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REPUBLICAN PARTY of AUSTRALIA



SENATE ELECTION: Saturday 11th July, 1987

The Republican Party of Australia endorsed candidates for the Australian Senate are conscientious, self-employed small business persons, concerned environmentalists & committed constitutional reformers. They are all financial members of the Australian Small Business Association and the Australian Conservation Foundation.

The RPA is a party of the Centre and a clear, genuine alternative to the Right wing Conservative parties whether they be ALP. Liberal, National or Democrat.

We are a team of Australian patriots who will be catalysts for responsible change should we gain representation in the Australian Senate on July 11th.

POLICIES: WE PROPOSE:

1. Elimination or non-introduction of vicious, incentive-killing taxes:

No Lump Sum tax on Superannuation;

No Fringe Benefits tax:

No Value Added tax.

Revision of existing Capital Gains tax.

We denounce the "politics of envy".

- 2. A fairer & simpler taxation system with a maximum direct personal tax rate of 39%. We suggest progressive taxation scales ranging from a minimum 19% through 24%, 29%, 34% to 39% with realistic, adjustable thresholds & reasonable deduction allowances. 16 & 17 year old workers should be exempted from paying taxation on the premise that they don't have voting rights on the one hand and Australian industry needs more young people to take on apprenticeships which are invariably low-paid. The maximum indirect tax rate should be 9% (sales tax, turnover tax etc.). There needs to be a complete re-structuring of the Australian taxation system.
- 3. Assistance to the largest employing sector in the Australian economy: SMALL BUSINESS!

Phasing out of Payroll tax:

Phasing out of Division 7 taxes on retained earnings;

Phasing out of Land tax;

Phasing out of Provisional tax:

Phasing out of Financial Institutions duty;

Incentives for "sunrise" industries:

Rewards for risk-taking entrepreneurs instead of penalties!

Establishment at National level of Ministry & Department of Small Business:

Budgeting, on a calendar year basis, for surpluses;

Repealing of all non-sensical regulation which is strangling the Private Sector.

Restoring of negative gearing tax breaks on rental property to alleviate Sydney, Melbourne, and Camberra's rental housing crisis.

4. Sensible environment policies:

No inroads or tree-felling in declared virgin forests, National Parks or World Heritage areas. And no exploiation or mining in these areas either! Let's protect our remaining wild rivers, rainforests, wildernesses & marine parks. Let's really undertake grand-scale afforestation programs to satisfy our timber requirements (the National Nursery Plan). Let's preserve & conserve native fauna & flora to the utmost practicable extent. Also, let's combat soil erosion and promote agricultural biology & organic farming methods to the nth degree. Let's study and learn from the "New Anthropology" and practice "greening". Let's support caring ecologist movements e.g. "Trees on Farms" and "Greening Australia".

6. Urgent constitutional reform: Leaner government with no duplication and far fewer politicians: a 2 tier system of government (National in co-operation with Regional), unicameral with multi-member electorates determined by proportional representation; deterrence of career politicans; 4 year fixed terms of Parliament; non-compulsory voting; discontinuance of un-Australian activity e.g. imperial honours, awards, knighthoods etc.; non-permitting of the distribution of "how-to-vote" cards on election days; first class citizenship for all Australians – no swearing of allegiance to any foreign "Head-of-State" – a purging of "pseudo-patriotism" – election of "Heads-of-State" who are Australian citizens & Australian residents: a REPUBLIC! A "makarrata" treaty for Aboriginees: This is long overdue – we must redress the disadvantages that most of our indigenous Australians still endure.

Unbeknowns to fellow Australians, there would be attendant economic benefits with (a) constitutional reform and (b) conversion from Commonwealth of Australia to Republic of Australia.

- 7. Development of a truly Australian national identity. We must embrace multiculturism. We must properly understand and wisely implement multicultural policies. Funding for the English as second language scheme (E.S.L.) should be re-instated.
- 8. For Australia's long term energy requirements we favour the engendering of solar, wind & water power technological research. We believe also in the furtherment of super-conductivity research.
- 9. We are decidely against: (a) the Australia Card we don't want or need the over-expensive "internal passports" we need only to firm up the taxation laws to restrict the tax defrauders. Orwellian legislation like this must be resisted full-on.
 - (b) planned obsolescence.
 - (c) exponential or unplanned growth.
 - (d) technomanic extravagance,
 - (e) phone tap legislation what price civil liberties or privacy?
 - (f) retrospective legislation of any kind.
- 10. We are decidedly for:
- (a) "sunset" clauses with all new legislation.
- (b) "justification codes" with all new legislation who wins & who loses?
- (c) technology impact statements being prepared whenever new machinery or work methods are introduced.
- (d) sustainable lifestyle concepts & values.
- (e) the road huilding program better expressways & urban corridors & freeways (environmentally landscaped) are conducive to more road safety, more jobs, savings on fuels, reductions in travelling times & increases in Australian industry competitiveness.

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5. Streamlined industrial relations/hi-technology/research & development/employment/exports: Australia needs a single (National) awards scheme and therewith provision for voluntary employment contracts, profit sharing arrangements and worker participation in management. The maximum number of industry-based unions should be 25. Work & management practices need to be realistic & affordable. There is no need for iniquitous legislation which puts one sector above the law. We need to advocate the moral value of working for a living to youn, people and to this end we indicate our support for schemes e.g. "Work Skills Olympics". As regards all that needs to be addressed in the important field of industrial re-structuring, we endorse the broad thrust of Professor Bill Ford's views as outlined in the 5th edition of "IN FUTURE" periodical. We certainly need a skills accord! Additionally, Australia needs a strategic economic policy authority (S.E.P.A.) similar to Japan's Ministry of International Trade & Industry to correct the now-great problem of "economic imperialism". We mean a directed model with substantial public investment and a series of government preferential industrial policies geared to designated growth areas for Australian-owned & controlled companies. This S.E.P.A. would also co-ordinate bargaining for large-scale exporting of Australian products, Further, the C.S.I.R.O. should be re-structured to better relate to and with Industry.

- (e) the road building program better expressways & urban corridors & freeways (environmentally landscaped) are conducive to more road safety, more jobs, savings on fuels, reductions in travelling times & increases in Australian industry competitiveness.
- (f) universalist policies we should trade with communicate with & play sport with all overseas countries including those with repressive governments/regimes.
- 11. Medicare basic health insurance should be available to all those who wish to continue paying the Medicare levy. The bulk-billing provision should remain available to socially disadvantaged citizens & pensioners only. The rorts in the Social Security & Health systems have to be eradicated.
- 12. Elective national superannuation scheme for all of our futures; the living working wage & the voluntary retiring provision to counter the ageing problem.
- 13. On a trial basis we advance a total ban of public alcohol & nicotine advertising for 12 months with a view to a divising of appropriate therapeutic & preventative programs apropos the greatest risks to the health & well-being of all Australians

Some general precepts the thinking Australian voter should consider:

A. The present cost of maintaining the British Monarchical links is around \$225 million per annum. We could save this amount by electing Australian Heads-of-State, B. The present cost of Westminster Parliamentary Government (the Commonwealth & all the State & Territory Governments) in Australia is around \$300 million per annum. The RPA proposal for Australian Republican Government would almost halve this amount. C. Mr Hawke claims that the only growth industry under a Liberal-led Government would be Tax Avoidance. The RPA asserts that the only growth industries, should his Labor lot get re-elected (with a majority in the Senate as well), will be Social Security fraud and illegal Immigration because the Australia Card introduction will ensure these illicit ends. D. There will be a stronger union push against the Hawke Labor Government if it is re-elected. An example of this is the APTU withholding contributions to the ALP's campaign funds until they get certain guarantees on things like the Workers Compensation and Superannuation trade-offs. E. Mr Hawke repeatedly told us through 1986 that he would budget for "Restraint with Equity". A telling admission of the dishonesty and failure of his Government's economic policies comes from Bill Kelty the Secretary of the A.C.T.U. who laments on page 4 of the May 1987 "Future Strategies for the Trade Union Movement" document: quote "There has not been Equity in Restraint". F. Mr Hawke, when the A.C.T.U. President, was associated with 2 major business bankruptcies namely ACTU-SOLO petrol stations and ACTU-BOURKE's Discount Department Store. Do we need to have Australia bankrupted as well? G. Senator Peter Walsh. Labor Government Minister for Finance, in the last week of the last Parliament gave notice that although he accepted some provisional tax amendments for the time being, he would seek to change them back again in the Budget session of the next Parliament, H. Ask yourself why Labor brought on an early election - before the August Budget - before the effects of the May Mini Budget and before the State Budgets in September? What have they got to hide? What have they got in mind? Why did they, suddenly, withdraw their harsh industrial legislation? Why did they not proceed with their heavy-handed, un-civil Bill of Rights legislation? The Labor Government has broken too many promises - even the promise they gave us in April not to have an early election! Can we trust the usurping Hawke-led Labor party? If you don't really think so then don't give them control of the Senate when there is a clear alternative choice you can make by voting REPUBLICAN!

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