

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 101

FRIDAY, 23 MAY 1986

1 The House met, at 10 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Madam Speaker (the Honourable Joan Child) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS—BILLS—LIMITATION OF DEBATE:** Mr Young (Leader of the House), pursuant to notice, moved—That—

(1) standing order 48A (adjournment of House), as amended by sessional order, be suspended for this sitting, and

(2) in relation to the proceedings on the following Bills, so much of the standing and sessional orders be suspended as would prevent 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:

Dairy Produce Bill 1986;

Dairy Produce Levy (No. 1) Bill 1986;

Dairy Produce Levy (No. 2) Bill 1986;

Dairying Industry Research and Promotion Levy (Termination of Levy) Bill 1986;

Dairy Industry Stabilization Levy (Termination of Levy) Bill 1986, and

Dairy Legislation (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Bill 1986.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mrs Child, in the Chair)—

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Mr Baldwin	Ms Fatin	Mrs Kelly	Mr O'Keefe
Mr Beddall	Mr Fitzgibbon	Mr Kent	Mr O'Neil
Mr Blanchard	Mr Free	Mr Keogh	Mr Price
Dr Blewett	Mr Gear	Dr Klugman	Mr Punch
Mr Bowen	Mr Gorman	Mr Lamb	Mr Saunderson
Mr R. J. Brown	Mr Grace	Mr Langmore	Mr Scholes
Mr Brumby	Mr Griffiths	Mr Lee	Mr Scott
Mr Charles	Mr Hand	Mr Lindsay	Mr Snow
Dr Charlesworth	Mr Holding	Ms McHugh	Mr Staples
Mr Chynoweth	Mr Hollis	Mr McLeay	Dr Theophanous
Mr Cleland	Mr Howe	Mr Maher	Mr Tickner
Mr Cross	Mr Humphreys*	Mr Martin	Mr Uren
Mr Cunningham*	Mr Hurford	Mrs Mayer	Mr West
Mr Dawkins	Mr Jacobi	Mr Mildren	Mr Wright
Mr Dubois	Mrs Jakobsen	Mr Milton	Mr Young
Mr Duffy	Mr Jenkins	Mr A. A. Morris	
Mr Duncan	Mr Jones	Mr P. F. Morris	
Mr R. F. Edwards	Mr Keating	Mr Mountford	

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Mr Adermann	Mr Dobie	Mr Hodges	Mr Peacock
Mr Aldred	Mr Downer	Mr Hodgman	Mr Reith
Mr Andrew*	Mr Drummond	Mr Hunt	Mr Robinson
Mr Blunt	Dr H. R. Edwards	Mr Jull	Mr Rocher
Mr N. A. Brown	Mr Everingham	Mr Lloyd	Mr Ruddock
Mr Burr	Mr Fife	Mr McArthur	Mr Sharp
Mr Cadman	Mr T. A. Fischer	Mr McGauran	Mr Shipton
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr P. S. Fisher	Mr MacKellar	Mr Sinclair
Mr E. C. Cameron	Mr Goodluck	Mr McVeigh	Mr Slipper
Mr I. M. D. Cameron	Mr Hall	Mr Miles	Mr Tuckey
Mr Coleman	Mr Halverson	Mr Millar	Dr Watson
Mr Conquest	Mr Hawker	Mr Moore	Mr Webster
Mr Cowan	Mr Hicks*	Mr Nehl	Mr Wilson

* Tellers

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

- 3 **DECLARATION OF BILLS AS URGENT BILLS—LIMITATION OF DEBATE:** Mr Young (Leader of the House) declared that the Dairy Produce Bill 1986, the Dairy Produce Levy (No. 1) Bill 1986, the Dairy Produce Levy (No. 2) Bill 1986, the Dairying Industry Research and Promotion Levy (Termination of Levy) Bill 1986, the Dairy Industry Stabilization Levy (Termination of Levy) Bill 1986 and the Dairy Legislation (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Bill 1986 were urgent Bills.

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

Allotment of time: Mr Young then moved—That the time allotted in connection with the Bills be as follows:

- (1) Dairy Produce Bill 1986—For the remaining stages, until 4 p.m. this day.
- (2) Dairy Produce Levy (No. 1) Bill 1986—For the remaining stages, until 4.05 p.m. this day.
- (3) Dairy Produce Levy (No. 2) Bill 1986—For the remaining stages, until 4.10 p.m. this day.
- (4) Dairying Industry Research and Promotion Levy (Termination of Levy) Bill 1986—For the remaining stages, until 4.15 p.m. this day.
- (5) Dairy Industry Stabilization Levy (Termination of Levy) Bill 1986—For the remaining stages, until 4.20 p.m. this day.
- (6) Dairy Legislation (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Bill 1986—For the remaining stages, until 4.25 p.m. this day.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

- 4 **DAIRY PRODUCE BILL 1986:** 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.

Dr H. R. Edwards addressing the House—

It being 12.45 p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with sessional order 101A, and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

- 5 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.

- 6 **PETITIONS:** The Clerk announced that the following Members had each lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:

Mr Dubois, Dr H. R. Edwards, Ms McHugh, Mr Staples, Mr Webster and Mr Wilson—from certain citizens praying that 1989 be proposed as the International Year for Repairing the Earth and certain other action be taken in support of world peace.

Mr Wilson—from certain citizens in similar terms.

Mr Katter, Mr Mountford, Mr Nehl, Mr Robinson, Mr Snow and Mr Webster—from certain citizens praying that the standard pension be raised

- to 25% of average weekly earnings and certain other action be taken to assist pensioners and low income earners.
- Mr Dubois, Dr H. R. Edwards, Mr Free and Ms McHugh—from certain citizens praying that 1988 be proclaimed the first International Earth Repair Year.
- Mrs Sullivan—from certain citizens in similar terms to the last preceding petition.
- Dr H. R. Edwards, Mr Reith and Mr Shipton—from certain citizens praying that the national flag not be changed except by a referendum.
- Dr H. R. Edwards—from certain citizens in similar terms to the last preceding petition.
- Mr Blunt and Mr Reith—from certain citizens praying that no cut backs be made to the portfolio of Veterans' Affairs and certain action be taken to assist ex-servicemen and women.
- Mr Braithwaite and Mr Fife—from certain citizens praying that the commitment to the oil import parity pricing policy be honoured.
- Mr Goodluck and Mr Miles—from certain citizens praying that the right of employees to select their own superannuation scheme be guaranteed and certain other action be taken in relation to superannuation.
- Mr Jenkins and Mr Staples—from certain citizens praying that certain action be taken to relieve housing-related poverty.
- Mr Jenkins and Mr Staples—from certain citizens praying that Australia use its influence to establish a nuclear test moratorium and comprehensive nuclear test ban treaty.
- Mr Kent and Mr Staples—from certain citizens praying that the Government support the stand taken by the New Zealand Government on nuclear vessels and that the policy of developing zones of peace and nuclear free zones in the Indian and Pacific Oceans be implemented.
- Mr Blunt—from certain residents of the Division of Richmond praying that the world oil parity pricing policy be adhered to and the full flow on of the drop in world oil prices be given to the Australian public and business sector.
- Mr Blunt—from certain residents of the Division of Richmond praying that a bi-partisan commitment to world-wide nuclear disarmament be made.
- Mr Braithwaite—from certain electors of the Division of Dawson praying that the Australian Bill of Rights Bill not be passed.
- Mr Burr—from certain citizens praying that financial support be given to the Port Arthur Conservation and Development Project in co-operation with the Tasmanian Government.
- Mr Cadman—from certain citizens praying that proclamation of the Australian Bill of Rights Bill be delayed until a referendum has been held.
- Ms Fatin—from certain citizens praying that sub-section 16 (2) of the Broadcasting and Television Act be amended so that the Australian Broadcasting Tribunal shall consult the public when determining television standards and screening hours.
- Mr Free—from certain residents of New South Wales praying that the Western Sydney State University be established in conjunction with the NSW Government.
- Mr Goodluck—from certain citizens praying that the death penalty be introduced in cases where murder is proven beyond any shadow of doubt.
- Mr Goodluck—from certain residents of Hobart praying that funds be made available to construct an SBS television translator in the Hobart area.
- Mr Hodgman—from certain citizens praying that action be taken to assist the Polish people affected by the Chernobyl nuclear disaster and that the Soviet Union be condemned for its negligence.
- Mr Humphreys—from certain citizens praying that the proposed adoption of a flat rate family allowance be reconsidered.

- Mr Humphreys—from certain citizens praying that a television translator be erected to improve the reception of the Brisbane SBS UHF television station.
- Mr Kent—from certain citizens praying that the problems which identification cards are intended to reduce be attacked by other methods.
- Mr Lee—from certain citizens praying that a Medicare office be established in Wyong, NSW, as soon as possible.
- Ms McHugh—from certain citizens praying that action be taken to ensure all legal barriers to the equality of women workers are removed.
- Mr Milton—from certain citizens praying that importation of cobalt 60 and other radioactive substances be banned and regulations permitting irradiation of food in Australia be disallowed.
- Mr Nehl—from certain citizens and from certain electors of the Division of Cowper praying that the Australian Bill of Rights Bill and associated bills be rejected, the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission be abolished and ratification of the Covenant on Civil and Political Rights be withdrawn.
- Mr Nehl—from certain residents of the Division of Cowper praying that the superannuation claim of the trade union movement be rejected and superannuation be allowed to develop without trade union domination.
- Mr Reith—from certain citizens praying that prescription drugs continue to be provided to pensioners without fee.
- Mr Robinson—from certain residents of the north coast of New South Wales praying that the ABC radio studio in Grafton be retained and that the Grafton City Council's submission on the second regional radio network be heeded.
- Mr Slipper—from certain citizens praying that measures be taken to reduce the burden of imposed costs and regulation on Australian horticultural growers.
- Mr Slipper—from certain citizens praying that family allowance payments be restored to their former level.
- Mr Slipper—from certain residents of Somerset Dam, Qld, praying that an additional public telephone be made available at Somerset Dam or the present one be resited.
- Mr Slipper—from certain residents of Queensland praying that the total ban on entertainment expenses be abandoned and tax deductibility be allowed for legitimate and necessary expenses.
- Mr Slipper—from certain residents of the Division of Fisher praying that home loan interest rates be tax deductible.
- Mr Slipper—from certain residents of the Division of Fisher praying that the existing national flag remain sacrosanct.
- Mr Slipper—from certain residents of the Division of Fisher praying that the 1985 tax proposals outlined in the Government's White Paper be rejected.
- Mr Slipper—from certain residents of the Division of Fisher praying that means be sought for the protection of the people's interests to reverse the decision to hand Ayers Rock over to an Aboriginal Land Council.
- Mr Slipper—from certain residents of the Division of Fisher praying that the right to work be acknowledged and protected and that certain other action be taken to protect workers.
- Mr Slipper—from certain residents of the Division of Fisher praying that the Australian Bill of Rights Bill be repealed.
- Mr Slipper—from certain residents of the Division of Fisher praying that the assets test be reconsidered.
- Mr Staples—from certain citizens praying that the introduction of a compulsory identification card be rejected.
- Mr Staples—from certain citizens praying that a national park be set aside for wild horses and action be taken to ensure that killing of feral animals is undertaken in a humane manner.

Mrs Sullivan—from certain citizens praying that the family allowance be left in its present form and value.

Mr Tickner—from certain citizens praying that new initiatives be taken to encourage all member states of the United Nations to conclude a treaty banning all nuclear weapons tests and that certain other action be taken in relation to nuclear weapons tests.

Mr Tickner—from certain citizens praying that an additional nuclear reactor not be constructed at Lucas Heights, NSW, or elsewhere within Australia.

Dr Watson—from certain residents of Queensland praying that no action be taken to change the national flag.

Mr Webster—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.

Petitions received.

- 7 **DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—CAPITAL GAINS AND FRINGE BENEFITS TAX PROPOSALS:** The House was informed that Mr Howard (Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The destructive impact of the Government's capital gains and fringe benefits tax proposals on the productive sector of the Australian economy".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—

Mr Howard addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

- 8 **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE:** Mr Young (Leader of the House), by leave, moved—That Mr Punch be discharged from attendance on the Joint Committee of Public Accounts, and that, in his place, Mr Downer be appointed a member of the committee.

Question—put and passed.

- 9 **DAIRY PRODUCE BILL 1986:** 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. 153, dated 1 May 1986, 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 Kerin (Minister for Primary Industry), the Bill was read a third time.

- 10 **DAIRY PRODUCE LEVY (NO. 1) BILL 1986:** 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.

Mr Kerin (Minister for Primary Industry) moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

- 11 **DAIRY PRODUCE LEVY (NO. 2) BILL 1986:** The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

Mr Kerin (Minister for Primary Industry) moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Limitation of debate: At 4.10 p.m., Madam Speaker having called the attention of the House to the fact that the time allotted for the remaining stages of the Bill had expired—

Question—That the Bill be now read a third time—put and passed—Bill read a third time.

12 DAIRYING INDUSTRY RESEARCH AND PROMOTION LEVY (TERMINATION OF LEVY) BILL 1986: 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 Kerin (Minister for Primary Industry), the Bill was read a third time.

13 DAIRY INDUSTRY STABILIZATION LEVY (TERMINATION OF LEVY) BILL 1986: 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 Kerin (Minister for Primary Industry), the Bill was read a third time.

14 DAIRY LEGISLATION (TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 1986: 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. 154, dated 1 May 1986, 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 Kerin (Minister for Primary Industry), the Bill was read a third time.

15 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Kerin (Minister for Primary Industry) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at 4.30 p.m., adjourned until Monday next at 2 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Beazley, Mr Braithwaite, Mr Campbell, Mr Carlton, Mr Cobb, Mr Cohen, Mrs Darling, Mr Gayler, Mr Hawke, Mr Hayden, Mr Katter, Mr Macphee, Mr Shack, Mr Simmons, Mr Smith, Mr Spender, Mrs Sullivan and Mr White.

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Clerk of the House of Representatives