

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 63

TUESDAY, 3 APRIL 1984

- 1 The House met, at 2 p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Dr H. A. Jenkins) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.
- 3 **PAPER:** The following paper was presented:
Pig Industry Research Act—Australian Pig Industry Research Committee—12th Annual Report, for year 1982-83.
- 4 **PETITIONS:** The Acting Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:
Mr Cadman, Mr Cross, Mr Hall and Mr Porter—from certain citizens praying that chiropractic services be included in Medicare when it is introduced.
Mr Carlton, Mr Chynoweth, Mr Cross and Ms McHugh—from certain citizens praying that the ban on the export of kangaroo products be re-applied.
Mr Carlton and Mr Mountford—from certain citizens praying that the nation's total dependence on God the Creator in accordance with the Constitution and the standing orders of the House of Representatives be reaffirmed.
Mr Cross and Mr Humphreys—from certain residents of Queensland praying that no action be taken to change the national flag.
Mr Hunt and Mr Lusher—from certain citizens praying that the Sex Discrimination Bill be amended to prevent inconsistencies with the principles of justice and equality and that a conscience vote on the Bill be permitted to all Members of Parliament.
Mr Cadman—from certain citizens praying that the findings of the Major Airport Needs of Sydney Committee be endorsed and proposals for an airport at Scheyville, NSW, be rejected.
Mr Hodgman—from certain citizens praying that meat export inspection charges be suspended for 3 years.
Mr Hodgman—from certain citizens praying that the existing national flag remain sacrosanct.
Mr Ruddock—from certain citizens praying that no further action be taken in respect of territorial or local government in the Australian Capital Territory until the findings of the inquiry into ACT finances have been made public and a further referendum of electors has been held.
- 5 **DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—DEFENCE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS POLICIES:** Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr Peacock (Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The concern and confusion created by the

Petitions received.

Government's defence and foreign affairs policies, as highlighted by the leaking of the strategic basis paper".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Peacock addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

6 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE: Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:

2 April 1984—Message—

No. 190—Health Insurance Amendment 1984.

No. 194—Advance Australia Logo Protection 1984.

7 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—JUDICIARY AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1984: Message

No. 191, dated 2 April 1984, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for "*An Act to amend the 'Judiciary Act 1903'*".

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hayden (Minister for Foreign Affairs), by leave, moved—That the second reading be made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

8 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—FEDERAL COURT OF AUSTRALIA AMENDMENT BILL 1984: Message No. 192, dated 2 April 1984, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for "*An Act to amend the 'Federal Court of Australia Act 1976'*".

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hayden (Minister for Foreign Affairs), by leave, moved—That the second reading be made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

9 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT SOLICITOR (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 1984: Message No. 193, dated 2 April 1984, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for "*An Act to amend certain Acts in consequence of the establishment of the Australian Government Solicitor*".

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hayden (Minister for Foreign Affairs), by leave, moved—That the second reading be made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

10 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—ACTS INTERPRETATION AMENDMENT BILL 1984: Message No. 189, dated 30 March 1984, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for "*An Act to amend the 'Acts Interpretation Act 1901'*".

Bill read a first time.

Mr Hayden (Minister for Foreign Affairs), by leave, moved—That the second reading be made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

11 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 3) 1983-84: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—Debate resumed.

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

12 PAPER: The following paper was presented:

Cocos (Keeling) Islands—Self-determination—United Nations Mission, April 1984—List of members of the Mission and accompanying persons.

13 **JUDICIARY AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) 1984:** The order of the day having been read for the second reading—
Mr Bowen (Minister representing the Attorney-General) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

14 **FEDERAL COURT OF AUSTRALIA AMENDMENT BILL 1984:** The order of the day having been read for the second reading—
Mr Bowen (Minister representing the Attorney-General) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

15 **AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT SOLICITOR (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 1984:** The order of the day having been read for the second reading—
Mr Bowen (Minister representing the Attorney-General) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Spender), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

16 **ACTS INTERPRETATION AMENDMENT BILL 1984:** The order of the day having been read for the second reading—
Mr Bowen (Minister representing the Attorney-General) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Spender), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

17 **MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—COMPANIES AND SECURITIES LEGISLATION (MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS) BILL (NO. 1) 1984:** Message No. 195, dated 3 April 1984, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for “*An Act to amend laws relating to companies and securities*”.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Bowen (Minister representing the Attorney-General) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Spender), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

18 **APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 3) 1983-84:** 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.
Paper: Mr Hunt (Deputy Leader of the National Party of Australia), by leave, presented the following paper:
Community Employment Program—Extract from the *Commonwealth Record* of 1-7 August 1983.
Debate continued.
Mr R. J. Brown addressing the House—

Adjournment negatived: It being 10.30 p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Mr Jones (Minister for Science and Technology) requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—
Question—put and negatived.

Debate continued.

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

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

19 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 4) 1983-84: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Jones (Minister for Science and Technology), the Bill was read a third time.

20 APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENTARY DEPARTMENTS) BILL (NO. 2) 1983-84: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Jones (Minister for Science and Technology), the Bill was read a third time.

21 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Jones (Minister for Science and Technology) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 10.59 p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at 10 a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 3 April 1984:

Proclamations by His Excellency the Governor-General fixing the dates on which the following Acts and sections of Acts shall come into operation:

Migration Amendment Act 1983—2 April 1984.

Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Amendment Act 1983—
Provisions other than provisions specified in sub-sections 2 (1), (2) and (3)—31 March 1984.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Adermann, Mr Coleman, Mr Connolly, Mr Jacobi, Dr Klugman and Mr O'Keefe.

A. R. BROWNING
Acting Clerk of the House of
Representatives