

1962.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 2.

WEDNESDAY, 21ST FEBRUARY, 1962.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir John McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were answered.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Bankruptcy Act—Thirty-third Annual Report by the Attorney-General, for year 1960–61.
 Commonwealth Railways Act—Report by Commonwealth Railways Commissioner, for year 1960–61.
 Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Crown Lands Ordinance—Statement of reasons for resumption of part of the Arnhem Land Aboriginal Reserve.
 Public Service Act—Appointment—Repatriation Department—J. T. Wheeler.
4. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent Government Business being entered upon before the Address in Reply is adopted.
 Question—put and passed.
5. WAYS AND MEANS.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty.
 Question—put and passed.
6. WAYS AND MEANS—SALES TAX.—The House then resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved—

1. That, on and after the seventh day of February, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-two, the rate of sales tax in respect of goods covered by the Fourth Schedule to the *Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1935–1961* be 12½ per centum.
 2. That, on and after the seventh day of February, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-two, the rate of sales tax in respect of goods covered by the Fifth Schedule to the *Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1935–1961* be 22½ per centum.
- Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

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

7. SALES TAX (EXEMPTIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS) BILL 1962.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to repeal the Fourth Schedule to the *Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1935–1961*.
 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 adjourned (Mr. Beazley), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
8. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—COMMONWEALTH BANKS BILL 1962.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General:—

DE L'ISLE,

*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 increase the Capital of the Commonwealth Development Bank of Australia by the sum of Five million pounds.

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

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(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 increase the Capital of the Commonwealth Development Bank of Australia by the sum of Five million pounds.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

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.

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

Bill brought up by Mr. Holt, and read a first time.

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

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

9. ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S SPEECH.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question—That the following Address in Reply to the Speech of His Excellency the Governor-General be agreed to:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

We, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign, and to thank Your Excellency for the Speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament—

Debate resumed.

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

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Freeth (Minister for the Interior) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Closure.—Mr. Chaney moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Sir John McLeay, in the Chair)—

AYES, 59.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Forbes	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Snedden
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Davis	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Dean	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. King	Mr. Swartz
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Downer	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drury	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. England	Mr. Holt	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Bury	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Holten	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Chipp	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howson	Mr. McNeill	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Mr. Nixon	Mr. Chaney
Mr. Cockle	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jess	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Turnbull

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Mr. Armitage	Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Russell
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Costa	Mr. Gray	Mr. Makin	Mr. Sexton
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McGuren	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Crean	Mr. Hansen	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cross	Mr. Harding	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Uren
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Monaghan	Mr. Ward
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Daly	Mr. Hayden	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Webb
Mr. D. J. Cameron	Mr. Davies	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Clark	Mr. Einfeld	Mr. James	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Clay	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Coutts
Mr. Collard	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Comber	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Riordan	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-seven minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Bird.

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