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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 67.

THURSDAY, 4TH OCTOBER, 1956.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
Norfolk Island Act—Ordinance—1956—No. 1—Affidavits.
3. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE—REPORT.—Mr. Bland (Chairman) brought up the following Report from the Joint Committee of Public Accounts :—
Twenty-eighth Report—Supplementary Estimates, Variations under Section 37 of the *Audit Act* 1901–1955 and Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund, for the year 1955–56.
Ordered to be printed.
4. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES 1956–57.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Vote—“ Department of Immigration, £1,862,000 ”—
 Vote—“ Department of Labour and National Service, £2,013,000 ”—
 Vote—“ Department of National Development, £1,107,000 ”—
 Vote—“ Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, £5,000,000 ”—
 Vote—“ Australian Atomic Energy Commission, £778,000 ”—
 considered together.

Votes debated.

Limitation of Debate.—At nine 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.

Defence Services—

Vote—“ Department of Defence, £890,000 ”—
 Vote—“ Department of the Navy, £39,065,000 ”—
 Vote—“ Department of the Army, £60,284,000 ”—
 Vote—“ Department of Air, £53,750,000 ”—

considered together.

Mr. Crean moved, as an amendment, That the amount of the Vote—“ Department of Defence, £890,000 ”—be reduced by £1.

Debate ensued.

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.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Philip McBride (Minister for Defence) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Ward addressing the House—
Closure.—Sir Philip McBride moved, That the question be now put
Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

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Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Downer	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Howse	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howson	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Wight
Mr. Buchanan	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Failes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Robertson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Casey	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Snedden	
Mr. Chaney	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Turnbull

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Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Russell	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Ward	Mr. R. W. Holt
Mr. Chambers	Mr. E. James	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Whitlam	Mr. Minogue
Mr. Cope	Harrison	Mr. Peters		
Mr. Costa	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard		

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 ten minutes past 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. Allan, Mr. Anthony, Mr. Aston, Mr. Barnard, Mr. Beale, Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bostock, Mr. Bryant, Mr. Calwell, Mr. Cleaver, Mr. Coutts, Mr. Davis, Mr. Dean, Mr. Duthie, Mr. Erwin, Mr. Fairbairn*, Mr. Falkinder, Mr. Galvin, Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Hamilton, Sir Eric Harrison, Mr. L. R. Johnson, Mr. Kearney, Mr. Kent Hughes, Mr. Killen, Mr. Luck, Mr. McColm, Mr. Riordan*, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Timson, Mr. Webb, Mr. Wentworth and Mr. Wilson.

* On leave.

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