

1951.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 16.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH JULY, 1951.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and was read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. J. MCKELL.

Governor-General.

Message No. 12.

Proposed Laws intituled:—

“*Supplementary Appropriation Act 1949-50*”

“*Supplementary Appropriation (Works and Services) Act 1949-50*”

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, 9th July, 1951.

3. ASSISTANCE TO THE DAIRYING INDUSTRY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. McEwen (Minister for Commerce and Agriculture), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House of the Government's proposals to stabilize the dairying industry for the next six years by continuing the principle of a guaranteed price based on costs of production but using a new and liberalized formula for ascertaining such costs.

Mr. Pollard, by leave, also made a Statement in connexion with the matter.

4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

National Fitness Act—Commonwealth Council for National Fitness—Report of Twelfth Session, December, 1950.

Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—Civil Aviation—S. G. F. Ross.

Works and Housing—B. P. Beilby, R. F. Bennett, L. Boord, K. H. Krummel, J. W. Overall, P. N. Pass, H. E. Pottage.

5. PRECEDENCE TO GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, pursuant to notice, That Government Business shall take precedence over General Business to-morrow.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 63.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. McColm	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Bate	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Berry	Mr. Drury	Mr. Holt	Mr. Menzies	Mr. B. M. Wight
Mr. Bland	Mr. Eggins	Mr. Howse	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bostock	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Sir E. Page	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Robertson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Ryan	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Francis	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Corser	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson	
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Grayden		Mr. Townley	

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NOES, 37.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Fuller	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clark	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Russell
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Bird	Mr. Curtin	Mr. E. James	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Ward
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Drakeford	Harrison	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Peters	Mr. Daly
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Evatt	Mr. James	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Sheehan
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Riordan	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

6. CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (POWERS TO DEAL WITH COMMUNISTS AND COMMUNISM) BILL 1951.—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. Daly 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 a later hour this day.

7. DEFENCE PREPARATIONS BILL 1951.—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.

Ordered—That Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) be granted an extension of time.

Mr. Downer 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 a later hour this day.

8. CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (POWERS TO DEAL WITH COMMUNISTS AND COMMUNISM) BILL 1951.—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. Joshua addressing the House—

Closure.—Mr. Gullett moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 63.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Davis	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Beale	Mr. Downer	Mr. Eric J.	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson
Mr. Berry	Mr. Drummond	Harrison	Mr. McColm	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Eggins	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Failes	Mr. Holt	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howse	Mr. Menzies	Mr. B. M. Wight
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Wilson
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Osborne	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Casey	Mr. Francis	Mr. Jack	Sir E. Page	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Corser	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Gullett

NOES, 41.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Russell
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bird	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Watkins
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Cremean	Mr. E. James	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Curtin	Harrison	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Daly
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Duthie	Mr. James	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Sheehan
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Rosevear	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—being accordingly put—

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 65.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davis	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Timson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bate	Mr. Downer	Mr. Eric J.	Mr. McColm	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drummond	Harrison	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Berry	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bland	Mr. Eggins	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bostock	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Holt	Mr. Menzies	Mr. B. M. Wight
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howse	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hulme	Sir E. Page	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Francis	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Corser	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Ryan	
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Swartz	

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NOES, 41.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Russell
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bird	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Watkins
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Cremean	Mr. E. James	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Curtin	Harrison	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Duthie	Mr. James	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Sheehan

And so the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—was resolved in the affirmative by an absolute majority.

Bill accordingly 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 debated.

Closure.—Mr. Davidson moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Adermann, in the Chair)—

AYES, 63.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Beale	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Berry	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Eric J.	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drury	Harrison	Mr. McCole	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Eggins	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Bowden	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Failes	Mr. Holt	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howse	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Opperman	Mr. B. M. Wight
Mr. Casey	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Corser	Mr. Francis	Mr. Jack	Sir E. Page	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Davis	Mr. Graham	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Gullett

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Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bird	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Watkins
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Cremean	Mr. E. James	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Curtin	Harrison	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Duthie	Mr. James	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Sheehan

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be agreed to—being accordingly put—

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Adermann, in the Chair)—

AYES, 63.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Beale	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Berry	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Eric J.	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drury	Harrison	Mr. McCole	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Eggins	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Bowden	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Failes	Mr. Holt	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howse	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Opperman	Mr. B. M. Wight
Mr. Casey	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Corser	Mr. Francis	Mr. Jack	Sir E. Page	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Davis	Mr. Graham	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Gullett

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Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Russell
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bird	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Watkins
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Cremean	Mr. E. James	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Curtin	Harrison	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Duthie	Mr. James	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Sheehan

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), the House adopted the Report.

Mr. Menzies moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Question—put.

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The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 64.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Downer	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. McColm	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Berry	Mr. Drury	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bland	Mr. Eggins	Mr. Holt	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bostock	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howse	Mr. Menzies	Mr. B. M. Wight
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jack	Sir E. Page	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Casey	Mr. Francis	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Corser	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Ryan	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz	
Mr. Davis	Mr. Grayden		Mr. Timson	

NOES, 41.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Russell
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bird	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Watkins
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Crenean	Mr. E. James	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Curtin	Harrison	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Daly
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Duthie	Mr. James	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Sheehan
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Rosevear	

And so the question—That the Bill be now read a third time—was resolved in the affirmative by an absolute majority.

Bill accordingly read a third time.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

THURSDAY, 12TH JULY, 1951.

9. DEFENCE PREPARATIONS BILL 1951.—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—
Declaration of Bill as Urgent Bill.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) declared that the Bill was an Urgent Bill.

Question—That the Bill be considered an Urgent Bill—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 58.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Beale	Mr. Downer	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Timson
Mr. Berry	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drury	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. McColm	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Eggins	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Brimblecombe	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Brown	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howse	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jack	Mr. Osborne	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Corser	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Francis		Mr. Robertson	Mr. Gullett

NOES, 32.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Calwell	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. McLeod	
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Minogue	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Peters	Mr. Daly
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Crenean	Mr. E. James	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Sheehan
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Curtin	Harrison	Mr. Russell	
Mr. T. P. Burke				

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Allotment of Time.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison then moved, That the time allotted in connexion with the Bill be as follows:—

- (a) For the second reading, until 11.15 p.m., Thursday, 12th July.
- (b) For the Committee stage, until 2.45 a.m., Friday, 13th July.
- (c) For the remaining stages, until 3.0 a.m., Friday, 13th July.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 60.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davis	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Timson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bate	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Luck	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. McColm	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Berry	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bland	Mr. Eggins	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Holt	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howse	Mr. Opperman	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Casey	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Corser	Mr. Francis	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Ryan	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Freeth		Mr. Swartz	

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Noms, 36.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Calwell	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Evatt	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Fuller	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Crean	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Creamean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Daly
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. E. James	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Sheehan
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Drakeford	Harrison	Mr. Russell	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Debate resumed on the motion, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Eiggins 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.

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Kent Hughes (Minister for the Interior) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at five minutes to two o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Davies, Mr. Edmonds, Mr. A. D. Fraser, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Keon, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. McBride, Mr. McLeay and Mr. Mullens.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.