

1957.

## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 48.

THURSDAY, 24TH OCTOBER, 1957.

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. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
  - Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Regulations—1957—No. 11 (Health Ordinance).
  - Public Service Act—Appointment—Postmaster-General's Department—J. A. G. Tagg.
  - Public Service Arbitration Act—Determination—1957—No. 74—Professional Radio Employees' Institute of Australasia.
  - Repatriation Act—War Pensions Entitlement Appeal Tribunals Nos. 1, 2 and 3—Reports for year 1956–57.
  - Social Services Act—Report by Director-General of Social Services for year 1956–57.
3. RESERVE BANK BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to the Reserve Bank of Australia, and for other purposes. Question—put and passed.
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7. AUDIT BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Audit Act 1901–1955*, as amended by the *Salaries (Statutory Offices) Adjustment Act 1957*. Question—put and passed.
8. COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYEES' FURLOUGH BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Commonwealth Employees' Furlough Act 1943–1953*. Question—put and passed.
9. CRIMES BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Crimes Act 1914–1955*. Question—put and passed.

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10. GOLD-MINING INDUSTRY ASSISTANCE BILL (No. 2) 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Gold-Mining Industry Assistance Act 1954–1956*, as amended by the *Gold-Mining Industry Assistance Act 1957*.  
Question—put and passed.
11. INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION ASSESSMENT BILL (No. 2) 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Income Tax and Social Services Contribution Assessment Act 1936–1956*, as amended by the *Salaries (Statutory Offices) Adjustment Act 1957* and by the *Income Tax and Social Services Contribution Assessment Act 1957*, and for purposes connected therewith.  
Question—put and passed.
12. NATIONAL DEBT SINKING FUND BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *National Debt Sinking Fund Act 1923–1950*.  
Question—put and passed.
13. NORTHERN TERRITORY (LESSEES' LOANS GUARANTEE) BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Northern Territory (Lessees' Loans Guarantee) Act 1954*.  
Question—put and passed.
14. OFFICERS' RIGHTS DECLARATION BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Officers' Rights Declaration Act 1928–1953*.  
Question—put and passed.
15. RE-ESTABLISHMENT AND EMPLOYMENT BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Re-establishment and Employment Act 1945–1956*.  
Question—put and passed.
16. SALES TAX (EXEMPTIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS) BILL (No. 2) 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1935–1956*, as amended by the *Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1957*.  
Question—put and passed.
17. SUPPLY—SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1957–58 AND SUPPLY (WORKS AND SERVICES) BILL (No. 2) 1957–58.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

## SUPPLY.

Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding £52,539,000 for or towards the services of the year 1957–58.  
Question—put and passed.

## SUPPLY (WORKS AND SERVICES).

Sir Arthur Fadden moved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding £14,164,000 for or towards the services of the year 1957–58, for Additions, New Works and other Services involving Capital Expenditure.

Question—put and passed.

Resolutions 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.

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 Resolutions reported from the Committee were adopted by the House.

18. WAYS AND MEANS—SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1957–58 AND SUPPLY (WORKS AND SERVICES) BILL (No. 2) 1957–58.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved the following two motions:—

## SUPPLY.

That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1957–58, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of £52,539,000.

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## SUPPLY (WORKS AND SERVICES).

That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1957-58, for Additions, New Works and other Services involving Capital Expenditure, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of £14,164,000.

Question—That the motions be agreed to—put and passed.

Resolutions 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. On the motion of Sir Arthur Fadden, the Resolutions reported from the Committee were adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Sir Arthur Fadden and Mr. H. E. Holt do prepare and bring in Bills to carry out the foregoing Resolutions.

19. SUPPLY BILL (NO. 2) 1957-58.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-eight*”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

Debate ensued.

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 Arthur Fadden, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

20. SUPPLY (WORKS AND SERVICES) BILL (NO. 2) 1957-58.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) also brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-eight, for the purposes of Additions, New Works and other Services involving Capital Expenditure*”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

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

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 Arthur Fadden, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

21. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES, AND LOAN CONSOLIDATION AND INVESTMENT RESERVE, 1957-58.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

## ESTIMATES.

Ordered—That the following Votes be now taken, and considered together:—

Vote—“*Commonwealth Railways, £4,207,000*”—

Vote—“*Postmaster-General's Department, £94,180,000*”—

Vote—“*Broadcasting and Television Services, £7,376,000*”—

Votes debated.

Mr. Coutts rising to address the Committee—

*Closure.*—Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

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

Vote—“*Miscellaneous Services, £27,429,000*”—

Vote—“*Refunds of Revenue, £22,000,000*”—

Vote—“*Advance to the Treasurer, £16,000,000*”—

Vote—“*Bounties and Subsidies, £13,500,000*”—

Vote—“*War and Repatriation Services, £76,937,000*”—

considered together.

Votes debated.

Mr. Bird rising to address the Committee—

*Closure.*—Mr. Fairhall (Minister for the Interior) 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, 54.				
Mr. Allan	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Fox	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Sir E. Page
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Davidson	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Killen	Mr. Pearce
Mr. J. D. Anthony	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Aston	Mr. Dean	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Snedden
Mr. Bate	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Luck	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Failes	Mr. H. E. Holt	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Timson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howse	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bury	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Howson	Mr. McEwen	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McMahan	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Joske	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Turnbull
NOES, 32.				
Mr. Barnard	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Webb
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Chambers	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bird	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Clark	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Riordan	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cope	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Russell	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Coutts	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Luchetti
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Ward	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Mr. Holt moved, That the following Resolution be reported to the House—

That, including the several sums already voted for such services, there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding £534,462,000 for the services of the year 1957–58, viz.:—

## PART 1.—DEPARTMENTS AND SERVICES—OTHER THAN BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS AND TERRITORIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

	£
Parliament .. .. .	986,000
Prime Minister's Department .. .. .	2,837,000
Department of External Affairs .. .. .	2,221,000
Department of the Treasury .. .. .	9,807,000
Attorney-General's Department .. .. .	1,845,000
Department of the Interior .. .. .	4,553,000
Department of Works .. .. .	3,393,000
Department of Civil Aviation .. .. .	9,862,000
Department of Customs and Excise .. .. .	4,060,000
Department of Health .. .. .	1,639,000
Department of Trade .. .. .	1,733,000
Department of Primary Industry .. .. .	1,584,000
Department of Social Services .. .. .	3,014,000
Department of Shipping and Transport .. .. .	1,168,000
Department of Territories .. .. .	273,000
Department of Immigration .. .. .	1,958,000
Department of Labour and National Service .. .. .	2,147,000
Department of National Development .. .. .	1,348,000
Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization .. .. .	5,474,000
Australian Atomic Energy Commission .. .. .	1,411,000
Defence Services—	£
Department of Defence .. .. .	960,000
Department of the Navy .. .. .	43,791,000
Department of the Army .. .. .	57,389,000
Department of Air .. .. .	58,021,000
Department of Supply .. .. .	15,318,000
Department of Defence Production .. .. .	12,372,000
Other Services .. .. .	2,149,000
	190,000,000
Miscellaneous Services .. .. .	27,429,000
Refunds of Revenue .. .. .	22,000,000
Advance to the Treasurer .. .. .	16,000,000
Bounties and Subsidies .. .. .	13,500,000
War and Repatriation Services .. .. .	76,937,000
	407,179,000

## PART 2.—BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS.

Commonwealth Railways .. .. .	4,207,000
Postmaster-General's Department .. .. .	94,180,000
Broadcasting and Television Services .. .. .	7,376,000
	105,763,000

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PART 3.—TERRITORIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH.							£
Northern Territory	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,625,000
Australian Capital Territory	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,025,000
Norfolk Island	..	..	..	..	..	..	33,000
Papua and New Guinea	..	..	..	..	..	..	11,258,000
Cocos (Keeling) Islands	..	..	..	..	..	..	29,000
<b>Total PART 3</b>							<b>18,970,000</b>
PART 4.—PAYMENTS TO OR FOR THE STATES.							
Department of Health	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,550,000
<b>TOTAL</b>							<b>534,462,000</b>

Question—put and passed.

#### LOAN CONSOLIDATION AND INVESTMENT RESERVE.

Mr. Holt moved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the services of the year 1957–58, for the purposes of the Loan Consolidation and Investment Reserve established by the *Loan Consolidation and Investment Reserve Act 1955*, a sum to the extent of £119,363,000.

Question—put and passed.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported two Resolutions.

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

Mr. Holt 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 Mr. Holt, the Resolutions reported from the Committee were adopted by the House.

22. WAYS AND MEANS—ESTIMATES, AND LOAN CONSOLIDATION AND INVESTMENT RESERVE, 1957–58.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved the following two motions:—

#### ESTIMATES.

That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1957–58, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of £297,711,000.

#### LOAN CONSOLIDATION AND INVESTMENT RESERVE.

That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1957–58, for the purposes of the Loan Consolidation and Investment Reserve established by the *Loan Consolidation and Investment Reserve Act 1955*, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of £119,363,000.

Question—That the motions be agreed to—put and passed.

Resolutions 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.

On the motion of Mr. Holt, the Resolutions reported from the Committee were adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Holt and Mr. Fairhall do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolutions.

23. APPROPRIATION BILL 1957–58.—Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund sums for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-eight, and to appropriate the Supplies granted by the Parliament for that year*”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. Holt moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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, after debate.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

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

24th October, 1957.

24. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES—ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, ETC., 1957–58.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

*(In the Committee.)*

Estimates, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to, after debate.

Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the following Resolution be reported to the House—

That, including the several sums already voted for such services, there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding £121,368,000 for the services of the year 1957–58, for Additions, New Works and other Services involving Capital Expenditure, viz.:—

PART 1.—DEPARTMENTS AND SERVICES—OTHER THAN BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS  
AND TERRITORIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

	£
Parliament .. .. .	35,000
Prime Minister's Department .. .. .	549,000
Department of External Affairs .. .. .	196,000
Department of the Treasury .. .. .	215,000
Attorney-General's Department .. .. .	399,000
Department of the Interior .. .. .	2,013,000
Department of Works .. .. .	619,000
Department of Civil Aviation .. .. .	6,019,000
Department of Customs and Excise .. .. .	107,000
Department of Health .. .. .	686,000
Department of Repatriation .. .. .	210,000
Department of Trade .. .. .	96,000
Department of Primary Industry .. .. .	118,000
Department of Social Services .. .. .	148,000
Department of Shipping and Transport .. .. .	1,255,000
Department of Territories .. .. .	1,793,000
Department of Immigration .. .. .	294,000
Department of Labour and National Service .. .. .	47,000
Department of National Development .. .. .	54,066,000
Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization .. .. .	427,000
Australian Atomic Energy Commission .. .. .	2,674,000
Total PART 1 .. .. .	71,966,000

PART 2.—BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS.

Commonwealth Railways .. .. .	2,082,000
Postmaster-General's Department .. .. .	34,380,000
Broadcasting and Television Services .. .. .	1,633,000
Total PART 2 .. .. .	38,095,000

PART 3.—TERRITORIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Northern Territory .. .. .	3,361,000
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	7,824,000
Papua and New Guinea .. .. .	36,000
Cocos (Keeling) Islands .. .. .	86,000
Total PART 3 .. .. .	11,307,000

TOTAL .. .. .	121,368,000
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Question—put and passed.

Leave to be 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.

Mr. Holt 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 Mr. Holt, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

25. WAYS AND MEANS—ESTIMATES—ADDITIONS, NEW WORKS, ETC., 1957–58.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

*(In the Committee.)*

Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the services of the year 1957–58, for Additions, New Works and other Services involving Capital Expenditure, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of £72,248,000.

Question—put and passed.

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

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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.

On the motion of Mr. Holt, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Holt and Mr. Davidson do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

26. APPROPRIATION (WORKS AND SERVICES) BILL 1957–58.—Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-eight, for the purposes of Additions, New Works and other Services involving Capital Expenditure and to appropriate the Supplies granted by the Parliament for that year* ”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. Holt moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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 Mr. Holt, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

27. RESERVE BANK BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act relating to the Reserve Bank of Australia, and for other purposes* ”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Sir Arthur Fadden moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

28. COMMONWEALTH BANKS BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to establish a Commonwealth Banking Corporation and to make provision for the conduct of the business of the Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia, the Commonwealth Savings Bank of Australia and the Commonwealth Development Bank of Australia* ”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Sir Arthur Fadden moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

29. BANKING BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to regulate Banking, to make provision for the Protection of the Currency and of the Public Credit of the Commonwealth, and for other purposes* ”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Sir Arthur Fadden moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

30. BANKING (TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS) BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to enact certain Transitional Provisions consequential upon the enactment of the ‘ Reserve Bank Act 1957 ’, the ‘ Commonwealth Banks Act 1957 ’ and the ‘ Banking Act 1957 ’* ”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Sir Arthur Fadden moved, by leave, That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

Question—put and passed.

31. AUDIT BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘ Audit Act 1901–1955 ’, as amended by the ‘ Salaries (Statutory Offices) Adjustment Act 1957 ’* ”, and moved, That it 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.

32. COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYEES’ FURLOUGH BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘ Commonwealth Employees’ Furlough Act 1943–1953 ’* ”, and moved, That it 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.

33. CRIMES BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘ Crimes Act 1914–1955 ’* ”, and moved, That it 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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34. GOLD-MINING INDUSTRY ASSISTANCE BILL (No. 2) 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘Gold-Mining Industry Assistance Act 1954–1956’*, as amended by the ‘*Gold-Mining Industry Assistance Act 1957*’ ”, and moved, That it 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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Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.  
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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.
37. NORTHERN TERRITORY (LESSEES’ LOANS GUARANTEE) BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘Northern Territory (Lessees’ Loans Guarantee) Act 1954’* ”, and moved, That it 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.
38. OFFICERS’ RIGHTS DECLARATION BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘Officers’ Rights Declaration Act 1928–1953’* ”, and moved, That it 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.
39. RE-ESTABLISHMENT AND EMPLOYMENT BILL 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘Re-establishment and Employment Act 1945–1956’* ”, and moved, That it 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.
40. SALES TAX (EXEMPTIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS) BILL (No. 2) 1957.—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1935–1956’*, as amended by the ‘*Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1957’* ”, and moved, That it 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.
41. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—EXTENDED TIME FOR SPEECHES.—Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, by leave, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) and Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) each speaking without limitation of time on the second reading of each of the following Bills:—Reserve Bank, Commonwealth Banks, Banking, and Banking (Transitional Provisions).  
Question—put and passed.
42. RESERVE BANK BILL 1957.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.  
*Member named and suspended.*—Mr. Speaker named the honorable Member for Parkes (Mr. Haylen) for continuing to disobey the Chair.  
Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the honorable Member for Parkes be suspended from the service of the House.  
Question—put.  
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. McLeay, in the Chair)—

## AYES, 54.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Sir E. Page
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Pearce
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Dean	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Aston	Mr. Downer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Luck	Mr. Snedden
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Brimblecombe	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Haworth	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Failes	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. McColm	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bury	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howse	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McMahon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Joske	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Forbes	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Turnbull

## NOES, 29.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bird	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Galvin	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Webb
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Cope	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Crean	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Russell	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Curtin	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Stewart	Mr. Coutts
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Evatt	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Luchetti

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.



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The honorable Member was, therefore, suspended at twenty-six minutes to nine o'clock p.m., for twenty-four hours, under Standing Order No. 302, and he accordingly withdrew from the Chamber.

Sir Arthur Fadden continuing his speech—

*Closure of Member moved.*—Mr. C. R. Cameron moved, That the Right Honorable Member be not further heard.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 27.				
Mr. Bird	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Cope	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Russell	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Crean	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Stewart	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Curtin	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward	Mr. Barnard
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Webb	Mr. Coutts

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Mr. Bland	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Brimblecombe	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Haworth	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Failes	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. McColm	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bury	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howse	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McMahon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Joske	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Forbes	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Turnbull

And so it was negatived.

Sir Arthur Fadden continued his speech.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Evatt—Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

43. COMMONWEALTH BANKS BILL 1957.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Evatt—Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

44. BANKING BILL 1957.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Evatt—Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

45. BANKING (TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS) BILL 1957.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Evatt—Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

46. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:—

24th October, 1957—*Message*—

No. 55—Supply (No. 2) 1957–58 (*without requests*).

No. 56—Supply (Works and Services) (No. 2) 1957–58.

47. PRINTING COMMITTEE—SECOND REPORT.—Mr. Dean (Chairman) brought up the Second Report from the Printing Committee (sitting in conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate).

The Report was read by the Clerk as follows:—

REPORT.

The Printing Committee has the honour to report that it has met in Conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate.

The Joint Committee, having considered the Petitions and Papers presented to Parliament since the last meeting of the Committee, recommends that the following be printed:—

Aluminium Industry Act—Australian Aluminium Production Commission—Twelfth Annual Report and Financial Accounts, for year 1956–57, together with Report to Minister by Auditor-General.

Australian National University Act—Australian National University—Report for 1956. Broadcasting and Television Act—Australian Broadcasting Control Board—Ninth Annual Report, for year 1956–57.

Conciliation and Arbitration Act—Conciliation and Arbitration Commission—First Annual Report by President, for year ended 13th August, 1957.

Social Services Act—Report by Director-General of Social Services for year 1956–57.

*Stevedoring Industry Act* 1954—Report of Committee of Inquiry into Stevedoring Industry.

War Service Homes Act—Annual Report for year 1956–57.

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Mr. Dean moved, by leave, That the Report be agreed to.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

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48. PAPER.—Mr. Speaker presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Audit Act—Finance—Supplementary Report by the Acting Auditor-General upon other accounts  
for the year 1956-57.  
Ordered to be printed.
49. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the intervening Orders of the Day be postponed  
until after Order of the Day No. 9, Government Business.
50. WESTERN AUSTRALIA GRANT (WATER SUPPLY) BILL 1957.—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 Mr. Cramer (Minister for the Army), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was  
read a third time.

51. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the  
House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, the 5th November, at half-past three o'clock p.m.  
Question—put and passed.
52. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Cramer (Minister for the Army) moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-six minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, the 5th  
November, at half-past three o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Beale, Mr. Bowden\*,  
Mr. Brand, Mr. D. A. Cameron, Mr. Casey\*, Mr. Costa\*, Mr. Drury\*, Mr. Duthie\*, Mr. Erwin,  
Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Harrison\*, Mr. Jack\*, Mr. James\*, Mr. Kearney, Mr. Leslie\*, Mr. Lucock\*,  
Mr. Morgan, Mr. Peters\*, Mr. Pollard\*, Mr. Townley, Mr. Turner\*, Mr. Watkins\*, Mr. Wheeler\*,  
and Mr. Wight.

\*On leave.

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