

1951-52.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 113.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 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. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Sugar—Report of Committee appointed by the Government of the Commonwealth to inquire into and report upon the Australian Sugar Industry.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Apple and Pear Organization Act—Sixth Annual Report of the Australian Apple and Pear Board, for year 1951-52, together with Statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.

Defence (Transitional Provisions) Act—National Security (Industrial Property) Regulations—Orders—Inventions and designs (2).

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Department of Civil Aviation purposes—Llanherne, Tasmania.

Meat Export Control Act—Seventeenth Annual Report of the Australian Meat Board for year 1951-52, together with Statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.

Public Service Act—

Appointment—Department of National Development—F. M. Kicinski.

List of Permanent Officers of the Commonwealth Public Service as on 30th June, 1951.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—AUDIT BILL 1952.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—

W. J. McKELL,
Governor-General.

Message No. 93.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Audit Act 1901-1950*.

Canberra, 15th October, 1952.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Audit Act 1901-1950*.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

Sir Arthur Fadden 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 Sir Arthur Fadden, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

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

Sir Arthur Fadden 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.

Sir Arthur Fadden moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Chambers 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.

15th October, 1952.

4. 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, 53.

Mr. Beale	Mr. Downer	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Berry	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Holt	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bland	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howse	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wight
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jack	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Joske	Sir E. Page	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Francis	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Robertson	
Mr. Corser	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Eric J.	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Davis	Harrison	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Townley	
Mr. Dean	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McBride	Mr. Treloar	

NOES, 32.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clark	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy	
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Cremean	Mr. E. James	Mr. Riordan	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bird	Mr. Drakeford	Harrison	Mr. Russell	
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. James	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Daly
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Ward	Mr. Sheehan
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Luchetti		
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Minogue		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

5. OIL AGREEMENT BILL 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.

Mr. Daly rising to address the House—

Closure.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (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. Bowden, in the Chair)—

AYES, 45.

Mr. Beale	Mr. Downer	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McBride	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Berry	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Holt	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bland	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howse	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wight
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Francis	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Joske	Mr. Osborne	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lawrence	Sir E. Page	
Mr. Corser	Mr. Eric J.	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Cramer	Harrison	Mr. Luck	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Dean	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Swartz	

NOES, 36.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Chambers	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cremean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Minogue	
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Davies	Mr. E. James	Mr. Morgan	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Drakeford	Harrison	Mr. Mulcahy	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. James	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Russell	Mr. Sheehan

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, 48.

Mr. Bate	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McBride	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Beale	Mr. Dean	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wight
Mr. Berry	Mr. Downer	Mr. Holt	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Howse	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Osborne	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jack	Sir E. Page	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Francis	Mr. Joske	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Gullett
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Corser	Mr. Eric J.	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson	
Mr. Cramer	Harrison	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Treloar	

NOES, 37.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Chambers	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Russell
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cremean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McColm	Mr. Watkins
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Davies	Mr. E. James	Mr. Minogue	
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Drakeford	Harrison	Mr. Morgan	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. James	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Daly
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Sheehan

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

15th and 16th October, 1952.

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. Beale (Minister for Supply), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until after Orders of the Day Nos. 3 and 4, Government Business.

7. ALIENS BILL 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.

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. Holt (Minister for Immigration), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

8. SEAMEN'S WAR PENSIONS AND ALLOWANCES BILL (No. 2) 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.

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. Hasluck (Minister representing the Minister for Shipping and Transport), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

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

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

THURSDAY, 16TH OCTOBER, 1952.

Debate continued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at fourteen minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, 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. Adermann*, Mr. Anthony*, Mr. Bryson, Mr. T. P. Burke, Mr. Casey, Mr. Clarey, Mr. Crean, Mr. Curtin, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Drury, Mr. Duthie*, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Graham, Mr. Grayden, Mr. Haylen, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Kent Hughes, Mr. Keon, Mr. McDonald*, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Mullens, Mr. O'Connor*, Mr. Opperman, Mr. Peters, Mr. Pollard and Mr. Rosevear.*

* On leave.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.