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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 146.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH JULY, 1934.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. H. Mackay) 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 :—

ISAAC A. ISAACS,
Governor-General.

Message No. 93.

A Proposed Law intituled "*Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Act 1934*" 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 Law.

Canberra, 6th July, 1934.

3. THE LATE MR. P. E. COLEMAN.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received from Mrs. Coleman a letter thanking the House for its Resolution of Sympathy.

4. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Scullin (Leader of the Opposition) rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The urgent necessity of providing for immediate unemployment relief pending consideration of a comprehensive plan by the new Parliament."

Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—

Mr. Scullin moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Nelson addressing the House—

Closure.—Mr. E. C. Riley moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—being accordingly put—

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

Ayes, 16.

Mr. Baker
Mr. Béasley
Mr. Forde
Mr. Holloway
Mr. James
Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Makin
Mr. W. Maloney
Mr. Martens
Mr. Riordan
Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Scullin
Mr. Ward
Mr. Watkins

Tellers:

Mr. Gander
Mr. E. C. Riley

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Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lyons
Mr. Bell	Mr. Marr
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McBride
Mr. Casey	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McNicoll
Mr. Dein	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Dennis	Mr. Nock
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Thomas Paterson
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Perkins
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Prowse
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Scholfield
Sir Henry Gullett	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Guy	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Thorby
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. White
Mr. Hawker	
Mr. Hutchin	
Mr. Hutchinson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Gardner
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Hunter

And so it was negatived.

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5. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
High Commissioner for Australia in London—Report for 1933.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Excise Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1934, No. 76.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired at Cambridge, Tasmania—For Defence purposes.

New Guinea Act—Ordinances of 1934—

No. 1—Customs Tariff.

No. 2—Judiciary.

No. 3—Ordinances Interpretation.

No. 4—Deserted Wives and Children.

No. 5—Legitimation.

No. 6—Laws Repeal and Adopting.

No. 7—Dog.

No. 8—Administrator's Powers.

No. 9—Explosives.

No. 10—Compensation to Relatives.

Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Ordinances of 1934—

No. 3—Public Service.

No. 4—Mining.

No. 5—Workmen's Compensation.

No. 6—Brands.

No. 7—Licensing.

No. 8—Crown Lands.

No. 9—Dingo Destruction.

No. 10—Crimes.

No. 11—Supreme Court.

No. 12—Alsatian Dogs.

No. 13—Crown Lands (No. 2).

Railways Act—By-laws Nos. 66, 67.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the Orders of the Day be postponed until after the consideration of Notice of Motion No. 1, Government Business.

7. INVALID AND OLD-AGE PENSIONS BILL (1934).—Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to repeal section fifty-two m of the *Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act 1908-1933*.

Question—put and passed.

Mr. Casey then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Casey moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Makin 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.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—WHEAT GROWERS RELIEF BILL (1934).—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. 94.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend section twelve of the *Wheat Growers Relief Act 1933*.

Canberra,

5th July, 1934.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

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

(*In the Committee.*)

Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend section twelve of the *Wheat Growers Relief Act 1933*.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

Mr. Casey moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Casey, was adopted by the House.

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Ordered—That Mr. Casey and Mr. White do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Mr. Casey then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Casey moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Forde 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.

9. DISTILLATION BILL (1934).—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.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

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

(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

10. LAND TAX ASSESSMENT BILL (1934).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—

Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Scullin (Leader of the Opposition) 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.

11. WINE EXPORT BOUNTY BILL (1934).—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.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

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

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Clause 4 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 5 and 6 agreed to.

Clause 7 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 8 to 10 agreed to.

Clause 11 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 12 and 13 agreed to.

Clause 14 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 15 and 16 agreed to.

Clause 17 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 18 to 21 agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs), the House adopted the Report, and (the Standing Orders having been previously suspended, *see* page 904) the Bill was read a third time.

12. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—CUSTOMS BILL (1934).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 154.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Customs Act 1901–1930 ’* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to Amendments Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 made by the House of Representatives therein ; and has agreed to Amendment No. 5 with the amendment indicated by the annexed Schedule.

The Senate desires the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the amendment to Amendment No. 5.

The Senate,

Canberra, 11th July, 1934.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

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Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

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

(In the Committee.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendment, which is as follows :—

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO WHICH THE SENATE HAS AGREED WITH AN AMENDMENT.

No. 5.—Page 6, clause 22, omit the clause, insert the following new clause :—

“ 22. After section two hundred and seventy-seven of the Principal Act the following section is inserted :—

‘ 278. Where, prior to the commencement of this section, the importation or exportation of any goods has been prohibited by proclamation, and the proclamation is in force immediately prior to such commencement, any such proclamation may be re-enacted, cancelled or varied by regulation, and until cancellation shall remain in force according to the terms in which it was issued, and, if varied, shall have effect according to its terms as so varied. Any such prohibition not re-enacted by regulation within six months after the commencement of this section shall cease to have effect.’ ”

Proclamations prohibiting import or export may be re-enacted, cancelled or varied by regulation.

Amendment agreed to with the following amendment, viz. :—

Leave out “ prohibition ”, insert “ proclamation ”.

On the motion of Mr. White (Minister for Trade and Customs), the Amendment made by the Senate on the Amendment of the House of Representatives was agreed to. Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. White, the House adopted the Report.

13. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate :—

[*Customs Tariff (Papua and New Guinea Preference) Bill (1934)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 155.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act relating to Customs Tariff preference on goods the produce of the Territory of Papua and on goods the produce of the Territory of New Guinea* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

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P. J. LYNCH,
President.

[*Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Bill (1934)*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 156.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act relating to Preferential Duties of Customs on Goods, the Produce or Manufacture of the Dominion of Canada* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

The Senate,
Canberra, 11th July, 1934.

P. J. LYNCH,
President.

14. FLOUR TAX ASSESSMENT BILL (1934).—Mr. Casey (Assistant Minister), pursuant to leave given on the 29th June last, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘ Flour Tax Assessment Act 1933 ’* ”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.

Mr. Casey moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Forde 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.

15. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Parkhill (Postmaster-General) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-two minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Blakeley, Mr. Albert Green, Mr. Roland Green, Mr. Hill, Mr. Lape, Mr. Latham, Mr. McGrath; Mr. Earle Page, Mr. Price, and Mr. Thompson.

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

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