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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 145.

THURSDAY, 1st JULY, 1943.

1. The House met, at two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate :—

[*Supply Bill (No. 1) 1943-44*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 190.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and forty-four*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

The Senate,
Canberra, 30th June, 1943.

GORDON BROWN,
Deputy President.

[*Customs Tariff Validation Bill (No. 2) 1943*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 191.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to Provide for the Validation of Collections of Duties of Customs under Customs Tariff Proposals*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

The Senate,
Canberra, 30th June, 1943.

GORDON BROWN,
Deputy President.

[*Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Validation Bill (No. 2) 1943*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 192.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to provide for the Validation of Adjustments in Duties of Customs under Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Proposals*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

The Senate,
Canberra, 30th June, 1943.

GORDON BROWN,
Deputy President.

[*Customs Tariff (Special War Duty) Validation Bill (No. 2) 1943*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 193.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to Provide for the Validation of Collections of Duties of Customs under Customs Tariff (Special War Duty) Proposals*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

The Senate,
Canberra, 30th June, 1943.

GORDON BROWN,
Deputy President.

[*Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) Validation Bill (No. 2) 1943*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 194.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to Provide for the Validation of Collections of Duties of Customs under Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) Proposals*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

The Senate,
Canberra, 30th June, 1943.

GORDON BROWN,
Deputy President.

1st July, 1943.

[*Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Validation Bill (No. 2) 1943*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 195.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act to Provide for the Validation of Collections of Duties of Customs under Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Proposals*”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

The Senate,
Canberra, 30th June, 1943.

GORDON BROWN,
Deputy President.

[*Excise Tariff Validation Bill (No. 2) 1943*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 196.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act to Provide for the Validation of Collections of Duties of Excise under Excise Tariff Proposals*”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

The Senate,
Canberra, 30th June, 1943.

GORDON BROWN,
Deputy President.

3. PETITION.—Mr. Coles presented a Petition from certain electors of the Division of Henty, praying for the removal of the restrictions placed on the purchase and sale of bread.
Petition received and read.
4. RETIREMENT OF SIR GEORGE BELL AND MR. PATERSON.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister), by leave, made reference to the retirement from Parliament of the honorable Member for Darwin (Sir George Bell) and the honorable Member for Gippsland (Mr. Paterson), and paid tribute to the public service rendered by them during their membership of the House.
Mr. Fadden (Leader of the Opposition) also addressed the House on this matter.
5. LAY-BY SALES—APPLICATION OF RATIONING—STATEMENT BY MEMBER.—Mr. Coles, by leave, made a Statement informing the House of the principles observed by the Rationing Commission in applying coupon rationing to lay-by sales.
Closure of Member moved.—Mr. Perkins moved, That the Honorable Member for Henty be not further heard.
Question—put and negatived.
Mr. Coles continued to address the House.
6. NATIONAL SECURITY BILL 1943 [No. 2].—Mr. Beasley (Acting Attorney-General) moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend section five of the *National Security Act 1939-1940* and to validate certain regulations and certain matters which arose under those regulations.
Question—put and passed.
Mr. Beasley 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. Beasley moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.
Question—put and passed.
7. WAR SERVICE ESTATES BILL 1943.—Mr. Beasley (Acting Attorney-General) moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *War Service Estates Act 1942*.
Question—put and passed.
Mr. Beasley 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. Beasley moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.
Question—put and passed.
8. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILL.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—
GOWRIE,
Governor-General. Message No. 116.
A Proposed Law intituled “*Supply Act (No. 1) 1943-44*” 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.
Government House,
Canberra, 1st July, 1943.
9. THE LATE HONORABLE JOHN McNEILL.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received from Mrs. McNeill a letter thanking the House for its Resolution of sympathy.
10. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Holt 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 strike at Duly and Hansford’s factory and the coercive tactics employed by officers of the Government to compel employees of that factory to join an industrial union*”.
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. Holt moved, That the House do now adjourn.

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Ordered—That Mr. Holt be granted an extension of time.

Ordered—That Mr. Beasley (Minister for Supply and Shipping) be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

The debate having been continued for two hours, it was terminated in accordance with Standing Order No. 257B.

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

[*Income Tax (War-time Arrangements) Bill 1943*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 197.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Income Tax (War-time Arrangements) Act 1942 ’* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

GORDON BROWN,
Deputy President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 1st July, 1943.

[*Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Bill 1943*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 198.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1935-1942 ’* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

GORDON BROWN,
Deputy President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 1st July, 1943.

[*Invalid and Old-age Pensions (Reciprocity with New Zealand) Bill 1943*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 199.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to provide for Reciprocity in relation to Invalid and Old-age Pensions between the Commonwealth of Australia and the Dominion of New Zealand* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

GORDON BROWN,
Deputy President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 1st July, 1943.

12. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—National Security Act—National Security (Industrial Peace) Regulations—Dairying Industry Award, 1943.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Commonwealth purposes—

Forbes, New South Wales.

Forrest, Western Australia.

Kalgoorlie, Western Australia.

Lake Boga, Victoria.

Mulwala, New South Wales.

National Security Act—National Security (General) Regulations—Orders—

Taking possession of land, &c. (96).

Use of land (9).

13. DAIRYING INDUSTRY ASSISTANCE BILL 1943.—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. Riordan reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Scully (Minister for Commerce and Agriculture), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

14. SOCIAL SECURITY—JOINT COMMITTEE—SIXTH INTERIM REPORT.—Mr. Barnard, Chairman, brought up the Sixth Interim Report from the Joint Committee on Social Security entitled “ *A Comprehensive Health Scheme* ”, including the Report of the Medical Survey Committee, and moved, That the Paper be printed.

Question—put and passed.

15. NATIONAL SECURITY BILL 1943 [No. 2].—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Beasley (Acting Attorney-General) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

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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. Riordan reported accordingly.

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

16. WAR SERVICE ESTATES BILL 1943.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—

Mr. Beasley (Acting Attorney-General) 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.

(*In the Committee.*)

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

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Riordan reported accordingly.

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

17. SUPPLY—SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES AND SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES FOR WORKS, ETC., 1941–42.—

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Debate resumed on the two motions moved by Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) on the 30th June (*see page 569*).

Question—That the motions be agreed to—put and passed.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Riordan reported accordingly.

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

Mr. Chifley 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 Resolutions reported from the Committee were read, and, on the motion of Mr. Chifley, were adopted by the House.

18. WAYS AND MEANS—SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES AND SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES FOR WORKS, ETC., 1941–42.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) moved the following two motions :—

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES, 1941–42.

That, towards making good the further Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year 1941–42, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £4,291,064.

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES FOR ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, BUILDINGS, ETC., 1941–42.

That, towards making good the further Supply granted to His Majesty for Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., for the year 1941–42, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum not exceeding £279,507.

Question—That the motions be agreed to—put and passed.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Riordan reported accordingly.

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

The Resolutions reported from the Committee were read, and, on the motion of Mr. Chifley, were adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Chifley and Mr. Makin do prepare and bring in Bills to carry out the foregoing Resolutions.

19. SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL 1941–42.—Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to appropriate a further sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-two*”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

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. Riordan reported accordingly.

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

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20. SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION (WORKS AND BUILDINGS) BILL 1941-42.—Mr. Chifley (Treasurer) also brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to appropriate a further sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-two, for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.*”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.
 Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
 Mr. Chifley moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
 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. Riordan reported accordingly.
 On the motion of Mr. Chifley, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

21. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.
 Question—put and passed.

Suspension of Sitting.—At twenty-eight minutes past ten o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.
Resumption of Sitting.—At five minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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

[Dairying Industry Assistance Bill 1943]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 200.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to provide for the granting of Assistance to the Dairying Industry with the object of aiding the Prosecution of the War, and for other purposes* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
 Canberra, 1st July, 1943.

GORDON BROWN,
 Deputy President.

[National Security Bill 1943 [No. 2]]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 201.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to amend section five of the National Security Act 1939-1940 and to validate certain regulations and certain matters which arose under those regulations* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
 Canberra, 1st July, 1943.

GORDON BROWN,
 Deputy President.

[War Service Estates Bill 1943]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 202.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to amend the War Service Estates Act 1942* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
 Canberra, 1st July, 1943.

GORDON BROWN,
 Deputy President.

[Supplementary Appropriation Bill 1941-42]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 203.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to appropriate a further sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-two* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

The Senate,
 Canberra, 1st July, 1943.

GORDON BROWN,
 Deputy President.

[Supplementary Appropriation (Works and Buildings) Bill 1941-42]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 204.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to appropriate a further sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ended the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-two, for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,
 Canberra, 1st July, 1943.

GORDON BROWN,
 Deputy President.

1st July, 1943.

23. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at nineteen minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until Wednesday next at three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Badman, Sir George Bell, Mr. Blain*, Mr. Brennan, Mr. Corser, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Guy, Sir Charles Marr, Mr. Scullin, Mr. Watkins, Mr. White*, and Mr. Wilson.

* On leave.

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

1940-41-42-43.

MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were received after the adjournment of the House on the 1st July, 1943 :—

ASSENT TO BILLS.

GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 117.

A Proposed Law intituled "*Commonwealth Electoral (War-time) Act 1943*" 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.

Government House,
Canberra, 2nd July, 1943.

GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 118.

Proposed Laws intituled :—

- " *Customs Tariff Validation Act (No. 2) 1943* "
- " *Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Validation Act (No. 2) 1943* "
- " *Customs Tariff (Special War Duty) Validation Act (No. 2) 1943* "
- " *Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) Validation Act (No. 2) 1943* "
- " *Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Validation Act (No. 2) 1943* "
- " *Excise Tariff Validation Act (No. 2) 1943* "
- " *Income Tax (War-time Arrangements) Act 1943* "
- " *Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1943* "
- " *Invalid and Old-age Pensions (Reciprocity with New Zealand) Act 1943* "
- " *Dairying Industry Assistance Act 1943* "
- " *National Security Act 1943* "
- " *War Service Estates Act 1943* "
- " *Supplementary Appropriation Act 1941-42* "
- " *Supplementary Appropriation (Works and Buildings) Act 1941-42* "

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 Laws.

Government House,
Canberra, 3rd July, 1943.
