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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 98.

WEDNESDAY, 22ND JUNE, 1949.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The Deputy Speaker (Mr. Clark) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 Tariff Board—Reports—
 Bicarbonate of Soda.
 Metal Working Chucks.
 Pyrethrum Extract.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
 The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Department of Civil Aviation purposes—Wagga Wagga, New South Wales.
3. PRECEDENCE TO GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—Mr. Chifley (Prime Minister) moved, pursuant to notice, That Government Business shall take precedence over General Business to-morrow.
 Debate ensued.
 Several Members rising to address the House—
Closure.—Mr. Scully (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the question be now put.
 Question—That the question be now put—put.
 The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Clark, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Langtry
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Lazzarini
Mrs. Blackburn	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Brennan	Mr. McLeod
Mr. Calwell	Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Chifley	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Conelan	Mr. Russell
Mr. Daly	Mr. Scully
Mr. Dedman	Mr. Sheehy
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Duthie	Mr. Ward
Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Fraser	Mr. Williams
Mr. Hadley	
Mr. Haylen	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Holloway	Mr. Fuller
Mr. Johnson	Mr. Sheehan

Noes, 26.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Hutchinson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Lang
Mr. Beale	Dame Enid Lyons
Mr. Cameron	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Fadden	Mr. Rankin
Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Francis	Mr. Spender
Mr. Gullett	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Hamilton	Mr. White
Mr. Harrison	
Mr. Holt	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Howse	Mr. Corser
Mr. Hughes	Mr. McDonald

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put—
The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Clark, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Brennan	Mr. McLeod
Mr. Calwell	Mr. O'Connor
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Mr. Johnson	
Mr. Langtry	

Tellers:

Mr. Fuller
Mr. Sheehan

Noes, 27.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Hutchinson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Lang
Mr. Beale	Dame Enid Lyons
Mrs. Blackburn	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Menzies
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Rankin
Mr. Fadden	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Spender
Mr. Francis	Mr. Turnbull
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Mr. Hamilton	
Mr. Harrison	
Mr. Holt	
Mr. Howse	
Mr. Hughes	

Tellers:

Mr. Corser
Mr. McDonald

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

4. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—LABORATORY BUILDING AT GEELONG, VICTORIA, FOR WOOL TEXTILE RESEARCH.—Mr. Lemmon (Minister for Works and Housing) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Commonwealth Public Works Committee Act 1913-1947*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report, namely:—The erection of a Laboratory Building at Geelong, Victoria, for Wool Textile Research.

Mr. Lemmon having laid on the Table sketch plans in connexion with the proposed work—
Question—put and passed.

5. WAR SERVICE HOMES BILL 1949.—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. Deputy 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.

Clauses 4 to 7 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Lazzarini reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Lemmon (Minister for Works and Housing), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

6. SNOWY MOUNTAINS HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER BILL 1949.—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. Lemmon (Minister for Works and Housing) 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.

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

[*Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 1948-49*]—

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER,

Message No. 72.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act to grant and apply an additional 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-nine, and to appropriate that sum*”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

GORDON BROWN,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 22nd June, 1949.

[*Appropriation (Works and Services) Bill (No. 2) 1948-49*]—

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER,

Message No. 73.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act to grant and apply an additional 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-nine for the purposes of Additions, New Works and other Services involving Capital Expenditure and to appropriate that sum*”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

GORDON BROWN,
President.

The Senate,
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8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Holloway (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-eight 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. Abbott, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Burke, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Gaha, Mr. James, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Mulcahy, Mr. Rosevear and Mr. Scullin.

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