Council do not wish it to make nominations to the Commission.

The amendments to the composition of the Commission constitute a complete departure from the proven model of the Australian Universities Commission which the Government undertook to follow in the case of schools.

The amendments reduce the emphasis on determination of assistance by relative need. They eliminate the requirements for the Commission, in the exercise of its functions, to have regard to the primary obligation of governments towards government school systems that are of the highest standard and are open without fees or religious tests to all children.

By eliminating the State and Territory Schools Commission Advisory Boards, the concept of consultation and co-operation between the Commission and interested groups throughout Australia on a continuing basis will be destroyed.

The overall effect of the amendments is to prevent the Schools Commission from being the national expert body to which the majority of Australian people are looking to improve the quality of education for all Australian children.

Mr Bowen moved—That the committee's reasons be adopted.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 60

Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Ashley-Brown	Mr Davies	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Barnard	Mr Doyle	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Bennett	Mr Enderby	Mr Keogh	Mr Sherry
Mr Berinson	Dr Everingham	Mr Kerin	Mr Stewart
Mr Birrell	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Thorburn
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Fulton	Mr Luchetti	Mr Uren
Mr Bryant	Mr Garrick	Mr McKenzie	Mr Wallis
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Grassby	Mr Martin	Mr Whan
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Mr Connor	Mr James	Mr Oldmeadow	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Crean	Dr Jenkins	Mr Olley	Mr Hansen
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NOES, 52

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

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

10 STATES GRANTS (ABORIGINAL ADVANCEMENT) 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.

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

Debate continued.

Mr Calder addressing the House—

11 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 half-past eleven o'clock a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 27 November 1973, pursuant to statute:

Commonwealth Banks Act—Appointment certificate—J. R. Milledge.

Public Service Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1973, Nos. 222, 223.

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

\* On leave

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