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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 68.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 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. PAPERS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
  - Report on the Fulbright Programme in Australia, 1949–1959.
  - Ordered to lie on the Table.
  - Mr. Casey (Minister for External Affairs), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement in connexion with the Report.
  - Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, also made a Statement in connexion with the Report.
  - The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
    - Northern Territory (Administration) Act—
      - Ordinances—1959—
        - No. 22—Administrator's Council.
        - No. 25—Housing Loans.
        - No. 26—Forestry.
      - Regulations—1959—No. 8 (Traffic Ordinance).
    - Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinances—1959—
      - No. 28—Public Service.
      - No. 29—Appropriation 1959–60.
      - No. 30—Adoption of Children.
      - No. 31—Montfort Catholic Mission.
      - No. 32—Restaurants (Licensing).
      - No. 33—Personal Tax (Rates) 1960.
      - No. 34—Gaming.
      - No. 35—Papua and New Guinea Copra Industry Stabilization.
      - No. 36—Ordinances Interpretation.
      - No. 37—Excise.
      - No. 38—Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement).
      - No. 39—Society of the Divine Word Mission.
      - No. 40—Town Planning.
      - No. 41—Navigation (Damage to Works).
      - No. 42—Liquor.
      - No. 43—Mining (New Guinea).
      - No. 44—Mining (Papua).
    - Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinances—1959—
      - No. 14—Liquor.
      - No. 17—Street Collections.
3. AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY—JOINT COMMITTEE—REPORT—PROPOSED CANBERRA-TUMUT ROAD.—
  - Mr. J. R. Fraser (Deputy Chairman) brought up the following Report from the Joint Committee on the Australian Capital Territory:—
    - Report on proposed Canberra-Tumut Road, together with Minutes of Evidence.
    - Ordered—That the Report be printed.

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4. INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION—WARSAW CONFERENCE, 1959—REPORT OF AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Haworth, by leave, laid upon the Table the following Paper:—  
Inter-Parliamentary Union—48th Conference held at Warsaw, August-September, 1959—Report of Australian Delegation—  
and moved, That the Paper be printed.  
Mr. Haworth 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.
5. EXPORT PAYMENTS INSURANCE CORPORATION BILL (NO. 2) 1959.—Mr. McEwen (Minister for Trade) moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Export Payments Insurance Corporation Act 1956*, as amended by the *Export Payments Insurance Corporation Act 1959*.  
Question—put and passed.  
Bill brought up, and read a first time.  
Mr. McEwen moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate adjourned (Mr. Haylen), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
6. TAXATION ADMINISTRATION BILL 1959.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Taxation Administration Act 1953-1957*.  
Question—put and passed.  
Bill brought up, and read a first time.  
Mr. Holt moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.  
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.
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- The House resumed; Mr. Luchetti reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. Holt, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.
7. PRECEDENCE TO GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That Government Business shall take precedence over General Business to-morrow.  
Question—put and passed.
8. SUPREME COURT BUILDING, DARWIN—APPROVAL OF WORK.—Mr. Freeth (Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1913-1953*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the Committee has duly reported to this House, namely:—Construction of a Supreme Court Building at Darwin, Northern Territory.  
Question—put and passed.
9. BOILER HOUSE AND LAUNDRY AT CANBERRA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL—APPROVAL OF WORK.—Mr. Freeth (Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1913-1953*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the Committee has duly reported to this House, namely:—Construction of a new boiler house and laundry at the Canberra Community Hospital, Australian Capital Territory.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and passed.
10. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—NURSES' HOME AND TRAINING SCHOOL AT CANBERRA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL.—Mr. Freeth (Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1913-1953*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for further investigation and report as recommended by the Committee following a preliminary examination held in 1956, namely:—Construction of a new nurses' home and training school at the Canberra Community Hospital, Australian Capital Territory.  
Mr. Freeth laid on the Table plans in connexion with the proposed work.  
Question—put and passed.
11. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—MAIN HOSPITAL BLOCK AT CANBERRA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL.—Mr. Freeth (Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1913-1953*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for further investigation and report as recommended by the Committee following a preliminary examination held in 1956, namely:—Construction of a new main hospital block at the Canberra Community Hospital, Australian Capital Territory.  
Mr. Freeth laid on the Table plans in connexion with the proposed work.  
Question—put and passed.

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12. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—CUSTOMS HOUSE, MELBOURNE.—Mr. Freeth (Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1913–1953*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report, namely:—Construction of a new Customs House at Melbourne, Victoria.

Mr. Freeth laid on the Table plans in connexion with the proposed work.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

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

W. J. SLIM,  
Governor-General.

Message No. 52.

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 *Taxation Administration Act 1953–1957*.

Canberra, 24th November, 1959.

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

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Freeth (Minister for the Interior) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Taxation Administration Act 1953–1957*.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

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

15. SUPERANNUATION 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 by Mr. Calwell who moved, as an amendment, That all words after “ That ” be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:—“ the Bill be withdrawn and re-drafted because it fails to make provision for an increase in the value of the unit of pension and because it fails to come into operation from the 1st July, 1959 ”.

Debate continued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

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

AYES, 63.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Joske	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Casey	Mr. Fox	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Snedden
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Cash	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Aston	Mr. Chaney	Mr. Halbert	Mr. Killen	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. King	Mr. Townley
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bate	Mr. Davis	Mr. Holt	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bland	Mr. Downer	Mr. Holten	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wight
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Howse	Mr. McMahan	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howson	Mr. Murray	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Browne	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hulme	Sir E. Page	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Bury	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 36.

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

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—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.

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

W. J. SLIM,  
Governor-General.

Message No. 53.

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 relating to Superannuation.

Canberra, 24th November, 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 relating to Superannuation.

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.

17. SUPERANNUATION 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.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Mr. Luchetti moved, That the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again.

Question—put and negatived.

Bill agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report.

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

Debate ensued.

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

18. DEFENCE FORCES RETIREMENT BENEFITS 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 by Mr. Haylen who moved, as an amendment, That all words after “ That ” be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:—“ the Bill be withdrawn and re-drafted to provide for the benefits under the Act to be made available from a date not later than the 1st July, 1959 ”.

Debate continued.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

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

AYES, 61.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Allan	Mr. Cash	Mr. Fox	Mr. Joske	Mr. Timson
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Chaney	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Freeth	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Turner
Mr. Aston	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Halbert	Mr. King	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wight
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Downer	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McColm	
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Holt	Mr. McMahon	Tellers:
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Holten	Mr. Murray	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howse	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Browne	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Howson	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Bury	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Snedden	

NOES, 38.

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

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—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. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—DEFENCE FORCES RETIREMENT BENEFITS BILL 1959.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General:—

W. J. SLIM,  
Governor-General.

Message No. 54.

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 relating to Retirement Benefits for Members of the Defence Forces of the Commonwealth.

Canberra, 24th November, 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 relating to Retirement Benefits for Members of the Defence Forces of the Commonwealth.

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.

20. DEFENCE FORCES RETIREMENT BENEFITS 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.*)

Clause 1 agreed to.  
Clause 2 debated and agreed to.  
Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.  
Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

21. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 5) AND EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 2), AND CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENTS (NOS. 9, 10, 11, 12 AND 13), CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (NO. 2) AND EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 5).—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 5).

[See proposed Resolution of the 13th May, 1959 (page 131).]

EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 2).

[See proposed Resolution of the 13th May, 1959 (page 132).]

Motions withdrawn, by leave.

Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved—

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 9).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1959 be amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that on and after the twenty-sixth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected in pursuance of the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1959 as so amended.

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THE SCHEDULE.  
IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<b>DIVISION VI.—METALS AND MACHINERY.</b>			
138. By omitting sub-item (b) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:— “(b) Antimonial and lead compounds, viz.:— Type metal, linotype metal, antifriction and plastic metals - - - - - per ton and ad val.	£5 5 per cent.	£6 5s. 25 per cent.	£6 5s. 25 per cent.”
175. By inserting a new sub-item (f) as follows:— “(f) Machines being portable hand tools, electrically-driven, but not including spray guns, viz.:— (1) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws ad val. (2) Coal and stone drilling machines, including motors imported with and for use therewith ad val. (3) Cloth-cutting machines - - - ad val. (4) Other— (a) Having the mechanical driving unit incorporated in the hand piece, but not including such machines which are designed to operate only on an alternating current frequency exceeding 60 cycles per second— (1) $\frac{1}{4}$ inch drilling machines - - - ad val. (2) Other - - - ad val. (b) Other - - - ad val.	Free 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.  12 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. 20 per cent. Free	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. 25 per cent. 30 per cent. 30 per cent.  25 per cent. 35 per cent. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.  30 per cent. 30 per cent.  30 per cent. 40 per cent. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.”
176. By omitting sub-item (u). By omitting sub-item (x) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:— “(x) Cloth-cutting machines, electrically-operated, not being portable hand tools - - - ad val.	Free	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.”
219. By omitting sub-paragraph (c) of paragraph (2) of sub-item (c). By inserting in sub-item (c) a new paragraph (4) as follows:— “(4) (a) Woodworking planes, wholly or principally of metal; plane irons - - - ad val. (b) Woodworking planes, other; parts wholly or principally of wood for woodworking planes ad val.	17 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. Free	25 per cent. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	25 per cent. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.”
<b>DIVISION VIII.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND STONE.</b>			
242. By omitting sub-item (b) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:— “(b) Plain clear sheet - - - - - ad val. less per 100 square feet	17 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. 1s. 6d.	17 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ..	17 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ..”
<b>DIVISION IX.—DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.</b>			
269. By omitting sub-item (e) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:— “(e) Insecticides, viz.:— Mosquito spirals or coils - - - ad val.	Free	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.”
280. By omitting sub-item (d) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:— “(d) Saccharin; salts of saccharin; chlorosaccharin; methylsaccharin; sodium cyclamate; calcium cyclamate; dulcin— (1) For medicinal purposes, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - - (2) Other - - - per lb.	Free 22s. 6d.	Free 40s.	Free 40s.”
281. By omitting paragraph (2) of sub-item (q) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:— “(2) When packed for retail sale— (a) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws - ad val. (b) Other - - - ad val. By omitting paragraph (2) of sub-item (u) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:— “(2) When packed for retail sale— (a) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws - ad val. (b) Other - - - ad val. By omitting paragraph (2) of sub-item (v) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:— “(2) When packed for retail sale— (a) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws - ad val. (b) Other - - - ad val.	Free 10 per cent.  Free 10 per cent.  Free 10 per cent.	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.  7 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.  7 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.	10 per cent. 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.”  10 per cent. 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.”  12 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.”

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THE SCHEDULE—continued.

IMPORT DUTIES—continued.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<b>DIVISION XVI.—MISCELLANEOUS.</b>			
382. By omitting the item and inserting in its stead the following item:—			
“ 382. (A) Cameras, but not including tripods - ad val.	Free	Free	17½ per cent.
(b) Mounted lenses and accessories, n.e.i. (other than tripods), for goods covered by sub-item (A) or (D) - ad val.	Free	17½ per cent.	17½ per cent.
(c) Photographic flashlight apparatus—			
(1) Single-flash bulb type - ad val.	5 per cent.	22½ per cent.	22½ per cent.
(2) Other - ad val.	Free	17½ per cent.	17½ per cent.
(d) Image projectors, other than cinematographic projectors; photographic (except cinematographic) enlargers and reducers—			
(1) Image projectors designed for the projection of slide or film strip transparencies; slide viewers of the type incorporating magnifying lenses for direct viewing of slide or film strip transparencies - ad val.	5 per cent.	22½ per cent.	22½ per cent.
(2) Image projectors n.e.i.; photographic (except cinematographic) enlargers and reducers, n.e.i. - ad val.	Free	17½ per cent.	17½ per cent.”
452. By inserting a new item as follows:—			
“ 452. Date, sealing and similar stamps, not incorporating clock (time) movements, designed for operating in the hand - ad val.	17½ per cent.	45 per cent.	45 per cent.”

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 10).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933-1959, as proposed to be amended by Customs Tariff Proposals No. 9 introduced into the House of Representatives on the twenty-fifth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine, be further amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that on and after the twenty-sixth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected in pursuance of the *Customs Tariff* 1933-1959 as so amended.

THE SCHEDULE.

IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<b>DIVISION V.—TEXTILES, FELTS AND FURS, AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND ATTIRE.</b>			
129. By omitting sub-item (c).			
<b>DIVISION VI.—METALS AND MACHINERY.</b>			
174. By omitting paragraph (16) of sub-item (x).			
175. By inserting in sub-item (F) a new paragraph (5) as follows:—			
“ (5) Human hair clipping machines—			
(a) Shavers - ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(b) Other—			
(1) Vibrator type - ad val.	32½ per cent.	50 per cent.	50 per cent.
(2) Other - ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	12½ per cent.”
<b>DIVISION VIII.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND STONE.</b>			
261. By omitting the item and inserting in its stead the following item:—			
“ 261. (A) Emery stones; oilstones; whetstones; lithographic stones - ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(B) Natural or artificial abrasive powder or grain, on a base of woven fabric, of paper, of paperboard or of other materials, whether or not cut to shape or sewn or otherwise made up, not being metal-based parts for hand tools or machines—			
(1) Emery cloth; glasspaper; flintpaper ad val.	17½ per cent.	30 per cent.	30 per cent.
(2) Other—			
(a) In rolls 100 yards or more in length exceeding 12 inches in width - ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(b) Other - ad val.	17½ per cent.	30 per cent.	30 per cent.”

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## THE SCHEDULE—continued.

## IMPORT DUTIES—continued.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<b>DIVISION XIII.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.</b>			
334. By omitting sub-item (M).			
<b>DIVISION XVI.—MISCELLANEOUS.</b>			
424. By omitting the item and inserting in its stead the following item:—			
“ 424. Ships, boats and other floating structures, viz.:—			
(A) Fire floats; light vessels; dredgers of all kinds; floating cranes and other vessels the navigability of which is subsidiary to their main function; floating docks—			
(1) Marine dredgers—			
(a) Exceeding 500 tons gross register - - ad val.	22½ per cent.	47½ per cent.	47½ per cent.
(b) Other - - ad val.	27½ per cent.	57½ per cent.	57½ per cent.
(2) Mining and similar dredgers, other than marine dredgers—			
(a) Exceeding 500 tons gross register - - ad val.	17½ per cent.	37½ per cent.	37½ per cent.
(b) Other - - ad val.	22½ per cent.	47½ per cent.	47½ per cent.
(3) Other—			
(a) Exceeding 500 tons gross register - - ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(b) Other - - ad val.	32½ per cent.	55 per cent.	55 per cent.
(B) Vessels, other—			
(1) Yachts, the property of tourists visiting Australia, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - -			
	Free	Free	Free
(2) Whaling, trawling, and other fishing vessels, provided suitably equivalent vessels the manufacture of Australia are not reasonably available, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws			
	Free	Free	Free
(3) Sailing yachts, with or without auxiliary power; launches; boats, i.e., rowing boats, dinghies, pedal-operated craft, and the like - ad val.			
	22½ per cent.	47½ per cent.	47½ per cent.
(4) Other—			
(a) Exceeding 500 tons gross register - - ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(b) Other - - ad val.	32½ per cent.	55 per cent.	55 per cent.”

## CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 11).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1959 be amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that on and after the twenty-sixth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected in pursuance of the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1959 as so amended.

## THE SCHEDULE.

## IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<b>DIVISION V.—TEXTILES, FELTS AND FURS, AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND ATTIRE.</b>			
105. By omitting from sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph (1) of sub-item (A) the following words, letters and figures:—			
“ excepting piece goods enumerated in sub-items (A) (3), (AA), (D) (1) and (F) ”			
and inserting in their stead the following words, letters and figures:—			
“ except piece goods covered by sub-item (A) (3), (AA), (D) (1) or (F) of this item or by item 130 (D) ”.			
By omitting paragraph (4) of sub-item (A).			
By omitting from paragraph (2) of sub-item (D) the following letter and figures:—			
“ 130 (B) (1) ”			
and inserting in their stead the following letter and figures:—			
“ 130 (A) ”.			
By inserting in paragraph (1) of sub-item (H) after “ 105 (H) (2) (a) ” the following word and figures:—			
“ or 130 ”.			



THE SCHEDULE—continued.  
IMPORT DUTIES—continued.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<b>Division V.—Textiles, Felts and Furs, and Manufactures Thereof, and Attire—continued.</b>			
130. By omitting the item and inserting in its stead the following item:—			
“ 130. (A) Canvas and duck, of cotton or containing a mixture of fibres in which cotton predominates—			
(1) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws per square yard	Free	1d.	2½d.
(2) Other than as prescribed by Departmental By-laws under paragraph (1), as prescribed by Departmental By-laws per lb. and ad val.	4d. 22½ per cent.	11d. 40 per cent.	1s. 1d. 45 per cent.
(3) Other - - - - - per lb. and ad val.	2s. 9d. ..	3s. 4d. 17½ per cent.	3s. 4d. 17½ per cent.
(B) Canvas and duck, of flax or containing a mixture of fibres in which flax predominates - ad val.	27½ per cent.	45 per cent.	55 per cent.
(C) Canvas and duck, other - - - - - ad val.	5 per cent.	22½ per cent.	22½ per cent.
(D) Piece goods, n.e.i., of cotton or containing a mixture of fibres in which cotton predominates, weighing not less than 8 ounces per square yard, used or capable of being used as a substitute for canvas or duck, except piece goods covered by item 105 (A) (3), 105 (AA), 105 (D) (1) or 105 (F)—			
(1) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws per square yard	Free	1d.	2½d.
(2) Other - - - - - per lb. and ad val.	2s. 9d. ..	3s. 4d. 17½ per cent.	3s. 4d. 17½ per cent.”

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 12).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1959 be amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that on and after the twenty-sixth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected in pursuance of the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1959 as so amended.

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IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<b>DIVISION V.—TEXTILES, FELTS AND FURS, AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND ATTIRE.</b>			
105. By omitting paragraph (1) of sub-item (F) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:—			
“ (1) Piece goods, of wool or containing wool, n.e.i. per square yard and ad val.	6d. 17½ per cent.	6d. 40 per cent.	6d. 47½ per cent.”
By omitting paragraph (2) of sub-item (F).			

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 13).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1959 be amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that on and after the twenty-sixth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected in pursuance of the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1959 as so amended.

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IMPORT DUTIES.**

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<b>DIVISION VI.—METALS AND MACHINERY.</b>			
179. By omitting paragraph (1) of sub-item (b) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:—			
“ (1) (a) Outdoor circuit breakers—			
(1) For use at voltages exceeding 1,000 but not exceeding 15,000 if the rated breaking capacity is 500 MVA or higher; for use at voltages exceeding 15,000 but not exceeding 38,500 if the rated breaking capacity is 2,500 MVA or higher; for use at voltages exceeding 38,500 at any breaking capacity - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	7½ per cent.
(2) For use at voltages exceeding 1,000 but not exceeding 15,000 if the rated breaking capacity is lower than 250 MVA - ad val.	22½ per cent.	45 per cent.	50 per cent.
(3) For use at voltages exceeding 1,000, other ad val.	32½ per cent.	50 per cent.	50 per cent.
(b) Switch units; circuit breakers, other than outdoor circuit breakers—			
(1) For use at voltages exceeding 1,000 but not exceeding 2,500 if the rated breaking capacity is 150 MVA or higher; for use at voltages exceeding 2,500 but not exceeding 4,500 if the rated breaking capacity is 250 MVA or higher; for use at voltages exceeding 4,500 but not exceeding 10,000 if the rated breaking capacity is 350 MVA or higher; for use at voltages exceeding 10,000 but not exceeding 15,000 if the rated breaking capacity is 500 MVA or higher; for use at voltages exceeding 15,000 but not exceeding 25,000 if the rated breaking capacity is 350 MVA or higher; for use at voltages exceeding 25,000 at any breaking capacity - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	7½ per cent.
(2) For use at voltages exceeding 1,000, other ad val.	35 per cent.	45 per cent.	55 per cent.”

**CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (NO. 2).**

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) 1933–1959* be amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that on and after the twenty-sixth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected in pursuance of the *Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) 1933–1959* as so amended.

**THE SCHEDULE.**

Consecutive No.	Tariff Item.	Tariff Rates on Goods the Produce or Manufacture of New Zealand.
119. By inserting a new item as follows:—		
“ 119	452 Date, sealing and similar stamps, not incorporating clock (time) movements, designed for operating in the hand - - -	22½ per cent. ad val.”

**EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 5).**

That the Schedule to the *Excise Tariff 1921–1959* be amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that on and after the twenty-sixth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine, at five o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Excise be collected in pursuance of the *Excise Tariff 1921–1959* as so amended.

**THE SCHEDULE.**

Articles.	Rate of Duty.
4. By omitting the item and inserting in its stead the following item:—	
“ 4. Saccharin; salts of saccharin; chlorosaccharin; methylsaccharin; sodium cyclamate; calcium cyclamate; dulcin—	
(A) For medicinal purposes, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - -	Free
(B) Other - - - - - per lb.	20s.”

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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.

22. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Tariff Board—Reports—

Abrasive Cloths and Papers.  
 Antimony and Antimonial Products.  
 Carpenters' Planes.  
 Circuit Breakers and Switch Units.  
 Cotton Canvas and Duck.  
 Electrically Operated Cloth-cutting Machines.  
 Electrically Operated Human Hair Clipping Machines.  
 Flax Fibre.  
 Marking and Stamping Devices.  
 Mosquito Repellents.  
 Passenger Type Motor Cars.  
 Plain Clear Sheet Glass.  
 Radiants.  
 Shipbuilding Industry.  
 Slide Viewers, Slide Projectors and Bulb Type Flash Guns.  
 Waterproofed Cotton Piece Goods and Waterproofed Canvas and Duck.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

23. CUSTOMS TARIFF VALIDATION BILL 1959.—Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to provide for the Validation of Collections of Duties of Customs under Customs Tariff Proposals.

Question—put and passed.

Bill brought up, and read a first time.

Mr. Osborne moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

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

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. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

24. EXCISE TARIFF VALIDATION BILL 1959.—Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to provide for the Validation of Collections of Duties of Excise under Excise Tariff Proposals.

Question—put and passed.

Bill brought up, and read a first time.

Mr. Osborne moved, by leave, 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.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

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25. COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION 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—  
Debated resumed.

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Debate continued.

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

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 and 2, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 3—

Mr. C. R. Cameron moved, That the clause be omitted, and the following clause be inserted in place thereof:—

“ 3. Section eleven of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead:—

‘ 11.—(1.) Where a worker sustains personal injury arising out of or in the course of his employment, the Commonwealth shall, subject to the next succeeding sub-section, pay the cost of such medical treatment in relation to the injury as is reasonably necessary.

‘ (2.) The sum for which the Commonwealth is liable under the last preceding sub-section is such sum as the Commissioner considers reasonably appropriate to the medical treatment afforded, having regard to the reasonable necessity for such treatment and the customary charge made in the community for such treatment.

‘ (3.) Where any compensation is payable by the Commonwealth under this Act to, or in respect of, a worker, any payment under this section shall be in addition to that compensation.

‘ (4.) Where, for the purpose of medical treatment, in relation to which the preceding sub-sections apply, a worker incurs expenses on account of travelling or living away from home, including the expenses of an attendant where that is reasonably necessary, he shall be reimbursed for such amount of that expense as the Commissioner considers reasonable and necessarily incurred.’ ”.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the clause proposed to be omitted stand part of the Bill—put.

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

AYES, 52.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cash	Mr. Fox	Mr. Joske	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Chaney	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Snedden
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Freeth	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Aston	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Halbert	Mr. King	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davis	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Downer	Mr. Holt	Mr. McCole	
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howse	Mr. McMahon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howson	Mr. Murray	
Mr. Browne	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Bury	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 30.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clay	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Cope	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Costa	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Davies	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Uren	
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Ward	
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 4—

Mr. Cameron moved, That the clause be omitted, and the following clause be inserted in place thereof:—

“ 4. Section thirteen of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by omitting sub-section (1.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-section:—

‘ (1.) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, the amount of compensation payable in respect of an injury or injuries caused by any one injury shall not, except as provided by this section, exceed an amount calculated by multiplying the worker's award rate by two hundred and sixty, but in so calculating that amount any amount by which the worker's award rate exceeds £25 per week shall be disregarded. If no Award rate is applicable, the amount shall be calculated by multiplying the worker's weekly wage at the date of his injury (but disregarding any amount in excess of £25 per week) by two hundred and sixty.’; and

(b) by inserting in sub-section (2.) after the words ‘ results in ’ the words ‘ or materially contributes to ’.”.

Debate ensued,

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Question—That the clause proposed to be omitted stand part of the Bill—put.  
The Committee divided (The Temporary Chairman, Mr. Lucock, in the Chair)—

AYES, 54.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cash	Mr. Fox	Mr. Jack	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Chaney	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Joske	Mr. Snedden
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Aston	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Halbert	Mr. King	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Townley
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Turner
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Downer	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Holt	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Howse	Mr. Murray	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Browne	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Howson	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Bury	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 30.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clay	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Cope	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Costa	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Davies	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Uren	
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Ward	
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 5—

Mr. Cameron moved the following amendment :—Page 3, line 25, after “ amended ” insert “ (a) by omitting the word ‘ accident ’ (wherever occurring) in sub-section (1.) and inserting in its stead the word ‘ injury ’; and (b) ”.

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 6 and 7, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 8—

Mr. Cameron moved the following amendment:—Page 5, omit paragraph (b), insert the following paragraph:—

“ (b) by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section:—

‘ (2.) After any person affected by any determination of the Commissioner has appealed against the determination, the Commissioner shall not, without the consent of the person affected, alter, amend or revoke the determination.’ ”.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the paragraph proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

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

AYES, 49.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Turner
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Davis	Mr. Holt	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Aston	Mr. Downer	Mr. Howse	Mr. Murray	
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howson	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pearce	
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Robertson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bury	Mr. Fox	Mr. Joske	Mr. Snedden	
Mr. Cash	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Freeth	Mr. King	Mr. Timson	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Chresby	Mr. Halbert	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Townley	

NOES, 27.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clay	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cope	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Costa	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Uren	Mr. Duthie
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Davies	Mr. Makin	Mr. Ward	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 9—

Mr. Cameron moved, That the clause be omitted, and the following clause be inserted in place thereof:—

“ 9. The First Schedule to the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by omitting paragraph (1.) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:—

‘ (1.) The amount of compensation shall be—

(a) where the death of the employee results from or is materially contributed to by the injury—

(i) if the employee leaves any dependants wholly dependent upon his earnings, an amount calculated by multiplying the worker’s award rate by two hundred and sixty, but in so calculating that amount any amount by which the worker’s

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award rate exceeds £25 shall be disregarded. If no award rate is applicable, the special compensation shall be an amount calculated by multiplying the worker's weekly wage at the date of his injury (but disregarding any amount in excess of £25 per week) by two hundred and sixty and, in addition, an amount of one hundred pounds in respect of each child who, being a dependant under the age of 16 years at the date of either the injury or the death of the employee, was at the date of the injury wholly or mainly dependent on the earnings of the employee;

(ii) if the employee does not leave any dependants wholly dependent upon his earnings, but leaves dependants in part dependent upon his earnings—such sum, not exceeding in any case the amount payable under clause (i) of this sub-paragraph as is considered by the Commissioner to be reasonable and proportionate to the injury; and

(iii) such sum as is necessary for the cost of the employee's funeral, burial or cremation;

(b) where the employee is totally incapacitated for work by the injury—a weekly payment during his incapacity equal to the worker's award rate up to £25 per week. If no award rate is applicable, the weekly payment shall be an amount equal to the worker's weekly wage at the date of his injury (but disregarding any amount in excess of £25 per week); and

(c) where the employee is partially incapacitated for work by the injury—a weekly payment during his incapacity—

(i) of the amount—(if any) by which the weekly amount he is earning, or is able to earn in some suitable employment or business, after the injury is less than his weekly pay at the date of the injury; or

(ii) of the amount (if any) by which the weekly amount he is earning, or is able to earn in some suitable employment or business, after the injury is less than the weekly amount that would have been payable to him under paragraph (b) of this paragraph, if he had been totally incapacitated,

whichever is the greater.';

(b) by omitting sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph (1A.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-paragraph:—

'(a) Where death results from or is materially contributed to by the injury, any amount paid or payable before the death of the employee by way of weekly payments in respect of his total or partial incapacity for work shall not be deducted from the sum payable under clause (i) of sub-paragraph (a) of that paragraph, or shall be disregarded in determining the sum payable under clause (ii) of that sub-paragraph, as the case may be;'; and

(c) by omitting clause (iii) of sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (1A.)."

Debate ensued.

Question—That the clause proposed to be omitted stand part of the Bill—put.

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

**AYES, 52.**

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Chaney	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Freeth	Mr. King	Mr. Timson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Halbert	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Townley
Mr. Aston	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Downer	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McCollm	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Holt	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howse	Mr. Murray	
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Howson	Mr. Osborne	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Browne	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Bury	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Cash	Mr. Fox	Mr. Joske	Mr. Snedden	

**NOES, 26.**

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clay	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cope	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Costa	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Uren	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Davies	Mr. Makin	Mr. Ward	
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Clause 10—

Mr. Cameron moved, That the clause be omitted, and the following clause be inserted in place thereof:—

“ 10. The Third Schedule to the Principal Act is repealed and the following Schedule inserted in its stead:—

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Section 12.

COMPENSATION FOR SPECIFIED INJURIES.

Nature of Injury.	Percentage of Special Compensation.
<i>Eye Injuries—</i>	
Loss of both eyes .. .. .	100
Loss of an only useful eye, the other being blind or absent .. .. .	100
Loss of one eye, with serious diminution of the sight of the other .. .. .	90
Loss of one eye .. .. .	50
Loss of binocular vision .. .. .	40
<i>Hearing Injuries—</i>	
Total loss of hearing .. .. .	75
Complete deafness in one ear .. .. .	33½
<i>Arm Injuries—</i>	
Loss of right arm or greater part of right arm .. .. .	97
Loss of lower part of right arm .. .. .	85
Loss of right arm or the five fingers of the right arm .. .. .	85
Loss of left arm or the greater part of left arm .. .. .	95
Loss of lower part of left arm .. .. .	82
Loss of left hand or the five fingers of left hand .. .. .	82
<i>Hand Injuries—</i>	
Loss of both hands .. .. .	100
Loss of right thumb .. .. .	35
Loss of left thumb .. .. .	33½
Loss of right forefinger .. .. .	25
Loss of left forefinger .. .. .	23
Loss of right middle finger .. .. .	16
Loss of left middle finger .. .. .	15
Loss of right ring finger .. .. .	14
Loss of left ring finger .. .. .	13
Loss of right little finger .. .. .	14
Loss of left little finger .. .. .	13
Loss of total movement of joint of right thumb .. .. .	35
Loss of total movement of joint of left thumb .. .. .	33½
Loss of joint of right thumb .. .. .	22
Loss of joint of left thumb .. .. .	21
Loss of portion of terminal segment of right thumb involving one-third of its flexor surface without loss of joint .. .. .	35
Loss of portion of terminal segment of left thumb involving one-third of its flexor surface without loss of joint .. .. .	33
Loss of two joints of right forefinger .. .. .	20
Loss of distal joint of right forefinger .. .. .	14
Loss of two joints of left forefinger .. .. .	18
Loss of distal joint of left forefinger .. .. .	13
Loss of two joints of right middle finger .. .. .	13
Loss of two joints of left middle finger .. .. .	12
Loss of two joints of right ring finger .. .. .	13
Loss of two joints of left ring finger .. .. .	12
Loss of two joints of right middle finger .. .. .	13
Loss of two joints of left middle finger .. .. .	12
Loss of distal joint of right middle finger or ring finger or little finger .. .. .	11
Loss of distal joint of left middle finger or ring finger or little finger .. .. .	10
<i>Leg Injuries—</i>	
Loss of leg above the knee .. .. .	90
Loss of leg below the knee .. .. .	77
<i>Foot Injuries—</i>	
Loss of both feet .. .. .	100
Loss of one foot .. .. .	75
Loss of great toe .. .. .	23
Loss of joint of great toe .. .. .	13
Loss of any toe other than great toe .. .. .	10
Loss of two joints of any toe other than great toe .. .. .	8
Loss of joint of any toe other than great toe .. .. .	7
<i>Other Injuries—</i>	
Loss of speech .. .. .	52
Loss of or the loss of the use of any other faculty, organ or part of the body not covered elsewhere in this Act .. .. .	Percentage to be determined by independent medical referee.".

Debate ensued.

Question—That the clause proposed to be omitted stand part of the Bill—put.

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

## AYES, 51.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Chaney	Mr. Freeth	Mr. King	Mr. Timson
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Halbert	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Turner
Mr. Aston	Mr. Davis	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Downer	Mr. Holt	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howse	Mr. Murray	
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howson	Mr. Osborne	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Browne	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Bury	Mr. Fox	Mr. Joske	Mr. Snedden	
Mr. Casey	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stokes	

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Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clay	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cope	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Costa	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Uren	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Davies	Mr. Makin	Mr. Ward	
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam	
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 11 agreed to.

*Proposed new clauses—*

Mr. Cameron moved, by leave, That the following new clauses be inserted in the Bill:—

“ 2A. Section four of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by omitting the definition of ‘ disease ’ and inserting in its stead the following definition:—  
 “ ‘ disease ’ includes any physical or mental ailment or disease, disorder, defect or morbid condition, whether of sudden or gradual development, and also includes the aggravation, acceleration or recurrence of a pre-existing disease as aforesaid; ’ ;  
 and

(b) by omitting the definition of ‘ injury ’ and inserting in its stead the following definition:—  
 “ ‘ injury ’ means any physical or mental injury or disease and includes the aggravation, acceleration or recurrence of a pre-existing injury or disease as aforesaid; ’ ”.

“ 2B. Section nine of the Principal Act is amended by omitting the words ‘ by accident ’ from sub-section (1). ”.

“ 2C. Section nine A of the Principal Act is amended by omitting sub-section (1.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-section:—

‘ (1.) Without limiting the generality of the provisions of sub-section (1.) of section nine of this Act, an injury to an employee shall be deemed to arise out of or in the course of his employment by the Commonwealth if the injury occurs—

(a) while the employee on any working day on which he has attended at his place of employment pursuant to his contract of employment—

- (i) is present at his place of employment; or
- (ii) having been so present, is temporarily absent therefrom on that day during any ordinary recess and does not during any such absence voluntarily subject himself to any abnormal risk of injury; or

(b) while the employee is travelling to or from—

- (i) his employment by the Commonwealth including any school in relation to which sub-section (2.) of the last preceding section applies; or
- (ii) any place which it is necessary for him to attend to obtain a medical certificate or to receive medical treatment or compensation in respect of a previous injury.’ ”.

“ 3A. Section twelve of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead:—

‘ 12.—(1.) Where an injury sustained by a worker arising out of or in the course of his employment is an injury specified in the first column of the Third Schedule to this Act a lump sum of compensation equal to the percentage of special compensation specified, in relation to that injury, in the second column of that Schedule is, subject to this Act, payable to the worker.

‘ (2.) For the purpose of the last preceding sub-section, special compensation is an amount calculated by multiplying the worker’s award rate by two hundred and sixty, but in so calculating that amount any amount by which the worker’s award rate exceeds £25 per week shall be disregarded. If no award rate is applicable, the special compensation shall be an amount calculated by multiplying the worker’s weekly wage at the date of his injury (but disregarding any amount in excess of £25 per week) by two hundred and sixty.

‘ (3.) For the purposes of this section and the Third Schedule to this Act, the permanent loss of the efficient use of a joint, limb or member shall be deemed to be the loss of that joint, limb or member.



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' (4.) Where before the injury the worker habitually used his left hand and arm to perform his work and that work is usually performed by a person with his right hand and arm, the compensation payable to the worker under this section is—

(a) for the loss of his left arm or any part of his left arm—the amount prescribed by sub-section (1.) of this section as payable to a worker for a similar loss in respect of his right arm; and

(b) for the loss of his right arm or any part of his right arm—the amount prescribed by sub-section (1.) of this section as payable to a worker for a similar loss in respect of his left arm.

' (5.) Where an injury sustained by a worker arising out of or in the course of his employment is the partial but permanent loss of speech, eyesight or hearing, or of the use of a faculty, organ, limb, member or joint, a lump sum of compensation equivalent to such percentage of the amount of compensation payable under sub-section (1.) of this section in respect of total loss of a similar nature as is equal to the percentage of the diminution of the efficiency of the faculty, organ or part of the body concerned is, subject to this Act, payable to the worker.

' (6.) Where an injury sustained by a worker arising out of or in the course of his employment is the partial and incurable loss of his mental powers, or the partial and incurable paralysis of, or damage to, any part of his body not otherwise covered by the preceding provisions of this section, such worker may elect to accept a lump sum of compensation, assessed according to the percentage of the diminution of the worker's full earning capacity in respect of work of the nature of that in which he was employed at the time of the injury, is, subject to this Act, payable to the worker. For the purpose of this sub-section, the value of the worker's full earning capacity shall be assessed as if it were special compensation as provided in this section.

' (7.) Where an injury sustained by a worker arising out of or in the course of his employment is a severe facial disfigurement, or permanent, partial or total loss of the use of any part of the body, a lump sum of compensation, assessed according to the degree of the severity of the injury, shall, subject to this Act, be payable to the worker.

' (8.) Where a worker sustains more than one injury in relation to which this section applies, he is entitled to payment of a lump sum of compensation equal to the aggregate of each lump sum payable under the preceding provisions of this section in respect of each of those injuries.'.

" 5A. Section seventeen A of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from sub-section (1.) the words ' by accident '."

Debate ensued.

Proposed new clauses negatived.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service), 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.

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

25th November, 1959—*Message—*

No. 92—Canning-Fruit Charge 1959 (*without requests*).

No. 93—Canning-Fruit Charge (Administration) 1959.

26th November, 1959, a.m.—*Message—*

No. 94—Canned Fruit (Sales Promotion) 1959.

No. 95—Canned Fruits Export Control 1959.

No. 96—Income Tax and Social Services Contribution Assessment (No. 3) 1959.

No. 97—Income Tax and Social Services Contribution (Non-resident Dividends) 1959 (*without requests*).

No. 98—Income Tax and Social Services Contribution (No. 2) 1959 (*without requests*).

No. 99—Income Tax (International Agreements) 1959.

27. SEAMEN'S COMPENSATION 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.*)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

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The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

28. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty minutes past three o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Cleaver, Mr. Daly, Mr. Dean, Mr. Drury, Mr. Failes, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Peters\*, Mr. Riordan\* and Mr. Swartz.

\* On leave.

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