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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 50.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH MAY, 1955.

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. **INDO-CHINA—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.**—Mr. Casey (Minister for External Affairs), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement on the situation in Viet Nam, Laos and Cambodia, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper :—  
Indo-China—Ministerial Statement—11th May, 1955—  
and moved, That the Paper be printed.  
Debate adjourned (Mr. Calwell), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
3. **PAPERS.**—The following Papers were presented pursuant to Statute—  
Commonwealth Electoral Act—Reports, with Maps, by the Commissioners appointed for the purpose of redistributing into Electoral Divisions the States of Victoria and South Australia.  
Ordered—That the Reports be printed.  
National Fitness Act—National Fitness Council—Report for 1953, together with Report of Proceedings of the 13th Session, 2nd-3rd September, 1954.  
Papua and New Guinea Act—Superannuation (Papua and New Guinea) Ordinance—  
Superannuation Board—Third Annual Report, for year 1953-54.
4. **POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.**—Ordered—That Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 16 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 17, Government Business.
5. **REDISTRIBUTION OF ELECTORAL DIVISIONS, NEW SOUTH WALES, WESTERN AUSTRALIA AND TASMANIA—REPORTS—PRINTING OF PAPERS.**—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Kent Hughes (Minister for the Interior), That the Reports [*presented on the 3rd May, 1955*], viz. :—  
Commonwealth Electoral Act—Reports by the Commissioners appointed for the purpose of redistributing into Electoral Divisions the States of New South Wales, Western Australia and Tasmania—  
be printed—  
Question—put and passed.
6. **LOAN (INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT) BILL 1955.**—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 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 withdrawn and redrafted to include a provision that expenditure of the moneys available under the loan should, in order that the maximum benefit to Australia will result, be under the scrutiny of an expert Committee, including representatives of the Parliament, which shall report to the Parliament the details of such expenditure ".  
Debate continued.  
Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.  
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 52.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Drury	Mr. Holt	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Timson
Mr. Allan	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howse	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bate	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McColm	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Bland	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brand	Mr. Francis	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Opperman	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Leslie	Sir E. Page	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cramer	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Davis	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Luck	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Dean	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Swartz	

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## NOES, 33.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Greenup	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Riordan	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Chambers	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Russell	Mr. Bryson
Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Keon	Mr. Stewart	Mr. Daly

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put.

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

## AYES, 52.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Drury	Mr. Holt	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Timson
Mr. Allan	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howse	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bate	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McCollm	Mr. Turnbull
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—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, after debate.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

7. LOAN (SWISS FRANCS) BILL 1955.—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. Luchetti addressing the House—

*Closure.*—Sir Eric 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. Adermann, in the Chair)—

## AYES, 48.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Drury	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Anthony	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howse	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bate	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Townley
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Mr. Andrews	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Crean	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Riordan	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Russell	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Keon	Mr. Stewart	Mr. Bryson
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Daly
Mr. Clark	Mr. Galvin			

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 Deputy Speaker, Mr. Adermann, in the Chair)—

## AYES, 48.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Drury	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Swartz
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—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, after debate.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

On the motion of Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILL.—A Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bill:—  
11th May, 1955—*Message No. 35*—Nationality and Citizenship 1955.

9. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:—  
11th May, 1955—*Message*—  
*No. 58*—Rabbit Skins Export Charges Legislation Repeal 1955.  
*No. 59*—Consular Fees 1955.  
*No. 60*—Meteorology 1955.

10. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—CRIMES BILL 1955.—Mr. Speaker reported the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 61.*

The Senate has passed a Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Crimes Act 1914–1950 ’, and to repeal certain provisions of the ‘ War Precautions Act Repeal Act 1920–1934 ’*”, and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

A. M. McMULLIN,  
President.

The Senate,  
Canberra, 11th May, 1955.

Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the Bill be now read a first time.

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

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—PUBLIC SERVICE ARBITRATION BILL 1955.—Mr. Speaker reported the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 62.*

The Senate has passed a Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Public Service Arbitration Act 1920–1952 ’*”, and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

A. M. McMULLIN,  
President.

The Senate,  
Canberra, 11th May, 1955.

Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the Bill be now read a first time.

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

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

12. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—WINE RESEARCH BILL 1955.—Mr Speaker reported the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 63.*

The Senate has passed a Bill for “ *An Act to make available for the benefit of The Australian Wine Research Institute moneys held in the Wine Industry Assistance Account established under the ‘ Wine Export Bounty Act 1947 ’, and to repeal that Act*”, and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

A. M. McMULLIN,  
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The Senate,  
Canberra, 11th May, 1955.

Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the Bill be now read a first time.

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

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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13. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at thirteen minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Bird, Mr. Brown, Mr. T. P. Burke, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. Clarey, Mr. Cremean, Mr. Curtin, Mr. Davies, Mr. Downer, Mr. Drakeford, Mr. Evatt, Mr. E. James Harrison, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Makin, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Mullens, Mr. Peters, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Ward and Mr. Webb.

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