

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 72

WEDNESDAY, 5 MARCH 1969

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- 1 The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Acting Speaker (Mr Lucock) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
 - 2 **PETITIONS:** Mr Stokes presented a petition from certain residents of Victoria praying that the shooting of all kangaroos and the export of meat and other products made from kangaroos be banned and that a Commonwealth department be established to conserve wild life on a national basis.
Petition received and read.
Mr K. M. K. Cairns presented a petition from certain residents of Queensland praying that the shooting of kangaroos for commercial purposes and the export of products made from kangaroos be banned and that a Commonwealth Government body be established to protect Australia's native fauna on a national basis.
Mr Stokes also presented a petition from certain residents of Victoria praying that a complete ban be placed on the shooting and/or trapping of kangaroos for commercial purposes.
Petitions severally received.
 - 3 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.
 - 4 **PAPER:** The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:
International Monetary Agreements Act—Annual Report on operations of the Act, and insofar as they relate to Australia, of the International Monetary Fund Agreement and the International Bank Agreement, for year 1967-68.
 - 5 **DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—DEFENCE PROCUREMENT AND RESEARCH:**
Mr Acting Speaker informed the House that Mr Barnard (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The Government's abandonment of three-year plans for defence procurement and research".
The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—
Mr Barnard addressed the House.
Discussion ensued.
Discussion concluded.
 - 6 **PUBLIC SERVICE ARBITRATION BILL 1969:** Mr Bury (Minister for Labour and National Service), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the Settlement of Matters arising out of Employment in the Public Service.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Bury moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Webb), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
 - 7 **COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION BILL 1969:** Mr Bury (Minister for Labour and National Service), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to Compensation payable to, and in respect of, Employees of the Commonwealth in relation to Determinations made under the *Public Service Arbitration Act 1920-1969*.
Bill read a first time.

- Mr Bury moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Webb), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 8 CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL 1969: Mr Bury (Minister for Labour and National Service), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904–1968*.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Bury moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Webb), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 9 OFFICERS' RIGHTS DECLARATION BILL 1969: Mr Bury (Minister for Labour and National Service), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the Rights of a Person appointed to the Office of Public Service Arbitrator or to an Office of Deputy Public Service Arbitrator.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Bury moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Webb), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 10 SUPERANNUATION BILL 1969: Mr Bury (Minister for Labour and National Service), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to Superannuation in relation to Determinations made under the *Public Service Arbitration Act 1920–1969*.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Bury moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Webb), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 11 LOAN (SUPPLEMENTARY BORROWING) BILL 1969: 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 Acting Speaker announced the receipt of message No. 109, dated 25 February 1969, from His Excellency the Governor-General recommending an appropriation of moneys for the purposes of the Bill.
Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.
On the motion of Mr Swartz (Minister assisting the Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.
- 12 CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL 1969: 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.
Debate adjourned (Mr A. T. Jones), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 13 ADJOURNMENT: Mr G. D. Erwin (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at ten minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Aston, Mr Bate, Mr England, Mr Failes, Mr Gibbs and Mr Gibson.

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