

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 56

TUESDAY, 10 OCTOBER 1978

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- 1 The House met, at 2.15 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Right Honourable Sir Billy Snedden) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
 - 2 **DEATH OF HIS HOLINESS POPE JOHN PAUL:** Mr Fraser (Prime Minister) referred to the death of His Holiness Pope John Paul, and moved—That the House notes the death, on 29 September 1978, of His Holiness Pope John Paul, and expresses its profound regret at his passing.
And Mr Hayden (Leader of the Opposition) having seconded the motion, and all Members present having risen, in silence—
Question—passed.
 - 3 **DISTINGUISHED VISITORS:** Mr Speaker informed the House that delegates attending the 4th Australasian Parliamentary Seminar were present in the gallery. On behalf of the House, Mr Speaker extended to the visitors a very warm welcome.
 - 4 **PETITIONS:** The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
 - Mr Baume, Mr Gillard, Mr Graham, Mr Killen, Sir William McMahon, Mr Martin, Mr Martyr, Mr Morris, Mr Shack and Mr Stewart—from certain citizens praying for the prohibition of pornographic material involving children.
 - Mr Anthony, Mr Baume, Mr D. M. Cameron, Mr Dobie, Mr Lucock and Mr Stewart—from certain citizens praying that no measures be taken to implement those recommendations of the Royal Commission on Human Relationships that will further undermine and weaken marriage, child-care or the family.
 - Mr Armitage, Mr C. R. Cameron, Mr FitzPatrick, Mr L. R. Johnson and Mr Kerin—from certain citizens praying for the replacement of the 1978–79 Budget by a budget which increases the level of economic activity, lowers unemployment, assists the disadvantaged and revives business and consumer confidence.
 - Mr Anthony, Mr Goodluck and Mr Neil—from certain citizens praying for the rejection of any legislation introducing annual adjustments of pension rates.
 - Mr Lloyd, Mr Street and Mr Yates—from certain citizens praying that the Medical Benefits Schedule be amended to preclude payment of benefits for abortions.
 - Mr N. A. Brown and Mr Bryant—from certain citizens praying that Radio 3CR Melbourne be required to adhere to the broadcasting standards laid down for all other radio stations and that legislation be enacted against incitement to racial hatred and violence.
 - Mr Howard and Mr L. R. Johnson—from certain members of the Sydney University Post Graduate Representative Association and others praying that Commonwealth postgraduate research awards be adjusted annually in line with the consumer price index and not be taxed.
 - Mr Kerin and Dr Klugman—from certain citizens praying that proposed changes to Medibank not be implemented and that there be consultation with the trade unions and the community.

- Mr Anthony—from certain members of the Order of the White Cross International praying for the banning of the use of DDT and other pesticides in agriculture and chemical substances in food and beverages.
- Mr Anthony—from certain members of the Order of the White Cross International praying for the official recognition of the Sovereign Humanitarian Mission State Aeterna Lucina.
- Mr Calder—from certain citizens praying that permission be given for uranium mining in the Northern Territory to commence immediately.
- Mr Haslem—from certain citizens praying that water recreation facilities on Googong Dam, N.S.W., be widened to include water skiing.
- Mr Jarman—from certain citizens praying that item 6469 be removed from the standard medical benefits table.
- Mr L. R. Johnson—from certain citizens praying for the provision of funds for the construction and maintenance of an aged persons complex in the Electoral Division of Hughes.
- Mr L. R. Johnson—from certain citizens praying that Kingsford-Smith Airport, Sydney, not be extended and that no related decisions be taken without consultation with affected communities.
- Dr Klugman—from certain citizens praying that Government benefits under Schedule 6469 not be removed.
- Mr Viner—from certain citizens praying for the introduction of a Surface Air Lifted mail service between Australia and Ireland.
- Mr Wallis—from certain citizens praying that the report of the Review of International Civil Aviation Policy be released and the introduction of reduced international air fares no longer be deferred.

Petitions received.

- 5 MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS: Mr Fraser (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the absence abroad of Mr Adermann (Minister for Veterans' Affairs), Mr McLeay (Minister for Construction) was acting as Minister for Veterans' Affairs.
- 6 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 7 PARLIAMENT HOUSE—FIRE PROTECTION—STATEMENT BY MR SPEAKER—PAPER: Mr Speaker made a statement concerning fire protection measures within Parliament House, and presented the following paper:
Parliament House—Fire protection and safety measures—Copy of report by officers of the Australian Capital Territory Fire Brigade, dated 1 February 1977.
- 8 PAPERS: The following papers were presented:
By command of His Excellency the Governor-General:
Australian Dairy Corporation—Interim report for year 1977-78.
Australian Plague Locust Commission—Annual Report, for year 1976-77.
Industries Assistance Commission—Interim report—Carpets, carpeting, etc., dated 4 July 1978 together with copies of correspondence, dated 18 and 24 July 1978, between Mr Fife (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs) and Mr W. A. McKinnon, Chairman, Industries Assistance Commission, relating to the report.
Insurance Commissioner—Selected statistics on the general insurance industry in Australia for 1977.
Pursuant to statute:
Commonwealth Teaching Service Act—Commonwealth Teaching Service Commissioner—Report for 1977.
Insurance Act—Insurance Commissioner—4th Annual Report, for year 1977-78.
Local Government (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Act—
Queensland Local Government Grants Commission—Report for year 1978-79.
Tasmania State Grants Commission—Report for year 1978-79.
Poultry Industry Assistance Act—13th Annual Report, for year 1977-78.

Science and Industry Endowment Act—Report by Auditor-General on accounts of Science and Industry Endowment Fund, for year 1977–78.

Services Trust Funds Act—Services Canteens Trust Fund—30th Annual Report by the Trustees, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for 1977.

Tobacco Industry Act—23rd Annual Report, for year 1977–78.

9 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:

22 September 1978—Message No. 73—

Nitrogenous Fertilizers Subsidy Amendment 1978.

States Grants (Home Care) Amendment 1978.

29 September 1978—Message—

No. 74—

Homeless Persons Assistance Amendment 1978.

Australian Capital Territory Electricity Supply Amendment 1978.

No. 75—

Wheat Tax Amendment 1978.

Wheat Research Amendment 1978.

No. 76—

Departure Tax 1978.

Departure Tax Collection 1978.

4 October 1978—Message No. 77—

Apple and Pear Stabilization Amendment 1978.

Apple and Pear Stabilization Export Duty Amendment 1978.

Apple and Pear Stabilization Export Duty Collection Amendment 1978.

10 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—FAMILY LAW ACT—JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE: The following message from the Senate was reported:

Message No. 131

Mr Acting Speaker,

The Senate concurs in the following modifications to the Resolution of the Senate relating to the proposed Joint Select Committee on the Family Law Act contained in Message No. 135 of the House of Representatives:

(i) Clause 1, sub-clause (a), after paragraph (i), insert the following paragraph:

“(ia) its effects on the institution of marriage and the family;”

(ii) Clause 2, omit “five”, substitute “six”.

(iii) Clause 2, omit “three” (first occurring), substitute “four”.

C. L. LAUCKE
President

The Senate,

Canberra, 28 September 1978

11 FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND DEFENCE—JOINT COMMITTEE: Mr Speaker informed the House that the Prime Minister had nominated Mr Lusher to be a member of the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs and Defence in place of Mr Thomson.

12 ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE: Mr Speaker informed the House that the Prime Minister had nominated Mr Katter to be a member of the Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs in place of Mr Thomson.

13 EXPENDITURE—STANDING COMMITTEE: Mr Speaker informed the House that the Prime Minister had nominated Mr Braithwaite to be a member of the Standing Committee on Expenditure in place of Mr Lloyd.

14 SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS—BILLS RELATING TO INCOME TAX AND HEALTH INSURANCE LEVY—LIMITATION OF DEBATE: Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House) moved—That so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent—

(1) orders of the day for the resumption of the debate on the second reading of the following Bills, viz.:

Income Tax Assessment Amendment Bill (No. 2) 1978 [No. 2],
 Income Tax (Rates) Amendment Bill 1978 [No. 2],
 Income Tax (Individuals) Bill 1978,
 Income Tax (Companies and Superannuation Funds) Bill 1978 and
 Health Insurance Levy Bill 1978

being forthwith called on together,

- (2) one question being put in regard to, respectively, the second readings, the committee's report stage, and the third readings, of all the Bills together,
- (3) the consideration of all the Bills as a whole together in a committee of the whole, and
- (4) the Leader of the House making one declaration of urgency and moving one motion for the allotment of time in respect of all the Bills.

Mr Young addressing the House—

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Sir Billy Snedden, in the Chair)—

AYES, 71

Mr Aldred	Mr Dobie	Mr Johnston	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Anthony	Mr Drummond	Mr Jull	Mr Porter
Mr Baillieu	Dr Edwards	Mr Killen	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Baume	Mr Ellicott	Mr Lloyd	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Bouchier	Mr Falconer	Mr Lusher	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bradfield	Mr Fife	Mr Lynch	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Fisher	Mr MacKellar	Mr Shack
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Giles	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Short
Mr Bungey	Mr Goodluck	Mr McLean	Mr Sinclair
Mr Burr	Mr Graham	Mr McLeay	Mr Staley
Mr Cadman	Mr Groom	Sir William McMahon	Mr Street
Mr Cairns	Mr Haslem	Mr McVeigh	Mr Thomson
Mr Calder	Mr Hodgman	Mr Macphee	Mr Viner
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Howard	Mr Martyr	Mr Wilson
Mr Carlton	Mr Hunt	Mr Millar	Mr Yates
Mr Chapman	Mr Hyde	Mr Neil	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connolly	Mr Jarman	Mr Newman	Mr Corbett
Mr Dean	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr Nixon	Mr Hodges

NOES, 28

Mr Armitage	Mr Holding	Dr Klugman	Mr West
Dr Blewett	Mr Howe	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Young
Mr Bowen	Mr Hurford	Mr Martin	
Mr J. J. Brown	Dr Jenkins	Mr Morris	
Mr Cohen	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Scholes	
Mr Dawkins	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Stewart	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Keating	Mr Uren	Mr L. K. Johnson
Mr Fry	Mr Kerin	Mr Wallis	Mr L. R. Johnson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put—

The House divided (the Speaker, Sir Billy Snedden, in the Chair)—

AYES, 71

Mr Aldred	Mr Dobie	Mr Johnston	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Anthony	Mr Drummond	Mr Jull	Mr Porter
Mr Baillieu	Dr Edwards	Mr Killen	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Baume	Mr Ellicott	Mr Lloyd	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Bouchier	Mr Falconer	Mr Lusher	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bradfield	Mr Fife	Mr Lynch	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Fisher	Mr MacKellar	Mr Shack
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Giles	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Short
Mr Bungey	Mr Goodluck	Mr McLean	Mr Sinclair
Mr Burr	Mr Graham	Mr McLeay	Mr Staley
Mr Cadman	Mr Groom	Sir William McMahon	Mr Street
Mr Cairns	Mr Haslem	Mr McVeigh	Mr Thomson
Mr Calder	Mr Hodgman	Mr Macphee	Mr Viner
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Howard	Mr Martyr	Mr Wilson
Mr Carlton	Mr Hunt	Mr Millar	Mr Yates
Mr Chapman	Mr Hyde	Mr Neil	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connolly	Mr Jarman	Mr Newman	Mr Corbett
Mr Dean	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr Nixon	Mr Hodges

NOES, 30

Mr Armitage	Mr Fry	Mr Kerin	Mr Wallis
Dr Blewett	Mr Holding	Dr Klugman	Mr West
Mr Bowen	Mr Howe	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Willis
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Hurford	Mr Martin	Mr Young
Mr Cohen	Dr Jenkins	Mr Morris	
Mr Dawkins	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Scholes	<i>Tellers:</i>
Dr Everingham	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Stewart	Mr L. K. Johnson
Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Keating	Mr Uren	Mr L. R. Johnson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative by an absolute majority.

- 15 DECLARATION OF BILLS RELATING TO INCOME TAX AND HEALTH INSURANCE LEVY AS URGENT BILLS—LIMITATION OF DEBATE: Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House) declared that the Income Tax Assessment Amendment Bill (No. 2) 1978 [No. 2], the Income Tax (Rates) Amendment Bill 1978 [No. 2], the Income Tax (Individuals) Bill 1978, the Income Tax (Companies and Superannuation Funds) Bill 1978 and the Health Insurance Levy Bill 1978 were urgent Bills.

Question—That the Bills be considered urgent Bills—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Sir Billy Snedden, in the Chair)—

AYES, 70

Mr Aldred	Mr Dobie	Mr Johnston	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Anthony	Mr Drummond	Mr Jull	Mr Porter
Mr Baillieu	Dr Edwards	Mr Killen	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Baume	Mr Ellicott	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bouchier	Mr Falconer	Mr Lusher	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Bradfield	Mr Fife	Mr Lynch	Mr Shack
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Fisher	Mr MacKellar	Mr Short
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Giles	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bungey	Mr Goodluck	Mr McLean	Mr Staley
Mr Burr	Mr Graham	Mr McLeay	Mr Street
Mr Cadman	Mr Groom	Sir William McMahon	Mr Thomson
Mr Cairns	Mr Haslem	Mr McVeigh	Mr Viner
Mr Calder	Mr Hodgman	Mr Macphee	Mr Wilson
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Howard	Mr Martyr	Mr Yates
Mr Carlton	Mr Hunt	Mr Millar	
Mr Chapman	Mr Hyde	Mr Neil	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connolly	Mr Jarman	Mr Newman	Mr Corbett
Mr Dean	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr Nixon	Mr Hodges

NOES, 30

Mr Armitage	Mr Fry	Mr Kerin	Mr Wallis
Dr Blewett	Mr Holding	Dr Klugman	Mr West
Mr Bowen	Mr Howe	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Willis
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Hurford	Mr Martin	Mr Young
Mr Cohen	Dr Jenkins	Mr Morris	
Mr Dawkins	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Scholes	<i>Tellers:</i>
Dr Everingham	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Stewart	Mr L. K. Johnson
Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Keating	Mr Uren	Mr L. R. Johnson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Allotment of time: Mr Sinclair then moved—That the time allotted for all stages of the Bills be until 9.15 p.m. this day.

Mr Scholes addressing the House—

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Sir Billy Snedden, in the Chair)—

AYES, 71

Mr Aldred	Mr Dobie	Mr Johnston	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Anthony	Mr Drummond	Mr Jull	Mr Porter
Mr Baillieu	Dr Edwards	Mr Killen	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Baume	Mr Ellicott	Mr Lloyd	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Bouchier	Mr Falconer	Mr Lusher	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bradfield	Mr Fife	Mr Lynch	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Fisher	Mr MacKellar	Mr Shack
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Giles	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Short
Mr Bungey	Mr Goodluck	Mr McLean	Mr Sinclair
Mr Burr	Mr Graham	Mr McLeay	Mr Staley
Mr Cadman	Mr Groom	Sir William McMahon	Mr Street
Mr Cairns	Mr Haslem	Mr McVeigh	Mr Thomson
Mr Calder	Mr Hodgman	Mr Macphee	Mr Viner
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Howard	Mr Martyr	Mr Wilson
Mr Carlton	Mr Hunt	Mr Millar	Mr Yates
Mr Chapman	Mr Hyde	Mr Neil	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connolly	Mr Jarman	Mr Newman	Mr Corbett
Mr Dean	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr Nixon	Mr Hodges

NOES, 30

Mr Armitage	Mr Fry	Mr Kerin	Mr Wallis
Dr Blewett	Mr Holding	Dr Klugman	Mr West
Mr Bowen	Mr Howe	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Willis
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Hurford	Mr Martin	Mr Young
Mr Cohen	Dr Jenkins	Mr Morris	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Dawkins	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Scholes	Mr L. K. Johnson
Dr Everingham	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Stewart	Mr L. R. Johnson
Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Keating	Mr Uren	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

16 INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2) 1978 [No. 2], INCOME TAX (RATES) AMENDMENT BILL 1978 [No. 2], INCOME TAX (INDIVIDUALS) BILL 1978, INCOME TAX (COMPANIES AND SUPERANNUATION FUNDS) BILL 1978 AND HEALTH INSURANCE LEVY BILL 1978: The orders of the day for the resumption of the debate on the second reading of the several Bills having been read together—

Debate resumed.

Limitation of debate: At 9.15 p.m., Mr Deputy Speaker having called the attention of the House to the fact that the time allotted for all stages of the Bills had expired—

Question—That the Bills be now read a second time—put.

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

AYES, 69

Mr Aldred	Mr Dobie	Mr Katter	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Anthony	Mr Drummond	Mr Killen	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Baillieu	Dr Edwards	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr Baume	Mr Ellicott	Mr Lusher	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Bouchier	Mr Falconer	Mr Lynch	Mr Shack
Mr Bradfield	Mr Fife	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Short
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Gillard	Mr McLean	Mr Sinclair
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Goodluck	Mr McLeay	Mr Staley
Mr Bungey	Mr Graham	Sir William McMahon	Mr Street
Mr Burr	Mr Groom	Mr McVeigh	Mr Thomson
Mr Cadman	Mr Haslem	Mr Macphee	Mr Viner
Mr Cairns	Mr Howard	Mr Martyr	Mr Wilson
Mr Calder	Mr Hunt	Mr Millar	Mr Yates
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hyde	Mr Neil	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Carlton	Mr Jarman	Mr Newman	Mr Corbett
Mr Chapman	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr Nixon	Mr Hodges
Mr Connolly	Mr Johnston	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Dean	Mr Jull	Mr Porter	

NOES, 30

Mr Armitage	Mr Fry	Mr Keating	Mr Wallis
Dr Blewett	Mr Holding	Mr Kerin	Mr West
Mr Bowen	Mr Howe	Dr Klugman	Mr Willis
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Humphreys	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Young
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris	
Mr Dawkins	Dr Jenkins	Mr Scholes	<i>Tellers:</i>
Dr Everingham	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Stewart	Mr L. K. Johnson
Mr FitzPatrick	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Uren	Mr L. R. Johnson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative—Bills together read a second time.
Further question—That the remaining stages of the Bills be agreed to—put.
The House divided (the Deputy Speaker, Mr Giles, in the Chair)—

AYES, 69

Mr Aldred	Mr Dobie	Mr Katter	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Anthony	Mr Drummond	Mr Killen	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Baillieu	Dr Edwards	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr Baume	Mr Ellicott	Mr Lusher	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Bouchier	Mr Falconer	Mr Lynch	Mr Shack
Mr Bradfield	Mr Fife	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Short
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Gillard	Mr McLean	Mr Sinclair
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Goodluck	Mr McLeay	Mr Staley
Mr Bungey	Mr Graham	Sir William McMahon	Mr Street
Mr Burr	Mr Groom	Mr McVeigh	Mr Thomson
Mr Cadman	Mr Haslem	Mr Macphee	Mr Viner
Mr Cairns	Mr Howard	Mr Martyr	Mr Wilson
Mr Calder	Mr Hunt	Mr Millar	Mr Yates
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hyde	Mr Neil	
Mr Carlton	Mr Jarman	Mr Newman	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Chapman	Mr P. F. Johnson	Mr Nixon	Mr Corbett
Mr Connolly	Mr Johnston	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Hodges
Mr Dean	Mr Jull	Mr Porter	

NOES, 30

Mr Armitage	Mr Fry	Mr Keating	Mr Wallis
Dr Blewett	Mr Holding	Mr Kerin	Mr West
Mr Bowen	Mr Howe	Dr Klugman	Mr Willis
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Humphreys	Mr J. L. McMahon	Mr Young
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris	
Mr Dawkins	Dr Jenkins	Mr Scholes	<i>Tellers:</i>
Dr Everingham	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Stewart	Mr L. K. Johnson
Mr FitzPatrick	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Uren	Mr L. R. Johnson

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

17 STATES GRANTS (ROADS) AMENDMENT BILL 1978: Mr Nixon (Minister for Transport), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *States Grants (Roads) Act 1977*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

18 HEALTH INSURANCE COMMISSION AMENDMENT BILL 1978: Mr Hunt (Minister for Health), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Health Insurance Commission Act 1973*, and for related purposes.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

19 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 1978-79: The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

In the committee

Schedule 2—

Proposed expenditure—Department of Aboriginal Affairs, \$95,907,000—further debated.

Mr Johnston addressing the committee—

It being 10.30 p.m.—Progress to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Armitage reported accordingly.

20 ADJOURNMENT: The question was accordingly proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The Housing continuing to sit until 11 p.m.—Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House until tomorrow at 2.15 p.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 10 October 1978, pursuant to statute:

Agricultural Tractors Bounty Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 179.

Air Force Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 181.

Customs Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 180.

Customs Tariff Act—Order—Developing Country—No. 17 (1978).

Interim Forces Benefits Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 185.

Lands Acquisition Act—Statement of lands acquired by agreement authorised under sub-section 7 (1).

Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations accompanied by statements regarding possible inconsistency with the law—1978—No. 538—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.

No. 539—Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners of Australia.

No. 540—Federated Storemen and Packers Union of Australia and another.

No. 541—Association of Professional Engineers, Australia.

No. 542—Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service and others.

No. 543—Australian Telecommunications Employees Association.

No. 544—Actors' and Announcers' Equity Association of Australia.

No. 545—Australian Journalists Association.

No. 546—Australian Theatrical and Amusement Employees Association.

No. 547—Professional Musicians Union of Australia.

No. 548—Australian Journalists Association.

No. 550—Commonwealth Foremen's Association of Australia (Australian Public Service).

No. 551—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).

No. 552—Australian Journalists Association.

No. 553—Australian Broadcasting Commission Senior Officers' Association and another.

No. 554—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.

No. 577—Electrical Trades Union of Australia. †

No. 578—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).

No. 579—Commonwealth Works Supervisors Association.

No. 580—Australian Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).

No. 581—Professional Radio and Electronics Institute of Australasia.

(† Not accompanied by statement.)

Remuneration Tribunals Act—Remuneration Tribunal—Determination—1978/11—Holders of public offices on the Special Broadcasting Service and other bodies.

Repatriation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 184.

Repatriation (Far East Strategic Reserve) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 186.

Repatriation (Special Overseas Service) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 187.

Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 188.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinance—1978—No. 30—Betting (Totalizator Agency) (Amendment).

States Grants (Petroleum Products) Act—Amendment of the schedule to the subsidy scheme in relation to the State of New South Wales.

Tertiary Education Commission Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 182.

Territory Authorities (Financial Provisions) Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1978, No. 183.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Adermann, Mr Birney, Mr Bryant*, Mr Burns, Dr Cass, Mr Cotter, Mr Garland, Mr Innes, Mr Jacobi*, Mr James, Mr Lucock*, Mr Moore, Mr Peacock, Mr Shipton* and Mr Simon.

*On leave

J. A. PETTIFER,
Clerk of the House of Representatives