

1959.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 10.

TUESDAY, 17TH MARCH, 1959.

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. PRIVILEGE—STATEMENTS REGARDING MEMBER FOR CAPRICORNIA—PROPOSED REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES.—Mr. Pearce raised a matter of Privilege based upon the circulation of copies of a lettergram regarding himself which was forwarded by Mr. John Somerville Smith to the Leader of the House on the 9th March, 1959, and statements made by Mr. Smith and moved, That the matter be referred to the Committee of Privileges.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Holt (Treasurer) was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.
Debate adjourned, and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Papua and New Guinea Act—Superannuation (Papua and New Guinea) Ordinance—
Superannuation Board—Seventh Annual Report, for year 1957-58.
Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
Defence—D. M. Hills.
Health—W. A. Langsford, M. Ryan.
Interior—R. B. Crowder.
Shipping and Transport—K. J. McKiggan.
Supply—S. A. Pashallis, W. Mettyear.
Works—D. C. Potter.
River Murray Waters Act—River Murray Commission—Report for year 1957-58.
4. PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS IN REPLY.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Address in Reply would be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General at Government House at fifteen minutes past five o'clock p.m. to-morrow.
Mr. Speaker said he would be glad if the mover and seconder, together with other honorable Members, would accompany him to present the Address.
5. AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY—JOINT COMMITTEE.—Mr. Speaker informed the House of the following appointments of Senators and Members as members of the Joint Committee on the Australian Capital Territory:—
Senators McCallum, Vincent and Wood had been appointed by the Leader of the Government in the Senate, and Senators Armstrong and Tangney by the Leader of the Opposition in that House.
Mr. Anderson and Mr. Howse had been appointed by the Prime Minister, and Mr. Beazley and Mr. J. R. Fraser by the Leader of the Opposition in this House.
6. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER.—Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) moved, That leave of absence for one month be given to the honorable Member for Cunningham (Mr. Kearney), on the ground of ill health.
Question—put and passed.
7. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF URGENCY—WOOL INDUSTRY.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that Mr. Pollard had proposed that a definite matter of urgent public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The serious economic position of the Australian wool growing industry and the urgent need for the application of a more efficient wool marketing system".
The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—
Suspension of Standing Orders.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the discussion being continued until six o'clock p.m.
Question—put and passed, with the concurrence of an absolute majority.
Mr. Pollard addressed the House.
Discussion ensued.
At six o'clock p.m., the time allotted having expired, the discussion was terminated.

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8. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 1, Government Business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

9. RESERVE BANK BILL 1959.—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.

Mr. Duthie rising to address the House—

Closure.—Mr. Osborne (Minister for Air) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 53.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Fox	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Davidson	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wight
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davis	Mr. Halbert	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Menzies	
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Downer	Mr. Holt	Mr. Murray	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Howse	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Browne	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howson	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Stokes	
Mr. Bury	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Joske	Mr. Timson	Mr. Opperman
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Townley	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Cash	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. King	Mr. Turner	
Mr. Chresby	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Wentworth	

NOES, 39.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clay	Mr. Galvin	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Cope	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Courtnay	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Reynolds	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. Jones	Mr. Russell	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Daly	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Sexton	Mr. Duthie
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Davies	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Evatt	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Uren	
Mr. Clark	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 53.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Forbes	Mr. King	Mr. Townley
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Fox	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bate	Mr. Davis	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Dean	Mr. Halbert	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Browne	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Holt	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howse	Mr. Murray	
Mr. Bury	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howson	Mr. Osborne	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cash	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 40.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clay	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Courtnay	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Reynolds	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Daly	Mr. Jones	Mr. Russell	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Davies	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Sexton	
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Clark	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Uren	Mr. Stewart

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

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1—

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

10. COMMONWEALTH BANKS BILL 1959.—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—

Question—put.

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

AYES, 52.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. King	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Fox	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bate	Mr. Davis	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Dean	Mr. Halbert	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Browne	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Holt	Mr. Murray	
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howson	Mr. Osborne	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bury	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Joske	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cash	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Timson	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 40.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clay	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Reynolds	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Daly	Mr. Jones	Mr. Russell	Mr. Duthie
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Davies	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Sexton	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. Clark	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Uren	

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

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1—

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

11. BANKING BILL 1959.—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—

Question—put.

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

AYES, 51.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Fox	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davis	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Dean	Mr. Halbert	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Browne	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Holt	Mr. Murray	
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howson	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Bury	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Joske	Mr. Stokes	
Mr. Cash	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Timson	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Chresby	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. King	Mr. Townley	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 40.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clay	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Reynolds	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Daly	Mr. Jones	Mr. Russell	Mr. Duthie
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Davies	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Sexton	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. Clark	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Uren	

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

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1—

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

12. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—BANKING BILL 1959.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General:—

W. J. SLIM,

*Governor-General.**Message No. 1.*

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of 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.

Canberra, 10th March, 1959.

17th March, 1959.

Ordered—That the Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of 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.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

13. BANKING (TRANSITIONAL) PROVISIONS BILL 1959.—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—

Question—put.

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

AYES, 52.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. King	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Fox	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bate	Mr. Davis	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Dean	Mr. Halbert	Mr. McMahan	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Menzies	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Browne	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Holt	Mr. Murray	
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howson	Mr. Osborne	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bury	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Joske	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cash	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Timson	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 40.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clay	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Reynolds	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Daly	Mr. Jones	Mr. Russell	Mr. Duthie
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Davies	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Sexton	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. Clark	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Uren	

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

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1—

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

14. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—BANKING (TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS) BILL 1959.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General:—

W. J. SLIM,

Message No. 2.

Governor-General.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to enact certain Transitional Provisions consequential upon the enactment of the *Reserve Bank Act 1959*, the *Commonwealth Banks Act 1959* and the *Banking Act 1959*.

Canberra, 10th March, 1959.

Ordered—That the Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to enact certain Transitional Provisions consequential upon the enactment of the *Reserve Bank Act 1959*, the *Commonwealth Banks Act 1959* and the *Banking Act 1959*.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

15. AUDIT BILL 1959.—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—

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

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1—
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.
Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

16. CHRISTMAS ISLAND BILL 1959.—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—
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1—
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.
Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

17. COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYEES' FURLOUGH BILL 1959.—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—
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1—
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.
Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

18. CRIMES BILL 1959.—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—
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1—
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.
Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

19. INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION ASSESSMENT BILL 1959.—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—
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1—
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.
Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

20. NATIONAL DEBT SINKING FUND BILL 1959.—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—
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1—
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.
Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

21. NORTHERN TERRITORY (LESSEES' LOANS GUARANTEE) BILL 1959.—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—
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1—
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

17th March, 1959.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

22. OFFICERS' RIGHTS DECLARATION BILL 1959.—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—

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

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(*In the Committee.*)

Clause 1—

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

23. RE-ESTABLISHMENT AND EMPLOYMENT BILL 1959.—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—

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

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(*In the Committee.*)

Clause 1—

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

24. SALES TAX (EXEMPTIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS) BILL 1959.—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—

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

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(*In the Committee.*)

Clause 1—

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

25. EXPORT PAYMENTS INSURANCE CORPORATION BILL 1959.—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.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(*In the Committee.*)

Clause 1—

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

26. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—EXPORT PAYMENTS INSURANCE CORPORATION BILL 1959.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General:—

W. J. SLIM,

Governor-General.

Message No. 3.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Export Payments Insurance Corporation Act 1956*.

Canberra, 10th March, 1959.

Ordered—That the Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

(*In the Committee.*)

Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Export Payments Insurance Corporation Act 1956*.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

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27. EXPORT PAYMENTS INSURANCE CORPORATION BILL 1959.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 3, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 4 debated.

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bowden, in the Chair)—

AYES, 43.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. King	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Townley
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davis	Mr. Fox	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Dean	Mr. Halbert	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Browne	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howson	Mr. Murray	
Mr. Bury	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Osborne	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cash	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Joske	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Chresby	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 28.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clay	Mr. Fulton	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Cope	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Costa	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Jones	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Crean	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Clark	Mr. Davies	Mr. Makin	Mr. Uren	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Clause 5 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. McMahon, the House adopted the Report.

Mr. McMahon moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

28. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at ten minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, 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 Mr. Adermann, Mr. Allan, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Aston, Mr. Bland, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chaney, Mr. Cleaver, Mr. Curtin, Mr. Failes, Mr. Freeth, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Haworth, Mr. Haylen, Mr. Jack, Mr. Kearney*, Mr. Killen, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Riordan, Mr. Robertson and Mr. Swartz.

*On leave.

A. G. TURNER,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.