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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 116.

THURSDAY, 24TH 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. PETITIONS.—Petitions 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, were presented by Mr. Hansen and Mr. Hayden.
Petitions severally received.
3. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were answered.
4. QUEEN ELIZABETH II FELLOWSHIPS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Sir Robert Menzies (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to the scheme to be established by the Government for post-doctoral fellowships in the physical and biological sciences to be known as the Queen Elizabeth II Fellowships, and announced the appointment of the Queen Elizabeth Fellowships Committee which was being established to consider applications for fellowships and to administer awards.
5. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to statute—
Medical Research Endowment Act—National Health and Medical Research Council—Twenty-fifth Annual Report, for 1962.
6. STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—REPORT.—Mr. Speaker (Chairman) brought up from the Standing Orders Committee a Report on the suggested alterations of Standing Orders referred to the Committee by Order of the House on 1st May, 1963.
Ordered to be printed.
Ordered—That the consideration of the Report be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
7. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Davidson (Postmaster-General) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Monday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.
Question—put and passed.
8. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—A Message from the Senate was reported acquainting the House that the Senate had agreed to the Amendment made by the House in the following Bill:—24th October, 1963, a.m.—*Message No. 183—Blowering Water Storage Works Agreement 1963.*
9. POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICES.—Ordered—That Notices Nos. 1 and 2, Government Business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
10. CURRENCY 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 by Mr. Crean who moved, as an amendment, That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:—"this House, whilst supporting the proposed introduction of decimal currency, considers that a decision as to the monetary unit and money denominations should not be made until the people of Australia have had an opportunity, during the forthcoming General Election campaign, to make known their opinions and that, accordingly, further consideration of the proposals should be deferred until the meeting of the new Parliament".
Debate continued.
Amendment negatived.

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Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
Message from the Governor-General.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of Message No. 102, dated 17th October, 1963, from His Excellency the Governor-General recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

11. UNIVERSITIES (FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE) AND STATES GRANTS (UNIVERSITIES) (NO. 2) BILLS 1963.—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the question, That the Bills be now read a second time—

Debate resumed.

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

Messages from the Governor-General.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General—

No. 103, dated 17th October, 1963, recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Universities (Financial Assistance) Bill 1963, and

No. 104, dated 17th October, 1963, recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the States Grants (Universities) Bill (No. 2) 1963.

Bills, by leave, during remaining stages to be considered together.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Universities (Financial Assistance) Bill 1963—

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

Clause 3—

Mr. Jones moved, That the clause be postponed.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

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

States Grants (Universities) Bill (No. 2) 1963, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bills to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Downer (Minister for Immigration), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bills were together read a third time.

12. ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Sir Robert Menzies (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to Royal Australian Air Force development and informed the House of arrangements made with the United States of America for the re-equipment of Australia's bomber squadrons.

Mr. Whitlam, by leave, also made a Statement with reference to the matter.

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

24th October, 1963—*Message*—

No. 184—Loan 1963.

No. 185—International Development Association (Additional Contribution) 1963.

14. SUPERANNUATION BILL 1963.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act relating to Superannuation.

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.

15. BROADCASTING AND TELEVISION BILL 1963.—Mr. Davidson (Postmaster-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Broadcasting and Television Act 1942–1962* in relation to Television Translator Stations.

Bill read a first time.

Mr. Davidson moved, 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.

16. DEFENCE (VISITING FORCES) BILL 1963.—Sir Garfield Barwick (Attorney-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to make provision with respect to Naval, Military and Air Forces of other countries visiting Australia, and for other purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Sir Garfield Barwick moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

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17. **WHEAT INDUSTRY STABILIZATION BILL 1963.**—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the Stabilization of the Wheat Industry.
Bill read a first time.
Mr. Adermann moved, 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.
18. **WHEAT EXPORT CHARGE BILL 1963.**—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) presented a Bill for an Act to impose a Charge on Wheat and Wheat Products exported from the Commonwealth.
Bill read a first time.
Mr. Adermann moved, 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.
19. **RAW COTTON BOUNTY BILL 1963.**—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the Payment of Bounty on the Production of certain Raw Cotton sold for use in Australia and for other purposes.
Bill read a first time.
Mr. Adermann moved, 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.
20. **DAIRY PRODUCE EXPORT CONTROL BILL 1963.**—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Dairy Produce Export Control Act 1924–1962*.
Bill read a first time.
Mr. Adermann moved, 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.
21. **DAIRY PRODUCE RESEARCH AND SALES PROMOTION BILL 1963.**—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Dairy Produce Research and Sales Promotion Act 1958*.
Bill read a first time.
Mr. Adermann moved, 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.
22. **INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION 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. Holt (Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.
The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

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23. **INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION ASSESSMENT BILL (No. 2) 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—
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 14, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 15—

Mr. Pollard moved the following amendment:—Page 16, lines 5–7, omit “ ‘ new ’ means not having previously been either used by any person or acquired or held by any person for use by that person.”.

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

On the motion of Mr. Cleaver, by leave, the following amendments were made together, after debate:—

Clause 51, page 44, lines 5–7, omit “, after the year of income that ended on the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-three,”.

Clause 51, page 44, lines 29 and 30, omit “ the next succeeding sub-section ”, insert “ the next two succeeding sub-sections ”.

Clause 51, page 44, proposed section 124JA, omit sub-section (3.), insert the following sub-sections:—

“ (3.) For the purposes of this section but subject to the next succeeding sub-section, the residual capital expenditure in respect of a building as at the end of a year of income, or as at any time during a year of income, shall be ascertained by deducting from the amount of expenditure specified in sub-section (1.) of this section incurred in respect of the building any part of that expenditure that has been allowed or is allowable as a deduction under this section from assessable income of a year of income before that year of income.

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“(3A.) Where any expenditure specified in sub-section (1.) of this section was incurred in respect of a building in a year of income prior to the year of income that commenced on the first day of July, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-three, the residual capital expenditure in respect of that building at any time shall be deemed to be the amount that would have been the residual capital expenditure in respect of that building at that time if the provisions of this Subdivision had applied to assessments in respect of income of that first-mentioned year of income and to assessments in respect of income of each subsequent year of income.”

Clause 56, page 48, lines 34 and 35, omit “ and sections thirty-one to thirty-eight (inclusive) ”, insert “, sections thirty-one to thirty-eight (inclusive) and section fifty-one ”.
Remainder of Bill, as amended, agreed to.
Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.

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

24. INCOME TAX (INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS) 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—
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.
On the motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.
25. ESTATE DUTY ASSESSMENT 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—
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.
On the motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.
26. GIFT DUTY ASSESSMENT 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—
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.
On the motion of Mr. Holt (Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.
27. PHOSPHATE FERTILIZERS BOUNTY BILL 1963.—Mr. Fairhall (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the payment of Bounty on the Production of certain Phosphate Fertilizers.
Bill read a first time.
Mr. Fairhall moved, 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.
28. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:—
24th October, 1963—*Message*—
No. 186—Currency 1963.
No. 187—Appropriation 1963–64 (*without requests*).
No. 188—Appropriation (Works and Services) 1963–64.
29. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Fairhall (Minister for Supply) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twelve minutes past one o'clock in the morning adjourned until Monday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. Collard, Mr. Coutts, Mr. Davis, Mr. A. D. Fraser*, Mr. Kearney, Mr. McGuren, Mr. McIvor, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Townley, Mr. Turner* and Mr. Webb.

* On leave.

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