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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 50.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH OCTOBER, 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. ECONOMIC ENQUIRY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the Government's intention to appoint an economic enquiry committee, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper:—
Economic Enquiry—Ministerial Statement, 17th October, 1962—
and moved, That the Paper be printed.
Debate adjourned (Mr. Calwell—Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Coal Industry Act—Joint Coal Board—Fifteenth Annual Report and financial accounts, accompanied by the report of the Auditor-General of the Commonwealth, for year 1961–62.
Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determination—1962—No. 41—
Professional Musicians' Union of Australia.
5. TARIFF BOARD BILL (No. 2) 1962.—Mr. McEwen (Minister for Trade) moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Tariff Board Act 1921–1960*, as amended by the *Tariff Board Act 1962*.
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. Pollard), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
6. AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY ELECTRICITY SUPPLY BILL 1962.—Mr. Freeth (Minister for the Interior) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to establish an Authority to Supply Electricity in the Australian Capital Territory, and for related purposes.
Question—put and passed.
Bill brought up, and read a first time.
Mr. Freeth moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr. Luchetti), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
7. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES 1962–63.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Vote—"Department of Health, £4,593,000"—

Vote—"Department of Social Services, £7,596,000"—

Vote—"War and Repatriation Services, £110,701,000"—

Vote—"Part 4.—Payments to or for the States—Department of Health, £400,000"—

Votes together debated.

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

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The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—AIR NAVIGATION (CHARGES) BILL 1962.—Mr. Speaker reported the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 62.

The Senate has passed a Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Air Navigation (Charges) Act 1952–1960’* ”, and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

A. M. McMULLIN,
President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 17th October, 1962.

On the motion of Mr. Robertson (Minister for Social Services), the Bill was read a first time.

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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

Debate ensued

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-nine minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., 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. Beazley*, Mr. Brimblecombe*, Mr. D. J. Cameron, Mr. Davies*, Mr. James*, Mr. McIvor*, Mr. Sexton and Mr. Stokes.

* On leave.

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