

1951-52-53.

## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 160.

FRIDAY, 2ND OCTOBER, 1953.

1. The House met, at ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Defence (Special Undertakings) Act—Order—Restricted area (dated 1st September, 1953).  
Explosives Act—Regulations—Orders of general application—Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.
3. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES 1953-54.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

*(In the Committee.)*

Vote—" Commonwealth Railways, £3,794,000 "—

Vote—" Postmaster-General's Department, £68,922,000 "—

Vote—" Broadcasting Services, £4,729,000 "—

Votes further debated.

*Limitation of Debate.*—At half-past twelve o'clock p.m., the Chairman having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the Votes had expired—

Question—That the Votes be agreed to—put and passed.

Vote—" Northern Territory, £2,674,000 "—

Vote—" Australian Capital Territory, £2,405,000 "—

Vote—" Norfolk Island, £58,300 "—

Vote—" Papua and New Guinea, £5,931,700 "—  
considered together.

Votes debated.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

4. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General :—

W. J. SLIM,

*Governor-General.*

*Message No. 140.*

A Proposed Law intituled "*Entertainments Tax Abolition Act 1953*" 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 Her Majesty, assented to the said Law.

Government House,  
Canberra, 30th September, 1953.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Anderson, Mr. Bate, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Berry, Mr. T. P. Burke, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Davies, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Duthie, Sir Arthur Fadden, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Galvin, Mr. Grayden, Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Hasluck, Mr. Holt, Mr. Hulme, Mr. James, Mr. Lawsou, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Minogue, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Riordan, Mr. Russell, Mr. Townley, Mr. Treloar, Mr. Turner, Mr. Ward and Mr. Watkins.

F. C. GREEN,

*Clerk of the House of Representatives.*

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