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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 57.

THURSDAY, 22ND MAY, 1947.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. S. Rosevear) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Health—A. D. Cust.
3. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 1, Government Business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
4. SERVICES TRUST FUNDS BILL 1947.—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 and 2 agreed to.

Clause 3 debated and agreed to.

Clause 4 debated and agreed to.

Clause 5 debated—

Mrs. Blackburn moved, as an amendment, That after sub-clause (1.) the following sub-clause be inserted :—

“(1A.) The trustees of each fund shall include at least one war widow.”

Debate continued.

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 6 to 12 agreed to.

Clause 13 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 14 to 18 agreed to.

Clause 19 debated and agreed to.

Clause 20 agreed to.

Clause 21—

Mr. White moved, as an amendment, That the words “ in excess of Sixty thousand pounds ” (page 7, line 18) be omitted.

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 22—

On the motion of Mr. Chambers (Minister for the Army), the following amendment was made, after debate :—

Page 7, line 39, omit “ who ”, insert “, which children ”.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 23 to 36 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Clark reported accordingly.

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

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5. UNITED KINGDOM GRANT BILL 1947.--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. Cameron 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.

6. ADJOURNMENT.--Mr. Evatt (Attorney-General) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question--put and passed.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT. --All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Burke, Mr. Daly, Mr. Drakeford, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Riordan, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Spender and Mr. Ward.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.