

1956.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 38.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH MAY, 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. REPRINT OF STATUTORY RULES—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Attorney-General), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House that it had not been practicable to reprint the Statutory Rules concurrently with the reprint of the Commonwealth Statutes as at the 31st December, 1950, and that the Statutory Rules would now be reprinted to include all Regulations in force at the 31st December, 1956.
3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER.—Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That leave of absence for one month be given to the honorable Member for Chisholm (Mr. Kent Hughes), owing to his absence from Australia.
Question—put and passed.
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 Newcastle (Mr. Watkins), on the ground of ill health.
Question—put and passed.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Defence Transition (Residual Provisions) Act—National Security (Industrial Property) Regulations—Orders—Inventions and designs (4).
Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
Postmaster-General—N. A. Brayley, A. Cohen, S. R. Joseph.
Repatriation—J. E. Greaves.
6. ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING.—Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until half-past two o'clock p.m. to-morrow.
Question—put and passed.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 7, Government Business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
8. SUPPLY BILL (No. 1) 1956-57.—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.
Debate adjourned (Mr. Leslie), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
9. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—EXPORT PAYMENTS INSURANCE CORPORATION BILL 1956.—Mr. Deputy Speaker reported the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER,

Message No. 26.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for " *An Act to promote Trade with Countries outside Australia by establishing an Export Payments Insurance Corporation to provide Insurance against certain Risks arising out of that Trade not normally insured with Commercial Insurers* ", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the Amendment indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which Amendment the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate,
Canberra, 30th May, 1956.

A. M. McMULLIN,
President.

Ordered—That the Amendment be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, at the next sitting.

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10. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Eric 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, 31ST MAY, 1956.

Debate continued.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until half-past two o'clock p.m. this day.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Anthony*, Mr. Bland*, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Brand, Mr. A. G. Cameron*, Mr. Clark, Mr. Daly*, Mr. Drury, Mr. A. D. Fraser, Mr. J. M. Fraser, Mr. Galvin, Mr. Haworth*, Mr. Kent Hughes*, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Watkins* and Mr. Webb.

* On leave.

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