# THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

OF THE

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 120.

### THURSDAY, 28TH OCTOBER, 1965.

- 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.—Mr. Hansen 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 and read.

Similar petitions were presented by Mr. Beaton and Mr. Bryant, and were severally received.

- 3. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
- 4. HOUSING LOANS INSURANCE CORPORATION—MAXIMUM RATE OF INTEREST FOR INSURABLE LOANS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Bury (Minister for Housing), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House of the maximum rate of interest which it had been determined would apply to housing loans to be insured with the Housing Loans Insurance Corporation.
- 5. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Hulme (Postmaster-General) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until to-morrow at half-past nine o'clock a.m. Debate ensued.

Several Members rising to address the House—

Closure.—Mr. Hulme 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, 60.				
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Chipp	Mr. Gibbs	Mr. Jess	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. Allan	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Snedden
Mr. Anthony	Sir J. Cramer	Mr. Giles	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Turner
Mr. Armstrong	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hallett	Mr. Killen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Bosman	Mr. England	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bowen	Mr. Failes	Mr. Holt	Mr. Mackay	
Mr. Bridges-Maxwell	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Holten	Mr. Mackinnon	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Howson	Mr. Maisey	
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Opperman	Tellers:
Mr. Bury	Mr. Fox	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pettitt	
Mr. K. M. K. Cairns	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. L. H. Irwin	Mr. Robinson	Mr. Aston
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Jack	Mr. Shaw	Mr. Turnbull
Noes, 43.				
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Cope	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Reynolds
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Costa	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Jones	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Courtnay	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Benson	Mr. Crean	Mr. Gray	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Webb
Mr. Birrell	Mr. Cross	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mortimer	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Hansen	Mr. Nicholls	
Mr. J. F. Cairns	Mr. Daly	Mr. Harding	Mr. O'Connor	Tellers:
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Davies	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Peters	Mr. Coutts
Mr. Collard	Mr. Devine	Mr. James	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Duthie
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And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed.

6. Income Tax Bill 1965.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to impose a Tax upon Incomes. 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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7. Income Tax Assessment Bill 1965.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act relating to Income Tax.

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.

8. INCOME TAX (INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS) BILL 1965.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Income Tax* (International Agreements) Act 1953-1964.

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.

9. INCOME TAX (NON-RESIDENT DIVIDENDS) BILL 1965.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to impose Income Tax upon certain Dividends derived by Non-residents.

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.

10. Customs Tariff Bill (No. 3) 1965.—Mr. Bury (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) presented a Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Customs.

Bill read a first time.

Mr. Bury 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.

11. Excise Tariff Bill 1965.—Mr. Bury (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) presented a Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Excise.

Bill read a first time.

Mr. Bury 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.

12. APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1965-66.—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-

Proposed expenditures-

Department of the Treasury, £148,070,000—Advance to the Treasurer, £10,000,000—

together debated.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Drury reported accordingly.

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

13. Customs Tariff Proposals No. 8 [1965].—Mr. Bury (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved Customs Tariff Proposals No. 8 [1965].

Debate adjourned (Mr. Cameron), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

14. Papers.—The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General— Tariff Board—Reports—

Woven cotton fabrics, bed linen, &c., and interim report under the general textile reference on woven cotton fabrics, &c.

Woven man-made fibre fabrics and interim report under the general textile reference on woven fabrics wholly of or containing not less than 20 per cent. by weight of man-made fibres.

Severally ordered to be printed.

15. APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1965-66.—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—

Proposed expenditures—

Department of the Treasury, £148,070,000-

Advance to the Treasurer, £10,000,000—

together further debated and agreed to.

Proposed expenditure—Department of Works, £14,156,000—agreed to.

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Proposed expenditures—

Defence Services-

Department of Defence, £10,444,000-Department of the Navy, £95,467,000—

Department of the Army, £128,916,000—

Department of Air, £108,649,000-

Department of Supply, £36,235,000-

General Services, £1,899,000-

together debated and agreed to.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Mackinnon reported accordingly.

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

16. PRINTING COMMITTEE—TENTH REPORT.—Mr. G. D. Erwin (Chairman) brought up the Tenth Report from the Printing Committee (sitting in conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate). The report was read by the Clerk, as follows:-

#### TENTH REPORT.

The Printing Committee has the honour to report that it has met in Conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate.

The Joint Committee, having considered (a) the Petitions presented to Parliament since the 27th April, 1965, (b) the Papers presented to Parliament since the last meeting of the Committee and (c) another Paper, the consideration of which had been deferred, recommends that the following be printed-

Advance to the Treasurer-Statement for the year 1964-65 of heads of expenditure and the amounts charged thereto pursuant to section 36A of the Audit Act 1901-1964.

Bankruptcy-Report of Committee appointed by the Attorney-General to review the Bankruptcy Law of the Commonwealth, dated 14th December, 1962.

Bills of Exchange-Report of Committee appointed by the Commonwealth Government to review the Bills of Exchange Act 1909-1958, dated 1st May, 1964.

Broadcasting and Television Act—Australian Broadcasting Control Board—Seventeenth

Annual Report and financial statement, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1964-65.

Commonwealth Grants Commission Act—Commonwealth Grants Commission—Thirtysecond Report (1965).

Conciliation and Arbitration Act-Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission-Ninth Annual Report by President, for year ended 13th August, 1965.

Copyright-Report of Committee appointed by the Attorney-General to consider what alterations are desirable in the Copyright Law of the Commonwealth, dated 22nd December, 1959.

Housing Loans Insurance Act—Housing Loans Insurance Corporation—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for period ended 30th June, 1965.

National Capital Development Commission Act-National Capital Development Commission-Eighth Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1964-65.

Tariff Board Act—Tariff Board—Report for year 1964-65.
Tertiary Education in Australia—Report of Committee on the Future of Tertiary Education in Australia to the Australian Universities Commission (Volume III).

Wool Industry Act—Australian Wool Board—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1964-65.

G. D. ERWIN.

Chairman.

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Mr. Erwin moved, by leave, That the report be agreed to. Question—put and passed.

17. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Forbes (Minister for the Army) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at seven minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past nine o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Bate, Mr. Clark, Mr. Cockle, Mr. Connor, Mr. Falkinder\*, Mr. Hayden, Mr. King, Mr. McEwen\*, Mr. Minogue, Mr. Nixon, Mr. Sexton\*, Mr. Stokes, Mr. Swartz and Mr. Uren\*.

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A. G. TURNER,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.