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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 101.

TUESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER, 1952.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REPORT.—Mr. Watkins (Vice-Chairman) brought up the following Report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works :—
Report relating to the re-submission of the proposal to erect the National Library and Roosevelt Memorial at Canberra, Australian Capital Territory.
Ordered to be printed.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Lands Acquisition Act—Land, &c., acquired for Defence purposes—Garbutt, Townsville, Queensland.
Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
Civil Aviation—F. J. Arnold, R. C. Fawkes, J. Glindemann.
Defence Production—J. A. Foley, R. R. Smart.
Repatriation—A. B. Conomy, R. M. Dunn, C. M. Maxwell, J. H. Simpson, T. E. Waters, E. C. Wilson.
Shipping and Transport—W. C. Millar.
Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Notice of variation of plan of lay-out of City of Canberra and its environs, dated 26th August, 1952.
4. WAYS AND MEANS—INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Debate resumed on the motion moved by Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) on the 18th September, 1952
(see pages 432-5).

Motion agreed to.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) 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.

On the motion of Mr. Eric J. Harrison, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Eric J. Harrison and Mr. Francis do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

5. INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION BILL 1952.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to impose upon Incomes a Tax by the name of Income Tax and Social Services Contribution*", and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. Eric J. Harrison 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. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

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6. INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION ASSESSMENT BILL (No. 3) 1952.—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 by Mr. Calwell who moved, as an amendment, That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:—"the Bill be redrafted to provide for—

- (1) greater reductions and concessions in relation to the subjects of taxation;
- (2) a broader definition of the concession in respect of money paid or expended for educational purposes;
- (3) a liberalization of the means test; and
- (4) the increase of the amount granted by way of deduction from assessable income in respect of the spouse and dependants of taxpayers."

Debate continued.

Mr. Gullett 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. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Mr. Ward rising to address the House—

Closure.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison 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, 54.

Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. McCollm	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Beale	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Berry	Mr. Drury	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bostock	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Failes	Mr. Joske	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Kent Hughes	Sir E. Page	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. Casey	Mr. Francis	Mr. Luck	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Corser	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Luecock	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. McBride	Mr. Townley	
Mr. Davis	Mr. Hamilton		Mr. Treloar	

NOES, 35.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mullens	
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Crean	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Curtin	Mr. James	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Davies	Mr. Keon	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Russell	Mr. Sheehan
Mr. Calwell	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at seven 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. Adermann, Mr. Anthony, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Clark, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Duthie, Mr. Grayden, Mr. Holt, Mr. Howse, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hulme, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. McDonald, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Rosevear and Mr. Timson.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.