

1962.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 3.

THURSDAY, 22ND FEBRUARY, 1962.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.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. RE-DISTRIBUTION OF STATES INTO ELECTORAL DIVISIONS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Freeth (Minister for the Interior), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House that, following the issue by the Commonwealth Electoral Officer of a Certificate of the numbers of the people of the Commonwealth and of the several States at the 30th June, 1961, and a Determination of the number of Members of the House of Representatives to be chosen in the several States, the Government had decided that a re-distribution be effected in all States and that the appointment of Distribution Commissioners for each State was under consideration.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 - Commonwealth Telegraphs Agreement—Commonwealth Telecommunications Board—Tenth General Report for 1960, and Statement of Accounts for year ended 31st March, 1960.
 - Representation Act—Determination, made by the Chief Electoral Officer, of the Representation of the States in the House of Representatives, dated 22nd December, 1961.
 The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Norfolk Island Act—Ordinances—1962—
 - No. 1—Conveyancing.
 - No. 2—Registration of Births, Marriages, and Deaths.
 - Representation Act—Certificate of the Chief Electoral Officer of the Numbers of the People of the Commonwealth and of the several States as at 30th June, 1961.
5. TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.—The following Warrant nominating Temporary Chairmen of Committees, pursuant to Standing Order No. 17, was laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:—

The Parliament of the Commonwealth.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order numbered 17, I do hereby nominate—
 Wilfred John Brimblecombe, Esquire,
 Edward Nigel Drury, Esquire,
 Laurence John Failes, Esquire,
 Charles William Jackson Falkinder, Esquire,
 The Honorable William Crawford Haworth, and
 Ewen Daniel Mackinnon, Esquire,
 to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees when requested so to do by the Chairman of Committees.
 Given under my hand this twenty-second day of February, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-two.

J. McLEAY,
Speaker.

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6. SOCIAL SERVICES BILL 1962.—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. A. D. Fraser 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 redrafted to include provision for the rate of unemployment and sickness benefit for an adult and for a married minor to be increased to the rate of the age and invalid pension, and that the Government present the redrafted Bill to the House this day”.

Debate continued.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Anthony), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

7. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENTS (NOS. 1 TO 5) AND CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (NO. 1).—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

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

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 1).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1961 be amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that the amendment operate, and be deemed to have operated, on and after the twenty-first day of November, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-one.

THE SCHEDULE.

IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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DIVISION XVI.—MISCELLANEOUS.

369. By omitting sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (6) of sub-item (c) and inserting in its stead the following sub-paragraphs:—			
“ (b) Powders granules flakes lumps and similar forms other than solids redispersible in an aqueous medium ad val.	7½ per cent.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.
and, in addition, except in respect of goods in direct transit to Australia on or before 18th October, 1961, a temporary duty of	5d.	5d.	5d.
“ (c) Other - - - - - ad val.	7½ per cent.	20 per cent.	20 per cent.”

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 2).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1961, be amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals and that the amendment operate, and be deemed to have operated, on and after the eighteenth day of January, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-two.

THE SCHEDULE.

IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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DIVISION IX.—DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.

280. By inserting after sub-item (q) new sub-items as follows:—			
“ (r) Benzylpenicillin and its salts—			
(1) Having a value for duty not less than 7½d. per mega unit - - - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	7½ per cent.
(2) Other - - - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	7½ per cent.
and, in addition, except in respect of goods in direct transit to Australia on or before 12th December, 1961, a temporary duty as follows:—			
for each ½d. or part thereof by which the value for duty is less than 7½d. per mega unit - - - - - per mega unit	½d.	½d.	½d.

THE SCHEDULE—*continued.*
IMPORT DUTIES—*continued.*

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
Division IX.—Drugs and Chemicals—<i>continued.</i>			
280— <i>continued.</i>			
“ (s) Phenoxymethylpenicillin and its salts—			
(1) Having a value for duty not less than 1s. 4d. per gram calculated as free acid - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	7½ per cent.
(2) Other - - - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	7½ per cent.
and, in addition, except in respect of goods in direct transit to Australia on or before 12th December, 1961, a temporary duty as follows:—			
for each 1d. or part thereof by which the value for duty is less than 1s. 4d. per gram calculated as free acid - - - per gram calculated as free acid	1d.	1d.	1d.
“ (t) Streptomycin sulphate—			
(1) Having a value for duty not less than 1s. per gram - - - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	7½ per cent.
(2) Other - - - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	7½ per cent.
and, in addition, except in respect of goods in direct transit to Australia on or before 12th December, 1961, a temporary duty as follows:—			
for each 1d. or part thereof by which the value for duty is less than 1s. per gram per gram	1d.	1d.	1d.”
285. By omitting sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:—			
“ (A) Pharmaceutical preparations; patent and proprietary medicines and drugs, and other medicinal preparations, excepting insulin; medicinal extracts other than liver extracts; essences; juices; infusions; tinctures; solutions; emulsions; confections; syrups; pills, tablets and the like; capsules; cachets; suppositories; pessaries n.e.i.; poultices; salves; cerates; ointments; liniments; lotions; pastes and the like; medicinal waters not elsewhere specified; compounded medicinal oils; medicines for animals—			
(1) Benzylpenicillin and its salts; phenoxymethylpenicillin and its salts; streptomycin sulphate; admixtures of streptomycin sulphate with benzylpenicillin or its salts or with phenoxymethylpenicillin or its salts ad val. and additional duties as follows:—	17½ per cent.	32½ per cent.	35 per cent.
if spirituous—			
if containing not more than 20 per cent. of proof spirit - - - per gallon	5s.	6s.	6s.
and for every additional 20 per cent. or fraction thereof of proof spirit - - - per gallon	5s.	6s.	6s.
and, whether spirituous or not, except in respect of goods in direct transit to Australia on or before 12th December, 1961, a temporary duty of - - - - - ad val.	12½ per cent.	12½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(2) Other - - - - - ad val.	17½ per cent.	32½ per cent.	35 per cent.
with an additional duty if spirituous as follows:—			
if containing not more than 20 per cent. of proof spirit - - - per gallon	5s.	6s.	6s.
and for every additional 20 per cent. or fraction thereof of proof spirit - - - per gallon	5s.	6s.	6s.”

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CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 3).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933-1961 be amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that the amendment operate, and be deemed to have operated, on and after the twenty-sixth day of January, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-two.

THE SCHEDULE.
IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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DIVISION V.—TEXTILES, FELTS AND FURS, AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF AND ATTIRE.

104. By inserting after sub-item (G) a new sub-item as follows:— “(H) Tyre cord fabric, being loosely woven fabrics or consisting of warp of cordage loosely held together by weft threads inserted at intervals - - per lb. and ad val.	4d. 12½ per cent.	4d. 30 per cent.	4d. 35 per cent.”
105. By inserting in sub-item (D) a new paragraph as follows:— “(5) Tyre cord fabric, being loosely woven fabrics or consisting of warp of cordage loosely held together by weft threads inserted at intervals, wholly or in chief part by weight of man-made fibres - - per lb. or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.”	1s. 9d. ..	2s. 20 per cent.	2s. 6d. 30 per cent.
114. By omitting sub-item (H) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:— “(H) Bathing hats; bathing (including shower) caps - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	7½ per cent.”
122. By omitting sub-item (D).			

DIVISION VI.—METALS AND MACHINERY.

179. By omitting sub-paragraph (d) of paragraph (3) of sub-item (D). By inserting after sub-item (K) new sub-items as follows:— “(L) Electro-mechanical domestic appliances with self contained electric motor— (1) Vacuum cleaners and parts therefor - ad val. (2) Floor polishers; floor polishers combined with vacuum cleaners or floor scrubbers - ad val.	20 per cent. 20 per cent.	35 per cent. 35 per cent.	45 per cent. 45 per cent.
“(M) Vacuum cleaners and parts therefor, not covered by item 179 (L) (1) - - - - ad val.	Free	17½ per cent.	17½ per cent.”
210. By omitting sub-item (B) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:— “(B) Other - - - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	7½ per cent.”

DIVISION VIII.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND STONE.

240. By omitting from sub-item (A) the word, figures and letters “item 368 (A) (3) (a)” and inserting in their stead the words, figures and letters “item 368 (A) (3) (a) or 368 (B) (2) (a)”. By omitting paragraph (5) of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:— “(5) Of ceramic materials, whether or not glazed or enamelled, including tile biscuit— (a) In sizes of 5 inches by 2 inches (or its equivalent) and over - - - - - ad val. (b) Other - - - - - ad val.	17½ per cent. Free	27½ per cent. 7½ per cent.	40 per cent. 7½ per cent.”
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DIVISION XV.—MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

366. By inserting after sub-item (D) a new sub-item as follows:— “(E) Musical instruments of the lute class, for example, banjos, guitars, mandolins or ukuleles - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	7½ per cent.”
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THE SCHEDULE—continued.

IMPORT DUTIES—continued.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
DIVISION XVI.—MISCELLANEOUS.			
368. By inserting after sub-item (A) new sub-items as follows:— “ (B) Polymerization and copolymerization products of the styrene type— (1) Emulsions solutions pastes powders granules flakes lumps and similar forms, including moulding compounds, not covered by item 232 (E) or item 255 (B) (1); waste and scrap— (a) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws (b) Emulsions and pastes, and solids redispersible in an aqueous medium, of styrene-acrylic copolymers ad val. (c) Powders granules flakes lumps and other similar forms, including moulding compounds, but not including solids redispersible in an aqueous medium - - ad val. and, in addition, a temporary duty of per lb. (d) Waste and scrap - - ad val. (e) Other - - ad val. (2) Plates sheets strip tubes rods sticks and other profile shapes, whether or not printed polished embossed or otherwise surface worked, but not including material which has been further worked (e.g., drilled, milled, contour worked, edges bevelled, fittings attached)— (a) Flooring or wall tiles - ad val. or per square yard whichever rate returns the higher duty. (b) Other— (1) Film and sheets, printed polished embossed or otherwise surface worked - - ad val. (2) Other - - ad val. (3) Articles n.e.i. made therefrom - ad val. “ (c) Polymerization and copolymerization products of the acrylic type— (1) Emulsions solutions pastes powders granules flakes lumps and similar forms, including moulding compounds, not covered by item 232 (E) or item 255 (B) (1); waste and scrap— (a) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws (b) Emulsions and pastes, and solids redispersible in an aqueous medium ad val. (c) Waste and scrap - - ad val. (d) Other - - ad val. (2) Plates sheets strip tubes rods sticks and other profile shapes, whether or not printed polished embossed or otherwise surface worked, but not including material which has been further worked (e.g., drilled, milled, contour worked, edges bevelled, fittings attached) - - ad val. (3) Articles n.e.i. made therefrom - ad val.	Free 25 per cent. 7½ per cent. 5d. 7½ per cent. 7½ per cent. 17½ per cent. 2s. 3d. Free 7½ per cent. 30 per cent. Free 25 per cent. Free Free Free 30 per cent.	Free Free 40 per cent. 20 per cent. 5d. 20 per cent. 20 per cent. 35 per cent. 4s. 6d. 7½ per cent. 20 per cent. 47½ per cent. 7½ per cent. 7½ per cent. 47½ per cent.	Free 45 per cent. 20 per cent. 5d. 20 per cent. 20 per cent. 47½ per cent. 6s. 7½ per cent. 20 per cent. 55 per cent. Free 45 per cent. 7½ per cent. 7½ per cent. 7½ per cent. 55 per cent.”
369. By omitting paragraph (6) of sub-item (c). By omitting paragraph (6) of sub-item (D). By omitting sub-paragraph (f) of paragraph (1) of sub-item (F).			
380. By omitting sub-item (B).			
390. By inserting after sub-item (A) a new sub-item as follows:— “ (B) Tyre cord as used in the manufacture of pneumatic rubber tyres— (1) Wholly or in chief part by weight of cotton per lb. and ad val. (2) Wholly or in chief part by weight of man-made fibres - - - - - per lb. or ad val. whichever rate returns the higher duty.”	4d. 12½ per cent. 1s. 9d. ..	4d. 30 per cent. 2s. 20 per cent.	4d. 35 per cent. 2s. 6d. 30 per cent.
453. By omitting the item and inserting in its stead the following item:— “ 453. Nitrocellulose— (A) Having a nitrogen content of 12.5 per cent. or more for use as, or in the manufacture of, explosives - - - - - ad val. (B) Other - - - - - per lb. wet weight less ad val.	Free 1s. 3d. 5 per cent.	5 per cent. 1s. 3d. ..	5 per cent. 1s. 3d. ..”

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CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 4).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933-1961 be amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals and that the amendment operate, and be deemed to have operated, on and after the seventh day of February, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-two.

THE SCHEDULE.

IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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DIVISION IV.—AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND GROCERIES.

80. By omitting the item and inserting in its stead the following item:—

" 80. Onions in their natural state - - - - per ton subject to a reduction, calculated on the F.O.B. price, for each 10s. by which the F.O.B. price per ton exceeds £27, of - - - - -"	£14 10s.	£16 10s.	£16 10s.
	1 per cent.	1 per cent.	1 per cent."

DIVISION IX.—DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.

281. By omitting sub-item (E) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:—

" (E) Lactose - - - - - ad val.	12½ per cent.	32½ per cent.	32½ per cent."
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CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 5).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933-1961 be amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals and that on and after the twenty-third day of February, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-two, Duties of Customs be collected accordingly.

THE SCHEDULE.

IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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DIVISION XIV.—VEHICLES.

359. By inserting after paragraph (4) of sub-item (b) a new paragraph as follows:—

" (5) Road wheels of the disc type, in sizes known as:— 6.0 by 20 6.5 by 20 7.0 by 20 7.5 by 20 and parts therefor, whether imported separately or otherwise— (a) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws ad val. (b) Other - - - - - ad val. and, in addition, except in respect of goods which were in direct transit to Australia on or before 16th January, 1962, and which have not been entered for warehousing before 16th January, 1962, a temporary duty of ad val.	Free Free	7½ per cent. 7½ per cent.	7½ per cent. 7½ per cent.
	27½ per cent.	27½ per cent.	27½ per cent."

359. By inserting after sub-item (F) a new sub-item as follows:—

" (G) (1) Road wheels of the disc type, in sizes known as:— 6.0 by 20 6.5 by 20 7.0 by 20 7.5 by 20 and parts n.e.i. therefor— (a) As prescribed by Departmental By-laws ad val. (b) Other - - - - - ad val. and, in addition, except in respect of goods which were in direct transit to Australia on or before 16th January, 1962, and which have not been entered for warehousing before 16th January, 1962, a temporary duty of - ad val.	Free Free	7½ per cent. 7½ per cent.	7½ per cent. 7½ per cent.
	27½ per cent.	27½ per cent.	27½ per cent."

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CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (NO. 1).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) 1933-1961* be amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that the amendment operate, and be deemed to have operated, on and after the seventh day of February, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-two.

THE SCHEDULE.

Consecutive No.	Tariff Item.	Tariff Rates on Goods the Produce or Manufacture of New Zealand.
18. By omitting the item and inserting in its stead the following item:—		
" 18.	80. Onions in their natural state subject to a reduction, calculated on the F.O.B. price, for each 10s. by which the F.O.B. price per ton exceeds £27, of For the purposes of this item " F.O.B. price " means free on board price and means— (a) the amount comprising the actual money price paid or to be paid for the goods by the Australian importer plus all charges payable or ordinarily payable for placing the goods free on board at the port of export including the cost of outside packages expressed in Australian currency; or (b) in the case of goods consigned for sale in Australia, the amount which in the opinion of the Minister represents the money price which at the date of exportation of the goods would have been paid or would have been payable for the goods by an Australian importer plus all charges which would have been paid or would have been payable for placing the goods free on board at the port of export including the cost of outside packages had those goods been sold to an Australian importer expressed in Australian currency or its equivalent in Australian currency ascertained according to a fair rate of exchange at the date of exportation of the goods."	£9 10s. per ton 1 per cent.
92. By omitting the item and inserting in its stead the following item:—		
" 92.	281 (E). Lactose	Free "

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.

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

Tariff Board—

Reports—

- Bench or Table-type Knitting Machines.
- Ceramic Tiles and Tile Blanks.
- Industrial Nitrocellulose.
- Lactose.
- Musical Instruments of the Lute Class.
- Onions in their natural state.
- Plain Safety Pins.
- Portland Cement from Japan (Dumping and Subsidies).
- Rubber Bathing Caps and Hats.
- Synthetic Resins of the Styrene and Acrylic Types.
- Tyre Cord and Cord Tyre Fabrics.
- Vacuum Cleaners and Floor Polishers.

Reports of Deputy Chairman—

- Glycerine.
- Textile Handkerchiefs.

Severally ordered to be printed.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Tariff Board—Reports of Deputy Chairman—

- Penicillins and Streptomycin.
- Road Wheels other than of the Well Base or Drop Centre Rim Type.
- Styrene Polymers and Copolymers.

Severally ordered to be printed.

9. SOCIAL SERVICES BILL 1962.—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—*And on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. A. D. Fraser, viz.:*—That all words after " That " be omitted with a view to inserting the following

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words in place thereof:—" the Bill be withdrawn and redrafted to include provision for the rate of unemployment and sickness benefit for an adult and for a married minor to be increased to the rate of the age and invalid pension, and that the Government present the redrafted Bill to the House this day"—

Debate resumed.

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

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

AYES, 60.

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

NOES, 57.

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. Thompson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Crean	Mr. Hansen	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Uren
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cross	Mr. Harding	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Monaghan	Mr. Webb
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Daly	Mr. Hayden	Mr. O'Brien	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. D. J. Cameron	Mr. Davies	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Clark	Mr. Einfeld	Mr. James	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Clay	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Collard	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Coutts
Mr. Comber	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Stewart

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. Lucock reported accordingly.

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

10. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—SOCIAL SERVICES BILL 1962.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General:—

DE L'ISLE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 2.

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 *Social Services Act 1947-1961*.

Canberra, 21st February, 1962.

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

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Robertson (Minister for Social Services) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Social Services Act 1947-1961*.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

Mr. Robertson moved, That the Resolution be adopted.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

11. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Robertson (Minister for Social Services) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.

Paper.—Sir Garfield Barwick (Attorney-General), by leave, laid upon the Table the following Paper:—

Bills to increase payments out of the National Welfare Fund—Minute dated the 10th August, 1960, by the Acting Parliamentary Draftsman as to whether a Message of the Governor-General is required.

Debate continued.

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The House continuing to sit until after midnight—
FRIDAY, 23RD FEBRUARY, 1962.

Debate continued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twelve minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.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.