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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,  
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 24.

FRIDAY, 3RD JUNE, 1938.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. James 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 death of Leading Seaman H. J. Storer".  
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. James moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Mr. Thorby (Minister for Defence) addressing the House and not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order No. 257B—  
Ordered—That the honorable Member have leave to continue his speech.  
Debate continued.  
Mr. Beasley addressing the House and not having concluded his speech at the termination of the time allowed by Standing Order No. 257B—  
Ordered—That the honorable Member have leave to continue his speech.  
Debate continued.  
The debate having been continued for two hours, it was terminated in accordance with Standing Order No. 257B.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointment of C. N. Belle, Department of Commerce.  
Customs Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1938, No. 49.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR.—RAW COTTON BOUNTY BILL 1938.—The following Message from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—

HUNTINGFIELD,

*Administrator.*

*Message No. 14.*

In accordance with the requirements of Section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia 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 fifteen of the *Raw Cotton Bounty Act 1934-1935*.

Canberra, 27th April, 1938.

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. Perkins (Acting Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend section fifteen of the *Raw Cotton Bounty Act 1934-1935*.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Mr. Perkins moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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

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

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

Debate ensued.

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.

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*(In the Committee.)*

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 debated and agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

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The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Perkins, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Perkins (Acting Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at ten minutes to six o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Menzies\*, Sir Earle Page\*, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Rankin, and Mr. White\*.

\* On leave.

F. C. GREEN,  
*Clerk of the House of Representatives.*