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**THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.**

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 170.

THURSDAY, 9TH JULY, 1931.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Norman J. O. Makin) took the Chair, and offered Prayers.
2. MEMBER NAMED.—Mr. Speaker named the honorable Member for Kennedy (Mr. Riordan), for disregarding the authority of the Chair.
Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) having addressed the House, and Mr. Riordan having expressed his regret, the matter was not further proceeded with.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
New Guinea Act—Ordinances of 1931—
No. 17—Liquor.
No. 18—Explosives.
No. 19—Supply (No. 1) 1931-32.
4. FINANCIAL EMERGENCY BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 2 to 4 agreed to.

Clause 5—

On the motion of Mr. Theodore (Treasurer), the following amendment was made, after debate :—

Page 2, line 25, after "Australia" insert "the Commonwealth Savings Bank of Australia".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 6 to 8 agreed to.

Clause 9 debated—

Mr. Keane moved, as an amendment, That the words "officers or employees and of married officers or employees who are not adults" (page 4, lines 7-8) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof :—"male officers or employees and of married officers or employees who are not adults, and by Twenty-two pounds ten shillings per annum in the case of adult female officers".

Debate continued.

Amendment withdrawn, by leave.

On the motion of Mr. Keane, the following amendment was made, after debate :—

Page 4, lines 7-8, omit "officers or employees and of married officers or employees who are not adults" insert "male officers or employees and of married officers or employees who are not adults, by Twenty-two pounds ten shillings per annum in the case of adult female officers".

9th July, 1931.

Debate continued.

Question—That the clause, as amended, be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 46.		Noes, 18.
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Anstey
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Beasley
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Marks	Mr. Culley
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Marr	Mr. Curtin
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Eldridge
Mr. Coleman	Mr. McNeill	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Keane
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Lacey
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Long
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Makin
Mr. Forde	Mr. Price	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Frost	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Scullin	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Stewart	Mr. Rowe
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Theodore	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Tully	
Mr. Gullett	Mr. White	
Mr. Hawker		<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hill		Mr. E. C. Riley
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Yates
Mr. Jones	Mr. Bayley	
Mr. Killen	Mr. Hunter	
Mr. Latham		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 10 debated—

Question—That the clause be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 46.		Noes, 18.
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Latham	Mr. Anstey
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Beasley
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Culley
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Marks	Mr. Curtin
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Marr	Mr. Eldridge
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. McNeill	Mr. Keane
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Lacey
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Long
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Makin
Mr. Forde	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Frost	Mr. Price	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Scullin	Mr. Rowe
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Stewart	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Theodore	
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. Gullett	Mr. Tully	
Mr. Hawker	Mr. White	
Mr. Hill		<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. E. C. Riley
Mr. Jones	Mr. Bayley	Mr. Yates
Mr. Killen	Mr. Hunter	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 11—

On the motion of Mr. Theodore, the following amendments were made, after debate :—

Page 5, line 32, after " Commonwealth " insert " or by an Industrial Agreement or by a determination of the Public Service Arbitrator which provides for adjustment of salary or wages quarterly based on the index-numbers ".

Page 5, line 39, after " (if any) " insert " , and from such date, ".

9th July, 1931.

Question—That the clause, as amended, be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 46.		Noes, 18.
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Latham	Mr. Anstey
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Beasley
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Culley
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Marks	Mr. Curtin
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Marr	Mr. Eldridge
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. McNeill	Mr. Keane
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Lacey
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Long
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Makin
Mr. Forde	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Frost	Mr. Price	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Scullin	Mr. Rowe
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Stewart	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Theodore	
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Thompson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Gullett	Mr. Tully	Mr. E. C. Riley
Mr. Hawker	Mr. White	Mr. Yates
Mr. Hill		
Mr. Hughes	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Jones	Mr. Bayley	
Mr. Killen	Mr. Hunter	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 12 debated—

Mr. Riordan moved, as an amendment, That the word " person " (page 5, line 50) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the words " representative of the employees " in place thereof.

Debate continued.

Question—That the word proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 38.		Noes, 18.
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Anstey
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Beasley
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Marr	Mr. Culley
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McNeill	Mr. Curtin
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Eldridge
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Jones
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Keane
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Lacey
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Price	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Long
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin	Mr. Makin
Mr. Frost	Mr. Theodore	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Tully	Mr. Rowe
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. White	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Hawker		
Mr. Hill	<i>Tellers:</i>	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Killen	Mr. Bayley	Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Latham	Mr. Hunter	Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of Mr. Chifley (Minister for Defence), the following amendment was made:—

Page 6, lines 5-9, omit sub-clause (4.), insert the following sub-clause:—

" (4.) The Minister shall refer to the Committee—

(a) the cases of any classes of officers and employees and of other persons rendering service to the Commonwealth; and

(b) any other matter,

in relation to which he has power under this Part to give a direction upon the receipt of a recommendation of the Committee."

9th and 10th July, 1931.

Question—That the clause, as amended, be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 36.

Noes, 18.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Latham
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Marr
Mr. Chifley	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Morgan
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Price
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Frost	Mr. Theodore
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. White
Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. Gullett	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Bayley
Mr. Hill	Mr. Hunter

Mr. Anstey
Mr. Beasley
Mr. Culley
Mr. Curtin
Mr. Eldridge
Mr. Holloway
Mr. Jones
Mr. Keane
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Long
Mr. Makin
Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rowe
Mr. Watkins
<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Lacey
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 13 agreed to.

Clause 14 debated and agreed to.

Clause 15 postponed.

Clause 16 agreed to.

Clause 17—

Mr. Theodore moved, as an amendment, That the word "thirty-one" (page 7, line 40) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the word "thirty" in place thereof.

Debate ensued.

The Committee continuing to sit until after midnight—

FRIDAY, 10TH JULY, 1931.

Debate continued.

Amendment agreed to.

On the motion of Mr. Theodore, the following further amendment was made :—

Page 7, at the end of the clause add the following sub-clause :—

(4.) The Governor-General may arrange with the Governor-in-Council of any State that the taxation, under the law of that State, of the salaries and allowances of any persons whose salaries and allowances are reduced under this Part, to the extent to which such taxation is permitted by or under this section, shall be deducted from the periodical payments of the salary and allowances of those persons and shall be paid to the State in such manner and at such times as are provided by the arrangement.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 18—

On the motion of Mr. Theodore, the following amendment was made :—

Page 8, at the end of the clause add the following sub-clause :—

(2.) All payments of pensions payable by the Commonwealth under section eighty-four of the Constitution to any person who, having been transferred from the public service of a State to the public service of the Commonwealth, is entitled to retire, or has retired, from office on the pension permitted by the law of the State as if his service with the Commonwealth were a continuation of his service with the State, shall be reduced by such percentages or amounts as are provided, from time to time, by or under any law of the State from the public service of which he was transferred to the public service of the Commonwealth, which would have been applicable to him if his service with the Commonwealth had been a continuation of his service with the State.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 19 agreed to.

Clause 20 debated—

Question—That the clause be agreed to—put.

9th and 10th July, 1931.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 39.

Noes, 15.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Marr
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Morgan
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Price
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Frost	Mr. Theodore
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Tully
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. White
Mr. Roland Green	
Mr. Gullett	
Mr. Hawker	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Jones	Mr. Bayley
Mr. Latham	Mr. Hunter

Mr. Anstey
Mr. Beasley
Mr. Culley
Mr. Curtin
Mr. Eldridge
Mr. Holloway
Mr. Keane
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Long
Mr. Makin
Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rowe

Tellers:

Mr. Lacey
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 21—

Question—That the clause be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 39.

Noes, 15.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Marr
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Morgan
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Price
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Frost	Mr. Theodore
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Tully
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. White
Mr. Roland Green	
Mr. Gullett	
Mr. Hawker	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Jones	Mr. Bayley
Mr. Latham	Mr. Hunter

Mr. Anstey
Mr. Beasley
Mr. Culley
Mr. Curtin
Mr. Eldridge
Mr. Holloway
Mr. Keane
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Long
Mr. Makin
Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rowe

Tellers:

Mr. Lacey
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 22 agreed to.

Clause 23—

On the motion of Mr. Theodore, the following amendment was made:—

Page 8, at the end of the clause add the following sub-clause:—

(2.) The amendment made by this section shall apply in relation to any claim made after the commencement of this section.

Clause, as amended, debated—

Member named.—The Temporary Chairman (Mr. Crouch) named the honorable Member for Darling Downs (Mr. Morgan) for disregarding the authority of the Chair.

Mr. Theodore having addressed the Committee, and Mr. Morgan having expressed his regret, the matter was not further proceeded with.

Debate continued.

Member named and suspended.—The Temporary Chairman (Mr. Crouch) named the honorable Member for Martin (Mr. Eldridge) for insulting conduct towards the Chair.

9th and 10th July, 1931.

Mr. Theodore moved, That the honorable Member for Martin be suspended from the service of the Committee.

Question—put.

The Committee divided (The Temporary Chairman, Mr. Crouch, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 38.		Noes, 13.
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Anstey
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Marr	Mr. Beasley
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Culley
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McNeill	Mr. Curtin
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Eldridge
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Keane
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Lacey
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Price	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Forde	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Frost	Mr. Scullin	
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Theodore	
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Thompson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Tully	Mr. E. C. Riley
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. White	Mr. Yates
Mr. Gullett		
Mr. Hawker	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Latham	Mr. Bayley	
Mr. Lyons	Mr. Hunter	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Temporary Chairman (Mr. Crouch) forthwith suspended the proceedings of the Committee.

The House resumed.

The Temporary Chairman of Committees (Mr. Crouch) reported the circumstance to the House.

Mr. Speaker thereupon put the question—That the honorable Member for Martin (Mr. Eldridge) be suspended from the service of the House.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Makin, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 39.		Noes, 13.
Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Anstey
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Marr	Mr. Beasley
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Culley
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McNeill	Mr. Curtin
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Parker Moloney	Mr. Eldridge
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Keane
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Lacey
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Thomas Paterson	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Price	Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin	
Mr. Frost	Mr. Theodore	
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Thompson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Tully	Mr. E. C. Riley
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. White	Mr. Yates
Mr. Roland Green		
Mr. Gullett		
Mr. Hawker	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Latham	Mr. Bayley	
Mr. Lyons	Mr. Hunter	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The honorable Member was, therefore, under Standing Order No. 59, suspended for the remainder of the day's sitting, and he accordingly withdrew from the Chamber.

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

(In the Committee.)

Clause 23, as amended, further debated—

Question—That the clause, as amended, be agreed to—put,

9th and 10th July, 1931.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 37.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Marr
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Morgan
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Price
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Forde	Mr. Theodore
Mr. Frost	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Tully
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. White
Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. Roland Green	
Mr. Gullett	
Mr. Latham	Mr. Bayley
Mr. Lyons	Mr. Hunter

Tellers:

Noes, 14.

Mr. Anstey
Mr. Beasley
Mr. Culley
Mr. Curtin
Mr. Holloway
Mr. Keane
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Long
Mr. Makin
Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rowe

Tellers:

Mr. Lacey
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 24 debated—

Question—That the clause be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Marr
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Morgan
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Price
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Frost	Mr. Theodore
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Tully
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. White
Mr. Roland Green	
Mr. Gullett	
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Bayley
Mr. Latham	Mr. Hunter

Tellers:

Noes, 16.

Mr. Anstey
Mr. Beasley
Mr. Culley
Mr. Curtin
Mr. Cusack
Mr. Holloway
Mr. Keane
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Long
Mr. Makin
Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Nairn
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rowe

Tellers:

Mr. Lacey
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 25 debated and agreed to.

Clause 26 debated—

On the motion of Mr. Marr, the following amendment was made, after debate :—

Page 9, line 27, omit " One hundred pounds, or imprisonment for one year ", insert " Ten pounds, or imprisonment for one month ".

Debate continued.

Question—That the clause, as amended, be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Marr
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Morgan
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Price
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Frost	Mr. Theodore
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Tully
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. White
Mr. Roland Green	
Mr. Gullett	
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Bayley
Mr. Latham	Mr. Hunter

Tellers:

Noes, 13.

Mr. Anstey
Mr. Beasley
Mr. Culley
Mr. Holloway
Mr. Keane
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Long
Mr. Makin
Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rowe

Tellers:

Mr. Lacey
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

9th and 10th July, 1931.

Clauses 27 to 29 agreed to.

Clause 30 debated—

Question—That the clause be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Marr
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Morgan
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Price
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Frost	Mr. Theodore
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Tully
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. White
Mr. Roland Green	
Mr. Gullett	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Bayley
Mr. Latham	Mr. Hunter

Noes, 14.

Mr. Anstey
Mr. Beasley
Mr. Culley
Mr. Curtin
Mr. Holloway
Mr. Keane
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Long
Mr. Makin
Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rowe

Tellers:

Mr. Lacey
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 31 debated and omitted.

Clause 32—

On the motion of Mr. Coleman, the following amendment was made, after debate :—

Page 10, lines 27–28, omit “ Four shillings and sixpence ”, insert “ Five shillings ”.

Question—That the clause, as amended, be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Marr
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Morgan
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Price
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Forde	Mr. Theodore
Mr. Frost	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Tully
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. White
Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. Roland Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Bayley
Mr. Latham	Mr. Hunter

Noes, 14.

Mr. Anstey
Mr. Beasley
Mr. Culley
Mr. Curtin
Mr. Holloway
Mr. Keane
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Long
Mr. Makin
Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rowe

Tellers:

Mr. Lacey
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 33 agreed to.

Clause 34—

On the motion of Mr. Coleman, the following amendment was made :—

Page 10, lines 46–47, omit “ Four shillings and sixpence ”, insert “ Five shillings ”.

Question—That the clause, as amended, be agreed to—put.

9th and 10th July, 1931.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Marr
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Morgan
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Price
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Frost	Mr. Theodore
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Tully
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. White
Mr. Roland Green	
Mr. Gullett	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Bayley
Mr. Latham	Mr. Hunter

Noes, 14.

Mr. Anstey
Mr. Beasley
Mr. Culley
Mr. Curtin
Mr. Holloway
Mr. Keane
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Long
Mr. Makin
Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rowe

Tellers:

Mr. Lacey
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 35—

On the motion of Mr. Coleman, the following amendment was made:—

Page 11, lines 4-5, omit "Four shillings and sixpence", insert "Five shillings".

Question—That the clause, as amended, be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. McGrath, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Marr
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Morgan
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Price
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Frost	Mr. Theodore
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Tully
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. White
Mr. Roland Green	
Mr. Gullett	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hawker	Mr. Bayley
Mr. Latham	Mr. Hunter

Noes, 14.

Mr. Anstey
Mr. Beasley
Mr. Culley
Mr. Curtin
Mr. Holloway
Mr. Keane
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Long
Mr. Makin
Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rowe

Tellers:

Mr. Lacey
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 36 agreed to.

Clause 37—

On the motion of Mr. Theodore, the following amendments were made:—

Page 11, line 12, omit "payable under Part III.", insert "as defined in section twenty-two".

Page 11, lines 13-17, omit "and under regulations 89A to 89R (inclusive) of the Australian Soldiers' Repatriation Regulations as in force at the date of the commencement of this section and any regulations amending or in substitution for those regulations".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 38—

On the motion of Mr. Theodore, the following amendment was made, after debate:—

Omit the clause, insert the following clauses:—

38.—(1.) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Principal Act, pensions payable under that Act to persons included in the following classes shall subject to this section be reduced by twenty-two and one-half per centum:—

Parents of members of the Forces;

Children of members of the Forces in receipt of pensions under the Principal Act;

Wives of members of the Forces in receipt of such pensions;

Brother and sisters of deceased members of the Forces or members who are in receipt of such pensions;

Other persons who are dependants within the meaning of the Principal Act and who are not elsewhere referred to in this sub-section.

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(2.) The last preceding sub-section shall not apply—

(a) to the widowed mother of any deceased unmarried member of the Forces ; or

(b) to the widow or children of any deceased member of the Forces,

where the death of the member resulted from an occurrence happening during the period he was such member.

(3.) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Principal Act—

(a) the Commission may, at any time within three months after the commencement of this sub-section, cancel any pension payable under that Act to any person whose pension is reduced in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (1.) of this section and whose circumstances, in the opinion of the Commission, do not justify the continuance of the pension ; and

(b) such reductions, additional to those made in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (1.) of this section, in any pensions payable under that Act, shall be made, as are prescribed.”

38A.—(1.) The Regulations may provide for the constitution of a committee which shall have power to inquire into the pensions payable under the Principal Act to any classes of persons and to make recommendations to the Minister as to the reductions, additional to any reduction effected by this Part, which should be made in those pensions.

Committee to
inquire into
classes of
cases.

(2.) The conditions of appointment of any member of a committee constituted for the purposes of this section and the duration of any such committee shall be as prescribed.

Clause 39—

On the motion of Mr. Theodore, the following amendment was made :—

Page 12, line 34, after “ thirty-one ” insert the following proviso :—

“ Provided that any such child born after that date whose father dies from the results of an occurrence happening during the period he was a member of the Forces shall be deemed to be a dependant ”.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 40 agreed to.

Clause 41—

On the motion of Mr. Theodore, the following amendment was made :—

Page 13, add at the end of proposed new section 27B the following sub-section :—

(2.) Where a pension has been voluntarily relinquished either wholly or in part and the pensioner applies for the restoration of the pension or part thereof so relinquished, the pension or part thereof shall, subject to this Act, be restored, but the restoration shall not operate in respect of any period prior to the date of the application.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 42 to 45 agreed to.

Clause 46 debated and agreed to.

Clause 47—

On the motion of Mr. Theodore, the following amendment was made :—

Page 13, lines 31–33, omit sub-clause (1.).

Clause, as amended, debated and agreed to.

Clause 48 agreed to.

Postponed clause 15—

On the motion of Mr. Theodore, the following amendments were made :—

Page 7, line 4, after “ Commonwealth ” insert “ (not being services under contracts for the conveyance of mails or such other services as are prescribed)”.

Page 7, line 6, before “ as ” insert “ and from such date,”.

Page 7, line 17, after “ (if any)” insert “, and from such date,”.

Page 7, line 23, omit “ twenty ”, insert “ twenty-five ”.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

New Clauses—

On the motion of Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister), the following new clauses were inserted in the Bill :—

3A. The several Parts and sections of this Act shall be administered by such Administration. Ministers as are respectively specified by the Governor-General by order published in the *Gazette* or by such other Ministers or members of the Executive Council as are, for the time being, acting for or on behalf of any Ministers so specified.

17A. Where—

(a) a taxpayer holds any office under the Commonwealth or a State the salary of which—

Exemption
from taxation
on salary
voluntarily
relinquished.

(i) is fixed by law and payable out of the General Revenue of the Commonwealth or the State ; and

(ii) is not reduced by the law of the Commonwealth or of the State relating to the financial emergency ; and

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- (b) the taxpayer has agreed with the Treasurer of the Commonwealth or of the State as the case may be that the taxpayer will, in any year, for the purpose of assisting to relieve the financial stringency of the Commonwealth or the State, as the case may be, and to reduce the expenditure of the Government thereof, accept, instead of the salary so fixed, some smaller sum, and allow the Treasurer to retain the balance in aid of the General Revenue of the Commonwealth or the State,

the following provisions shall apply :—

- (1) In the case of any such taxpayer holding office under the Commonwealth, the sum actually paid to the taxpayer in pursuance of any such agreement shall, for the purposes of any Act of the Commonwealth or a State relating to taxation based on income, be deemed to be the salary of the taxpayer derived from that office, and the sum retained by the Treasurer of the Commonwealth shall not be taken into account for the purpose of calculating the taxable income of the taxpayer under any law of the Commonwealth or a State ; and
- (2) In the case of any such taxpayer holding office under a State, the sum actually paid to the taxpayer in pursuance of any such agreement shall, for the purposes of any Act of the Commonwealth relating to taxation based on income, be deemed to be the salary of the taxpayer derived from that office, and the sum retained by the Treasurer of the State shall not be taken into account for the purpose of calculating the taxable income of the taxpayer under any law of the Commonwealth.

On the motion of Mr. Marr, the following new clause was inserted in the Bill :—

21A. The provisions of section seventeen of this Act shall extend to any pension which is reduced in accordance with this Part, and that section shall apply to any such pension in the same manner as it applies to the allowances and salaries of the persons specified in that section.

State taxation
of pensions.

On the motion of Mr. Scullin, the following new clauses were inserted in the Bill :—

47A.—(1.) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Act, the amount of bounty which shall be paid and distributed in accordance with the Act in respect of fine gold produced during any period shall be calculated in accordance with this section.

Bounty under
Gold Bounty
Act 1930.

(2.) The amount of bounty which shall be paid and distributed in accordance with the Act in respect of the year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one shall be calculated as follows :—

- (a) In respect of fine gold produced during the half-year ending on the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, bounty shall be calculated on the basis of One pound Australian currency for each ounce of fine gold produced during that period in excess of half of the average number of ounces ; and
- (b) In respect of fine gold produced during the half-year ending on the thirty-first day of December One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, bounty shall, subject to this section, be calculated on the basis of Ten shillings Australian currency for each ounce of fine gold produced during that period in excess of half of the average number of ounces.

(3.) In respect of fine gold produced during the year commencing on the first day of January One thousand nine hundred and thirty-two and during any subsequent calendar year, the bounty which shall be paid and distributed in accordance with the Act shall, subject to this section, be calculated on the basis of Ten shillings Australian currency for each ounce of fine gold produced during that year in excess of the average number of ounces.

(4.) The bounty calculated under paragraph (b) of sub-section (2.) of this section and under the last preceding sub-section in respect of fine gold produced during any period to which those provisions apply, shall be increased by One shilling Australian currency per ounce of that gold in respect of each decrease of three per centum in the average rate of exchange per centum during that period below thirty per centum but such bounty shall not, in any event, exceed One pound Australian currency for each ounce of fine gold upon which bounty is calculated under this section.

(5.) For the purposes of this section—

- (a) “ average number of ounces ” means the average number, ascertained in accordance with the Act, of ounces of fine gold produced annually during the years One thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine and One thousand nine hundred and thirty ;
- (b) “ rate of exchange ” means the rate of exchange for telegraphic transfers from Australia to London ;
- (c) “ the Act ” means the *Gold Bounty Act 1930* ;
- (d) the provisions of the Act shall apply for the purposes of ascertaining the number of ounces of fine gold produced during any period ;
- (e) the average rate of exchange during any period shall be such as is certified in writing to the Treasurer by the Governor of the Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

47B.—(1.) Where any payment, the reduction of which is authorized by any section contained in Part II., III., V. or VI. of this Act, is of a periodical nature (not being—

Date from
which various
reductions
operate.

- (a) a payment in respect of a period the whole of which had accrued prior to the commencement of that section ; or

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(b) a payment the reduction of which is authorized to be made from such date as the Minister directs),

and is made after the date fixed for the commencement of that section, it shall be subject to reduction to the extent to which it would have been so subject if the whole of the period in respect of which it is made had accrued after the commencement of that section.

(2.) Where any payment, the reduction of which is authorized by any section contained in Part II. or III. of this Act, is not of a periodical nature, (not being a payment the reduction of which is authorized to be made from such date as the Minister directs), and is made after the date fixed for the commencement of that section, it shall be subject to reduction in accordance with that section.

First Schedule agreed to.

Second Schedule debated and agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed ; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Scullin, by leave, the House adopted the Report.

Mr. Scullin moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Question—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Makin, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 43.

Mr. Blakeley	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Marr
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McGrath
Mr. Chifley	Mr. McNeill
Mr. Coleman	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Morgan
Mr. Crouch	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Cusack	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Price
Mr. Forde	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Frost	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Gardner	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Gibbons	Mr. Theodore
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Tully
Mr. Gullett	Mr. White
Mr. Hawker	
Mr. Hill	
Mr. Jones	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Latham	Mr. Bayley
Mr. Lyons	Mr. Hunter

Noes, 11.

Mr. Beasley
Mr. Culley
Mr. Holloway
Mr. Long
Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Edward Riley
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rowe
Mr. Watkins

Tellers:

Mr. Lacey
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

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. 121.

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

WALTER KINGSMILL,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 9th July, 1931.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ESTIMATES—ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1931-32.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

ISAAC A. ISAACS,
Governor-General.

Message No. 77.

In accordance with the requirements of Section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General transmits to the House of Representatives Estimates of Expenditure for Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., for the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, and recommends an appropriation of the Consolidated Revenue Fund accordingly.

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Ordered to lie on the Table, and together, with the accompanying Estimates, to be printed and referred to the Committee of Supply.

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7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 5 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 6, Government Business.
8. SUPPLY [BUDGET STATEMENT].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Theodore (Treasurer) delivered the Budget Speech, and then moved, That the first item in the Estimates for Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., under Division No. I.—The Department of Defence—namely—

Naval establishments—Machinery and plant £3,000
be agreed to.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

9. PAPER.—Mr. Theodore (Treasurer) presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

The Budget, 1931–32—Papers (Preliminary Issue) presented by the Honorable E. G. Theodore, M.P., for the information of honorable Members on the occasion of opening the Budget of 1931–32.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 5, be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 7, Government Business.
11. WAYS AND MEANS.—SALES TAX (1931).—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Theodore (Treasurer) moved—

(1.) That in lieu of the rates of tax imposed by the *Sales Tax Act (No. 1) 1930* there be imposed sales tax at the rate of six per centum upon the sale value of goods manufactured in Australia by a taxpayer, which are sold by him or applied to his own use on or after the eleventh day of July, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.

(2.) That in lieu of the rates of tax imposed by the *Sales Tax Act (No. 2) 1930* there be imposed sales tax at the rate of six per centum upon the sale value of goods manufactured in Australia, which are sold, on or after the eleventh day of July, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, by a taxpayer who purchased them from the manufacturer.

(3.) That in lieu of the rates of tax imposed by the *Sales Tax Act (No. 3) 1930* there be imposed sales tax at the rate of six per centum upon the sale value of goods manufactured in Australia, which are sold on or after the eleventh day of July, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, by a taxpayer not being either the manufacturer of those goods or a purchaser of those goods from the manufacturer.

(4.) That in lieu of the rates of tax imposed by the *Sales Tax Act (No. 4) 1930* there be imposed sales tax at the rate of six per centum upon the sale value of goods manufactured in Australia and sold to a taxpayer who has, on or after the eleventh day of July, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, applied those goods to his own use.

(5.) That in lieu of the rates of tax imposed by the *Sales Tax Act (No. 5) 1930* there be imposed sales tax at the rate of six per centum upon the sale value of goods imported into Australia by a taxpayer on or after the eleventh day of July, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.

(6.) That in lieu of the rates of tax imposed by the *Sales Tax Act (No. 6) 1930* there be imposed sales tax at the rate of six per centum upon the sale value of goods imported into Australia, which are sold, on or after the eleventh day of July, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, by a taxpayer who imported those goods.

(7.) That in lieu of the rates of tax imposed by the *Sales Tax Act (No. 7) 1930* there be imposed sales tax at the rate of six per centum upon the sale value of goods imported into Australia, which are sold, on or after the eleventh day of July, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, by a taxpayer not being the importer of those goods.

(8.) That in lieu of the rates of tax imposed by the *Sales Tax Act (No. 8) 1930* there be imposed sales tax at the rate of six per centum upon the sale value of goods imported into Australia which are sold to a taxpayer and are applied, on or after the eleventh day of July, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, to his own use.

(9.) That in lieu of the rates of tax imposed by the *Sales Tax Act (No. 9) 1930* there be imposed sales tax at the rate of six per centum upon the sale value of goods in Australia, leased by a taxpayer on or after the eleventh day of July, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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12. WAYS AND MEANS [PRIMAGE DUTY (No. 3)].—The House, according to order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Forde (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved—

That in addition to the duties collected in accordance with—

- (a) the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1921–1930 as proposed to be amended by Tariff Proposals; and
 (b) the resolution introduced into the House of Representatives on the nineteenth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty, in relation to a special duty of Customs;

and in lieu of the primage duty specified in the Resolution introduced into the House of Representatives on the fifth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and thirty, there be imposed on and after the eleventh day of July, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, at nine o'clock in the forenoon reckoned according to standard time in the Territory for the Seat of Government, ad valorem duties of Customs (in this Resolution referred to as primage duty) at the rates hereunder set out on the undermentioned goods which are entered for home consumption on and after the said eleventh day of July, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, except such goods as are hereunder specified as being exempt from primage duty—

1. Goods exempt from primage duty—

- (a) goods covered by Items 368, 370, 371, 372, 373, 400, 401, 409 and 423 of the *Customs Tariff* 1921–1930 as proposed to be amended by Tariff Proposals;
 (b) agricultural and horticultural seeds not covered by any item in the *Customs Tariff* 1921–1930;
 bullion and specie;
 cornsacks and floursacks;
 manures and fertilizers;
 materials for use in the manufacture of spraying preparations;
 materials for use in the manufacture of cornsacks floursacks and other sacks;
 nitrate of soda } for use as a fertilizer or in the manufacture of fertilizers;
 potash }
 radium;
 rock phosphate;
 sulphur; and
 woolpacks;
 (c) any other goods which are from time to time exempted from primage duty by Proclamation made by the Governor-General with the advice of the Federal Executive Council and published in the *Gazette*.

2. Goods subject to primage duty at the rate of four per centum ad valorem—

- (a) goods covered by Items 174, 219 (D), 404 and 415 A of the *Customs Tariff* 1921–1930 as proposed to be amended by Tariff Proposals;
 (b) bags, viz.:—bran, gunny, ore and potato;
 books and periodicals imported for public libraries;
 cream separators;
 fibres for use in the manufacture of binder twine;
 fuel oil and coal consumed in Australian waters;
 goods for public hospitals;
 newsprinting paper;
 power kerosene;
 rock salt;
 shearing machines;
 soda ash, caustic potash and caustic soda, for fellmongering purposes;
 stud stock; and
 vessels exceeding 1,000 tons gross register;
 (c) any other goods which are from time to time, by Proclamation made by the Governor-General with the advice of the Federal Executive Council and published in the *Gazette*, added to the list of goods upon which primage at the rate of four per centum is imposed.

3. Goods subject to primage duty at the rate of ten per centum ad valorem—

- (a) All goods whatsoever, which are not, in pursuance of the foregoing provisions of this Resolution—
 (i) exempt from primage duty; or
 (ii) subject to primage duty at the rate of four per centum ad valorem.

That where by this Resolution any goods are exempt from primage duty or are subject to primage duty at the rate of four per centum ad valorem, on the condition that those goods will be used for a purpose specified in relation thereto in the Resolution, the Comptroller-General of Customs may require security that those goods will be used for the purpose so specified.

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That in this Resolution "Tariff Proposals" means the Tariff Proposals introduced into the House of Representatives on the twenty-sixth day of March, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, and includes any Tariff Proposal introduced into the House of Representatives subsequent to that date.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. McGrath reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve into the said Committee.

13. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at seven minutes past eleven o'clock in the morning, adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Josiah Francis, Mr. Guy, Mr. James, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Mathews*, Mr. Earle Page*, and Mr. Ward.*

* On leave.

E. W. PARKES,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.