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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 59.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, 1ST JULY, 1926.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir Littleton Groom) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

STONEHAVEN,
Governor-General.

Message No. 34.

A Bill intituled "*Defence Equipment Act 1926*", 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 and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Act.

Government House,
Melbourne, 30th June, 1926.

3. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—

Public Service Act—Appointment of A. N. Horner, Postmaster-General's Department.

4. DEVELOPMENT AND MIGRATION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—
Debate resumed.

Mr. Lister moved, That the debate be now adjourned.

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

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

5. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE (JOINT).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 36.

The Senate acquaints the House of Representatives that, in accordance with the provisions of the *Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1921*, Senator H. J. M. Payne has been appointed a member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, in the place of Senator P. J. Lynch, discharged from attendance.

The Senate,
Melbourne, 1st July, 1926.

JOHN NEWLANDS,
President.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE (JOINT).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 37.

The Senate acquaints the House of Representatives that, in accordance with the provisions of the *Committee of Public Accounts Act 1913-1920*, Senators J. B. Hayes and C. S. McHugh have been appointed members of the Joint Committee of Public Accounts in the place of Senators H. S. Foll and E. Needham, discharged from attendance.

The Senate,
Melbourne, 1st July, 1926.

JOHN NEWLANDS,
President.

1st July, 1926.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (1926).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 38.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act relating to Duties of Customs*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the modifications made by the House in Requested Amendments Nos. 3 and 4 of the Senate, and does not press its Request No. 15, with which the House of Representatives has not complied.

The Senate has agreed to the Bill returned herewith, as amended by the House of Representatives at the request of the Senate.

JOHN NEWLANDS,
President.

The Senate,
Melbourne, 1st July, 1926.

8. DEVELOPMENT AND MIGRATION BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of Message No. 21 from His Excellency the Governor-General's Deputy—

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(*In the Committee.*)

Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act relating to Development and Migration.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Sir Granville Ryrie reported accordingly.

The said Resolution was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Bruce, was adopted by the House.

9. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Representation Act—Determination, made by the Chief Electoral Officer, of the Representation of the States in the House of Representatives, dated 29th June, 1926.

The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—

Representation Act—Certificate of the Chief Electoral Officer of the Numbers of the People of the Commonwealth and of the several States as at 3rd April, 1926.

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at three minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at eleven o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Anstey*, Mr. Donald Cameron, Mr. Corser*, Mr. Josiah Francis, Mr. Roland Green, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Killen*, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Ley, Mr. Manning, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Seabrook, and Mr. Stewart.

* On leave.

FRANK L. CLAPIN,
Clerk-Assistant,
for Clerk of the House of Representatives.