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TUESDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 1976

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- 1 MEETING OF SENATE: The Senate met at half-past two p.m., pursuant to adjournment. The President (Senator the Honourable Condor L. Laucke) took the Chair.

2 PRAYERS.

- 3 PETITIONS: Senator Keeffe presented a petition from 267 citizens of Australia praying that the Senate make certain amendments to the Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Bill 1976.

Petition received.

On the motion of Senator Keeffe, the petition, exceeding 250 words, was read.

Senator Baume presented a petition from 71 citizens of Australia praying that the Government abolish the means test on all aged pensions.

Petition received and read.

Senator Robertson presented two petitions from 171 and 14 citizens of Australia, similar in wording to the petition presented by Senator Keeffe.

Petitions received.

Senator Robertson presented a petition from 92 citizens of Australia praying that the Alice Springs Railhead not be closed.

Petition received.

The Clerk announced that the following Senators had lodged petitions for presentation, viz.:

Senator Carrick, from 21 citizens of Australia praying that the Government pass the States Grants (Schools) legislation for the year 1977 and take certain other action in relation to the Australian Schools Commission.

Senator Sheil (two), from 86 and 183 citizens of Australia praying that the Government restore the Petrol Price Equalisation Scheme.

Senator Tehan, from 37 citizens of Australia praying that the Government abolish the means test on all aged pensions.

Petitions received.

4 QUESTIONS.

- 5 GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S MESSAGE—ASSENT TO BILLS: The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were presented by the President:

JOHN R. KERR,

Governor-General

Message No. 46

Proposed laws intituled:—

Appropriation Act (No. 1) 1976–77

Appropriation Act (No. 2) 1976–77

as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said laws.

Government House,

Canberra, 11 November 1976

JOHN R. KERR,
Governor-General

Message No. 47

Proposed law intituled:—

Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act (No. 2) 1976

as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the said law

Government House,

Canberra, 12 November 1976

- 6 NORFOLK ISLAND—ROYAL COMMISSION—PAPER: The Minister for Administrative Services (Senator Withers), by Command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper:

Norfolk Island—Royal Commission—Report on matters relating to Norfolk Island, dated October 1976.

Senator Douglas McClelland, by leave, moved—That the Senate take note of the Paper.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned till the next day of sitting, and that Senator Douglas McClelland have leave to continue his speech on the resumption of the debate.

- 7 AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION—ANNUAL REPORT 1975–76—PAPER: The Minister for Industry and Commerce (Senator Cotton), pursuant to Statute, laid upon the Table the following Paper:

Australian Industry Development Corporation Act—Sixth Annual Report of the Australian Industry Development Corporation, together with financial statements and Auditors' Report thereon, for year 1975–76.

Senator Button, by leave, moved—That the Senate take note of the Paper.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned till the next day of sitting, and that Senator Button have leave to continue his speech on the resumption of the debate.

- 8 DAIRY ADJUSTMENT PROGRAMS—AGREEMENT—PAPER: The Minister for Industry and Commerce (Senator Cotton), pursuant to Statute, laid upon the Table the following Paper:

Dairy Adjustment Act—Dairy Adjustment Programs—Further Agreement between the Australian and Tasmanian Governments, dated 5 October 1976.

Senator Gietzelt, by leave, moved—That the Senate take note of the Paper.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned till the next day of sitting, and that Senator Gietzelt have leave to continue his speech on the resumption of the debate.

- 9 RANGER URANIUM ENVIRONMENTAL INQUIRY—PAPER: The Minister for Education (Senator Carrick), by Command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper:

Ranger Uranium Environmental Inquiry—Statement by the Minister for Environment, Housing and Community Development, the Hon. Kevin Newman, on the Ranger Uranium Environmental Inquiry, First Report.

Senator Douglas McClelland, by leave, moved—That the Senate take note of the Paper.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned till the next day of sitting, and that Senator Douglas McClelland have leave to continue his speech on the resumption of the debate.

- 10 LAW REFORM COMMISSION—ANNUAL REPORT 1975–76—PAPER: The Minister for Veterans' Affairs (Senator Durack), pursuant to Statute, laid upon the Table the following Paper:

Law Reform Commission Act—Second Annual Report of the Law Reform Commission, together with financial statements and the Auditor-General's Report thereon, for year 1975–76.

Senator Button, by leave, moved—That the Senate take note of the Paper.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned till the next day of sitting, and that Senator Button have leave to continue his speech on the resumption of the debate.

- 11 PAPERS: The following Papers were presented, by Command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Department of the Capital Territory—Annual Report, for year 1975–76.

Industries Assistance Commission—Report on ADP Equipment and Parts, dated 18 August 1976.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute:

Explosives Act—Explosives Areas Regulations—Limits of Load Order, dated 29 October 1976.

Lands Acquisition Act—Statement by the Minister describing land acquired by agreement under sub-section 7 (1) of the Act, for specified public purposes.

Remuneration Tribunals Act—Remuneration Tribunal—Determination 1976/11—Remuneration payable to holders of certain public offices, together with an explanatory statement, dated 25 October 1976.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Variation of the Plan of Layout of the City of Canberra and its Environs, dated 16 November 1976.

Telecommunications Act—By-laws 1976—Telecommunications (Charging Zones and Charging Districts) Amendment No. 6.

- 12 ESTIMATES COMMITTEE D—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Senator Baume presented written answers received by Estimates Committee D since the presentation of the Report of that Committee on 21 October 1976.

Ordered—That the answers be printed as part of the Report of Estimates Committee D.

- 13 DAYS AND TIMES OF MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT OF SENATE—*Ministerial Statement*:

The Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Withers), by leave, made a statement relating to the Government's proposed legislative timetable for the remainder of the year and to proposals to vary the days and times of meeting of the Senate accordingly.

Notice of Motion: Senator Withers, by leave, gave a Notice of Motion as follows—That, on the next day of sitting, he would move—That the Sessional Orders relating to the days and times of meeting and adjournment of the Senate be varied as follows:

- (1) That, unless otherwise ordered, on and from Tuesday, 30 November 1976, the days and times of meeting of the Senate be as follows:

Tuesday, 30 November 1976	..	2.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.
Wednesday, 1 December 1976	..	2.15 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.

Thursday, 2 December 1976	..	10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. 2.15 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.
Friday, 3 December 1976	..	10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. 2.15 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.
Monday, 6 December 1976	..	10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. 2.15 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.
Tuesday, 7 December 1976	..	2.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.
Wednesday, 8 December 1976	..	2.15 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.
Thursday, 9 December 1976	..	10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. 2.15 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.
Friday, 10 December 1976	..	10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. 2.15 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.
Monday, 13 December 1976	..	10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. 2.15 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.
Tuesday, 14 December 1976	..	2.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.
Wednesday, 15 December 1976	..	2.15 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.
Thursday, 16 December 1976	..	10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. 2.15 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.
Friday, 17 December 1976	..	10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. 2.15 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.

(2) That, unless otherwise ordered, the Sessional Order relating to the adjournment of the Senate have effect at eleven p.m. each day.

The Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wriedt) and Senators Douglas McClelland and Georges, by leave, made statements relating thereto.

- 14 STANDING ORDERS—STANDING COMMITTEE—CHANGE IN MEMBERSHIP: The Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Withers), by leave, moved—That, notwithstanding anything contained in the Standing Orders, Senators Cotton and Wriedt be appointed members of the Standing Orders Committee.

Question—put and passed.

- 15 STATES GRANTS (BEEF INDUSTRY) AMENDMENT BILL 1976—*Message from the House of Representatives*: The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read:

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 155

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'States Grants (Beef Industry) Act 1975'*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 9 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

The Minister for Industry and Commerce (Senator Cotton) moved—That the Bill may be taken through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Senator Cotton the Bill was read a first time.

Senator Cotton moved—That this Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Gietzelt the debate was adjourned.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.

- 16 QUEENSLAND GRANT (SPECIAL ASSISTANCE) BILL 1976—*Message from the House of Representatives*: The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read:

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 166

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to grant Financial Assistance to Queensland*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 10 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

The Minister for Industry and Commerce (Senator Cotton) moved—That the Bill may be taken through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Senator Cotton the Bill was read a first time.

Senator Cotton moved—That this Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Mulvihill the debate was adjourned.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.

- 17 SOFTWOOD FORESTRY AGREEMENTS BILL 1976—*Message from the House of Representatives*: The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read:

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 175

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act relating to Agreements between the Commonwealth and the States in connexion with Softwood Forestry*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 11 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

The Minister for Industry and Commerce (Senator Cotton) moved—That the Bill may be taken through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Senator Cotton the Bill was read a first time.

Senator Cotton moved—That this Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Mulvihill the debate was adjourned.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.

- 18 AIRPORTS (SURFACE TRAFFIC) AMENDMENT BILL 1976—*Message from the House of Representatives*: The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read:

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 156

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Airports (Surface Traffic) Act 1960'*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 9 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

The Minister for Education (Senator Carrick) moved—That the Bill may be taken through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Senator Carrick the Bill was read a first time.

Senator Carrick moved—That this Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Douglas McClelland the debate was adjourned.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.

- 19 STATES GRANTS (NATURE CONSERVATION) AMENDMENT BILL 1976—*Message from the House of Representatives*: The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read:

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 157

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'States Grants (Nature Conservation) Act 1974'*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 9 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

The Minister for Education (Senator Carrick) moved—That the Bill may be taken through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Senator Carrick the Bill was read a first time.

Senator Carrick moved—That this Bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Mulvihill the debate was adjourned.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.

- 20 STATES GRANTS (UNIVERSITIES ASSISTANCE) BILL 1976,
STATES GRANTS (UNIVERSITIES) AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2) 1976,
STATES GRANTS (ADVANCED EDUCATION ASSISTANCE) BILL 1976,
STATES GRANTS (ADVANCED EDUCATION) AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2) 1976,
STATES GRANTS (TECHNICAL AND FURTHER EDUCATION ASSISTANCE) BILL 1976,
STATES GRANTS (TECHNICAL AND FURTHER EDUCATION) AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2) 1976,
STATES GRANTS (SCHOOLS ASSISTANCE) BILL 1976,
STATES GRANTS (SCHOOLS) AMENDMENT BILL 1976—

Messages from the House of Representatives: The following Messages from the House of Representatives were received and read:

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 167

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to make Provision for the Grant of Financial Assistance to the States in connexion with Universities*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 11 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 179

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'States Grants (Universities) Act 1972' and the 'States Grants (Universities) Act 1976'*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 16 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 168

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to make Provision for the Grant of Financial Assistance to the States in connexion with Colleges of Advanced Education*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 11 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 169

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'States Grants (Advanced Education) Act 1972' and the 'States Grants (Advanced Education) Act 1976'*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 11 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 170

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act relating to the Grant of Financial Assistance to the States in connexion with Technical and Further Education*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 11 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 171

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'States Grants (Technical and Further Education) Act 1974'*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 11 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 172

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to provide Financial Assistance to the States for and in relation to Schools, and for related purposes*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 11 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 173

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'States Grants (Schools) Act 1972' and the 'States Grants (Schools) Act 1976'*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 11 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

Suspension of Standing Orders to deal with Bills together: The Minister for Education (Senator Carrick), by leave, moved—That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Questions with regard to the several stages for the passage through the Senate of the Bills being put in one motion at each stage, and the consideration of such Bills together in Committee of the Whole.

Question—put and passed.

Senator Carrick moved—That the Bills may be taken through all their stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Senator Carrick the Bills were read a first time.

Senator Carrick moved—That these Bills be now read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Douglas McClelland the debate was adjourned.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.

- 21 FEDERAL COURT OF AUSTRALIA BILL 1976,
 REMUNERATION AND ALLOWANCES AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2) 1976,
 JUDICIARY AMENDMENT BILL 1976,
 CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION AMENDMENT BILL (No. 3) 1976,
 BANKRUPTCY AMENDMENT BILL 1976,
 AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY SUPREME COURT AMENDMENT BILL 1976,
 NORTHERN TERRITORY SUPREME COURT AMENDMENT BILL 1976,
 FEDERAL COURT OF AUSTRALIA (CONSEQUENTIAL PROVISIONS) BILL 1976,
 INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT AMENDMENT (JURISDICTION OF COURTS) BILL 1976,
 PATENTS AMENDMENT BILL 1976,
 TRADE MARKS AMENDMENT BILL 1976—

Messages from the House of Representatives: The following Messages from the House of Representatives were received and read:

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 176

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to create a Federal Court of Australia and to make provision with respect to the Jurisdiction of that Court*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
 Canberra, 16 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
 Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 178

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act relating to the Remuneration and Allowances payable to Justices of the High Court, Judges of the Courts created by the Parliament and the holders of certain other Offices, and for purposes connected therewith*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
 Canberra, 16 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
 Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 177

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Judiciary Act 1903-1973'*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
 Canberra, 16 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
 Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 158

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to make Provision for the Transfer of Jurisdiction under the 'Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904' from the Australian Industrial Court to the Federal Court of Australia and for the Abolition of the first-mentioned Court*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
 Canberra, 10 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
 Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 159

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to make Provision for the Transfer of Jurisdiction from the Federal Court of Bankruptcy to the Federal Court of Australia and for the Abolition of the first-mentioned Court*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 10 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 160

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Australian Capital Territory Supreme Court Act 1933'*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 10 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 161

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Northern Territory Supreme Court Act 1961'*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 10 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 162

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend certain Acts so as to make Provision for the Transfer of Jurisdiction of the Australian Industrial Court to the Federal Court of Australia*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 10 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 163

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Income Tax Assessment Act 1936'*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 10 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 164

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Patents Act 1952' and for related purposes*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 10 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 165

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Trade Marks Act 1955' and for related purposes*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 10 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

Suspension of Standing Orders to deal with Bills together: The Minister for Veterans' Affairs (Senator Durack), by leave, moved—That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the Questions with regard to the several stages for the passage through the Senate of the Bills being put in one motion at each stage, and the consideration of such Bills together in Committee of the Whole.

Question—put and passed.

Senator Durack moved—That the Bills may be taken through all their stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Senator Durack the Bills were read a first time.

Senator Durack moved—That these Bills be now read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Button the debate was adjourned.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.

22 CHRISTMAS ISLAND AGREEMENT BILL 1976—*Message from the House of Representatives:*

The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read:

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 174

The House of Representatives returns to the Senate the Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to approve an Agreement entered into between the Government of Australia and the Government of New Zealand to amend the Christmas Island Agreement 1958*", and acquaints the Senate that the House of Representatives has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 11 November 1976

B. M. SNEDDEN,
Speaker

23 STATES (PERSONAL INCOME TAX SHARING) BILL 1976 AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PERSONAL INCOME TAX SHARING) BILL 1976: Order of the Day read for the adjourned debate on the Question—That these Bills be now read a second time.

The Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wriedt) moved an amendment, viz.: Leave out all words after "That", insert "the Bills be withdrawn and redrafted following proper consultation with the State Governments concerning their objectionable features".

Debate continued.

Question—That the words proposed to be left out be left out—put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 25		NOES, 33	
Senator—	Senator—	Senator—	Senator—
Bishop	McClelland,	Archer	Maunsell
Brown	James	Baume	Messner
Button	McLaren	Bonner	Missen
Cameron	Melzer	Carrick	Scott
Cavanagh	Mulvihill	Collard	Sheil
Colston	O'Byrne	Cormack,	Sim
Devitt	Primmer	Sir Magnus	Tehan
Gietzelt	Ryan	Cotton	Thomas
Grimes	Sibraa	Davidson	Townley
Harradine	Walsh	Drake-Brockman	Walters
Keeffe	Wheeldon	Durack	Webster
McAuliffe	Wriedt	Guilfoyle	Withers
McClelland,	<i>Teller:</i>	Hall	Wood
Douglas	Georges	Jessop	Wright
		Kilgariff	Young
		Lajovic	
		Laucke	<i>Teller:</i>
		Martin	Chaney

Amendment negated accordingly.

Question—That these Bills be now read a second time—put and passed.

Bills read a second time.

The Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bills.

In the Committee

Bills, by leave, taken as a whole.

On the motion of the Minister for Education (Senator Carrick) the following amendment to the Local Government (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Bill 1976 was debated and agreed to, viz.: Page 2, clause 4, paragraph (b), sub-paragraph (ii), line 35, after “are”, insert “ordinarily”.

Bills further debated.

States (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Bill 1976 agreed to and Local Government (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Bill 1976, as amended, agreed to.

States (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Bill 1976 to be reported without amendment and Local Government (Personal Income Tax Sharing) Bill 1976 to be reported with an amendment.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Temporary Chairman of Committees (Senator McAuliffe) reported accordingly.

On the motion of Senator Carrick the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bills read a third time.

- 24 AUSTRALIAN HERITAGE COMMISSION AMENDMENT BILL 1976: Order of the Day read for the adjourned debate on the Question—That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

Senator Mulvihill addressing the Chair—

And it being half-past ten p.m.—

- 25 ADJOURNMENT: The President, under Sessional Order, put the Question—That the Senate do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—resolved in the affirmative.

The Senate adjourned at six minutes past eleven p.m. till to-morrow at fifteen minutes past two p.m.

- 26 ATTENDANCE: Present, all Senators except Senators Coleman and Rae.

J. R. ODGERS,
Clerk of the Senate