

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 22.

WEDNESDAY, 18TH APRIL, 1956.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The Deputy Speaker (Mr. Adermann) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH THE SECOND—ADDRESS IN REPLY.—Mr. Deputy Speaker informed the House that he had received from His Excellency the Governor-General the following communication in connexion with the Address in Reply :—

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER,

I desire to acquaint you that the substance of the Address in Reply which you presented to me on the 20th March, 1956, has been communicated to Her Majesty The Queen.

It is The Queen's wish that I convey to you and to Honourable Members of the House of Representatives Her Majesty's sincere thanks for the loyal message to which your Address gives expression.

W. J. SLIM,  
Governor-General.

13th April, 1956.

3. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—Parliament of the Commonwealth—Salaries and Allowances of Members—Report of Committee of Inquiry (October, 1955).

Ordered to lie on the Table.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinances—1955—

- No. 40—Native Labour.
- No. 42—Liquor.
- No. 43—Places of Public Entertainment (Papua).
- No. 44—Customs Tariff (Papua).
- No. 45—Customs Tariff (New Guinea).
- No. 46—Customs Tariff Surcharge Ordinance Repeal.
- No. 47—Customs.
- No. 48—Appropriation 1955–56.
- No. 49—Appropriation (No. 3) 1954–55.
- No. 50—Navigation (Papua) Ordinance Amendment.
- No. 51—Fire Prevention (No. 2).
- No. 52—Lutheran Mission New Guinea (No. 2).
- No. 53—Building (No. 3).
- No. 54—Navigation (Papua).
- No. 55—Public Hospitals (Charges).

4. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER.—Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) moved, That leave of absence for two months be given to the honorable Member for Grayndler (Mr. Daly), owing to his absence from Australia.  
Question—put and passed.
5. FISHING INDUSTRY BILL 1956.—Mr. McEwen (Minister for Trade) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to establish a Fisheries Development Trust Account, and for purposes connected therewith.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put.

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The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Adermann, in the Chair)—

## AYES, 60.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Dean	Mr. Graham	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson
Mr. Aston	Mr. Downer	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drury	Mr. H. E. Holt	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brand	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howse	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howson	Mr. McEwen	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McLeay	
Mr. Casey	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	Tellers:
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Killen	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Fox	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Davidson	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Stokes	

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Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clark	Mr. E. James	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cope	Harrison	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Costa	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Coutts	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Morgan	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. James	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Peters	Tellers:
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Luchetti
	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Russell	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. McEwen then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put.

The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Adermann, in the Chair)—

## AYES, 60.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Dean	Mr. Graham	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson
Mr. Aston	Mr. Downer	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drury	Mr. H. E. Holt	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brand	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howse	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howson	Mr. McEwen	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McLeay	Tellers:
Mr. Casey	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Killen	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Turnbull
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Mr. Bryant	Mr. Coutts	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Morgan	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. James	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Peters	Tellers:
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Luchetti
	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Russell	Mr. Stewart

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

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

6. WHALING INDUSTRY ACT REPEAL BILL 1956.—Mr. McEwen (Minister for Trade) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to repeal the *Whaling Industry Act 1949–1952*, and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Pollard 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, 60.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Dean	Mr. Graham	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson
Mr. Aston	Mr. Downer	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drury	Mr. H. E. Holt	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brand	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howse	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howson	Mr. McEwen	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McLeay	Tellers:
Mr. Casey	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Killen	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Fox	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Robertson	
Mr. Davidson	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Stokes	

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Mr. Barnard	Mr. Cope	Mr. E. James	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Harrison	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Crean	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Morgan	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Curtin	Mr. James	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Galvin	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Luchetti
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Clark		Mr. Lawson	Mr. Russell	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed.

Mr. McEwen then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

Question—put.

The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Adermann, in the Chair)—

AYES, 60.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Dean	Mr. Graham	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson
Mr. Aston	Mr. Downer	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Luecock	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drury	Mr. H. E. Holt	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brand	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howse	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howson	Mr. McEwen	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McLeay	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Casey	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Killen	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Fox	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Davidson	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Stokes	

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Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Harrison	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Crean	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Morgan	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Curtin	Mr. James	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Galvin	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Luchetti
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Clark		Mr. Lawson	Mr. Russell	

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

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

7. SALES TAX (EXEMPTIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS) BILL 1956.—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.

The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Adermann, in the Chair)—

AYES, 61.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Dean	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Aston	Mr. Downer	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Luecock	Mr. Turner
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drury	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Brand	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howse	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wight
Mr. Buchanan	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howson	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wilson
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McEwen	
Mr. Casey	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Mr. McLeay	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Davidson	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Turnbull

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Mr. Bird	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Haylen	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Crean	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Curtin	Mr. James	Mr. Morgan	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Peters	
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Galvin	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Cope	Mr. E. James	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Russell	Mr. Luchetti
Mr. Costa	Harrison	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Stewart

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

Mr. Deputy 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. McLeay 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.

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8. WAYS AND MEANS—SALES TAX.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Consideration resumed of the motion moved by Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) on the 14th March, 1956 (see page 52).

Motion agreed to.

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

The House resumed; Mr. McLeay reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee. 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 Sir Eric Harrison do prepare and bring in Bills to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

9. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS TO ENABLE THE SALES TAX BILLS TO BE CONSIDERED TOGETHER.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the questions in regard to the first and second readings, Committee's report stage, and third readings being put in one motion covering several or all of the Sales Tax Bills Nos. 1 to 9, and the consideration of several or all of such Bills together in a Committee of the Whole.

Question—put and passed.

10. SALES TAX BILLS (NOS. 1 TO 9) 1956.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) then brought up the following Bills:—

*A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 1) 1930-1954";*  
*A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 2) 1930-1954";*  
*A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 3) 1930-1954";*  
*A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 4) 1930-1954";*  
*A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 5) 1930-1954";*  
*A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 6) 1930-1954";*  
*A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 7) 1930-1954";*  
*A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 8) 1930-1954";*  
*A Bill for an Act to amend the "Sales Tax Act (No. 9) 1930-1954";*

and moved, That the Bills be now read a first time.

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

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

Question—put and passed.—Bills read a second time.

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

(In the Committee.)

Bills, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bills to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. McLeay reported accordingly.

On the motion of Sir Arthur Fadden, the House adopted the Report, and the Bills were read a third time.

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

Debate ensued.

Mr. C. R. Cameron addressing the House—

*Closure.*—Sir Eric Harrison 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, 56.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Dean	Mr. Graham	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson
Mr. Aston	Mr. Downer	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Brand	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howse	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wight
Mr. Buchanan	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howson	Mr. McCalm	Mr. Wilson
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McEwen	
Mr. Casey	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Osborne	Tellers:
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Killen	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Fox	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Davidson	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Turnbull

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Mr. Barnard	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cope	Mr. Haylen	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Costa	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Minogue	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Luchetti
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Kearney	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Stewart

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 nineteen minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Anthony, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bland, Mr. Bostock, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Brimblecombe, Mr. A. G. Cameron, Mr. Daly\*, Mr. Duthie, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Haworth, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Snedden, Mr. Townley, Mr. Ward, Mr. Webb and Mr. Wheeler.

\* On leave.

A. A. TREGEAR,  
Clerk of the House of Representatives.