

AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 74

WEDNESDAY, 28 NOVEMBER 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 Adermann, Mr Berinson, Mr Bonnett, Mr D. M. Cameron, Mr Cooke, Mr Corbett, Mr Drury, Mr Jarman, Mr Katter, Mr Killen, Mr McVeigh, Mr E. L. Robinson, Mr Viner, Mr Wallis and Mr Wilson—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government take no measures to interfere with the existing national health scheme.
- Mr Edwards, Mr Keating, Mr Ruddock and Mr Wentworth—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 Jarman and Mr Staley—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.
- 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 Staley—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House immediately revoke all Australian whaling licences and ban the importation of all whale produce.
- Petitions received.
- 3 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.
- 4 **HANSARD EXTRACTS—COPIES OF SPEECHES—STATEMENT BY MR SPEAKER:** Mr Speaker made a statement with reference to the increased number of *Hansard* extracts of a Member's speech in the House now available to the Member.
- 5 **PAPERS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:** The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute:
- Australian Capital Territory Electricity Supply Act—Australian Capital Territory Electricity Authority—Tenth Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1972-73.
- Australian Industry Development Corporation Act—Australian Industry Development Corporation—Third Annual Report and financial statements, together with the auditor's report, for year 1972-73.
- Dr Cairns (Minister for Overseas Trade), by leave, made a ministerial statement in connection with the report of the Australian Industry Development Corporation.
- Mr Lynch (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) and Mr Hunt, by leave, also made statements in connection with the report.

Dr Cairns and Mr Lynch, by leave, made further statements in connection with the report.

Dr Cairns asked leave to make a further statement in connection with the report. Objection being raised, leave not granted.

- 6 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:
- 27 November 1973—Message No. 105—
- States Grants 1973.
 - States Grants (Capital Assistance) 1973.
 - Social Welfare Commission 1973.
 - States Grants (Housing Assistance) (No. 2) 1973.
 - Wheat Tax 1973.
 - Mental Health and Related Services Assistance 1973.
 - Student Assistance 1973.
- 7 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENT BY MEMBER: Mr Jarman (Vice-Chairman) brought up the following report from the Joint Committee of Public Accounts:
- One hundred and forty-seventh Report—Expenditure from the Advance to the Treasurer (Appropriation Acts 1972–73).
- Ordered to be printed.
- Mr Jarman, by leave, made a statement in connection with the report.
- 8 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—CRUDE OIL RESERVES: Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr Fairbairn had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The inaccurate statement of the Minister for Minerals and Energy that Australia has no more than eight years known recoverable reserves of crude oil, and the unsatisfactory way in which he seeks to increase those reserves”.
- The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—
- Mr Fairbairn addressed the House.
- Discussion ensued.
- Discussion concluded.
- 9 CANNING—FRUIT CHARGE BILL 1973: Mr Crean (Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Canning–Fruit Charge Act 1959–1966*.
- Bill read a first time.
- Mr Crean moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
- Debate adjourned (Mr Bonnett), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 10 AUSTRALIAN APPLE AND PEAR CORPORATION BILL 1973: Dr Patterson (Minister representing the Minister for Primary Industry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to Establish an Australian Apple and Pear Corporation.
- Bill read a first time.
- Dr Patterson moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
- Debate adjourned (Mr Bonnett), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 11 APPLE AND PEAR STABILIZATION BILL 1973: Dr Patterson (Minister representing the Minister for Primary Industry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Apple and Pear Stabilization Act 1971–1972* in relation to the Australian Apple and Pear Board and the Australian Apple and Pear Corporation.
- Bill read a first time.
- Dr Patterson moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
- Debate adjourned (Mr Bonnett), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 12 APPLE AND PEAR EXPORT CHARGES BILL 1973: Dr Patterson (Minister representing the Minister for Primary Industry) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Apple and Pear Export Charges Act 1938–1968* in relation to the Australian Apple and Pear Board and the Australian Apple and Pear Corporation.
 Bill read a first time.
 Dr Patterson moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate adjourned (Mr Bonnett), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 13 APPLE AND PEAR STABILIZATION EXPORT DUTY COLLECTION BILL 1973: Dr Patterson (Minister representing the Minister for Primary Industry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Apple and Pear Stabilization Export Duty Collection Act 1971* in relation to the Australian Apple and Pear Board and the Australian Apple and Pear Corporation.
 Bill read a first time.
 Dr Patterson moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate adjourned (Mr Bonnett), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 14 STATES GRANTS (FRUIT-GROWING RECONSTRUCTION) BILL 1973: Dr Patterson (Minister representing the Minister for Primary Industry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to an Agreement between Australia and the States with respect to the Provision of further Assistance to Persons engaged in Fruit-growing.
 Bill read a first time.
 Dr Patterson moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate adjourned (Mr Bonnett), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 15 HOSPITALS AND HEALTH SERVICES COMMISSION BILL 1973: Dr Everingham (Minister for Health), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to make Provision for and in relation to the Establishment of a Hospitals and Health Services Commission.
 Bill read a first time.
 Dr Everingham moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate adjourned (Mr Bonnett), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 16 MODERNISATION OF H.M.A. NAVAL DOCKYARD (STAGE 1), WILLIAMSTOWN, VIC.—
 APPROVAL OF WORK: Mr L. R. Johnson (Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1973*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to Parliament: Modernisation of H.M.A. Naval Dockyard (stage 1), Williamstown, Vic.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and passed.
- 17 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.
 Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.
Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 106, 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 Bryant (Minister representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs), the Bill was read a third time.

- 18 AIRLINES AGREEMENTS 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 by Mr Nixon who 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 is of the opinion that the general aviation industry, which is so important in national development, should have a clear and precise understanding of future Government charges”.

Debate continued.

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

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

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

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Jones (Minister for Civil Aviation), the Bill was read a third time.

- 19 AIR NAVIGATION (CHARGES) 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 Jones (Minister for Civil Aviation), the Bill was read a third time.

- 20 STATES GRANTS (RURAL RECONSTRUCTION) 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 Dr Patterson (Minister representing the Minister for Primary Industry), the Bill was read a third time.

- 21 HONEY EXPORT CHARGE 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 Dr Patterson (Minister representing the Minister for Primary Industry), the Bill was read a third time.
- 22 HONEY EXPORT CHARGE COLLECTION 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 Dr Patterson (Minister representing the Minister for Primary Industry), the Bill was read a third time.
- 23 HONEY INDUSTRY 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. 107, 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 Dr Patterson (Minister representing the Minister for Primary Industry), the Bill was read a third time.
- 24 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—SEAS AND SUBMERGED LANDS BILL 1973 [No. 2]: The following message from the Senate was reported:
MR SPEAKER, Message No. 172
The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act relating to Sovereignty in respect of certain Waters of the Sea and in respect of the Airspace over, and the Sea-bed and Subsoil beneath, those Waters and to Sovereign Rights in respect of the Continental Shelf and relating also to the Recovery of Minerals, other than Petroleum, from the Sea-bed and Subsoil beneath those Waters and from the Continental Shelf*”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the Amendment indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which Amendment the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.
The Senate, MAGNUS CORMACK,
Canberra, 27 November 1973 President
Ordered—That the amendment be taken into consideration, in committee of the whole House, forthwith.

In the committee

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT MADE BY THE SENATE

Pages 4 to 54, Part III, leave out the Part.

On the motion of Mr Connor (Minister for Minerals and Energy), the amendment was agreed to, after debate.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Dr Jenkins reported accordingly.

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

- 25 LANDS ACQUISITION 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.
Mr Nixon addressing the House—

26 ADJOURNMENT: It being fifteen minutes past ten 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 ten o'clock a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 28 November 1973, pursuant to statute:

Papua New Guinea Act—Ordinances—1973—

- No. 79—Firearms Regulation (Amendment).
- No. 80—Transfer of Powers (Implementation).
- No. 81—Public Service (Interim Arrangements).
- No. 82—Public Services Conciliation and Arbitration (Transfer of Powers).
- No. 83—Teaching Service Conciliation and Arbitration (Transfer of Powers).
- No. 84—Australian Staffing Assistance Group.
- No. 85—Teaching Service (ASAG).
- No. 86—Police Force (Interim Arrangements).
- No. 87—Civil Aviation (Interim Arrangements).
- No. 88—Superannuation (1970 Triennial Investigation).
- No. 89—Superannuation (Preservation of Benefits).
- No. 90—Public Officers Superannuation (Married Women).
- No. 91—Land (Land Board).
- No. 92—Development Bank (Name and Functions).

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

* On leave

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