

AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 10

TUESDAY, 30 JULY 1974

- 1 The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable J. F. Cope) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—JOINT SITTING: The following message from His Excellency the Governor-General was read by Mr Speaker:

MESSAGE

His Excellency the Honourable Sir John Robert Kerr,
the Governor-General of Australia

To—

The Honourable James Francis Cope,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

I have, by my Proclamation a copy of which is attached, convened a joint sitting of the members of the Senate and of the House of Representatives for the purposes, and to commence at the time and in the place, specified in the said Proclamation: And I desire you forthwith to inform all Honourable Members accordingly.

Dated 30 July 1974

JOHN R. KERR,
Governor-General

The said Proclamation was thereupon read by Mr Speaker, and is as follows:

PROCLAMATION

Australia
JOHN R. KERR
Governor-General

By His Excellency the
Governor-General of
Australia

WHEREAS a Proclamation made on 11 April 1974 by the Governor-General of Australia then holding office recited that the conditions upon which the Governor-General is empowered by section 57 of the Constitution to dissolve the Senate and the House of Representatives simultaneously had been fulfilled in respect of the several proposed laws intitled:

Commonwealth Electoral Act (No. 2) 1973
Senate (Representation of Territories) Act 1973
Representation Act 1973
Health Insurance Commission Act 1973
Health Insurance Act 1973
Petroleum and Minerals Authority Act 1973:

AND WHEREAS, by the said Proclamation, the said Governor-General dissolved the Senate and the House of Representatives accordingly:

AND WHEREAS, since that dissolution and the election of the Twenty-ninth Parliament, the conditions upon which the Governor-General is empowered by section 57 of the Constitution to convene a joint sitting of the members of the Senate and of the House of Representatives have been fulfilled in respect of each of the said proposed laws:

NOW THEREFORE I, Sir John Robert Kerr, the Governor-General of Australia, do by this my Proclamation convene a joint sitting of the members of the Senate and of the House of Representatives, to commence in the House of Representatives Chamber at Parliament House, Canberra at 10.30 o'clock in the morning on 6 August 1974, at which they may deliberate and shall vote together upon each of the said proposed laws as last proposed by the House of Representatives:

AND all members of the Senate and of the House of Representatives are required to give their attendance accordingly.

(L.S.)

Given under my hand and the
Great Seal of Australia on
30 July 1974.

By His Excellency's Command,
E. G. WHITLAM
Prime Minister

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

Mr Beazley (Minister for Education) and Mr Garland—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government ensure that the publication and availability of pornographic literature and films are restricted and that people are made aware of the dangers to the community of such material.

Mr Bennett and Mr Garland—from certain citizens of Australia praying that Parliament (1) take any steps necessary either to direct the Commonwealth Banking Corporation to preserve and restore the Palace Hotel, St George's Terrace, Perth, or itself to acquire, preserve and restore the hotel on its present site and (2) make available any funds necessary to purchase the entire contents of the hotel from the owners.

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

Mr Calder and Dr Jenkins—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government (1) grant a cash loading to pensioners, (2) increase within a reasonable period the weekly pension to 25 per cent of average weekly earnings, (3) freeze the tapered means test ceilings of income and assets and (4) give an assurance that the proposed national superannuation Bill will provide pensioners with a guaranteed minimum income of 30 per cent of quarterly adjusted average weekly earnings.

Mr Bryant (Minister for the Capital Territory)—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House urge the Prime Minister to make known publicly to the Indonesian authorities when he visits Indonesia the concern of Australians about the plight of Indonesian political prisoners.

Mr Hurford—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government take immediate steps to implement a pension scheme for males bringing up and supporting their children and to make tax deductible the total wage of a house-keeper employed by any parent working full time.

Mr Jarman—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government immediately increase, as an interim measure, current grants made to children in non-government schools to at least 50 per cent of the cost of educating children in government schools.

Mr Jarman—from certain electors of Victoria praying that War Service Homes rights be granted immediately to all wartime ex-servicewomen.

Mr McLeay—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government set aside sufficient funds for research into the production of industrial solar energy.

Mr McLeay—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government legislate to protect the whale from commercial exploitation.

Petitions received.

4 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.

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

Industries Assistance Commission—Report—Building materials, etc., dated 27 March 1974.

Liquefied petroleum gas as a motor vehicle fuel—Report by the Bureau of Transport Economics, Department of Transport, dated April 1974.

Prices Justification Tribunal—Report, dated 23 July 1974, relating to increases in the wholesale price of butter and cheese proposed by The Southern Queensland Dairy Company Limited and others.

The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute:

River Murray Waters Act—River Murray Commission—Report for year 1972–73.

Wheat Research Act—Sixteenth Annual Report, for 1973.

6 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—DEPARTMENT OF IMMIGRATION—DISMEMBERMENT: Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr MacKellar had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The confusion and uncertainty created by the Prime Minister’s actions in dismembering the Department of Immigration”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr MacKellar addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Mr C. R. Cameron (Minister for Labor and Immigration) addressing the House—

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

Question—put.

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

AYES, 61

Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Mr L. K. Johnson	Dr Patterson
Mr Beazley	Mr Davies	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Bennett	Mr Dawkins	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Berinson	Mr Duthie	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Bowen	Mr Enderby	Mr Keogh	Mr Stewart
Mr Bryant	Dr Everingham	Mr Kerin	Mr Thorburn
Dr J. F. Cairns	Mr FitzPatrick	Dr Klugman	Mr Uren
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Fry	Mr Lamb	Mr Wallis
Dr Cass	Mr Fulton	Mr Luchetti	Mr Whan
Mrs Child	Mr Garrick	Mr McKenzie	Mr Willis
Mr Clayton	Dr Gun	Mr Martin	Mr Young
Mr Coates	Mr Hayden	Mr Mathews	
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris	
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morrison	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Crean	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mulder	Mr James
Mr Cross	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr Nicholls

NOES, 51

Mr Adermann	Mr Erwin	Mr Katter	Mr Nixon
Mr Anthony	Mr Fisher	Mr Kelly	Mr O’Keefe
Mr Bonnett	Dr Forbes	Mr Killen	Mr Peacock
Mr Bourchier	Mr Fraser	Mr King	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bungey	Mr Garland	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sinclair
Mr Cadman	Mr Giles	Mr Lusher	Mr Staley
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr Lynch	Mr Sullivan
Mr Chipp	Mr Hewson	Mr MacKellar	Mr Viner
Mr Connolly	Mr Hodges	Mr McLeay	Mr Wentworth
Mr Drummond	Mr Howard	Mr McMahon	Mr Wilson
Mr Drury	Mr Hunt	Mr McVeigh	<i>Tellers:</i>
Dr Edwards	Mr Hyde	Mr Macphee	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Ellicott	Mr Jarman	Mr Millar	Mr England

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

- 7 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—AREA SCHOOL, YIRRKALA, N.T.: Mr L. R. Johnson (Minister for Housing and Construction) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1973*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report: Construction of area school, Yirrkala, N.T.

Mr Johnson presented plans in connection with the proposed work.

Question—put and passed.

- 8 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—HOSPITAL, TENNANT CREEK, N.T.: Mr L. R. Johnson (Minister for Housing and Construction) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1973*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report: Re-development of the Tennant Creek Hospital, N.T.

Mr Johnson presented plans in connection with the proposed work.

Question—put and passed.

- 9 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—AUSTRALIAN RADIATION LABORATORY, YALLAMBIE, VIC.: Mr L. R. Johnson (Minister for Housing and Construction) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1973*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report: Construction of proposed premises for the Australian Radiation Laboratory, Yallambie, Vic.

Mr Johnson presented plans in connection with the proposed work.

Debate ensued.

Mr Wentworth, who had already spoken, asked leave to address the House again.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

Question—put and passed.

- 10 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—AUSTRALIAN POST OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE, PERTH: Mr L. R. Johnson (Minister for Housing and Construction) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1973*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report: Construction of proposed Australian Post Office Administrative Centre, Perth.

Mr Johnson presented plans in connection with the proposed work.

Debate ensued.

Mr Wentworth addressing the House—

Closure: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) moved—That the question be now put.

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

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

- 11 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—CENTRAL HEALTH LABORATORY, WODEN, A.C.T.: Mr L. R. Johnson (Minister for Housing and Construction) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1973*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report: Construction of central health laboratory, Woden, A.C.T.

Mr Johnson presented plans in connection with the proposed work.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

12 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—TELEPHONE EXCHANGE, HAYMARKET, N.S.W.: Mr L. R. Johnson (Minister for Housing and Construction) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969–1973*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report: Construction of new telephone exchange, Haymarket, N.S.W.

Mr Johnson presented plans in connection with the proposed work.
Question—put and passed.

13 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:

29 July 1974—Message No. 7—

Extradition (Foreign States) 1974.

International Monetary Agreements 1974.

14 NORTHERN TERRITORY (ADMINISTRATION) BILL 1974: 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.

Member named: The Deputy Speaker (Mr Martin) named the honourable Member for the Northern Territory (Mr Calder) for reflecting on the Chair.

Dr Patterson (Minister for the Northern Territory) having addressed the Chair, and Mr Calder having withdrawn the remark, the matter was not proceeded with.

Debate continued.

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Dr Patterson, the Bill was read a third time.

15 PAPER: The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:

Social Welfare Commission Act—Social Welfare Commission—Report—Project Care: Children, Parents and Community.

16 PRICES JUSTIFICATION BILL 1974: 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.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

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In the committee

Clauses 1 to 5, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 6 omitted, after debate.

Clauses 7 to 11, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 12—

On the motion of Mr Bowen (Special Minister of State), the following amendment was made, after debate: Page 10, at the end of proposed section 18A add the following sub-sections:

“(3) When the company receives a copy of the report by the Tribunal in relation to the price at which the company supplies or proposes to supply goods or services of a particular description in a particular locality—

(a) the company shall, within 14 days after the report is so received, give notice in writing to the Tribunal specifying the price at which the company is supplying or proposes to supply goods or services of that description in that locality; and

(b) the Tribunal shall make particulars of the price available to the public within 14 days after it receives the notice under paragraph (a).

“(4) A company that contravenes paragraph (3) (a) is guilty of an offence and is punishable, on conviction, by a fine not exceeding \$1,000.”.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

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.

17 PAPER: The following paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Early Childhood Services—Report of the Priorities Review Staff, dated 25 July 1974.

18 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY: Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 3 and 4, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

19 INFLATIONARY SITUATION—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER:

The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Daly (Leader of the House)—That the House take note of the paper (*presented on 23 July*), viz.:

Inflationary situation—Ministerial statement, 23 July 1974—

Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for speech: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) moved, by leave—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Snedden (Leader of the Opposition) speaking for a period not exceeding 45 minutes.

Question—put and passed.

Paper: Mr Snedden, during his speech, by leave, presented the following paper:

Liberal and Country Party Economic Policy—Economic Review and Assessment mid-1974.

Mr Snedden moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “the Government should be indicted for its incompetence in economic policy and the control of inflation and its broken promises as exposed by the Treasurer’s statement, the public disagreements between Ministers, the irresponsible and misleading pre-election commitments, and the total failure of its economic management in the past 20 months, demonstrated by price increases at 14.4 per cent in the past 12 months and the other grave difficulties currently facing the national economy”.

Mr Nicholls moved—That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 63

Mr Armitage	Mr Cross	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Beazley	Mr Daly	Mr L. K. Johnson	Dr Patterson
Mr Bennett	Mr Davies	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Berinson	Mr Dawkins	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Bowen	Mr Duthie	Mr Keating	Mr Scholes
Mr Bryant	Mr Enderby	Mr Keogh	Mr Sherry
Dr J. F. Cairns	Dr Everingham	Mr Kerin	Mr Stewart
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr FitzPatrick	Dr Klugman	Mr Thorburn
Dr Cass	Mr Fry	Mr Lamb	Mr Uren
Mrs Child	Mr Fulton	Mr Luchetti	Mr Wallis
Mr Clayton	Mr Garrick	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan
Mr Coates	Dr Gun	Mr Martin	Mr Willis
Mr Cohen	Mr Hayden	Mr Mathews	Mr Young
Mr Collard	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connor	Mr Innes	Mr Morrison	Mr James
Mr Crean	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mulder	Mr Nicholls

NOES, 59

Mr Adermann	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Katter	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Anthony	Mr Fisher	Mr Kelly	Mr Peacock
Mr Bonnett	Dr Forbes	Mr Killen	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bouchier	Mr Fraser	Mr King	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Bungey	Mr Garland	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr Cadman	Mr Giles	Mr Lucock	Mr Sinclair
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Gorton	Mr Lusher	Mr Staley
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr Lynch	Mr Street
Mr Chipp	Mr Hewson	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sullivan
Mr Connolly	Mr Hodges	Mr McLeay	Mr Viner
Mr Drummond	Mr Holten	Mr McMahan	Mr Wentworth
Mr Drury	Mr Howard	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wilson
Dr Edwards	Mr Hunt	Mr Macphee	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Ellicott	Mr Hyde	Mr Millar	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Erwin	Mr Jarman	Mr Nixon	Mr England

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an order of the day for the next sitting.

20 STATES GRANTS (URBAN PUBLIC TRANSPORT) BILL 1974: 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 Wentworth rising to address the House—

Closure: Mr Nicholls 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, 58

Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Mr L. R. Johnson	Dr Patterson
Mr Beazley	Mr Davies	Mr Jones	Mr Reynolds
Mr Bennett	Mr Dawkins	Mr Keating	Mr Riordan
Mr Berinson	Mr Duthie	Mr Keogh	Mr Scholes
Mr Bowen	Mr Enderby	Mr Kerin	Mr Sherry
Mr Bryant	Dr Everingham	Dr Klugman	Mr Stewart
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Thorburn
Mrs Child	Mr Fulton	Mr Luchetti	Mr Uren
Mr Clayton	Mr Garrick	Mr McKenzie	Mr Whan
Mr Coates	Dr Gun	Mr Martin	Mr Willis
Mr Cohen	Mr Hayden	Mr Mathews	Mr Young
Mr Collard	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connor	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison	Mr James
Mr Crean	Dr Jenkins	Mr Mulder	Mr Nicholls
Mr Cross	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Oldmeadow	

NOES, 51

Mr Adermann	Dr Forbes	Mr Killen	Mr Peacock
Mr Anthony	Mr Fraser	Mr King	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bungey	Mr Garland	Mr Lloyd	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Cadman	Mr Giles	Mr Lucock	Mr Ruddock
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Gorton	Mr Lusher	Mr Sinclair
Mr Calder	Mr Hewson	Mr Lynch	Mr Staley
Mr Connolly	Mr Holten	Mr MacKellar	Mr Street
Mr Drummond	Mr Howard	Mr McLeay	Mr Sullivan
Mr Drury	Mr Hunt	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wentworth
Dr Edwards	Mr Hyde	Mr Macphee	Mr Wilson
Mr Ellicott	Mr Jarman	Mr Millar	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Fairbairn	Mr Katter	Mr Nixon	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Fisher	Mr Kelly	Mr O'Keefe	Mr England

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—was put accordingly, and passed—Bill read a second time.

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 8, dated 15 July 1974, 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.

In the committee

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and debated.

Mr Giles rising to address the committee—

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 60

Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Beazley	Mr Davies	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Bennett	Mr Dawkins	Mr Keating	Mr Sherry
Mr Berinson	Mr Duthie	Mr Keogh	Mr Stewart
Mr Bowen	Mr Enderby	Mr Kerin	Mr Thorburn
Mr Bryant	Dr Everingham	Dr Klugman	Mr Uren
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Lamb	Mr Wallis
Mrs Child	Mr Fry	Mr Luchetti	Mr Whan
Mr Clayton	Mr Fulton	Mr McKenzie	Mr Willis
Mr Coates	Mr Garrick	Mr Martin	Mr Young
Mr Cohen	Dr Gun	Mr Mathews	
Mr Collard	Mr Hayden	Mr Morris	
Mr Connor	Mr Hurford	Mr Morrison	
Mr Cope	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mulder	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Crean	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow	Mr James
Mr Cross	Mr L. K. Johnson	Dr Patterson	Mr Nicholls

NOES, 55

Mr Adermann	Mr Fisher	Mr Kelly	Mr Peacock
Mr Anthony	Dr Forbes	Mr Killen	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fraser	Mr King	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Bouchier	Mr Garland	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bungey	Mr Giles	Mr Lucock	Mr Sinclair
Mr Cadman	Mr Gorton	Mr Lusher	Mr Staley
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Hewson	Mr Lynch	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Hodges	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sullivan
Mr Connolly	Mr Holten	Mr McLeay	Mr Viner
Mr Drummond	Mr Howard	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wentworth
Mr Drury	Mr Hunt	Mr Macphee	Mr Wilson
Dr Edwards	Mr Hyde	Mr Millar	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Ellicott	Mr Jarman	Mr Nixon	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Fairbairn	Mr Katter	Mr O'Keefe	Mr England

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Scholes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Jones (Minister for Transport), the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

- 21 URBAN PUBLIC TRANSPORT (RESEARCH AND PLANNING) BILL 1974: 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—

Mr Wentworth addressing the House—

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 Bill be now read a second time—was put accordingly, and passed—Bill read a second time.

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 9, dated 15 July 1974, 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 Jones (Minister for Transport), the Bill was read a third time.

- (14) Agreement between Australia and Japan for the Protection of Migratory Birds and Birds in Danger of Extinction and their Environment, signed at Tokyo on 6 February 1974.
- (15) Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat, drawn up at Ramsar on 2 February 1971 and signed for Australia without reservation as to ratification on 8 May 1974.
- (16) Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties drawn up at Vienna on 23 May 1969—Instrument of Accession deposited for Australia on 13 June 1974.

Pursuant to statute:

Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of the Media—N. F. Pushack.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Corbett.

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

22 MARGINAL DAIRY FARMS AGREEMENTS BILL 1974: 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.

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

23 ADJOURNMENT: Dr Patterson (Minister for Northern Development) moved—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 twelve o'clock noon.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 30 July 1974:

By command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Treaties—Text of—

- (1) Exchange of Notes constituting an Agreement between Australia and the United States of America concerning the disposal of United States Government excess property in Australia, signed at Canberra on 9 November 1973.
- (2) Exchange of Notes between Australia and the Netherlands amending the Agreement for the Establishment of Air Services of 25 September 1951, signed at Canberra on 5 October 1972 and 24 October 1973.
- (3) Agreement between Australia and Canada concerning the Future Operation of the Trade Agreement of 12 February 1960, signed at Ottawa and Canberra on 24 and 25 October 1973.
- (4) Agreement concerning the Voluntary Contributions to be given for the Execution of the Project to Preserve Borobudur, drawn up at Paris on 29 January 1973 and signed for Australia on 6 April 1973.
- (5) Agreement between Australia and Sweden on the Exchange of Senior Labour Market Officers, signed at Stockholm on 6 June 1973.
- (6) Trade Agreement between Australia and the German Democratic Republic, signed at Berlin on 28 February 1974.
- (7) Exchange of Notes between Australia and Canada constituting an Agreement amending the Agreement for Air Services of 11 June 1946 and cancelling the Exchange of Notes of 16 March 1951, signed at Canberra on 15 March 1974.
- (8) Arrangement regarding International Trade in Textiles, drawn up at Geneva on 20 December 1973 and signed for Australia on 9 April 1974.
- (9) Exchange of Notes further amending the Foreign Exchange Operations Fund Agreement for Laos of 24 December 1963, signed at Vientiane on 30 April 1974.
- (10) Statute of The Hague Conference on Private International Law, drawn up at The Hague on 31 October 1951—Instrument of Acceptance deposited for Australia on 1 November 1973.
- (11) International Sugar Agreement 1973, drawn up at Geneva on 13 October 1973 and signed for Australia on 19 December 1973—Instrument of Ratification deposited for Australia on 19 December 1973.
- (12) Convention for the Protection of Producers of Phonograms against Unauthorised Duplication of their Phonograms, drawn up at Geneva on 29 October 1971—Instrument of Accession deposited for Australia on 12 March 1974.
- (13) Agreement between Australia (acting on its own behalf and on behalf of Papua New Guinea) and Indonesia concerning Administrative Border Arrangements as to the Border between Papua New Guinea and Indonesia, signed at Port Moresby on 13 November 1973.