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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 113.

THURSDAY, 17TH OCTOBER, 1963.

- 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. PETITION.—Mr. Mortimer presented a Petition from certain citizens of the Commonwealth praying that the Government remove section 127, and the words discriminating against Aborigines in section 51, of the Commonwealth Constitution, by the holding of a referendum at an early date. Petition received.
- 3. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were answered.
- 4. PAPERS .- The following Papers were presented, pursuant to statute-
 - Broadcasting and Television Act-
 - Australian Broadcasting Commission—Thirty-first Annual Report and financial statement, for year 1962–63.
 - Australian Broadcasting Control Board-Fifteenth Annual Report and financial statement, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1962-63.
- 5. FLOOD MITIGATION IN NEW SOUTH WALES—STATEMENT BY MEMBER.—Mr. Calwell (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, made a Statement with reference to the decision of the Government to provide financial assistance for flood mitigation in New South Wales. Mr. McEwen (Minister for Trade), by leave, also made a Statement with reference to the matter.
- 6. POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICES.—Ordered—That Notices Nos. 1 and 2, Government Business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
- 7. CURRENCY BILL 1963.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to Currency, Coinage and Legal Tender.
 - Bill read a first time.
 - Mr. Holt moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
 - Ordered-That Mr. Holt be granted an extension of time.
 - Debate adjourned (Mr. Crean), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
- INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTION) BILL 1963.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to approve the payment by Australia of an Additional Contribution to the International Development Association.
 Bill 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.

- LOAN BILL 1963.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to Authorize the Raising and Expending of a sum for Defence Purposes. Bill 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.

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- 10. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 1, Government Business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
- 11. CRIMES (AIRCRAFT) BILL 1963—SENATE'S AMENDMENTS.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the Amendments made by the Senate.

(In the Committee.)

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE.

No. 1.—Page 6, clause 18, line 40, after "Commonwealth aircraft" insert "(not being an aircraft that is being used for commercial transport operations)".

No. 2.-Page 8, clause 21, at end of clause add the following sub-clauses:-

- "(2.) Notwithstanding that a consent has not been given in relation to the offence in accordance with the last preceding sub-section---
 - (a) a person may be charged with an offence against this Act;
 - (b) a person may be arrested for such an offence, and a warrant for such an arrest may be issued and executed; and
 - (c) a person so charged may be remanded in custody or on bail,

but no further step in proceedings of a kind referred to in that sub-section shall be taken in relation to the offence until such a consent has been obtained.

"(3.) Nothing in the last preceding sub-section shall prevent the discharging of the accused if proceedings are not continued within a reasonable time.".

On the motion of Mr. Freeth (Acting Attorney-General), the Amendments were agreed to, after debate. Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr. Freeth, the House adopted the Report.

- 12. STEVEDORING INDUSTRY BILL 1963.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bill be now read a second time—
 - Debate resumed.

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service), the Bill was read a third time.

13. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILLS.—A Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:—

16th October, 1963-Message No. 97-

Customs 1963.

Excise 1963.

- 14. CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS NOS. 92 AND 93 AND CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) PROPOSALS No. 18.—Mr. Fairhall (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved— Customs Tariff Proposals New 92 and 92 and 92 and
 - Customs Tariff Proposals Nos. 92 and 93; and
 - Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) Proposals No. 18.
 - Debate adjourned (Mr. Riordan), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
- 15. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Tariff Board--Reports--

Ceramic flooring and wall tiles.

Sunglasses, spectacle frames, etc.

Severally ordered to be printed.

The following Paper was presented, pursuant to statute-

Tariff Board Act-Special Advisory Authority-Report-Canned fish.

Ordered to be printed.

16. APPROPRIATION BILL 1963-64.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Second Schedule—
Ordered—That the following proposed expenditures be now taken, and considered together:—
Department of Social Services, £8,986,000—
War and Repatriation Services, £123,035,000—
Proposed expenditures debated and agreed to.

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

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

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- 17. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE-AIR NAVIGATION (CHARGES) BILL 1963 .- Mr. Speaker reported Message No. 178, dated 16th October, 1963, from the Senate transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for "An Act relating to Charges in respect of Commonwealth Air Navigation Facilities and Services". Bill read a first time.
 - Mr. Fairbairn (Minister representing the Minister for Civil Aviation) 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.
- 18. PAPER.-The following Paper was presented, pursuant to statute-
 - Australian Universities Commission Act-Australian Universities Commission-Second Report on Australian Universities, 1961-1966.
- 19. UNIVERSITIES (FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE) AND STATES GRANTS (UNIVERSITIES) (NO. 2) BILLS 1963.—Sir Robert Menzies (Prime Minister), pursuant to notice, presented the following Bills together, by leave:-
 - A Bill for an Act to make provision for the grant of Financial Assistance to the States in connexion with Universities, and
 - A Bill for an Act to amend section nine of the States Grants (Universities) Act 1960-1962, as amended by the States Grants (Universities) Act 1963.

Bills read a first time

Sir Robert Menzies moved, by leave, That the Bills 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.
- 20. DRIED FRUITS INDUSTRY-MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.-Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the Government's proposals for the stabilization of the Dried Fruits Industry.

Mr. Pollard, by leave, also made a Statement with reference to the matter. Mr. Turnbull asked leave to make a Statement in connexion with the matter.

- Objection being raised, leave not granted.
- 21. APPROPRIATION BILL 1963-64.-The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Second Schedule-

Debate ensued.

Ordered-That the following proposed expenditures be considered together:-Department of Immigration, £13,246,000-

Department of Labour and National Service, £3,043,000-

Proposed expenditures debated and agreed to.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly. Ordered—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

22. ADJOURNMENT.-Mr. Downer (Minister for Immigration) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight-

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Debate continued. Question-put and passed.

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

Customs Tariff-Order-Customs (Intermediate Tariff) No. 124.

Customs Tariff (Primage Duties)—Order—Customs Tariff (Primage Duties) No. 154.

Northern Territory (Administration) Act-Ordinances-1963-

No. 69—Valuation of Land. No. 71—Maintenance Recovery (Reciprocity with States).

Public Service Act-Appointment-Attorney-General's Department-K. T. Dobson.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Barnard, Sir Garfield Barwick, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. Chaney*, Mr. Davis, Mr. A. D. Fraser*, Mr. Kearney, Mr. Townley and Mr. Turner*.

• On leave.

A. G. TURNER,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

PAPERS.—The following Papers were deemed to have been presented on the 17th October, 1963, pursuant to statute-