

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 12.

TUESDAY, 15TH APRIL, 1958.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.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—
  - Census and Statistics Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1958, No. 20.
  - Excise Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1958, No. 18.
  - Explosives Act—Explosives Regulations—Order—Berthing of a vessel.
  - Lands Acquisition Act—Land, &c., acquired for—
    - Aerodrome drainage purposes—Mallala, South Australia.
    - Civil Aviation purposes—Mount McAlister, New South Wales.
    - Defence purposes—Charters Towers, Queensland.
    - Postal purposes—Allansford, Victoria.
    - Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Authority purposes—
      - Adaminaby, New South Wales (2).
      - Tolbar State Forest, New South Wales.
  - National Health Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1958, No. 23.
  - Norfolk Island Act—Ordinance—1958—No. 5—Interpretation.
  - Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Regulations—1957—
    - No. 20 (Health Ordinance).
    - No. 21 (Motor Vehicles Ordinance).
  - Public Service Act—
    - Appointments—Department—
      - Civil Aviation—H. W. Abrams, J. O. Davis.
      - Defence Production—R. G. Ferguson.
      - Health—A. E. Duxbury, T. N. Hatfield, T. E. B. Keen, J. C. Trinca.
      - Labour and National Service—W. J. Danaher.
      - National Development—J. R. H. van Son.
      - Shipping and Transport—J. Marion, J. G. Taylor.
      - Supply—J. S. Adams, P. Crosby, H. W. Kinnersly, G. A. Lugg, G. E. Warschauer.
      - Territories—S. J. Chegwiddden.
      - Works—A. S. Begg, A. C. Deakin, G. J. French, R. G. Harrap, G. J. Heine, P. B. Jones, D. V. McAdam, J. V. A. Priddle, J. M. Slater, L. C. Smith, S. Sorbello, M. Vonic.
    - Regulations—Statutory Rules 1958, No. 19.
  - Repatriation Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1958, No. 22.
  - Seat of Government (Administration) Act—
    - Ordinance—1958—No. 4—Canberra Community Hospital.
    - Regulations—1958—
      - No. 4 (Canberra Community Hospital Ordinance).
      - No. 5 (Public Health Ordinance).
  - Therapeutic Substances Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1958, No. 21.
3. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILLS.—Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:—
  - 1st April, 1958—*Message No. 3*—Atomic Energy 1958.
  - 3rd April, 1958—*Message No. 4*—
    - Diplomatic Immunities 1958.
    - Life Insurance 1958.
    - Stevedoring Industry Charge 1958.
    - Stevedoring Industry Charge Assessment 1958.

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4. SERVICE AND EXECUTION OF PROCESS BILL 1958.—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. Lawrence reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Osborne (Minister for Air), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

5. STATES GRANTS (ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE) BILL 1958.—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. Barnard), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

6. INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Casey (Minister for External Affairs), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement reviewing events of international significance in Asia, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper:—

International Affairs—Ministerial Statement, 15th April, 1958—  
and moved, That the Paper be printed.

*Suspension of Standing Orders.*—Mr. Casey moved, by leave, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) speaking for a period not exceeding 45 minutes.

Question—put and passed.

Debate ensued.

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

7. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fairhall (Minister for the Interior) moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-nine minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Sir Garfield Barwick, Mr. Bate, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. Coutts, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Haylen, Mr. Howse, Mr. James, Mr. H. V. Johnson, Mr. Kearney, Mr. Swartz and Mr. Watkins.

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