

## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 68

WEDNESDAY, 18 NOVEMBER 1981

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- 1 The House met, at 1.45 p.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 Birney, Mr Bungey, Mr Carlton, Mrs Child, Mr Coleman, Mr Dawkins, Mr Fry, Mrs Kelly, Mr Morris, Mr West and Mr Young—from certain citizens praying that funding of children's services be restored to at least 1975-76 levels, budget allocations for children's services be spent in full for the purposes designated and a means test not be imposed on the users of child care services.
- Mr Adermann, Mr Birney, Mr Bowen, Mr Bradfield, Mr Braithwaite, Mr D. M. Cameron, Mr E. C. Cameron, Mr Free, Mr Jull and Mr Mildren—from certain citizens praying that the Senate's requested amendments to the Sales Tax Bills be supported.
- Mrs Child, Mrs Darling, Dr Everingham, Mr Free, Mr Hurford and Mr Wallis—from certain citizens praying that the proposed sales tax on books, magazines and newspapers be withdrawn from the Budget proposals.
- Mr Beazley, Mr J. J. Brown, Mr Dawkins, Mr Duffy and Mr Mildren—from certain members of the Australian Postal and Telecommunications Union praying that action be taken to seek the resignation or dismissal of the Minister for Communications because of the effects of staff ceilings imposed at his direction.
- Mr Bowen, Mr Humphreys, Dr Klugman, Mr McLeay and Mr Morrison—from certain citizens praying that the proposed 17½ per cent sales tax on manufactured pet foods be withdrawn.
- Mrs Child and Dr Theophanous—from certain citizens praying that insulin syringes for diabetics be made available on the National Health Scheme and insulin prescriptions revert to 10 bottles.
- Mrs Darling and Mr Falconer—from certain citizens praying that the value of family allowances be restored and then indexed and the spouse rebate be increased to \$1,342 per year.
- Mrs Darling and Mr Humphreys—from certain citizens praying that requests for export permits covering mineral sand products from Moreton Island, Qld, be refused.
- Mr Duffy and Mr Humphreys—from certain citizens praying that any proposal to legislate for the establishment of plant breeders' rights in Australia be rejected.
- Mr Armitage—from certain citizens praying that positive policies be adopted to reduce unemployment and that certain social security benefits be granted.
- Mr Armitage—from certain citizens praying that the decisions of the Committee of Review of Commonwealth Functions to dismantle depots of the Department of Housing and Construction and replace long-serving workers be reversed.

- Mr Armitage—from certain citizens praying that financial support be provided for the Save the Children Fund Family Care Centre at Shalvey, N.S.W.
- Mr Beazley—from certain citizens praying that the relevant taxation Acts be amended to provide for deductions of home loan interest payments with the necessary adjustments to pay-as-you-earn deductions.
- Mr Beazley—from certain citizens praying that Australian military participation in the proposed Sinai peacekeeping force not be ratified unless that force is fully controlled by the United Nations.
- Mr Bradfield—from certain citizens praying that the Commonwealth funding of health services be continued at an improved level and the recommendations of the Committee of Review of Commonwealth Functions not be proceeded with.
- Mr E. C. Cameron—from certain citizens praying that any ordinance to authorise the establishment of a gambling casino in Canberra be disallowed.
- Mrs Child—from certain citizens praying that the proposed changes to assistance to the passenger motor vehicle and components industries after 1984 as recommended by the Industries Assistance Commission not be given effect.
- Mrs Child—from certain citizens praying that funding in the area of child care not be reduced and certain other action be taken to ensure that funds are allocated for part-time occasional care centres.
- Mr Coleman—from certain citizens praying that funds not be allocated for the development of roads or dams in South-West Tasmania but be provided instead for the preservation of the area.
- Mr Coleman—from certain citizens praying that there be no sales tax on books.
- Mrs Darling—from certain citizens praying that the proposal to transfer funding of women's refuges to the States not be proceeded with and Federal funding levels for women's refuges be increased.
- Mrs Darling—from certain citizens praying that telegram services be retained at a standard and cost that will not disadvantage the ordinary citizen.
- Mrs Darling—from certain citizens praying that the drug *Pancrease* be evaluated by the Australian Drug Evaluation Committee of the Department of Health as a matter of high priority.
- Mrs Darling—from certain citizens praying that no approval be given to the application of Trans Australia Airlines or any other airline for a relaxation or withdrawal of the curfew at Eagle Farm Airport, Qld.
- Mrs Darling—from certain citizens praying that post-secondary tuition fees not be re-introduced, visa charges upon private overseas students be removed, the decision to introduce a loans scheme be reversed and the Tertiary Education Assistance Scheme be increased and extended.
- Mrs Darling—from certain citizens praying that the widows pension and supporting parent benefit be increased, the guardian, child and family allowances be indexed, the tax-free threshold for income tax be raised and the sales tax increases on essential items be removed.
- Mrs Darling—from certain citizens praying that the means test for pensions be increased to the same relative level as applied in 1972.
- Mrs Darling—from certain citizens praying that the recent decisions made with respect to tertiary education be rescinded and no steps be taken towards the re-introduction of fees for tertiary education.
- Mr Drummond—from certain citizens praying that sufficient funds be provided to State education systems to ensure the maintenance of the current high quality of education.
- Mr Fry—from certain citizens praying that Narellan House, A.C.T., be leased to the Canberra College of Technical and Further Education as a student residence.

Mr Hicks—from certain electors of the Electoral Division of Riverina praying that steps be taken to ensure the educational courses offered by the W.S. and L.B. Robinson College of the University of New South Wales at Broken Hill are maintained and expanded and new enrolments are accepted for 1982 and thereafter.

Mr Humphreys—from certain citizens praying that the Theatre Board's general grant of \$20,000 to La Boite Theatre, Brisbane, be re-instated without delay.

Mr Humphreys—from certain citizens praying that the proposal to extend the existing curfew at Brisbane's International Airport be refused and siting plans for the proposed new runway be reconsidered.

Mr Humphreys—from certain citizens praying that the 1981 Budget amendments to sales tax legislation be repealed and the Sales Tax Amendment Bills be withdrawn.

Mr Humphreys—from certain citizens praying that until legislation is enacted ensuring that animals are exported humanely a total ban be placed on the export of animals for slaughter.

Mrs Kelly—from certain citizens praying that State-like self-government on a sound financial basis be conferred on the Australian Capital Territory.

Mr Kent—from certain citizens praying that any proposal to sell Trans Australia Airlines be rejected.

Mr Kent—from certain citizens praying that immediate and positive action be taken to avert further poverty and suffering in the community by raising the level of all pensions and benefits to the poverty line and by reconsidering the recent Government decisions taken in relation to the health system.

Mr Kent—from certain citizens praying that post-secondary tuition fees not be re-introduced and visa charges upon private overseas students be removed immediately.

Mr Lloyd—from certain citizens praying that steps be taken to prevent the Australian Postal Commission implementing any plan which will downgrade postal and mail services.

Mrs Darling and Mr Wallis—from certain residents of the Electoral Divisions of Lilley and Grey, respectively, and Mr Sainsbury—from certain residents of the Illawarra region, N.S.W., in similar terms to the last preceding petition.

Mr Macphee—from certain citizens praying that refugee status be granted to the 2 Chilean refugees, Fernando Del Carmen Cerda Labarca and Pedro Jose Belmar Aguilera.

Mr Milton—from certain citizens praying that immediate and positive action be taken to avert any further effects of increases in interest rates on home mortgage loans.

Mr Mountford—from certain citizens praying that disabled people be recognised as citizens who should have equal rights and that certain actions be taken to enable adequate planning of services needed by partially or totally disabled people to be undertaken.

Mr Scott—from certain citizens praying that any proposal to increase sales tax on white goods and shelf goods be rejected.

Mr West—from certain residents praying that the decisions announced by the Committee on the Review of Commonwealth Functions which adversely affect migrants and refugees not be proceeded with.

Mr West—from certain citizens praying for the prohibition of oil exploration within the Great Barrier Reef region and that the entire region be declared a marine park.

Petitions received.

3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.

**4 PAPERS:** The following papers were presented:

By command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

- Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation—Interim report, for year 1980–81.
- Australian Capital Territory Architects Board—Report for year 1980–81.
- Australian Capital Territory Bush Fire Council—Report for year 1980–81.
- Australian Capital Territory Fire Brigade—7th Annual Report by the Fire Commissioner, for year 1980–81.
- Australian National Railways Commission—Financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1980–81.
- Canberra Showground Trust—Report for year 1979–80.
- Commonwealth Fire Board—Report for year 1980–81.
- Conciliation and Arbitration Act—Report to Department of Industrial Relations on review of the Act by R. Searby and J. E. Taylor, dated 26 October 1981.
- Department of Industry and Commerce—Report for year 1980–81.
- Finance—Advance to Minister for Finance—Statement for October 1981.
- Health needs of adolescents—Report by Department of Health.
- Representation Act—Notification of determination by the Chief Australian Electoral Officer of the number of Members of the House of Representatives to be chosen in the several States, dated 3 November 1981.
- Wheat Marketing Act—Australian Wheat Board—Report for year ended 30 November 1980—Corrigenda to paper presented on 19 August 1981.

Pursuant to statute:

- Australian Capital Territory Electricity Supply Act—Australian Capital Territory Electricity Authority—18th Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1980–81.
- Australian Institute of Multicultural Affairs Act—Australian Institute of Multicultural Affairs—2nd Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1980–81.
- Barley Research Act—Barley Industry Research Council—Report for period 17 December 1980 to 30 June 1981.
- Commonwealth Grants Commission Act—Commonwealth Grants Commission—2nd report (1981) on special assistance for the Northern Territory.
- Conciliation and Arbitration Act—Industrial Relations Bureau—4th Annual Report for year 1980–81.
- Defence Force Retirement and Death Benefits Act—Defence Force Retirement and Death Benefits Authority—9th Annual Report, for year 1980–81.
- Health Insurance Commission Act—Health Insurance Commission—7th Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1980–81.
- Housing Loans Insurance Act—Housing Loans Insurance Corporation—17th Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1980–81.
- International Monetary Agreements Act—Report on operations of the Act and, in so far as they relate to Australia, of the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, for year 1980–81.
- Local Government (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Act—Local Government Grants Commissions—Reports—
  - New South Wales (1981–82).
  - Queensland (1981).
  - Tasmania (1981–82) (State Grants Commission).
- Meat Research Act—Australian Meat Research Committee—15th Annual Report, for year 1980–81.
- Medical Research Endowment Act—National Health and Medical Research Council—Report for 1980.
- Papua New Guinea (Staffing Assistance) Termination Act—Commissioner for Superannuation—Report for year 1980–81.

- Parliament House Construction Authority Act—Parliament House Construction Authority—3rd Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1980–81.
- Representation Act—Certificate of the Chief Australian Electoral Officer of the numbers of the people of the Commonwealth and of the several States as at 3 November 1981.
- Seat of Government (Administration) Act—  
Australian Capital Territory—Statement of receipts and expenditure for year 1980–81.
- Health Commission Ordinance—Capital Territory Health Commission—Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1980–81.
- Sugar Agreement Act—Fruit Industry Sugar Concession Committee—50th Annual Report and statements of receipts and payments certified by the Auditor-General, for year 1980–81.
- Tobacco Industry Act—Report for year 1980–81.
- Weights and Measures (National Standards) Act—National Standards Commission—Report for year 1980–81.
- Wheat Research Act—Report for year 1980–81.

**5 TACTICAL FIGHTER AIRCRAFT—MEMORANDUM OF ARRANGEMENTS—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS:** Mr Killen (Minister for Defence), by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following papers:

Tactical fighter aircraft—Memorandum of arrangements between the Government of the United States of America and the Australian Government relating to the procurement and co-production of a new tactical fighter aircraft, dated 12 September 1980, together with an annex and Amendment (No. 1) to the Memorandum.

Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the papers.

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

**6 RELEASE OF EVIDENCE AND RECORDS OF COMMITTEES—REPORT:** Mr Speaker presented the following paper:

Release of evidence and records of committees—Report by Presiding Officers for period 22 May 1980 to 18 November 1981.

**7 FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND DEFENCE—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS:** Mr Katter presented the following report from the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs and Defence:

Threats to Australia's security—Their nature and probability—Report, together with the transcript of evidence of the inquiry.

Ordered—That the report be printed.

Mr Katter, Mr Morrison, Mr Falconer, Mr Beazley, Mr Shipton and Mr Holding, by leave, made statements in connection with the report.

**8 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—GENERAL BUSINESS NOTICE:** Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent notice No. 6, general business, standing in the name of the honourable Member for Werriwa, being called on and debated forthwith.

Question—put and passed.

**9 MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATIONS—MOTION OF CENSURE:** Mr Kerin, pursuant to notice, moved—That this House censures the Minister for Communications for having misled the Parliament with respect to his knowledge of activities by the Australian Dairy Corporation when under his ministerial control.

Debate ensued.

*Closure:* Mr Sinclair (Minister for Communications) 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, 68

Mr Adermann	Mr Dean	Mr Hyde	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Anthony	Mr Dobie	Mr Jull	Mr Peacock
Mr Baume	Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr Porter
Mr Bradfield	Dr Edwards	Mr Killen	Mr Robinson
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Falconer	Mr Lloyd	Mr Rocher
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Faife	Mr Lusher	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bungey	Mr Fisher*	Sir Phillip Lynch	Mr Sainsbury*
Mr Burr	Mr Giles	Mr MacKellar	Mr Shack
Mr Cadman	Mr Goodluck	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Shipton
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Groom	Mr McLean	Mr Sinclair
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hall	Sir William McMahan	Mr Spender
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Harris	Mr McVeigh	Mr Street
Mr Carlton	Mr Hicks	Mr Macphee	Mr Tambling
Mr Chapman	Mr Hodges	Mr Millar	Mr Tuckey
Mr Coleman	Mr Hodgman	Mr Mocre	Mr Viner
Mr Connolly	Mr Howard	Mr Newman	Mr White
Mr Cowan	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon	Mr Wilson

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Mr Armitage	Mr Cunningham	Mr Innes	Mr Milton
Mr Beazley	Mrs Darling	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morris
Dr Blewett	Mr Dawkins	Dr Jenkins	Mr Morrison
Mr Bowen	Mr Duffy	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Mountford*
Mr J. J. Brown	Dr Everingham	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mr Keating	Mr Scott
Mr Campbell	Mr Fry	Mrs Kelly	Dr Theophanous
Dr Cass	Mr Hawke	Mr Kent	Mr Uren
Mr Charles	Mr Holding	Mr Kerin	Mr Wallis
Mrs Child	Mr Howe	Dr Klugman	Mr West
Mr Cohen	Mr Humphreys*	Mr McLeay	Mr Willis
Mr Cross	Mr Hurford	Mr Mildren	Mr Young

\* Tellers

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, 48

Mr Armitage	Mr Cunningham	Mr Innes	Mr Milton
Mr Beazley	Mrs Darling	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morris
Dr Blewett	Mr Dawkins	Dr Jenkins	Mr Morrison
Mr Bowen	Mr Duffy	M: B. O. Jones	Mr Mountford*
Mr J. J. Brown	Dr Everingham	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mr Keating	Mr Scott
Mr Campbell	Mr Fry	Mrs Kelly	Dr Theophanous
Dr Cass	Mr Hawke	Mr Kent	Mr Uren
Mr Charles	Mr Holding	Mr Kerin	Mr Wallis
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Mr Anthony	Mr Dobie	Mr Jull	Mr Peacock
Mr Baume	Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr Porter
Mr Bradfield	Dr Edwards	Mr Killen	Mr Robinson
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Falconer	Mr Lloyd	Mr Rocher
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Fife	Mr Lusher	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bungey	Mr Fisher*	Sir Phillip Lynch	Mr Sainsbury*
Mr Burr	Mr Giles	Mr MacKellar	Mr Shack
Mr Cadman	Mr Goodluck	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Shipton
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Groom	Mr McLean	Mr Sinclair
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hall	Sir William McMahon	Mr Spender
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Harris	Mr McVeigh	Mr Street
Mr Carlton	Mr Hicks	Mr Macphee	Mr Tambling
Mr Chapman	Mr Hodges	Mr Millar	Mr Tuckey
Mr Coleman	Mr Hodgman	Mr Moore	Mr Viner
Mr Connolly	Mr Howard	Mr Newman	Mr White
Mr Cowan	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon	Mr Wilson

\* Tellers

And so it was negatived.

## 10 PROPOSED DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—PARLIAMENT:

Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr Hayden (Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The refusal of the Government to discharge its national responsibilities as evidenced by its insisting on the early closure of the Parliament".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Hayden rising to address the House—

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

Question—put.

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

## AYES, 62

Mr Adermann	Mr Dobie	Mr Jull	Mr Robinson
Mr Anthony	Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr Rocher
Mr Baume	Dr Edwards	Mr Killen	Mr Ruddock
Mr Bradfield	Mr Falconer	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sainsbury*
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Fife	Mr Lusher	Mr Shack
Mr Bungey	Mr Fisher*	Sir Phillip Lynch	Mr Shipton
Mr Burr	Mr Giles	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr Cadman	Mr Goodluck	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Spender
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Groom	Mr McLean	Mr Street
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Hall	Sir William McMahon	Mr Tambling
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Harris	Mr McVeigh	Mr Tuckey
Mr Carlton	Mr Hicks	Mr Newman	Mr Viner
Mr Chapman	Mr Hodges	Mr Nixon	Mr White
Mr Coleman	Mr Hodgman	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Wilson
Mr Cowan	Mr Howard	Mr Peacock	
Mr Dean	Mr Hyde	Mr Porter	

## NOES, 45

Mr Armitage	Mr Cunningham	Dr Jenkins	Mr Mountford*
Mr Beazley	Mrs Darling	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Scholes
Dr Blewett	Mr Dawkins	Mr Keating	Mr Scott
Mr Bowen	Mr Duffy	Mrs Kelly	Dr Theophanous
Mr J. J. Brown	Dr Everingham	Mr Kent	Mr Uren
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mr Kerin	Mr Wallis
Mr Campbell	Mr Hawke	Dr Klugman	Mr West
Dr Cass	Mr Holding	Mr McLeay	Mr Willis
Mr Charles	Mr Howe	Mr Mildren	Mr Young
Mrs Child	Mr Humphreys*	Mr Milton	
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris	
Mr Cross	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison	

\*Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

## 11 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY: Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 1 and 2, Privilege, relating to the consideration of reports from the Committee of Privileges, be postponed until a later hour this day.

**12 DISCHARGE OF ORDERS OF THE DAY:** Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—That the orders of the day, government business, for the resumption of the debate on the motions to take note of the following papers, be discharged:

Schools Commission—Report for triennium 1982–84.  
 Migrant assessment—Report of Committee of Review—Government decisions—Ministerial statement.  
 River Murray Waters Agreement—Ministerial statement and paper.  
 Immigrants—Illegal entry—Ministerial statement.  
 Nabarlek—Unauthorised release of water—Report.  
 Community Youth Support Scheme—Ministerial statement.  
 Air traffic controller shortage—Ministerial statement.  
 Public Libraries—Policy on assistance—Paper and ministerial statement.  
 Local government personal income tax sharing—State Grants Commission recommendations.  
 National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters—Paper and ministerial statement.  
 Telecommunications and postal services in Australia—Public inquiries—Ministerial statement.  
 Aircraft accident investigation report.  
 Defence integrated secure communications network—Ministerial statement.  
 Migrant assessment—Committee of Review—Report and ministerial statement.  
 Aborigines of the Northern Territory—Social impact of uranium mining—Papers.  
 Overseas aid program—Ministerial statement.  
 Housing industry—Indicative Planning Council—Paper and ministerial statement.  
 Insurance brokers—Regulation—Ministerial statement.

Debate ensued.

Mr Young addressing the House—

*Closure:* Mr Sainsbury 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, 63

Mr Adermann	Mr Dean	Mr Hyde	Mr Porter
Mr Anthony	Mr Dobie	Mr Jull	Mr Robinson
Mr Baume	Mr Drummond	Mr Katter	Mr Rocher
Mr Bradfield	Dr Edwards	Mr Killen	Mr Ruddock
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Falconer	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sainsbury*
Mr Bungey	Mr Fife	Mr Lusher	Mr Shack
Mr Burr	Mr Fisher*	Sir Phillip Lynch	Mr Shipton
Mr Cadman	Mr Giles	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Goodluck	Mr MacKenzie	Mr Spender
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Groom	Mr McLean	Mr Street
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hall	Sir William McMahon	Mr Tambling
Mr Carlton	Mr Harris	Mr McVeigh	Mr Tuckey
Mr Chapman	Mr Hicks	Mr Newman	Mr Viner
Mr Coleman	Mr Hodges	Mr Nixon	Mr White
Mr Connolly	Mr Hodgman	Mr C'Keefe	Mr Wilson
Mr Cowan	Mr Howard	Mr Peacock	

NOES, 46

Mr Armitage	Mr Cunningham	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison
Mr Beazley	Mrs Darling	Dr Jenkins	Mr Mountford*
Dr Blewett	Mr Dawkins	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr Bowen	Mr Duffy	Mr Keating	Mr Scott
Mr J. J. Brown	Dr Everingham	Mrs Kelly	Dr Theophanous
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mr Kent	Mr Uren
Mr Campbell	Mr Hawke	Mr Kerin	Mr Wallis
Dr Cass	Mr Holding	Dr Klugman	Mr West
Mr Charles	Mr Howe	Mr McLeay	Mr Willis
Mrs Child	Mr Humphreys*	Mr Mildren	Mr Young
Mr Cohen	Mr Hurford	Mr Milton	
Mr Cross	Mr Innes	Mr Morris	

\* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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



- 13 **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—R.A.A.F. BASE, LAVERTON, VIC.:** Mr McVeigh (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 consideration and report: Construction of additional training and sleeping accommodation at R.A.A.F. Base, Laverton, Vic.

Mr McVeigh presented plans in connection with the proposed work.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 14 **INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1981:** 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 Hodgman (Minister for the Capital Territory), the Bill was read a third time.

- 15 **CENSUS AND STATISTICS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1981:** 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*

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

On the motion of Mr Howard (Treasurer), the following amendment was made, after debate: Clause 10, page 6, line 7, omit “and obtaining information”.

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

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The House resumed; Mr Millar reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Howard, by leave, the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

- 16 **SOCIAL SERVICES AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1981:** 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. 112, dated 17 November 1981, 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 Hunt (Minister representing the Minister for Social Security), the Bill was read a third time.

17 SOCIAL SERVICES AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 3) 1981: 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.

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

AYES, 66

Mr Adermann	Mr Dobie	Mr Jarman	Mr Porter
Mr Anthony	Mr Drummond	Mr Jull	Mr Robinson
Mr Baume	Dr Edwards	Mr Katter	Mr Rocher
Mr Bradfield	Mr Falconer	Mr Killen	Mr Ruddock
Mr Braithwaite	Mr Fife	Mr Lloyd	Mr Sainsbury*
Mr Bungey	Mr Fisher	Mr Lusher	Mr Shack
Mr Burr	Mr Giles	Sir Phillip Lynch	Mr Shipton
Mr Cadman	Mr Goodluck	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
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Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Harris	Sir William McMahon	Mr Tambling
Mr Carlton	Mr Hicks	Mr McVeigh	Mr Tuckey
Mr Chapman	Mr Hodges	Mr Macphee	Mr Tinner
Mr Coleman	Mr Hodgman	Mr Newman	Mr White
Mr Connolly	Mr Howard	Mr Nixon	Mr Wilson
Mr Cowan	Mr Hunt	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Dean	Mr Hyde	Mr Peacock	

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Mr Armitage	Mrs Darling	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mountford*
Mr Beazley	Mr Dawkins	Dr Jenkins	Mr Scholes
Dr Blewett	Mr Duffy	Mr B. O. Jones	Mr Scott
Mr Bowen	Dr Everingham	Mr C. K. Jones	Dr Theophanous
Mr J. J. Brown	Mr Free	Mr Keating	Mr Uren
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Fry	Mrs Kelly	Mr Wallis
Mr Campbell	Mr Hawke	Mr Kent	Mr West
Dr Cass	Mr Holding	Mr McLeay	Mr Willis
Mr Charles	Mr Howe	Mr Mildren	Mr Young
Mrs Child	Mr Humphreys*	Mr Milton	
Mr Cross	Mr Hurford	Mr Morris	
Mr Cunningham	Mr Innes	Mr Morrison	

\* Tellers

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 Hunt (Minister representing the Minister for Social Security), the Bill was read a third time.

18 REFUGEES—SPECIAL HUMANITARIAN PROGRAM—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:

Mr Macphee (Minister for Immigration and Ethnic Affairs), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House of the Government's decision to establish a special humanitarian program for the admission to Australia of refugees fleeing human rights violations in their homelands.

Mr Young, by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.

19 ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON

MANAGEMENT OF THE AUSTRALIAN COASTAL ZONE—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr Wilson (Minister for Home Affairs and Environment), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House of the Government's response to the report of the Standing Committee on Environment and Conservation on management of the Australian coastal zone.

Mr West, by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.

20 ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON

GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY CONSERVATION ORGANISATIONS—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr Wilson (Minister for Home Affairs

and Environment), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House of the Government's response to the report of the Standing Committee on Environment and Conservation on grants to voluntary conservation organisations.

Mr West, by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.

21 **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE:** A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:

18 November 1981—Message No. 199—National Health Amendment 1981.

22 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—SESSIONAL ORDERS:** Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Leader of the House moving a motion for the adoption of sessional orders relating to privilege.

Question—put and passed.

23 **COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES—REFERENCES TO, WHEN HOUSE NOT SITTING—SESSIONAL ORDERS:** Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House) moved—That, unless otherwise ordered, the following standing orders be adopted for the remainder of this Session:

**Privilege matter raised when House not sitting**

“97A. During a period when the House is not sitting and is not expected to meet for a further period of at least 2 weeks, a Member may bring to the attention of the Speaker a matter of privilege which has arisen since the House last met and which he proposes should be referred to the Committee of Privileges. If Mr Speaker is satisfied that a *prima facie* case of breach of privilege has been made out and the matter is one upon which urgent action should be taken, he shall refer it forthwith to the Committee of Privileges: Provided that any referral by Mr Speaker in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this standing order shall be reported to the House by Mr Speaker at its next sitting whereupon the Member who raised the matter shall be required to move forthwith, without notice, that such referral be endorsed by the House; should such motion be negatived, the Committee of Privileges shall take no further action in respect of the matter.

**Power to send for persons, papers and records**

97B. Where a matter is referred to the Committee of Privileges by Mr Speaker in accordance with the provisions of standing order 97A, the Committee of Privileges shall have power to send for persons, papers and records relating to that inquiry.”

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

The House continuing to sit until after 12 midnight—

**THURSDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 1981**

24 **LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO ALL MEMBERS:** Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House) moved—That leave of absence be given to every Member of the House of Representatives from the determination of this sitting of the House to the date of its next sitting.

Question—put and passed.

25 **SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:** Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House) moved—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 16 February 1982, at 1.45 p.m., unless otherwise called together by Mr Speaker or, in the event of Mr Speaker being unavailable, by the Chairman of Committees.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

26 **ADJOURNMENT:** Mr Sinclair (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 12.27 a.m., adjourned until Tuesday, 16 February 1982, at 1.45 p.m., in accordance with the resolution agreed to this day.

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**PAPERS:** The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 18 November 1981, pursuant to statute:

Australian Capital Territory Supreme Court Act—Rules of Court—Statutory Rules 1981, No. 323.

Customs Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1981, No. 324.

Dried Fruits Levy Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1981, No. 326.

Health Insurance Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1981, No. 327.

International Organizations (Privileges and Immunities) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1981, No. 325.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—

Ordinances—1981—

No. 41—Hawkers (Amendment).

No. 42—Leases (Special Purposes) (Amendment).

Regulations—1981—

No. 24—(Motor Traffic Ordinance).

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Birney, Mr Bouchier\*, Mr Johnson\*, Mr J. L. McMahon and Mr Thomson.

**\* On leave**

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**J. A. PETTIFER,**

Clerk of the House of Representatives