

AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 101

WEDNESDAY, 8 OCTOBER 1975

1 The House met, at ten o'clock a.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.:

Mr Connolly—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House reject the Australian Government Insurance Office Bill.

Mr Connolly—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Government remove or substantially increase the \$300 limit on income tax deductibility on personal residential land and water rates.

Mr Erwin—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House withdraw its confidence from the Prime Minister in order that there may be a speedy election.

Mr Kerin—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House ensure that the Government (1) prohibit the export of mineral sands from Fraser Island and (2) assist the Queensland Government and other bodies to conserve the natural environment of Fraser Island for the benefit of the people of Australia.

Mr Kerin—from certain citizens of Australia praying that all current woodchip export licences be cancelled, more funds be provided for research into the recycling of used packaged material and future applications for woodchip leases be preceded by an environmental inquiry.

Mr McLeay—from certain citizens of Australia praying that no further measures be taken which will make home ownership unattractive to those who have a home and unachievable for those who have not.

Mr Nixon—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House grant \$200,000 to the Shire of South Gippsland, Victoria, for maintenance of services at the 1972 level and that it increase this grant annually in line with the inflation rate.

Mr Viner—from certain citizens of Australia praying that the Medibank scheme be not proceeded with.

Petitions received.

3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.

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

Industries Assistance Commission—Report—Aluminium and articles thereof, etc., dated 22 August 1975.

The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:

Services Trust Funds Act—Services Canteens Trust Fund—Twenty-seventh Annual Report by the Trustees, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for 1974.

5 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE: A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill and acquainting the House that the Senate had agreed to the Bill as amended by the House at the request of the Senate and without further requests: 7 October 1975—Message No. 274—Customs Tariff (Coal Export Duty) 1975.

- 6 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—EMPLOYMENT FOR SCHOOL LEAVERS: Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr Hodges had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The lack of employment opportunities for school leavers and others seeking to enter the work force at the end of 1975".
The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—
Mr Hodges addressed the House.
Discussion ensued.
Discussion concluded.
- 7 DISTINGUISHED VISITORS: Mr Speaker informed the House that a delegation from the Parliament of Brazil, led by Deputy Mario Mondino, was present in the gallery. On behalf of the House, Mr Speaker extended to the visitors a very warm welcome.
- 8 AUSTRALIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION BILL 1975: Mr Whitlam (Prime Minister), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to make provision with respect to the office of Director of Security, and with respect to certain consequential and formal matters.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Whitlam moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Street), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 9 CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL (NO. 2) 1975: Mr Whitlam (Prime Minister), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to permit an additional Judge to be appointed to the Australian Industrial Court.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Whitlam moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Street), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 10 TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATIONS (INTERCEPTION) BILL 1975: Mr Whitlam (Prime Minister), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to make provision with respect to the administration of the law relating to the Interception of Telephonic Communications, and with respect to certain consequential and formal matters.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Whitlam moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Street), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 11 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—ANTARCTIC DIVISION HEADQUARTERS AND ANALYTICAL LABORATORY COMPLEX, KINGSTON, TAS.: Mr Riordan (Minister for Housing and Construction) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969-1974*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report: Construction of proposed new complex for the Antarctic Division headquarters and for the Hobart regional laboratory of the Australian Government Analytical Laboratories, Kingston, Tas.
Mr Riordan presented plans in connection with the proposed work.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
- 12 STUART AND BARKLY HIGHWAYS, N.T.—APPROVAL OF WORK: Mr Riordan (Minister for Housing and Construction) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969-1974*, 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: Second three-year program of improvement and maintenance of the Stuart and Barkly Highways in the Northern Territory.
Debate ensued.
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:
7 October 1975—Message No. 201—
Excise Tariff 1975.
Railways Agreement (South Australia) 1975.
- 14 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 1975–76: The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

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In the committee

Schedule 2—

Proposed expenditure—Department of Science and Consumer Affairs, \$139,201,000—
further debated and agreed to.

Proposed expenditure—Department of the Media, \$137,575,000—debated.

Mr Lamb rising to address the committee—

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

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

Debate continued.

Proposed expenditure agreed to.

Proposed expenditure—Postmaster-General's Department, \$22,927,000—debated.

Several Members 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, Dr Jenkins, in the Chair)—

AYES, 58

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

NOES, 54

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

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the proposed expenditure be agreed—was put accordingly, and passed.

Proposed expenditure—Department of Defence, \$1,710,952,000—debated.

Mr Drummond 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, Dr Jenkins, in the Chair)—

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

NOES, 52

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

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Proposed expenditure—Department of Urban and Regional Development, \$114,248,000—debated and agreed to.

Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

New clause—

On the motion of Mr Hayden (Treasurer), the following new clause was inserted in the Bill:

“8. This Act has effect subject to section 5 of the *Loan Act 1975*.” Act to be subject to Loan Act.

Remainder of Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Dr Jenkins reported accordingly.

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

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

Question—put.

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

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

NOES, 48

Mr Adermann	Dr Forbes	Mr Lucock	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anthony	Mr Hewson	Mr Lynch	Mr Snedden
Mr Bonnett	Mr Hodges	Mr MacKellar	Mr Staley
Mr Bouchier	Mr Holten	Mr McLeay	Mr Street
Mr Cadman	Mr Howard	Mr McMahan	Mr Sullivan
Mr Calder	Mr Hunt	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wentworth
Mr Drummond	Mr Hyde	Mr Millar	Mr Wilson
Mr Drury	Mr Jarman	Mr Newman	
Dr Edwards	Mr Katter	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Ellicott	Mr Kelly	Mr Peacock	Mr Corbett
Mr Erwin	Mr Killen	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr Viner
Mr Fairbairn	Mr King	Mr I. L. Robinson	
Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock	

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

15 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 2) 1975-76: 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.

Mr Hayden (Treasurer) moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Question—put.

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

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Mr Armitage	Mr Crean	Dr Jenkins	Mr Oldmeadow
Mr Beazley	Mr Cross	Mr L. K. Johnson	Dr Patterson
Mr Bennett	Mr Daly	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Berinson	Mr Davies	Mr Jones	Mr Riordan
Mr Bowen	Mr Dawkins	Mr Keating	Mr Sherry
Mr Bryant	Mr Duthie	Mr Keogh	Mr Stewart
Dr J. F. Cairns	Mr Enderby	Mr Kerin	Mr Thorburn
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Mr Coates	Dr Gun	Mr Mathews	Mr Young
Mr Cohen	Mr Hayden	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Collard	Mr Innes	Mr Morrison	Mr James
Mr Cope	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mulder	Mr Nicholls

NOES, 50

Mr Adermann	Mr Fisher	Mr Lloyd	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Anthony	Dr Forbes	Mr Lucock	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bonnett	Mr Hewson	Mr Lynch	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bouchier	Mr Hodges	Mr MacKellar	Mr Snedden
Mr Bungey	Mr Holten	Mr McLeay	Mr Staley
Mr Cadman	Mr Howard	Mr McMahon	Mr Street
Mr Calder	Mr Hunt	Mr McVeigh	Mr Sullivan
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Mr Drury	Mr Jarman	Mr Millar	Mr Wilson
Dr Edwards	Mr Katter	Mr Newman	
Mr Ellicott	Mr Kelly	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Erwin	Mr Killen	Mr Peacock	Mr Corbett
Mr Fairbairn	Mr King	Mr E. L. Robinson	Mr Viner

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

16 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Daly (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at fifteen minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr D. M. Cameron, Mr Connolly, Mr Connor, Mr England, Mr Fry, Mr Giles, Mr Graham, Mr Hurford and Mr Luchetti.

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