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- 1 **MEETING OF SENATE:** The Senate met at 11.30 a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The President (Senator the Honourable Douglas McClelland) took the Chair.

2 **PRAYERS.**

- 3 **DEATH OF FORMER SENATOR J. F. FITZGERALD:** The President informed the Senate of the death, on 1 November 1985, of former Senator Joseph Francis Fitzgerald.

The Leader of the Government (Senator Button), by leave, moved—That the Senate expresses its deep regret at the death, on 1 November 1985, of Joseph Francis Fitzgerald, a Senator for the State of New South Wales from 1962 to 1974, places on record its appreciation of his long and meritorious public service and tenders its profound sympathy to his widow and the members of his family in their bereavement. And the motion having been supported and all Senators present having stood, in silence—

Question—passed.

- 4 **PETITIONS:** The following 20 petitions, lodged with the Clerk by the Senators indicated, were received:

Senator Vanstone, from 5 petitioners praying that the proposed cut-back of funding for pre-school and child care services be reversed.

Senator Macklin, from 19 petitioners praying that the Senate support the Constitution Alteration (Democratic Elections) Bill 1985.

Senator Macklin, from 49 petitioners praying that the Senate oppose any sections of the proposed Veterans' Entitlements Bill which would have the effect of reducing veterans' benefits, including that which seeks to change the onus of proof.

Senator Macklin, from 36 petitioners praying that the Senate legislate to ensure that no nuclear weapons are allowed into Australia, that all uranium mining cease in Australia and that the Senate urge the Government to encourage the United States and the Soviet Union to stop the nuclear arms race.

Senator Boswell, from 21 petitioners praying that former legislation banning the entry into Australia and sale of hard-core pornographic and violent videos and publications be re-enacted.

Senator Button, from 237 petitioners praying that the Senate ensure that the concessional rate of duty on old cars and car parts be maintained.

Senator Mason, from 425 petitioners praying that the Senate ensure that previous veterans' legislation concerning servicemen, servicewomen and their dependents' entitlements be restored.

Senator Chipp, from 122 petitioners praying that the Senate support Senator Chipp's various legislative measures dealing with the prohibition of nuclear weapons.

Senator Bolkus, from 191 petitioners praying that home loan interest rates be reduced.

Senators Chaney, Coates, Crichton-Browne, Durack, Mason, Teague and Withers, from 115, 340, 253, 496, 93, 45 and 104 petitioners, respectively, praying that the Senate pass Senator Harradine's Bill to prohibit experiments involving the use of human embryos created by in vitro fertilization.

Senator Dame Margaret Guilfoyle, from 450 petitioners praying that the Senate request the Government to remain consistent in its obligations to uphold the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women and take action to prevent the operation of legalised brothels in Victoria.

Senator Button, from 72 petitioners praying that the Senate ensure the protection of the Otway forests in Victoria and refuse any licence to export woodchips from the Otways.

Senator Chipp, from 15 petitioners praying that the Senate support the establishment of an Australian Aerospace Agency to manage aerospace and related technology programs.

Senator Chaney, from 549 petitioners praying that the Senate request the Government to abandon the proposed tax on fringe benefits.

5 NOTICES:

Notices of Motion: Notices of Motion were given, as follows—

The Minister for Resources and Energy (Senator Evans):

No. 1—To move on the next day of sitting—That leave be given to introduce a Bill for an Act relating to the Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation, and for other purposes.

No. 2—To move on the next day of sitting—That leave be given to introduce a Bill for an Act to enact certain transitional provisions in consequence of the enactment of the *Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation Act 1985*.

No. 3—To move on the next day of sitting—That leave be given to introduce a Bill for an Act to amend the *Atomic Energy Act 1953*.

No. 4—To move on the next day of sitting—That leave be given to introduce a Bill for an Act to amend the *Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Act 1967* to provide for the granting of exploration permits by way of cash bidding, and for related purposes.

The Chairman of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Coates):

No. 1—To move 12 sitting days after today—That the *Crimes (Amendment) Ordinance (No. 3) 1985*, as contained in Australian Capital Territory Ordinance No. 40 of 1985 and made under the *Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910*, be disallowed.

Senator Coates, by leave, made a statement relating thereto.

No. 2—To move 12 sitting days after today—That Amendment No. 43 of the Telecommunications (General) By-laws, made on 10 July 1985 under the *Telecommunications Act 1975*, be disallowed.

No. 3—To move 12 sitting days after today—That Amendment No. 44 of the Telecommunications (General) By-laws, made on 14 August 1985 under the *Telecommunications Act 1975*, be disallowed.

Senator Coates, by leave, made a statement relating to the Notices of Motion for disallowance of the Telecommunications (General) By-laws Amendment Nos 43 and 44.

Senator Jones: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate, noting that Australia's 6.5 million wage and salary earners have been awarded average pay rises of \$15 per week by the Australian Conciliation and Arbitration Commission—

- (a) congratulates the Commission for its detailed evaluation of the case;
- (b) congratulates the Federal Government and the Australian Council of Trade Unions for the success of its accord; and

- (c) praises the trade union movement for its patience and tolerance in helping the Hawke Labor Government administration to guide the economy back to the road of recovery from the rocky path it inherited from the previous administration.

Senator Walters: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate condemns the Minister for Arts, Heritage and Environment (Mr Cohen) for his lack of understanding enunciated by his report to the Minister for Primary Industry (Mr Kerin), on the licensing of the Tasmanian woodchip industry.

Senator Walters, by leave, made a statement relating thereto.

Senator Vallentine: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) expresses its concern at the holding of the Pacific Area Defence Exhibition (PADEX) in Darwin in May 1986, in the middle of the International Year of Peace;
- (b) condemns the Australian and foreign companies that are involved in exhibiting weapons;
- (c) urges the Australian Customs Service not to grant “event” status to PADEX, which would facilitate the importation and re-export of arms equipment;
- (d) alerts the Government to the probability that countries with poor human rights records such as the Philippines, North and South Korea, Indonesia, Pakistan and South Africa will be attending the exhibition;
- (e) urges the Government to obtain an assurance that equipment bought through PADEX will not be used in violation of human rights in these countries;
- (f) demands that the Government give an assurance that it will not permit weapons to be sold which are designed for crowd control, for use in torture, that are nuclear-capable and are in contravention of Australia’s treaty obligations;
- (g) deplores Australia’s involvement in PADEX as a significant upgrading of our involvement in the corporate arms trade; and
- (h) condemns this Government’s support for PADEX, in contravention of the Australian Labor Party’s existing policy.

Senator Townley: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) noting the cost of unemployment benefits being paid to New Zealanders living in Australia is some \$63m per annum; and
- (b) recognising that Australia’s economy is reportedly going downhill, as indicated by the lack of strength of the Australian dollar and can no longer afford “free lunches” for New Zealanders,

calls upon the Federal Government to re-examine the “open door policy” by which any New Zealander can enter Australia without the same immigration procedure as applies to those from the rest of the world.

Intention to withdraw: Senator Missen, pursuant to Standing Order 109A, gave notice of his intention, on the next day of sitting, at giving of Notices, to withdraw Business of the Senate, Notice of Motion No. 1 standing in his name for the next day of sitting, for the disallowance of the Freedom of Information (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations (Amendment).

Contingent Notice of Motion: Senator Hamer: To move (contingent on the introduction of a Bill in the Senate, or the receipt of a Bill from the House of Representatives)—That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent Senator Hamer moving a motion to refer that Bill or part thereof to a standing committee.

Senator Hamer, by leave, made a statement relating thereto.

6 GOVERNMENT PAPERS: The Leader of the Government (Senator Button) tabled the following Papers:

Arts Policy—Statement by the Minister for Arts, Heritage and Environment, dated 17 October 1985, together with Appendices (2).

Department of Communications—Annual Report 1984-85.

Illegal Immigrants—Policy Statement by the Minister for Immigration and Ethnic Affairs, dated October 1985.

Immigration Serving Immigrants and Australia—Statement by the Minister for Immigration and Ethnic Affairs, dated October 1985.

Industries Assistance Commission—Report on Apples and Pears, dated 27 August 1985 (No. 369).

National Conservation Strategy for Australia—Final Report by the Interim Consultative Committee (Chairman: Sir Rupert Myers), dated 20 August 1985.

Statement by the Minister for Arts, Heritage and Environment, dated 16 October 1985.

Prices Surveillance Act—Prices Surveillance Authority—Annual Report (2nd) 1984-85.

Rainforest Conservation in Australia—Report by a Working Group on Rainforest Conservation (Chairman: K. E. Thompson), dated 18 September 1985.

Statement by the Minister for Arts, Heritage and Environment, dated 16 October 1985.

7 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 1985-86—Message from the House of Representatives:

The following Message from the House of Representatives was reported:

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 183

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to appropriate certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending on 30 June 1986*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 17 October 1985

H. A. JENKINS,
Speaker

Ordered—That the Bill may be taken through all its stages without delay.

The Minister for Industry, Technology and Commerce (Senator Button) moved—
That this Bill be now read a first time.

On the motion of Senator Kilgariff the debate was adjourned.

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

8 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 2) 1985-86—Message from the House of Representatives:

The following Message from the House of Representatives was reported:

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 184

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to appropriate a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for certain expenditure in respect of the year ending on 30 June 1986*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 17 October 1985

H. A. JENKINS,
Speaker

Ordered—That the Bill may be taken through all its stages without delay.

On the motion of the Minister for Industry, Technology and Commerce (Senator Button) the Bill was read a first time.

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

On the motion of the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Chaney) the debate was adjourned.

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

9 APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENTARY DEPARTMENTS) BILL 1985-86—Message from the House of Representatives: The following Message from the House of Representatives was reported:

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 186

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to appropriate certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for certain expenditure, in relation to the Parliamentary Departments, in respect of the year ending on 30 June 1986*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 17 October 1985

H. A. JENKINS,
Speaker

Ordered—That the Bill may be taken through all its stages without delay.

On the motion of the Minister for Industry, Technology and Commerce (Senator Button) the Bill was read a first time.

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

On the motion of Senator Kilgariff the debate was adjourned.

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

- 10 **LOAN BILL 1985**—*Message from the House of Representatives*: The following Message from the House of Representatives was reported:

MR PRESIDENT,

Message No. 185

The House of Representatives acquaints the Senate that it has agreed to the amendments made by the Senate in the Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to authorise the borrowing and expending of money for certain purposes*".

House of Representatives,
Canberra, 17 October 1985

H. A. JENKINS,
Speaker

11 **INTERSTATE ROAD TRANSPORT BILL 1985**

INTERSTATE ROAD TRANSPORT CHARGE BILL 1985:

Order of the Day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Finance (Senator Walsh)—That these Bills be now read a second time—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Senator Archer, viz: Leave out all words after "That", insert "these Bills be withdrawn and redrafted, to remove the current excessive reliance on regulation, for presentation in redrafted form at the commencement of the 1986 Autumn sittings"*.

Debate resumed.

Senator Kilgariff addressing the Chair—

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And it being 2 p.m.—

12 **QUESTIONS.**

- 13 **STATEMENT BY SENATOR:** The Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Chaney), by leave, made a statement relating to the conduct of Question Time this day.

The President made a statement relating thereto.

- 14 **COMMONWEALTH TERTIARY EDUCATION COMMISSION—REPORT FOR 1985-87 TRIENNium—PAPER—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:** The Minister for Education (Senator Ryan) tabled the following Paper:

Commonwealth Tertiary Education Commission Act—Commonwealth Tertiary Education Commission—Report for 1985-87 Triennium—Volume 3—Recommendations for 1986, dated 2 September 1985.

Senator Ryan, by leave, made a statement relating to the Paper and moved—That the Senate take note of the Statement.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

15 CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON A BILL OF RIGHTS FOR AUSTRALIA: The Chairman of the Standing Committee on Constitutional and Legal Affairs (Senator Tate) tabled the following Report:

A Bill of Rights for Australia: An Exposure Report for the consideration of Senators, dated November 1985, together with transcript of evidence (4 vols).

16 URGENCY MOTION: The Deputy-President (Senator Hamer) informed the Senate that the President had received a letter from Senator Messner advising that this day he intended to move—That in the opinion of the Senate the following is a matter of urgency: “The need of the Hawke Labor Government to abandon its proposed capital gains tax because of the destructive effects on incentive”.

And at least 4 Senators having risen in support of the motion—

Senator Messner thereupon moved the motion.

Debate ensued.

Closure: Senator Sheil moved—That the Question be now put.

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

Question—That the motion be agreed to—put accordingly.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 28

Senators—

Archer	Crichton-Brown	MacGibbon	Teague
Baume, Michael	Guilfoyle, Dame	Messner	Townley
Baume, Peter	Margaret	Missen	Vanstone
Bjelke-Petersen	Hamer	Parer	Walters
Boswell	Hill	Puplick	Watson
Brownhill	Jessop	Rae, Peter	
Carrick, Sir John	Knowles	Sheil (Teller)	
Collard	Lewis	Short	

NOES, 36

Senators—

Aulich	Devlin	McIntosh	Robertson (Teller)
Black	Elstob	McKiernan	Ryan
Bolkus	Evans	Macklin	Sanders
Chipp	Foreman	Maguire	Sibraa
Coates	Georges	Mason	Siddons
Colston	Giles	Morris	Tate
Cook	Haines	Ray, Robert	Vigor
Cooney	Jones	Reynolds	Walsh
Crowley	McClelland	Richardson	Zakharov

And so it was negatived.

Pursuant to Sessional Order, consideration of Government Papers was called on.

17 GOVERNMENT PAPERS—CONSIDERATION: The following Government Papers, tabled earlier this day (*see Entry No. 6 above*), were considered pursuant to Sessional Order:

Prices Surveillance Authority—Annual Report 1984-85—Motion to take note of Paper moved by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Chaney), debated and agreed to.

Department of Communications—Annual Report 1984-85—Motion to take note of Paper moved by Senator Puplick and agreed to.

Rainforest Conservation in Australia—Report, together with Statement by the Minister for Arts, Heritage and Environment—Motion to take note of Papers moved by the Leader of the National Party of Australia in the Senate (Senator Collard) and debated.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned till Thursday at General Business.

National Conservation Strategy for Australia—Final Report, together with Statement by the Minister for Arts, Heritage and Environment—Motion to take note of Papers moved by the Leader of the National Party of Australia in the Senate (Senator Collard).

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned till Thursday at General Business.

Arts Policy—Statement by the Minister for Arts, Heritage and Environment—
Motion to take note of Paper moved by the Leader of the National Party
of Australia in the Senate (Senator Collard).

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned till Thursday at General Business.

Immigration Serving Immigrants and Australia—Statement by the Minister for
Immigration and Ethnic Affairs—Motion to take note of Paper moved by
Senator Kilgariff.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned till Thursday at General Business.

Illegal Immigrants—Statement by the Minister for Immigration and Ethnic
Affairs—Motion to take note of Paper moved by Senator Kilgariff.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned till Thursday at General Business.

Industries Assistance Commission—Report on Apples and Pears—Motion to
take note of Paper moved by Senator Watson.

Ordered—That the debate be adjourned till Thursday at General Business.

18 GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S MESSAGES—ASSENT TO LAWS: Messages from His
Excellency the Governor-General were reported, informing the Senate that His
Excellency had, in the name of Her Majesty, assented to the following laws:

21 October 1985—Message No. 35—

*Northern Prawn Fishery Voluntary Adjustment Scheme Loan Guarantee
Act 1985 (Act No. 111 of 1985)*

Foreign Fishing Boats Levy Amendment Act 1985 (Act No. 112 of 1985)

*Fisheries Agreements (Payments) Amendment Act 1985 (Act No. 113 of
1985)*

*Qantas Airways Limited (Loan Guarantee) Act 1985 (Act No. 114 of
1985)*

*Export Inspection Charges (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act 1985 (Act No.
115 of 1985)*

Export Inspection (Service Charge) Act 1985 (Act No. 116 of 1985)

*Export Inspection (Establishment Registration Charge) Act 1985 (Act No.
117 of 1985)*

States (Works and Housing) Assistance Act 1985 (Act No. 118 of 1985)

Communications Legislation Amendment Act 1985 (Act No. 119 of 1985)

28 October 1985—Messages—

No. 36—

Companies (Fees) Amendment Act 1985 (Act No. 120 of 1985)

Australian Federal Police Amendment Act 1985 (Act No. 121 of 1985)

*Complaints (Australian Federal Police) Amendment Act 1985 (Act No.
122 of 1985)*

No. 37—

Taxation Laws Amendment Act (No. 2) 1985 (Act No. 123 of 1985)

Income Tax (Individuals) Act 1985 (Act No. 124 of 1985)

*Income Tax (Companies, Corporate Unit Trusts and Superannuation
Funds) Act 1985 (Act No. 125 of 1985)*

Medicare Levy Act 1985 (Act No. 126 of 1985)

*Social Security and Repatriation (Budget Measures) Amendment Act
1985 (Act No. 127 of 1985)*

No. 38—

Loan Act 1985 (Act No. 128 of 1985)

19 ESTIMATES COMMITTEES D AND A—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Senator
Robertson, at the request of the Chairman of Estimates Committee D (Senator
Colston) and the Chairman of Estimates Committee A (Senator Richardson),
by leave, tabled additional information received by Estimates Committees D and
A, respectively.

Ordered—That the additional information be incorporated in the Estimates
Committees' *Hansard*.

- 20 CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL AFFAIRS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT ON A BILL OF RIGHTS FOR AUSTRALIA:** The Chairman of the Standing Committee on Constitutional and Legal Affairs (Senator Tate) moved—That the Report from the Standing Committee on Constitutional and Legal Affairs on a Bill of Rights for Australia, tabled earlier this day, be printed.
 Question—put and passed.
 Senator Tate, by leave, moved—That the Senate take note of the Report.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and passed.
- 21 PAPERS:** The following Papers were tabled:
 Air Navigation Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1985 No. 276.
 Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation Act—Orders 1985—M24—1986 Performance.
 Consular Privileges and Immunities Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1985 Nos 265, 266.
 Defence Act—Determinations 1985—
 No. 64—Overseas Living Out Allowance and others.
 No. 65—Travelling Allowance and others.
 No. 66—Vehicle Allowance and Language Proficiency Allowance.
 Extradition (Foreign States) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1985 No. 264.
 First Home Owners Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1985 No. 267.
 Fisheries Act—Fisheries Notices—
 No. 149—Prohibition relating to the taking of female southern rock lobster from waters off the eastern and southern coasts of Australia, dated 30 September 1985.
 No. 151—Prohibition relating to the taking of scallops from proclaimed waters in Bass Strait, dated 3 October 1985.
 Fisheries Levy Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1985 No. 286.
 Grain Legumes Levy Collection Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1985 No. 281.
 High Court of Australia Act—Rule of Court, dated 26 September 1985.
 Income Tax Assessment Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1985 Nos 274, 278.
 Interim Forces Benefits Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1985 No. 270.
 Lands Acquisition Act—Statement by the Minister describing land acquired by agreement under sub-section 7 (1) of the Act, for specified public purposes.
 National Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1985 No. 275.
 Papua New Guinea (Members of the Forces Benefits) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1985 No. 273.
 Passports Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1985 No. 277.
 Postal Services Act—By-laws 1985—Postal Amendment No. 6.
 Public Service Act—
 Appointment—Department of Aviation—M. R. Shannon.
 Determinations 1985 Nos 82, 83, 85, 86, 87, 88.
 Remuneration Tribunals Act—Determinations 1985—
 No. 17—Remuneration payable to holders of certain public offices—Executive Member, Australian Meat and Live-stock Research and Development Corporation and others, dated 16 September 1985.
 No. 18—Remuneration payable to holders of certain public offices—Secretaries of Parliamentary Departments, dated 24 September 1985.
 Repatriation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1985 Nos 268, 279.
 Repatriation (Far East Strategic Reserve) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1985 No. 269.
 Repatriation (Special Overseas Service) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1985 No. 272.
 Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1985 Nos 271, 280.

Seat of Government Administration Act—

Determination made under the following Ordinance—

Health Services, dated 8 October 1985.

Ordinances 1985—

No. 55—Blood Donation (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome) (Amendment).

No. 56—Cemeteries (Amendment).

Regulations 1985—

No. 25—(Cemeteries Ordinance).

No. 26—(Motor Traffic (Alcohol and Drugs) Ordinance).

22 GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S PROCLAMATION—COMMENCEMENT OF AN ACT: A Proclamation by His Excellency the Governor-General was tabled, notifying that His Excellency had proclaimed the following Act to come into operation on the date specified:

Grain Legumes Levy Act 1985—All provisions, excluding sections 1 and 2—1 November 1985 (*Gazette* No. S 449, 31 October 1985).

23 INTERSTATE ROAD TRANSPORT BILL 1985

INTERSTATE ROAD TRANSPORT CHARGE BILL 1985:

Order of the Day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Finance (Senator Walsh)—That these Bills be now read a second time—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Senator Archer, viz: Leave out all words after "That", insert "these Bills be withdrawn and redrafted, to remove the current excessive reliance on regulation, for presentation in redrafted form at the commencement of the 1986 Autumn sittings"*.

Debate resumed.

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

The Senate divided—

AYES, 28

Senators—

Archer
Baume, Michael
Baume, Peter
Bjelke-Petersen
Boswell
Brownhill
Carrick, Sir John

Collard
Hamer
Hill
Jessop
Kilgariff
Knowles
Lewis

MacGibbon
Messner
Missen
Puplick
Rae, Peter
Reid (Teller)
Sheil

Short
Teague
Townley
Vanstone
Walters
Watson
Withers

NOES, 35

Senators—

Aulich
Black
Bolkus
Chipp
Coates
Colston
Cook
Cooney
Crowley

Devlin
Elstob
Evans
Foreman
Georges
Giles
Jones
McClelland
McIntosh (Teller)

McKiernan
Macklin
Maguire
Mason
Morris
Ray, Robert
Reynolds
Richardson
Robertson

Ryan
Sanders
Sibraa
Siddons
Tate
Vigor
Walsh
Zakharov

Amendment negatived accordingly.

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

Bills read a second time.

Senator Hamer, pursuant to Standing Order 196A, moved—That the Interstate Road Transport Bill 1985 and the Interstate Road Transport Charge Bill 1985 be referred to the Standing Committee on National Resources for inquiry and report by the first sitting day in February 1986.

Debate ensued.

Senator Vanstone addressing the Chair—

And it being 10.30 p.m.—

24 **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 11.01 p.m. till tomorrow at 10 a.m.

25 **ATTENDANCE:** Present, all Senators except Senators Coleman (on leave) and Grimes.

A. R. CUMMING THOM,
Clerk of the Senate