

SEARCHING HANSARD

Type the word or phrase you wish to search in the "Debate text" box here.

You can search for speeches containing **all** your search terms (**AND**) or for speeches containing **any** search terms (**OR**).

The screenshot shows the 'Search Vic Hansard' interface. At the top, there are three main sections: 'Download Assembly' (green background), 'Search Vic Hansard (12 March 1991 - 27 February 2007)' (white background), and 'Download Council' (red background). The 'Search Vic Hansard' section contains a search box with the text 'water', a 'Search' button, a 'Clear' button, and radio buttons for 'AND' (selected) and 'OR'. Below the search box are two dropdown menus for 'Current Member:' and 'All Members:', both currently set to '(All)'. The 'Current Member:' dropdown shows options: [SPEAKER], [PRESIDENT], and ALLAN. The 'All Members:' dropdown shows options: ALLAN, ALLEN, and ANDREWS. Below these are 'Activity:?' and 'Day:' dropdown menus. The 'Activity:?' dropdown is open, showing a list of activities: (All), (All), Adjournment, Business of The House, Condolences, Governor's Speech, Grievances, Legislation Committee, Matter of Public Importance, Members Statements, Ministerial Statement, Papers, Personal Explanation, Petitions, Questions on Notice, Questions without Notice, Second Reading, Statement of Compatibility, and Statements on Reports. A 'Legislative Council Only' checkbox is also present. At the bottom left, there is a 'More Information' section with a link to 'About Hansard'. Red arrows point from the text above to the search box, the AND/OR options, and the Activity dropdown.

You can search under a number of "**Parliamentary Activities**". For a more detailed explanation of these different "parliamentary activities", see the [Search help](#) page (the link is located at the bottom of the search screen).

To search the entire Hansard database from 1991* to the present, use the search area located in the central panel of this screen. To do a search, select from one or more of the categories in this search screen.

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Debate text:
 AND OR

Current Member: All Members:?
(All) (All)
[SPEAKER] ALLAN
[PRESIDENT] ALLEN
ALLAN ANDREWS

Activity:?
(All)

Year/Parliament: Month: Day:
(All) (All) All
2007 January 1
2006 February 2
2005 March 3

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You can search for speeches by **MPs** currently in the Victorian Parliament.

OR

former MPs plus other important persons who spoken in the Parliament.

Use these up/down arrows to move through the name lists. If you want to go quickly to surnames beginning with a letter, type the letter and hit Enter. To select multiple names, hold Control key down while clicking on the names.

Searching dates *is as easy as ...*

The screenshot shows the search interface for VicHansard. On the left, there is a green sidebar with a list of years from 1999 to 2007. On the right, there is a red sidebar with the same list of years. The central search area has a header: "Search VicHansard (12 March 1991 - 15 February 2007)". Below the header is a "Debate text:" input field with "Search" and "Clear" buttons, and radio buttons for "AND" (selected) and "OR". There are two dropdown menus for "Current Member:" (listing SHARDEY, SMITH, SOMYUREK, STENSHOLT) and "All Members:?" (listing (All), ALLAN, ALLEN, ANDREWS). Below these is an "Activity:?" dropdown menu set to "Second Reading". At the bottom, there are three date selection boxes: "Year/Parliament:" (with options 1992, 1991, 56th Parliament, 55th Parliament), "Month:" (with options February, March, April, May), and "Day:" (with options 11, 12, 13, 14). Red arrows point from the text below to the 1991, March, and 12 options in these boxes. There are also checkboxes for "Legislative Assembly Only" and "Legislative Council Only", and a "[Help]" link.

Select the **year**, **month** & **day** from these three boxes.

Scroll down the year box and you'll see that you can also search under parliamentary terms (for example, the 52nd and 53rd parliaments constitute the years in which the government of Premier Jeff Kennett was in power between 1992 - 1997).

To activate your search,
hit this **"Search"** key.

To clear all your search
selections, hit this **"Clear"** key

The screenshot shows a search interface for Vic Hansard (12 March 1991 - 15 February 2007). It features a central search area with a text input field, a 'Search' button, and a 'Clear' button. Below the search area are several filters: 'Current Member' and 'All Members' dropdowns, an 'Activity' dropdown, and 'Year/Parliament', 'Month', and 'Day' dropdowns. At the bottom, there are two checkboxes: 'Legislative Assembly Only' and 'Legislative Council Only'. The interface is flanked by two columns of year links: 'Download Assembly' (1999-2007) on the left and 'Download Council' (1999-2007) on the right. A red arrow points from the 'Search' button to the text 'To activate your search, hit this "Search" key.' Another red arrow points from the 'Clear' button to the text 'To clear all your search selections, hit this "Clear" key'. Two more red arrows point from the text below to the checkboxes for 'Legislative Assembly Only' and 'Legislative Council Only'.

If you want to search the
Legislative Assembly
(Lower House) **only**, enter a
tick in this box.

OR


If you want to search
Legislative Council
(Upper House) **only**, enter
a tick here in this box.

SUMMARY DISPLAYS

Select titles from this column if you want to view an entire speech.

Select pages from this column if you want to view the individual Hansard pages containing your search terms.

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 **VICHANSARD**
Hansard Search Summary

There are **8 speech titles** matching your query. A summary is displayed below.

Titles under the "Whole Speech" column display all speakers' contributions (unless interrupted by other business).
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Display Selections	Date	Page Number	Whole Speech	Page by page view
Legislative Assembly				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	22 May 2003	1860	Water: Melbourne restrictions	Page view
<input type="checkbox"/>	22 May 2003	1872	APPROPRIATION (2003/2004) BILL	Page view
<input type="checkbox"/>	22 May 2003	1898	APPROPRIATION (2003/2004) BILL	Page view
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	8 May 2003	1550	Water: sustainable management	Page view
<input type="checkbox"/>	6 May 2003	1382	CONSTITUTION (WATER AUTHORITIES) BILL	Page view
<input type="checkbox"/>	6 May 2003	1388	WATER (VICTORIAN WATER TRUST ADVISORY COUNCIL) BILL	Page view
Legislative Council				
<input type="checkbox"/>	22 May 2003	1756	WATER (VICTORIAN WATER TRUST ADVISORY COUNCIL) BILL	Page view
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 May 2003	1190	COMMISSIONER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY BILL	Page view

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Tick these **boxes** for items you wish to view together in a single screen. This will assist when printing your results.

Selected items are displayed in reverse chronological order, with the most recent at the top.

Hansard full text views look like this ...

Title **SHOP TRADING REFORM (ESSENTIAL GOODS AMENDMENT) BILL**
House **ASSEMBLY**
Activity **Second Reading**
Members **BRUMBY**
Date **10 April 2003**
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SHOP TRADING REFORM (ESSENTIAL GOODS AMENDMENT) BILL

Introduction and first reading

Received from Council.

Read first time on motion of Mr BRUMBY (Treasurer).

Second reading

[Mr BRUMBY \(Treasurer\)](#) - By leave, I move:

That this bill be now read a second time.

The purpose of the bill is to ensure that shops selling goods of an essential nature are exempt from the general requirement for shops to close on non-trading days.

Victoria's current shop trading laws were introduced by the Kennett government in 1996. The Shop Trading Reform Act 1996 provides that shops are generally required to close on three and a half days per year, except those shops that are of an exempt type and employ fewer than 20 employees. Exempt shops listed in the act include businesses such as chemists, petrol stations, bread shops, grocery shops, hairdressers, florists and drycleaners.

However, it has been brought to the government's attention that the act may prevent some businesses that provide essential goods, such as petrol stations and chemists, from opening on non-trading days.

The government is committed to ensuring that businesses selling goods of an essential nature, such as petrol stations and chemists, are able to open every day of the year.

This amendment is unrelated to the recently passed Public Holidays and Shop Trading Reform Acts (Amendment) Act 2003.

The bill amends section 4 of the Shop Trading Reform Act 1996 by introducing a new provision that makes petrol stations and chemists exempt shops and therefore able to open throughout the year, regardless of their number of employees.

The bill also provides that regulations may be made to prescribe a business as an exempt shop if its predominant business is selling goods of a type that the minister considers to be essential goods.

In conclusion, the government is fixing the problem created by the former Kennett government when it changed Victoria's shop trading laws in 1996 without giving proper consideration to ensuring that businesses selling essential goods are able to open.

I commend the bill to the house.

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From these pages you can select **one MP's speech** and extract this into a new browser screen, making it ideal for printing just that MP's contribution.

So what you get is just the section you want...

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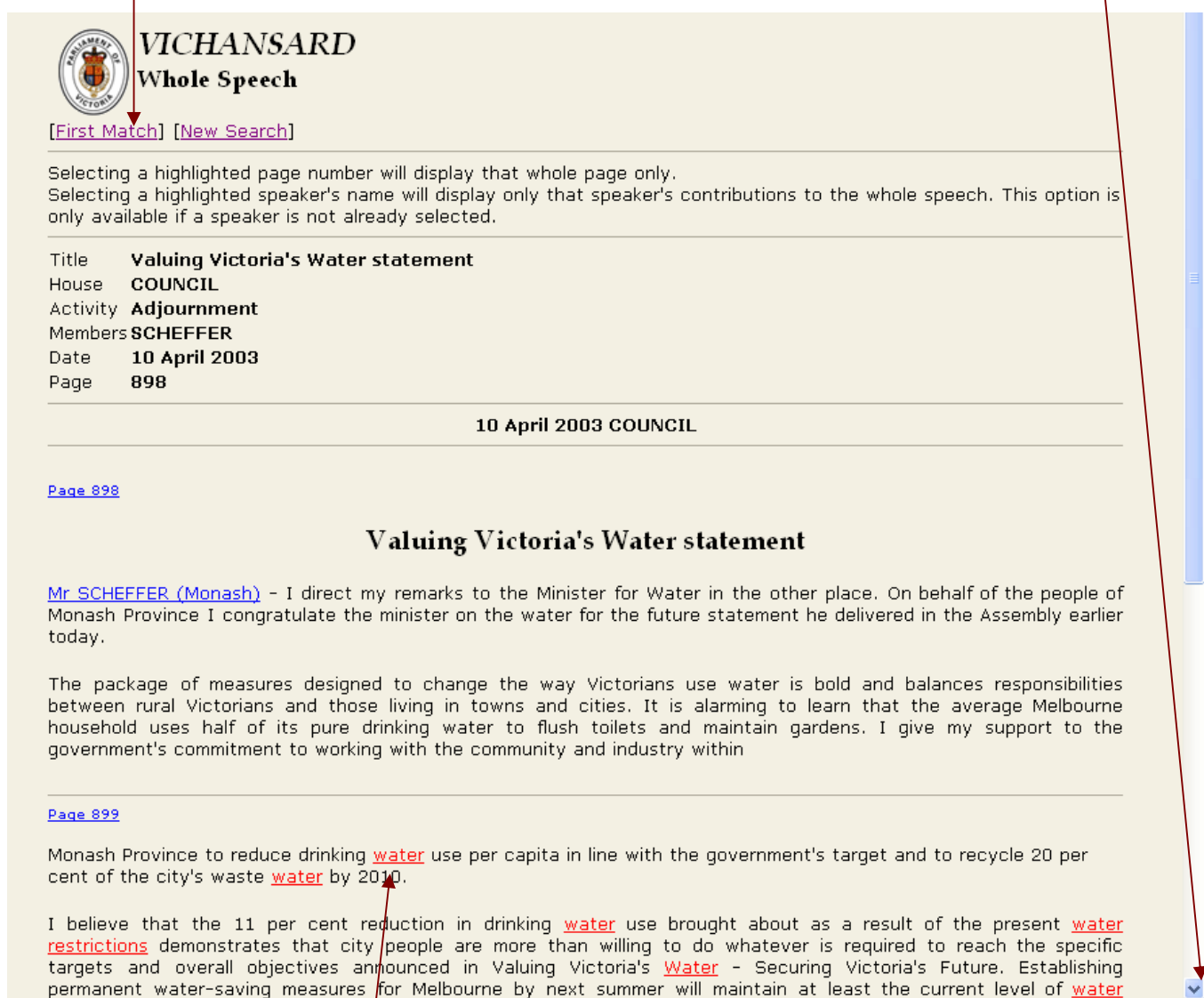
Let us get it straight. Out there in the Victorian economy there is confusion and chaos about one of the most important trading periods in our financial year. Yet when we suggested that these changes should be made and then this morning sought to move by leave a mechanism which we believed would be more appropriate than the one the government has proposed, which I will explain in a moment, the government ran away and instead gave us a copy of this at 1.15 p.m.

In trying to get something done before those holidays that is how fine the government cut it. What was its alternative and was it going to take responsibility for it?

My understanding is that it was discovered because for a long time the minister would not meet with the oil companies, and then when she did she said through her chief of staff, 'This is really your problem'. Then the government discovered that there was a problem and that service stations, for instance, were not going to be open - a patently ridiculous conclusion. The minister's reaction is reported in this morning's Age:

Hitting the **"First Match"** key takes you to the first occurrence of the term you searched under.

This can be useful, especially when you have a long screen to read



The screenshot shows the VICHANSARD Whole Speech website. At the top left is the logo of the Parliament of Victoria. The page title is "VICHANSARD Whole Speech". Below the title are two links: "[First Match]" and "[New Search]". A red arrow points from the text above to the "[First Match]" link. Below the links is a paragraph explaining that selecting a highlighted page number will display that whole page only, and selecting a highlighted speaker's name will display only that speaker's contributions to the whole speech. Below this is a table of metadata for the current page: Title: Valuing Victoria's Water statement; House: COUNCIL; Activity: Adjournment; Members: SCHEFFER; Date: 10 April 2003; Page: 898. Below the table is the date and house: 10 April 2003 COUNCIL. Below that is a link to "Page 898". The main heading is "Valuing Victoria's Water statement". The text of the speech begins with "Mr SCHEFFER (Monash) - I direct my remarks to the Minister for Water in the other place. On behalf of the people of Monash Province I congratulate the minister on the water for the future statement he delivered in the Assembly earlier today." The next paragraph discusses the package of measures designed to change the way Victorians use water. Below that is another link to "Page 899". The text continues: "Monash Province to reduce drinking water use per capita in line with the government's target and to recycle 20 per cent of the city's waste water by 2010." The final paragraph states: "I believe that the 11 per cent reduction in drinking water use brought about as a result of the present water restrictions demonstrates that city people are more than willing to do whatever is required to reach the specific targets and overall objectives announced in Valuing Victoria's Water - Securing Victoria's Future. Establishing permanent water-saving measures for Melbourne by next summer will maintain at least the current level of water". A red arrow points from the text above to the word "water" in the final paragraph. A blue vertical bar is visible on the right side of the page.

VICHANSARD
Whole Speech

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Title **Valuing Victoria's Water statement**
House **COUNCIL**
Activity **Adjournment**
Members **SCHEFFER**
Date **10 April 2003**
Page **898**

10 April 2003 COUNCIL

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Valuing Victoria's Water statement

[Mr SCHEFFER \(Monash\)](#) - I direct my remarks to the Minister for Water in the other place. On behalf of the people of Monash Province I congratulate the minister on the water for the future statement he delivered in the Assembly earlier today.

The package of measures designed to change the way Victorians use water is bold and balances responsibilities between rural Victorians and those living in towns and cities. It is alarming to learn that the average Melbourne household uses half of its pure drinking water to flush toilets and maintain gardens. I give my support to the government's commitment to working with the community and industry within

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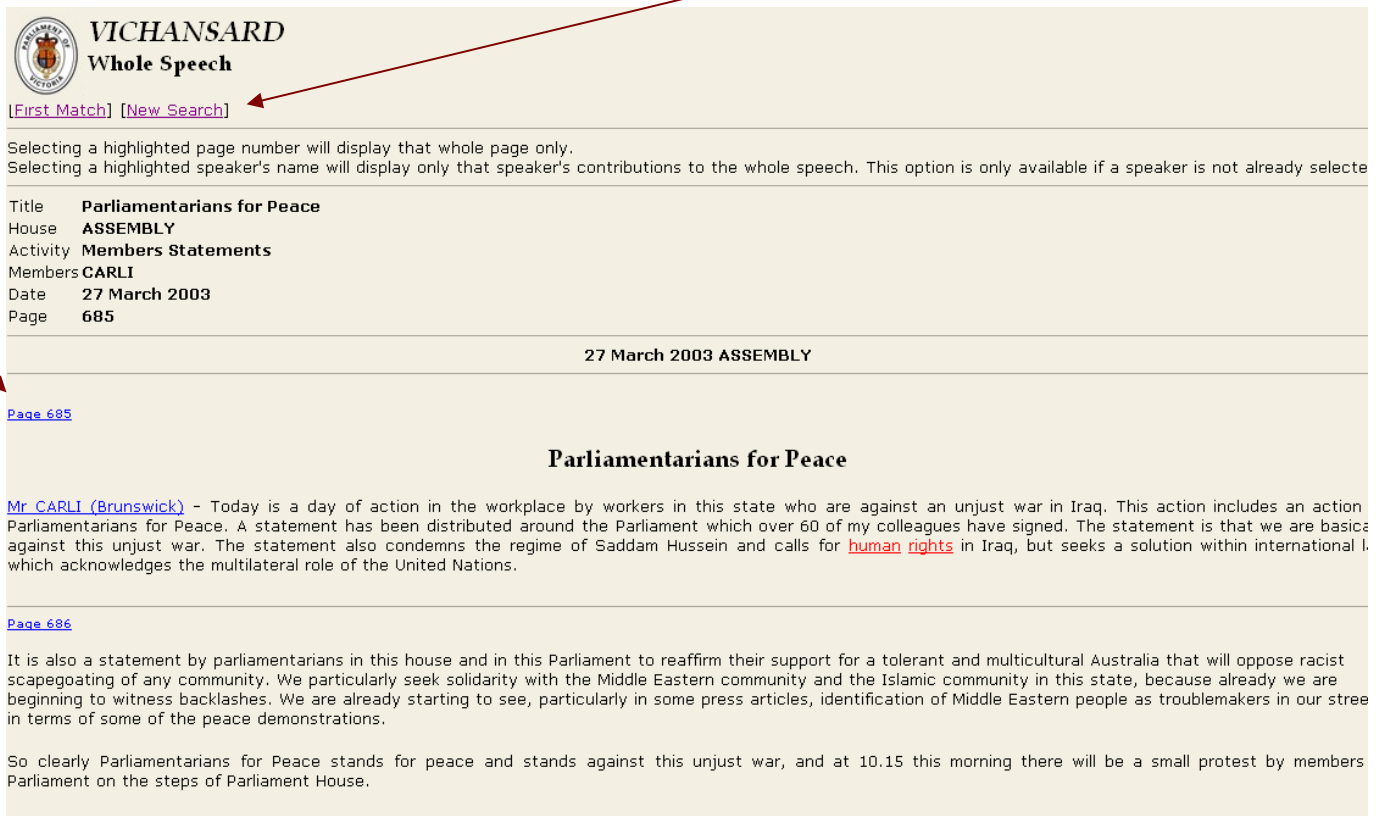
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Move through to the **next** occurrence of the search term by simply clicking on each word.

Single **page views** can be selected at any stage by selecting these **blue page numbers**

You can easily return to the search screen to do a new search at any stage by selecting **"New Search"** here.



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Title **Parliamentarians for Peace**
House **ASSEMBLY**
Activity **Members Statements**
Members **CARLI**
Date **27 March 2003**
Page **685**

27 March 2003 ASSEMBLY

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Parliamentarians for Peace

[Mr CARLI \(Brunswick\)](#) - Today is a day of action in the workplace by workers in this state who are against an unjust war in Iraq. This action includes an action by Parliamentarians for Peace. A statement has been distributed around the Parliament which over 60 of my colleagues have signed. The statement is that we are basically against this unjust war. The statement also condemns the regime of Saddam Hussein and calls for [human rights](#) in Iraq, but seeks a solution within international law which acknowledges the multilateral role of the United Nations.


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It is also a statement by parliamentarians in this house and in this Parliament to reaffirm their support for a tolerant and multicultural Australia that will oppose racist scapegoating of any community. We particularly seek solidarity with the Middle Eastern community and the Islamic community in this state, because already we are beginning to witness backlashes. We are already starting to see, particularly in some press articles, identification of Middle Eastern people as troublemakers in our streets in terms of some of the peace demonstrations.

So clearly Parliamentarians for Peace stands for peace and stands against this unjust war, and at 10.15 this morning there will be a small protest by members of Parliament on the steps of Parliament House.

Warning messages like this mean you should go back and refine your search. The terms you have searched under have exceeded the query limit.

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Legislative Assembly				
<input type="checkbox"/>	29 Oct 2002	912	Mitchell: community events	Page view
<input type="checkbox"/>	9 May 2002	1313	MEMBERS STATEMENTS	Page view
<input type="checkbox"/>	8 May 2002	1217	MEMBERS STATEMENTS	Page view
<input type="checkbox"/>	7 May 2002	1170	MEMBERS STATEMENTS	Page view
<input type="checkbox"/>	24 Apr 2002	1091	MEMBERS STATEMENTS	Page view
<input type="checkbox"/>	24 Apr 2002	1091	Housing: rent arrears	Page view
<input type="checkbox"/>	24 Apr 2002	1092	Defenders of Australia	Page view
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<input type="checkbox"/>	24 Apr 2002	1093	May Careek	Page view
<input type="checkbox"/>	24 Apr 2002	1094	Shrine of Remembrance: bugle	Page view
<input type="checkbox"/>	24 Apr 2002	1094	Aspendale Gardens Primary School	Page view

Try refining your search by selecting a particular year or perhaps either Legislative Assembly or Council only.

Search Vichansard (12 March 1991 - 28 March 2002)

Debate text:

AND OR

Current Member:

All Speakers:

Activity:

Year/Parliament:

Month:

Day:

Legislative Assembly Only Legislative Council Only

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