

to quarantine those areas which have been producing meat whose pesticide levels exceed those allowable in the United States. This is being done to protect Australia's very valuable beef export industry.

I thank honourable members for their interest in this important legislation.

Motion agreed to; bill read a second time.

Mr PERRON (Industries and Development)(by leave): Mr Speaker, I move that the bill be now read a third time.

Motion agreed to; bill read a third time.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr HANRAHAN (Leader of Government Business): Mr Speaker, I move that the Assembly do now adjourn.

Mr Speaker, I take this opportunity to outline very briefly the legislative program and some of the procedures that will occur over the next 5 sitting days. A glance at the Notice Paper will inform honourable members that we have a very light legislative program. Tomorrow, it is intended to deal with the Motor Vehicles Amendment Bill and the Traffic Bill as well as Notice No 1. The remaining 2 pieces of legislation, the Supreme Court (Rules of Procedure) Bill and the Jurisdiction of Courts (Cross-Vesting) Bill, will be dealt with next week.

Mr Speaker, 9 ministerial statements will be delivered over the next 5 sitting days. I have requested the cooperation of ministers to ensure that the Leader of the Opposition is given a copy of each statement in advance, with reasonable notice, so that we will be able to debate the ministerial statements in full and take them completely off the Notice Paper. I note that tomorrow's ministerial statement on recreational fishing has already been circulated to the Leader of the Opposition by the Minister for Industries and Development.

The second-reading debate on the Appropriation Bill will commence when the Leader of the Opposition delivers his reply on Thursday morning. The government's intention is, if possible, to complete the second-reading debate at these sittings.

Mr Speaker, it is interesting that we have moved the adjournment at a reasonable hour. There are no cocktail parties, but there is a great deal of interest in tonight's federal budget. During the last few sittings, we have been adjourning very late at night and I think this is an excellent opportunity for honourable members to deliver an adjournment speech and still be home at a reasonable hour.

Mr LEO (Nhulunbuy): Mr Speaker, I would like to report to the Assembly on my recent attendance at the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conference in Kuala Lumpur. Mr Speaker, this morning I spoke to you in your capacity as Chairman of the local branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association but I must now make a more public report for honourable members.

As a legislature which governs a population of less than a quarter million persons, the Northern Territory is entitled to attend the Small Nations Conference. I was the only Australian representative at that Small Nations