AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 67

TUESDAY, 22 APRIL 1975

- 1 The House met, at fifteen minutes past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable G. G. D. Scholes) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 Petitions: The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
 - Dr Everingham (Minister for Health), Mr Bryant (Minister for the Capital Territory), Mr Fraser (Leader of the Opposition), Mr Adermann, Mr Bourchier, Mrs Child, Mr Drury, Mr Erwin, Mr Fulton, Mr Garrick, Mr Hurford, Mr Jarman, Mr McKenzie and Mr Mathews—from certain citizens of Australia praying that (1) the Metric Conversion Act be repealed and (2) the Government take urgent steps to cause the traditional and familiar units to be restored in those areas where the greatest inconveniences and distress are occurring.
 - Mr Hodges, Mr Jarman and Mr Viner—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House oppose the Family Law Bill.
 - Mr Drury—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House amend the Family Law Bill.
 - Mr Drury—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government reduce the cost of the subscription to *Hansard*.
 - Mr McKenzie—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 MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS: Mr Whitlam (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the respective absences abroad of Dr J. F. Cairns (Treasurer) and Senator Willesee (Minister for Foreign Affairs), Mr Stewart (Minister for Tourism and Recreation) was acting as Treasurer and he was acting as Minister for Foreign Affairs.
 - Mr Whitlam stated that, during his own forthcoming absence abroad, Mr Connor (Minister for Minerals and Energy) would act as Prime Minister until the return of Dr Cairns, who would then act as Prime Minister until his return, and that Mr Morrison (Minister for Science) would act as Minister for Foreign Affairs until Senator Willesee's return.
 - Mr Whitlam also stated that Mr Bowen (Special Minister of State) would accompany him abroad and, during Mr Bowen's absence, Senator Wheeldon (Minister for Repatriation and Compensation) would act as Special Minister of State.
- 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—Second-hand railway locomotives, dated 20 February 1975.

Temporary Assistance Authority—Report—Consumer electronic equipment and components, dated 17 March 1975.

Hospitals and Health Services Commission—Report—Integration of health services and health education facilities in the Illawarra region, dated March 1975. Moreton region employment base study—Report to the Cities Commission by P.A. Management Consultants Pty Ltd, dated March 1975.

The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute:

Remuneration Tribunals Act—Remuneration Tribunal—Determinations relating to—

Australian Development Assistance Agency and Development Assistance Advisory Board, dated 28 February 1975.

Darwin Reconstruction Commission, dated 28 February 1975.

- 6 PECUNIARY INTERESTS OF MEMBERS OF THE PARLIAMENT—JOINT COMMITTEE: Mr Speaker informed the House that the Leader of the Australian Country Party in the Senate had nominated Senator Sheil to be a member of the Joint Committee on the Pecuniary Interests of Members of the Parliament in place of Senator Webster, resigned.
- 7 Australian Capital Territory—Joint Committee—Report—Statements by Members: Mr Fry brought up the following report from the Joint Committee on the Australian Capital Territory:

Report on the fifty-eighth series of proposed variations of the plan of lay-out of the City of Canberra and its environs.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr Fry and Mr Howard, by leave, made statements with reference to the report.

8 Social Services Bill 1975: Mr Hayden (Minister for Social Security), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act relating to Social Services.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

9 REPATRIATION ACTS AMENDMENT BILL 1975: Mr Bowen (Minister representing the Minister for Repatriation and Compensation), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act relating to Repatriation and related Matters.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

10 Messages from the Governor-General—Assent to Bills: Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:

18 April 1975-Message-

No. 141-

Sales Tax (Nos. 1 to 9) 1975.

Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) 1975.

No. 142-

Australian Housing Corporation 1975. Australian National Railways 1975.

21 April 1975-Message No. 143-Australian War Memorial 1975.

11 Grants Commission Bill 1975: 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.

In the committee

Clauses 1 and 2, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 3—

Mr E. L. Robinson moved the following amendment: Page 2, line 4, omit "designation,". Debate continued.

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 4 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Berinson reported accordingly.

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

12 Pig Slaughter Levy Bill 1975: 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 Agriculture), the Bill was read a third time.

13 PIG SLAUGHTER LEVY COLLECTION BILL 1975: 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 Agriculture), the Bill was read a third time.

14 PIG INDUSTRY RESEARCH BILL 1975: 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. 144, dated 10 April 1975, 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 Agriculture), the Bill was read a third time.

15 PIG MEAT PROMOTION BILL 1975: 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. 145, dated 10 April 1975, 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.

Dr Patterson (Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture) moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

16 CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL 1975: 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 L. K. Johnson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

17 COMMON INFORMERS (PARLIAMENTARY DISQUALIFICATIONS) BILL 1975: Mr Enderby (Attorney-General), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to make other Provision with respect to the Matter in respect of which Provision is made by section 46 of the Constitution.

Bill read a first time.

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

Debate, by leave, ensued.

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Enderby, the Bill was read a third time.

18 CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL 1975: 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 C. R. Cameron (Minister for Labor and Immigration), the Bill was read a third time.

19 Broadcasting and Television Bill (No. 2) 1974 [No. 2]: 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.

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

Ayes, 61			
Mr Armitage	Mr Cross	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Barnard	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 Stewart
Mr Bryant	Mr Enderby	Mr Keogh	Mr Thorburn
Mr C. R. Cameron	Dr Everingham	Mr Kerin	Mr Uren
Dr Cass	Mr FitzPatrick	Dr Klugman	Mr Wallis
Mrs Child	Mr Fry	Mr Lamb	Mr Whan
Mr Clayton	Mr Fulton	Mr Luchetti	Mr Willis
Mr Coates	Mr Garrick	Mr McKenzie	Mr Young
Mr Cohen	Dr Gun	Mr Martin	
Mr Collard	Mr Hayden	Mr Mathews	
Mr Connor	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris	Tellers:
Mr Cope	Mr Innes	Mr Morrison	Mr James
Mr Crean	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mulder	Mr Nicholls
Noes, 57			
Mr Adermann	Mr Erwin	Mr Killen	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr King	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bourchier	Dr Forbes	Mr Lucock	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bungey	Mr Garland	Mr Lusher	Mr Snedden
Mr Cadman	Mr Giles	Mr Lynch	Mr Staley
Mr K. M. Cairns	Mr Graham	Mr MacKellar	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Hewson	Mr McLeay	Mr Sullivan
Mr Chipp	Mr Hodges	Mr McMahon	Mr Viner
Mr Connolly	Mr Holten	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wilson
Mr Corbett	Mr Howard	Mr Macphee	
Mr Drummond	Mr Hunt	Mr Millar	
Mr Drury	Mr Hyde	Mr Nixon	Tellers:
Dr Edwards	Mr Jarman	Mr O'Keefe	Mr D. M. Cameron
Mr Ellicott	Mr Katter	Mr Peacock	Mr England

And so it was resolved in the affirmative—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Morrison (Minister representing the Minister for the Media), the Bill was read a third time.

20 Broadcasting Stations Licence Fees Bill 1974 [No. 2]: 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 Morrison (Minister representing the Minister for the Media), the Bill was read a third time.

21 TELEVISION STATIONS LICENCE FEES BILL 1974 [No. 2]: 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 Morrison (Minister representing the Minister for the Media), the Bill was read a third time.

22 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) 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 ten o'clock a.m.

PAPER: The following paper was deemed to have been presented on 22 April 1975, pursuant to statute:

Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Cyclone Disaster Emergency Ordinance (No. 2) 1975, together with statement of reasons for withholding assent to part of the Ordinance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Dr J. F. Cairns, Mr Sherry and Mr Wentworth.

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