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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 57

WEDNESDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 1968

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- 1 The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable W. J. Aston) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
 - 2 MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS: Mr Gorton (Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the absence abroad of Mr Swartz (Minister for Civil Aviation), Senator Scott (Minister for Customs and Excise) would act as Minister for Civil Aviation and Mr Fairbairn (Minister for National Development) would handle civil aviation and repatriation matters in this House.
 - 3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
 - 4 PAPER: The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:
Australian National Airlines Act—Australian National Airlines Commission—
Twenty-third Annual Report and financial accounts, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1967-68.
 - 5 SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE NAMING OF ELECTORAL DIVISIONS: Mr Speaker informed the House of the following appointments of Members as members of the Select Committee on the Naming of Electoral Divisions:
Mr Allan, Mr Bonnett, Mr Fox and Mr Jessop had been appointed by the Prime Minister, and Mr Bryant, Mr Courtney and Mr Cross by the Leader of the Opposition.
Mr Fox had been appointed by the Prime Minister to be Chairman of the Committee.
 - 6 COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT CLOTHING FACTORY, COBURG, VIC.—APPROVAL OF WORK: Mr Kelly (Minister representing the Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act* 1913-1966, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to this House: Construction of Government Clothing Factory, Coburg, Vic.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
 - 7 CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS NO. 19 (1968): Mr Nixon (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved Customs Tariff Proposals No. 19 (1968).
Debate adjourned (Mr Crean), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

8 PAPERS: The following papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Tariff Board—Reports—

Chrome chemicals.

Medical or surgical dressings.

Mushrooms.

Penicillins and streptomycin.

Single engined aeroplanes having an empty weight not exceeding 2,500 lb.

Static transformers.

Straight tubular fluorescent lamps (Dumping and Subsidies Act).

Severally ordered to be printed.

9 TARIFF BOARD REPORT—SINGLE ENGINED AEROPLANES—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—

MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr Nixon (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), by leave, made a ministerial statement in connection with the Tariff Board's Report on single engined aeroplanes having an empty weight not exceeding 2,500 lb. and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

Tariff Board Report—Single engined aeroplanes having an empty weight not exceeding 2,500 lb.—Ministerial statement, 6 November 1968.

Mr Snedden (Leader of the House) moved—That the House take note of the paper.

Debate ensued.

Mr J. F. Cairns was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

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

10 APPLE AND PEAR EXPORT CHARGES BILL 1968: Mr Anthony (Minister for Primary Industry) presented a Bill for an Act to amend sections 4 and 6 of the *Apple and Pear Export Charges Act 1938–1966*, and for purposes related thereto.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Anthony moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

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

11 STATES GRANTS BILL 1968: Mr Freeth (Minister assisting the Treasurer), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to amend section 5 of the *States Grants Act 1965–1967*.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Freeth 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 STATES GRANTS (SPECIAL ASSISTANCE) BILL 1968: Mr Freeth (Minister assisting the Treasurer), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to Grant Financial Assistance to the States of Western Australia and Tasmania.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Freeth 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.

13 NATIONAL HEALTH BILL 1968: 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.

Message from the Governor-General: Mr Speaker announced the receipt of message No. 65, dated 14 October 1968, 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 Forbes (Minister for Health), the Bill was read a third time.

14 POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY: Ordered—That order of the day No. 2, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

- 15 PHOSPHATE FERTILIZERS BOUNTY BILL 1968: 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.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

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Debate continued.

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

Message from the Governor-General: Mr Speaker announced the receipt of message No. 66, dated 23 August 1968, 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 Anthony (Minister for Primary Industry), the Bill was read a third time.

- 16 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Anthony (Minister for Primary Industry) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-four minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until this day at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 6 November 1968, pursuant to statute:

Norfolk Island Act—Ordinance—1968—No. 6—Provident Account.

Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Ordinances—1968—

No. 69—Traffic (No. 3).

No. 70—Valuation of Land (No. 2).

No. 71—Police and Police Offences (No. 3).

No. 72—Firearms (No. 2).

Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinances—1968—

No. 67—Land Titles Commission (Jurisdiction and Appeals).

No. 68—New Guinea Land Titles Restoration (Jurisdiction).

Seat of Government (Administration) Act—

Ordinance—1968—No. 22—Liquor.

Regulations—1968—

No. 5 (Public Health Ordinance).

No. 6 (Canberra Community Hospital Ordinance).

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Beaton, Sir John Cramer, Mr Daly, Mr Failes, Mr J. M. Fraser, Mr Harrison, Mr Hasluck, Mr Hayden, Mr Howson, Mr Hughes, Mr A. T. Jones, Mr Swartz and Mr Webb.

N. J. PARKES,
Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives