

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 152

THURSDAY, 6 MARCH 1980

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- 1 The House met, at 10.30 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Right Honourable Sir Billy Snedden) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 **PETITIONS:** The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
- Mr Chapman and Mr Hurford—from certain citizens praying that tax laws be reformed to allow joint incomes to be equally divided, for taxation purposes, between husband and wife.
 - Mr D. M. Cameron—from certain citizens praying that the Government provide certain information concerning the fishing agreement with the Japanese Government and not re-issue licences to Japanese fishermen in 1980.
 - Mr Dean—from certain citizens praying that the imperial system of weights and measures be restored.
 - Mr Fry—from certain citizens praying that laws be passed to outlaw discrimination in employment and in the provision of unemployment benefits, based upon race, ethnic origin, marital status and sex.
 - Mr Holding—from certain citizens praying that the National Women's Advisory Council be abolished.
 - Mr Howe—from certain citizens praying that the National Women's Advisory Council and its recommendations be supported.
 - Mr Lynch—from certain citizens praying that the draft report of the Industries Assistance Commission on textiles, clothing and footwear be rejected.
- Petitions received.
- 3 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.
- 4 **PAPERS:** The following papers were presented:
- By command of His Excellency the Governor-General:
 - Industries Assistance Commission—Report—Rubber products, dated 23 October 1979.
 - Royal Australian Air Force—Schedules of special flights for period 1 July to 31 December 1979.
 - Pursuant to statute:
 - Aboriginal Loans Commission Act—Aboriginal Loans Commission—5th Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1978-79.
 - Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Health Commission Ordinance—Capital Territory Health Commission—Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1978-79.
- 5 **AUSTRALIAN CONTINGENT—RETURN FROM ZIMBABWE-RHODESIA—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:** Mr Killen (Minister for Defence), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the return from Zimbabwe-Rhodesia of members of the Australian contingent of the Commonwealth Monitoring Force.
- Mr Scholes, by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.

- 6 AUSTRALIAN ECONOMY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr Howard (Treasurer), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House of the Government's assessment of the current state of the Australian economy, recent monetary developments and certain revenue decisions, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

Australian economy—Ministerial statement, 6 March 1980.

Mr Viner (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the paper.

Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for speech: Mr Viner, by leave, moved—

That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr Hayden (Leader of the Opposition) speaking for a period not exceeding 29 minutes.

Question—put and passed.

Debate ensued.

Mr Hurford moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “this House condemns the Treasurer for his failure to—

- (1) provide immediate tax relief;
- (2) compensate car owners for the crippling burden of petrol taxes and to end the iniquitous tax rip-off through the petrol pump;
- (3) restore the real value of assistance to Australian families, particularly the family allowance;
- (4) initiate immediate cuts in indirect taxation with a view to reducing inflation, and
- (5) initiate measures to stimulate economic activity and create more jobs to reduce the present appalling levels of unemployment”.

Debate continued.

Debate adjourned (Mr Hyde), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

- 7 SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT: Mr Thomson (Minister for Science and the Environment) moved—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 18 March next, at 2.15 p.m., unless Mr Speaker shall fix an alternative day or hour of meeting, to be notified by telegram or letter addressed to each Member of the House.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 8 GENERAL BUSINESS: It being past 12.45 p.m., general business was not called on.

- 9 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—GENERAL BUSINESS: Mr Thomson (Minister for Science and the Environment), by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the business listed for general business Thursday No. 12 taking precedence on the Notice Paper on the next general business Thursday.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 10 PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—PITJANJATJARA PEOPLE: Mr Deputy Speaker informed the House that Mr Holding had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, “The failure of the Fraser Government to intervene on behalf of the Pitjanjatjara people in their fight against the South Australian Government which is freezing their land claims and giving mineral rights without consulting the local Aboriginal communities”.

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Holding rising to address the House—

Mr Thomson (Minister for Science and the Environment) moved—That the business of the day be called on.

Question—put and passed.

- 11 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS MOVED: Mr Holding moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the honourable Member for Melbourne Ports speaking to the matter of public importance standing in his name.

Closure of Member: Mr Bouchier moved—That the honourable Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 68

Mr Adermann	Mr Connolly	Mr Hodgman	Mr Macphee
Mr Aldred	Mr Corbett*	Mr Howard	Mr Martyr
Mr Baillieu	Mr Cotter	Mr Hunt	Mr Millar
Mr Baume	Mr Dean	Mr Hyde	Mr Moore
Mr Birney	Mr Dobie	Mr Jarman	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Bouchier	Mr Drummond	Mr Johnston	Mr Peacock
Mr Bradfield	Dr Edwards	Mr Jull	Mr Porter
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Ellicott	Mr Killen	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Burns	Mr Falconer	Mr Lloyd	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Burr	Mr Fisher	Mr Lucock	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Cadman	Mr Garland	Mr Lusher	Mr Shack
Mr Cairns	Mr Gillard	Mr MacKellar	Mr Short
Mr Calder	Mr Goodluck	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Staley
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Graham	Mr McLean	Mr Street
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Groom	Mr J. E. McLeay	Mr Thomson
Mr Carlton	Mr Haslem	Sir William McMahon	Mr Viner
Mr Chapman	Mr Hodges*	Mr McVeigh	Mr Wilson

NOES, 29

Mr Armitage	Mr Holding	Mr L. R. Johnson*	Mr Morris
Mr Bowen	Mr Howe	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Humphreys	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Uren
Mr Bryant	Mr Hurford	Mr Kerin	Mr Wallis
Dr Cass	Mr Jacobi	Dr Klugman	Mr West
Mr Cohen	Mr James	Mr L. B. McLeay	
Dr Everingham	Dr Jenkins	Mr J. L. McMahon	
Mr FitzPatrick	Mr L. K. Johnson*	Mr Martin	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Wallis (seconder) addressing the House—

Closure of Member: Mr Adermann (Minister for Veterans' Affairs) moved—That the honourable Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 70

Mr Adermann	Mr Corbett*	Mr Hunt	Mr Moore
Mr Aldred	Mr Cotter	Mr Hyde	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Baillieu	Mr Dean	Mr Jarman	Mr Peacock
Mr Baume	Mr Dobie	Mr Johnston	Mr Porter
Mr Birney	Mr Drummond	Mr Jull	Mr E. L. Robinson
Mr Bouchier	Dr Edwards	Mr Killen	Mr I. L. Robinson
Mr Bradfield	Mr Ellicott	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Falconer	Mr Lucock	Mr Sainsbury
Mr Burns	Mr Fisher	Mr Lusher	Mr Shack
Mr Burr	Mr Garland	Mr MacKellar	Mr Short
Mr Cadman	Mr Gillard	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Simon
Mr Cairns	Mr Goodluck	Mr McLean	Mr Staley
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr J. E. McLeay	Mr Street
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Groom	Sir William McMahon	Mr Thomson
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Haslem	Mr McVeigh	Mr Viner
Mr Carlton	Mr Hodges*	Mr Macphee	Mr Wilson
Mr Chapman	Mr Hodgman	Mr Martyr	
Mr Connolly	Mr Howard	Mr Millar	

NOES, 30

Mr Armitage	Mr Fry	Mr L. K. Johnson*	Mr Martin
Mr Bowen	Mr Holding	Mr L. R. Johnson*	Mr Morris
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Howe	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr Bryant	Mr Humphreys	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Uren
Dr Cass	Mr Hurford	Mr Kerin	Mr Wallis
Mr Cohen	Mr Jacobi	Dr Klugman	Mr West
Dr Everingham	Mr James	Mr L. B. McLeay	
Mr FitzPatrick	Dr Jenkins	Mr J. L. McMahon	

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the motion for the suspension of the standing orders be agreed to—put and negatived.

- 12 CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION AMENDMENT BILL 1980: Mr Street (Minister for Industrial Relations), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904*.

Bill read a first time.

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

Papers: Mr Street, during his speech, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following papers:

Accounts of organisations—

Additional information to be prescribed by regulation to be made available to members of organizations upon request.

Minimum contents of accounts of an organization to be prescribed by regulation.

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

- 13 POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICE: Ordered—That notice No. 2, government business, be postponed until the next sitting.

- 14 PIG MEAT PROMOTION AMENDMENT BILL 1980: Mr Adermann (Acting Minister for Primary Industry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Pig Meat Promotion Act 1975*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 15 BOUNTY (SHIPS) BILL 1980: Mr Garland (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the payment of bounty on the production of certain ships and other vessels.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 16 SHIP CONSTRUCTION BOUNTY AMENDMENT BILL 1980: Mr Garland (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend section 8 of the *Ship Construction Bounty Act 1975*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 17 BOUNTY (REFINED TIN) BILL 1980: Mr Garland (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the payment of bounty on the production of certain refined tin.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 18 CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS NO. 4 (1980): Mr Garland (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs) moved Customs Tariff Proposals No. 4 (1980).

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

- 19 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—C.S.I.R.O., CLAYTON, VIC.—RESEARCH LABORATORY COMPLEXES: Mr Groom (Minister for Housing and Construction), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the

Public Works Committee Act 1969, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report: Construction of research laboratory complexes for C.S.I.R.O. Divisions of Applied Organic Chemistry and Materials Science, Clayton, Vic.

Mr Groom presented plans in connection with the proposed work.

Question—put and passed.

- 20 COCKATOO ISLAND DOCKYARD, SYDNEY, N.S.W.—REPLACEMENT OF CRANES—APPROVAL OF WORK: Mr Groom (Minister for Housing and Construction), pursuant to notice, moved—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, 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: Replacement of cranes at Cockatoo Island Dockyard, Sydney, N.S.W.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 21 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—ATOMIC ENERGY AMENDMENT BILL 1980: The following message from the Senate was reported:

Message No. 401

Mr Speaker,

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act to amend the ‘Atomic Energy Act 1953’*”, 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.

C. L. LAUCKE
President

The Senate,
Canberra, 5 March 1980

Ordered—That the amendment be taken into consideration, in committee of the whole House, at the next sitting.

- 22 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION (YOUNG TO WAGGA WAGGA) BILL 1979: The following message from the Senate was reported:

Message No. 402

Mr Speaker,

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act to authorize the construction by the Pipeline Authority of a pipeline from Young to Cootamundra and Wagga Wagga in New South Wales*”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the Amendments indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which Amendments the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

C. L. LAUCKE
President

The Senate,
Canberra, 5 March 1980

Ordered—That the amendments be taken into consideration, in committee of the whole House, at the next sitting.

- 23 AUSTRALIAN ECONOMY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—PAPER NOTED: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Viner (Leader of the House)—That the House take note of the paper (*presented this day*), viz.: Australian economy—Ministerial statement, 6 March 1980—

*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Hurford, viz.—*That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to substituting the following words: “this House condemns the Treasurer for his failure to—

- (1) provide immediate tax relief;
- (2) compensate car owners for the crippling burden of petrol taxes and to end the iniquitous tax rip-off through the petrol pump;
- (3) restore the real value of assistance to Australian families, particularly the family allowance;
- (4) initiate immediate cuts in indirect taxation with a view to reducing inflation, and
- (5) initiate measures to stimulate economic activity and create more jobs to reduce the present appalling levels of unemployment”—

Debate resumed.

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

Question—That the House take note of the paper—put and passed.

- 24 SENATE (REPRESENTATION OF TERRITORIES) AMENDMENT BILL 1980: 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 D. M. Cameron addressing the House—

Closure: Mr Bouchier 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.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

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In the committee

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Mr Bowen (Deputy Leader of the Opposition), by leave, moved the following amendments together:

Clause 3—

Page 1, line 20, and page 2, line 1, omit “Administrator of the Territory, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof,” substitute “Executive Council of the Northern Territory”.

Page 2, after proposed sub-section (1) insert the following sub-section:

“1A. Where an appointment is made by the Administrator acting with the advice of the Executive Council under sub-section (1) until the expiration of 14 days from the beginning of the next session of the Legislative Assembly of a person to hold the place of a Senator for the Northern Territory whose place has become vacant, the place of the person so appointed shall become vacant at the expiration of that period and the Legislative Assembly shall choose a person (who may be the person appointed by the Administrator acting with the advice of the Executive Council) in accordance with sub-section (1).”

Page 2, lines 6 and 7, omit “, the Senate and the House of Representatives, sitting and voting together,” substitute “the Australian Capital Territory House of Assembly”.

Page 2, after proposed sub-section (2) insert the following sub-section:

“2A. Where an appointment is made by the Governor-General under sub-section (2) until the expiration of 14 days from the beginning of the next session of the Parliament of the person to hold the place of a Senator for the Australian Capital Territory whose place has become vacant, the place of the person so appointed shall become vacant at the expiration of that period and the Senate and the House of Representatives sitting and voting together shall choose a person (who may be the person appointed by the Governor-General) in accordance with sub-section (2).”

Page 2, at the end of sub-section (3) of proposed section 9 add "chosen by that party".

Mr D. M. Cameron rising to address the committee—

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

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

And the question—That the amendments be agreed to—was put accordingly, and negatived.

Debate continued.

Mr D. M. Cameron rising to address the committee—

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

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

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

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr I. L. Robinson reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr J. E. McLeay (Minister for Administrative Services), the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

- 25 BOUNTY (POLYESTER-COTTON YARN) AMENDMENT BILL 1979: 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. 231, dated 13 September 1979, 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 Garland (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs), the Bill was read a third time.

- 26 BOUNTY (ROTARY CULTIVATORS) AMENDMENT BILL 1980: 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. 232, dated 29 February 1980, 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 Garland (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs), the Bill was read a third time.

- 27 BOUNTY (DRILLING BITS) BILL 1980: 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. 233, dated 29 February 1980, 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 Garland (Minister for Business and Consumer Affairs), the Bill was read a third time.

- 28 PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE—13TH REPORT: Mr Gillard (Chairman) presented the 13th Report from the Publications Committee (sitting in conference with the Publications Committee of the Senate). The report is as follows:

13TH REPORT

The Publications Committee has the honour to report that it has met in conference with the Publications Committee of the Senate.

The Joint Committee, having considered petitions and papers presented to Parliament since the last meeting of the Committee, recommends that the following be printed:

- Aboriginal Land Fund Act—Aboriginal Land Fund Commission—Annual Report (Fifth), together with financial statements and the Auditor-General's Report thereon, for year 1978–79.
- Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act—Aboriginal Land Commissioner—Annual Report, for year 1978–79.
- Aboriginal Loans Commission Act—Aboriginal Loans Commission—Annual Report (Fifth), together with financial statements and the Auditor-General's Report thereon, for year 1978–79.
- Advisory Council for Inter-government Relations Act—Advisory Council for Inter-government Relations—
 - Relationship between Federal, State and Local Governments—Report (Relationships Reference), dated 31 May 1979 (Report 3).
 - Staff Interchanges between Governments in Australia—Final Report (Interchanges Reference), dated 10 August 1979 (Report 2).
- Applied Ecology Pty Limited—Annual Report (Sixth), for year 1978–79.
- Australian Capital Territory Fire Brigade—Annual Report (Fifth), for year 1978–79.
- Australian Manufacturing Council—Annual Report, for year 1978–79.
- Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation Act—Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation—Annual Report, together with financial statements and the Auditor-General's Report thereon, for year 1978–79.
- Australian National Railways Act—Australian National Railways Commission—Annual Report, together with financial statements and the Auditor-General's Report thereon, for year 1977–78.
- Christmas Island—Annual Report, for year 1978–79.
- Christmas Island Phosphate Industry—Commission of Inquiry—Report of the Commission into the viability of the Christmas Island Phosphate Industry, dated 15 February 1980.
- Cocos (Keeling) Islands—Annual Report, for year 1978–79.
- Criminology Research Act—Australian Institute of Criminology—Annual Report (Seventh), together with financial statements and the Auditor-General's Report thereon, for year 1978–79.
- Discrimination in Employment and Occupation—National Committee on Discrimination in Employment and Occupation—Annual Report (Fifth), for year 1977–78.
- Industries Assistance Commission—
 - Interim Report—Passenger Motor Vehicles and Components—Export Facilitation, dated 19 September 1979.
 - Reports—
 - Baby Carriages and Parts Therefor, dated 17 October 1979.
 - Certain Engines Not Exceeding 7.64 kW; Rotary Cultivators; and Tractors Having a Power of Less than 15 kW, dated 4 October 1979.
 - Coated Copying Film, dated 26 September 1979.
 - Rubber Products, dated 23 October 1979.
 - Ships, Boats and other Vessels not exceeding 6000 tons Gross Register, dated July 1979.
 - Short Term Assistance to Certain Bits of Cemented Carbides, dated 19 September 1979.
 - The Publishing Industry, dated 17 October 1979.

- Inward Duty-free Shopping at Australian International Air Terminals: An Economic Evaluation—Report by the Bureau of Transport Economics, dated September 1979.
- National Fitness Act—Report of activities under the Act, for year 1978–79.
- Norfolk Island—Annual Report, for year 1978–79.
- Parole Board of the Australian Capital Territory—Report (Second) to the Attorney-General, for the period 28 April 1978 to 30 June 1979.
- Royal Australian Air Force Veterans' Residences Act—Royal Australian Air Force Veterans' Residences Trust—Annual Report, together with financial statements and the Auditor-General's Report thereon, for year 1978–79.
- Sandy Hollow—Maryvale Railway: Economic Evaluation of Proposed Completion—Report by the Bureau of Transport Economics.
- Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Capital Territory Health Commission—Annual Report, together with financial statements and the Auditor-General's Report thereon, for year 1978–79.
- Sugar Agreement Act—Fruit Industry Sugar Concession Committee—Annual Report (Forty-eighth), together with financial statements and the Auditor-General's Report thereon, for year 1978–79.
- Tasmanian Freight Equalisation Scheme: Recommended Rates of Assistance for Southbound Cargoes, Livestock and Timber at 31 January 1979—Report by the Bureau of Transport Economics, dated October 1979.

6 March 1980

R. GILLARD,
Chairman

Mr Gillard, by leave, moved—That the report be agreed to.
Question—put and passed.

29 STATUTORY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS—VIEWS OF PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE—STATEMENT BY MEMBER: Mr Gillard (Chairman), by leave, made a statement informing the House of details of the presentation of reports of Commonwealth statutory authorities and bodies in relation to the 1978–79 financial year, and the views of the Joint Committee on Publications for future tabling deadlines for statutory reports.

30 ADJOURNMENT: It being past 10.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until 11 p.m.—Mr Deputy Speaker adjourned the House until Tuesday, 18 March next, at 2.15 p.m., unless Mr Speaker shall fix an alternative day or hour of meeting, to be notified by telegram or letter addressed to each Member of the House.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 6 March 1980, pursuant to statute:

Defence Amendment Act—Interim Determinations—Statutory Rules 1980, Nos. 33, 34, 35, 36.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Dr Blewett, Mr N. A. Brown, Mr Bungey, Mr Fife, Mr Innes, Mr P. F. Johnson, Mr Katter, Mr Nixon, Mr Willis and Mr Young.

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