

1964-65-66.

## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 186.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 1966.

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 asked.
3. GENERAL ELECTIONS—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Holt (Prime Minister), by leave, made a ministerial statement confirming that the General Elections for the House of Representatives would be held on the 26th November, 1966. It was intended to dissolve the House of Representatives as at noon on the 31st October, on which day the writs would be issued. Nominations would close on the 7th November.
4. PAPERS.—The following paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—  
Postmaster-General's Department—Financial Report for year 1965-66.  
The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute—  
Taxation—  
Forty-fifth Report of the Commissioner of Taxation, dated 1st October, 1966.  
Taxation Statistics, 1964-65.  
Severally ordered to be printed.  
Broadcasting and Television Act—Australian Broadcasting Control Board—  
Eighteenth Annual Report and financial statement, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1965-66.  
Cattle and Beef Research Act—Australian Cattle and Beef Research Committee—Sixth Annual Report, for year 1965-66.  
Tariff Board Act—Tariff Board—Report for year 1965-66, together with Summary of Recommendations.
5. PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REPORTS—STATEMENTS BY MEMBER.—Mr. Buchanan (Chairman) brought up the following report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:—  
Report relating to the proposed development of airfield pavements at Coolangatta Airport, Queensland—  
and, by leave, made a statement in connexion with the report.  
Ordered—That the report be printed.  
Mr. Buchanan also brought up the following report from the committee:—  
Report relating to first stage of progressive rebuilding at H.M.A.S. *Nirimba*, Quakers Hill, New South Wales—  
and, by leave, made a statement in connexion with the report.  
Ordered—That the report be printed.
6. PRECEDENCE TO GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—Mr. Fairbairn (Minister for National Development) moved, pursuant to notice, That government business shall take precedence over general business to-morrow.  
Question—put and passed.
7. APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 1966-67.—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 expenditure—Prime Minister's Department, \$60,752,000—

Debate resumed by Mr. Whitlam who moved, as an amendment, That the proposed expenditure be reduced by \$10.

Debate continued.

Mr. Bryant rising to address the committee—

Closure.—Mr. Aston moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

12th and 13th October, 1966.

And the question—That the amendment be agreed to—being accordingly put—  
The committee divided (the Chairman, Mr. Lucock, in the Chair)—

## AYES, 37.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Collard	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Sexton
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Cope	Mr. Fulton	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Benson	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Gray	Mr. Mortimer	
Mr. Birrell	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Patterson	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Harding	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. J. F. Cairns	Mr. Davies	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Devine	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Jones

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Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Gibbs	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Robinson
Mr. Allan	Sir J. Cramer	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Killen	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Drury	Mr. Giles	Mr. King	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Armstrong	Mr. England	Mr. Hallett	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Barnes	Mr. G. D. Erwin	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bate	Mr. Failes	Mr. Holten	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bowen	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howson	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Bridges-Maxwell	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hughes	Mr. McMahon	Sir K. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Nixon	
Mr. Bury	Mr. Fox	Mr. L. H. Irwin	Mr. Opperman	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. K. M. K. Cairns	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Jack	Mr. Peacock	Mr. Aston
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Pettitt	Mr. Turnbull

And so it was negatived.

Proposed expenditure agreed to.

Proposed expenditures—

Repatriation Department, \$260,680,000—

Department of Social Services, \$23,063,000—

together debated and agreed to.

Proposed expenditures—

Department of Territories, \$2,166,000—

Christmas Island, \$241,000—

Cocos (Keeling) Islands, \$123,100—

Norfolk Island, \$76,000—

Northern Territory, \$28,674,900—

Papua and New Guinea, \$70,933,300—

together debated.

The committee continuing to sit until after midnight—

## THURSDAY, 13TH OCTOBER, 1966.

Debate continued.

Proposed expenditures agreed to.

Proposed expenditure—Department of Works, \$32,930,000—agreed to.

Proposed expenditures—

Defence Services—

Department of Defence, \$17,765,000—

Department of the Navy, \$193,673,000—

Department of the Army, \$328,498,000—

Department of Air, \$253,739,000—

Department of Supply, \$78,052,000—

General Services, \$3,747,000—

} \$875,474,000

Less amount of \$300,000,000 chargeable to Loan Fund—\$575,474,000—

together—

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.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—A message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:—

12th October, 1966—Message No. 320—National Health 1966.

9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Freeth (Minister for Shipping and Transport) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House at twenty minutes to one o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

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PAPERS.—The following papers were deemed to have been presented on the 12th October, 1966, pursuant to statute—

Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations—1966—

- No. 215—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service; and Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.
- No. 220—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.
- No. 221—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.
- No. 227—Federated Clerks' Union of Australia.
- No. 228—Federated Public Service Assistants' Association of Australia.
- Nos. 229 and 230—Federated Clerks' Union of Australia.
- No. 231—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.
- No. 232—Federated Ship Painters and Dockers' Union of Australia.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Brimblecombe, Mr. Chipp, Mr. Clark, Mr. Coutts, Mr. Cross, Mr. Davis, Mr. Hansen, Mr. Hasluck, Mr. Hayden, Mr. Maisey, Mr. O'Connor\*, Mr. Riordan and Mr. Webb.

\* On leave.

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