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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 54.

THURSDAY, 19TH MAY, 1955.

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. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Norfolk Island Act—Regulations—1955—No. 2 (Boarding-houses Ordinance).  
Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—  
Air—W. S. Armstrong.  
Health—A. K. O'Gower.
3. 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 :—  
18th May, 1955—*Message No. 45*—Public Service Arbitration 1955.
4. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF URGENCY—AUTOMATIC WAGE ADJUSTMENTS.—Mr. Ward having proposed to Mr. Speaker that a definite matter of urgent public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The great hardship suffered, and the serious anomalies caused, by the continued failure to make provision for automatic wage adjustments to cover the rising cost of living, and the Federal Government's inaction in this matter, whilst making extensive marginal increases in restricted cases"—  
Mr. Speaker called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—  
Mr. Ward addressed the House.  
Discussion ensued.  
Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) moved, That the Business of the Day be called on.  
Question—put and passed.
5. ROYAL COMMISSION ON ESPIONAGE—INTERIM REPORT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the following motion of Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition), That the Paper [*presented on the 26th October, 1954*], viz. :—  
Royal Commission on Espionage—Interim Report, dated 21st October, 1954—  
be printed—  
Debate resumed.  
Debate adjourned (Sir Eric Harrison—Vice-President of the Executive Council), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
6. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 2, General Business, be postponed until the next sitting.
7. CIVIL DEFENCE COUNCIL 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. Kent Hughes (Minister for the Interior) was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.  
Debate adjourned, and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.  
The time allotted for precedence to General Business having expired, Government Business was called on.

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8. DEFENCE FORCES RETIREMENT BENEFITS BILL 1955.—Sir Philip McBride (Minister for Defence) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Defence Forces Retirement Benefits Act 1948-1954*.

Question—put and passed.

Sir Philip McBride 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 Philip McBride moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Haylen), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

9. COMMONWEALTH AND STATE HOUSING AGREEMENT 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—*And on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Haylen, viz. :—That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:—"the Bill be withdrawn to enable the Amending Agreement to be revised with a view to providing that the minimum deposit on sales on terms shall be 5 per cent. of the purchase consideration, and that interest on purchase money outstanding shall be at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum computed on the monthly balance, and that the maximum advance be £3,500"*—

Debate resumed.

*Closure.*—Mr. Francis (Minister for the Army) 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, 50.			
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Hamilton	Sir P. McBride
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. McCole
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McLeay
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howse	Mr. McMahon
Mr. Bland	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Jack	Sir E. Page
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Failes	Mr. Joske	Mr. Pearce
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Brown	Mr. Francis	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Townley

*Tellers:*

Mr. Davidson  
Mr. Gullett

NOES, 30.			
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. James	Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Keon	Mr. Russell
Mr. Bruce	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Costa	Mr. Greenup	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward
Mr. Coutts	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Watkins

*Tellers:*

Mr. Daly  
Mr. Fitzgerald

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 50.			
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Hamilton	Sir P. McBride
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. McCole
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McLeay
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howse	Mr. McMahon
Mr. Bland	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Jack	Sir E. Page
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Failes	Mr. Joske	Mr. Pearce
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz
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Mr. Calwell	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Costa	Mr. Greenup	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward
Mr. Coutts	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Watkins

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Mr. Daly  
Mr. Fitzgerald

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Clause 1—

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

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

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

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10. COURTS-MARTIAL APPEALS 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. Turner was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.  
Debate adjourned, and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.
11. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 10 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 11, Government Business.
12. TRADE MARKS 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.  
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.)*

Clauses 1 to 134 agreed to.

Clause 135—

On the motion of Mr. Beale (Minister for Supply), the following amendment was made :—Page 43, after paragraph (h) of sub-clause (1.) insert—  
"; or

(i) a person who—

(i) within one year after the commencement of this Act, has satisfied the Registrar that, for a continuous period of two years immediately before the first day of January, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-five, he was employed by a registered patent attorney in Australia and his duties related solely or principally to the lodging, prosecuting and opposing of applications for the registration of trade marks ; and

(ii) unless the Registrar otherwise directs, has, within one year after the commencement of this Act or within such further time as the Registrar allows, passed the prescribed examination."

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 136 agreed to.

Clause 137—

On the motion of Mr. Beale, the following amendments were made :—

Page 44, line 20, omit " who has satisfied the Registrar as provided by paragraph (h) ", insert " referred to in paragraph (h) or (i) ".

Page 44, lines 28 and 29, omit " who has so satisfied the Registrar ", insert " referred to in paragraph (h) or (i) of sub-section (1.) of section one hundred and thirty-five of this Act ".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed ; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Beale, by leave, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

13. COURTS-MARTIAL APPEALS 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.  
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. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Sir Philip McBride (Minister for Defence), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

14. COMMONWEALTH AND STATE HOUSING AGREEMENT BILL 1955.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—  
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

*(In the Committee.)*

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Debate ensued.

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.

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

AYES, 43.				
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drummond	Sir E. Harrison	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bowden	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howse	Mr. McLeay	
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Joske	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Francis	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Gullett
NOES, 25.				
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Keon	Mr. Russell	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Stewart	
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Daly
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Greenup	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward	Mr. Fitzgerald
Mr. Costa	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Watkins	
Mr. Coutts	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Riordan		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed.  
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, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

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

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-seven minutes to eleven 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. Bird, Mr. Brand, Mr. Bryson, Mr. T. P. Burke, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Clarey, Mr. Clark, Mr. Crean, Mr. Cremean, Mr. Davies\*, Mr. Downer, Mr. Duthie, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Fairbairn, Mr. Fuller, Mr. E. James Harrison\*, Mr. Joshua, Mr. Lemmon, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Mullens, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Peters, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Webb and Mr. Whitlam.

\* On leave.

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