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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 73

THURSDAY, 6 MARCH 1969

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- 1 The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable W. J. Aston) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
 - 2 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
 - 3 SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT: Mr G. D. Erwin (Leader of the House) moved—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday, 18 March, at half-past two o'clock p.m. Question—put and passed.
 - 4 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENT BY MEMBER: Mr Cleaver (Chairman) brought up the following report from the Joint Committee of Public Accounts: One hundred and fourth Report—Commonwealth Serum Laboratories Commission—
and, by leave, made a statement in connection with the report.
Ordered—That the report be printed.
 - 5 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—AUGMENTATION OF SEWERAGE, NORTHERN AND CENTRAL ZONES, DARWIN: 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*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report: Augmentation of sewerage in northern and central zones, Darwin.
Mr Kelly presented a plan in connection with the proposed work.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
 - 6 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—COMMONWEALTH HOSTEL, ALICE SPRINGS, N.T.: 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*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report: Erection of Commonwealth hostel at Alice Springs, N.T.
Mr Kelly presented plans in connection with the proposed work.
Debate ensued.
Question—put and passed.
 - 7 GRIEVANCE DEBATE: Pursuant to the provisions of standing order 106, the order of the day having been read—
Question proposed—That grievances be noted.
Debate ensued.
It being fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 106.
Question—That grievances be noted—put and passed.

- 8 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 Giles), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.
- 9 CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS NO. 6 (1969): Mr Nixon (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved Customs Tariff Proposals No. 6 (1969).
Debate adjourned (Mr Luchetti), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 10 PAPER: The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:
Tariff Board Act—Special Advisory Authority—Report—Sorbitol and mannitol.
Ordered to be printed.
- 11 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.
Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.
Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.
On the motion of Mr Nixon (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), the Bill was read a third time.
- 12 HOME CARE PROGRAMME FOR THE AGED—COMMONWEALTH OFFER TO STATES—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr Forbes (Minister for Health)—That the House take note of the paper (*presented on 26 February 1969*), viz.:
Home care programme for the aged—Commonwealth offer to States—Ministerial statement, 26 February 1969—
Debate resumed.
Ordered—That Mr J. F. Cairns be granted an extension of time.
Debate continued.
Debate adjourned (Mr Daly), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 13 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—NEW AND PERMANENT PARLIAMENT HOUSE—JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE—MEMBERSHIP: Mr Speaker reported the receipt of the following message from the Senate:

Message No. 163

MR SPEAKER,

The Senate, having considered Message No. 160 of the House of Representatives, has agreed to the following resolution in connection therewith:

That the Senate concurs in the Resolution transmitted to the Senate by Message No. 160 of the House of Representatives, viz.: "That the Leader of the Government in the Senate and the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate be added to the membership of the Joint Select Committee on the New and Permanent Parliament House when the Committee is considering the matter of the site for the new building", subject to the following modifications:

- (1) After "Leader of the Opposition in the Senate", insert "and the Leader of the Australian Democratic Labor Party",
- (2) Leave out all words after "Parliament House".

The Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the Senate's modifications of the Resolution transmitted to the Senate by the House.

The Senate,
Canberra, 6 March 1969

A. M. McMULLIN,
President

Ordered—That the message be taken into consideration forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Nixon (Minister for the Interior), the modifications were agreed to, after debate.

14 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 thirteen minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, 18 March, at half-past two o'clock p.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 6 March 1969, pursuant to statute:

Customs Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1969, Nos. 21, 22.

Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1969, No. 15.

Education Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1969, No. 20.

Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1969, No. 19.

Post and Telegraph Act and Wireless Telegraphy Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1969, No. 18.

Public Service Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1969, Nos. 16, 17.

Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations—1969—

No. 13—Commonwealth Police Officers' Association.

No. 14—Australian Broadcasting Commission Senior Officers' Association.

No. 15—Federated Storemen and Packers' Union of Australia and others.

No. 16—Commonwealth Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).

No. 17—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.

No. 18—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia; and Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.

No. 19—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen of Australia.

Reserve Bank Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1969, No. 24.

Stevedoring Industry (Temporary Provisions) Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1969, No. 23.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Bate, Mr Failes, Mr Gibbs, Mr Gibson, Sir Wilfrid Kent Hughes and Mr Killen.

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