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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 81

WEDNESDAY, 16 APRIL 1969

- 1 The House met, at twenty-seven minutes to three o'clock p.m. Mr Speaker (the Honourable W. J. Aston) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 Petitions: Mr Benson presented a petition from certain citizens of the Commonwealth praying that this House should respond to the plea for an early repeal of the National Service Act, and the immediate release of any young men who are now in prison as a result of their conscientious refusal to comply with the Act.
 - Mr Hansen presented a petition from certain citizens of Australia praying that this House give earnest consideration, during Human Rights Year, to the crisis in education in Australia.

Petitions severally received and read.

A similar petition was presented by Mr Hulme (Postmaster-General), and was received. Mr Munro presented a petition from certain electors of the Division of Eden-Monaro praying that the Government cause a referendum of woolgrowers to be held to determine the issue of the recent decision to lift the 40 year ban on the export of merino rams

Petition received.

- 3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 4 PAPERS: The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute:

States Grants (Advanced Education) Act—Statement by Minister of approvals given during 1968 under section 8 of the Act for Commonwealth grants in respect of library materials.

Tobacco Marketing Act—Australian Tobacco Board—Third Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for 1968.

5 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANIZATION CONVENTIONS: Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr Webb had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The Government's disappointing record on the ratification and application of International Labour Organization Conventions".

The proposed discussion having received the necessary support-

Mr Webb addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion concluded.

6 INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT 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 Swartz (Minister assisting the Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

7 PAY-ROLL TAX ASSESSMENT 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—Question—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

On the motion of Mr Swartz (Minister assisting the Treasurer), the following amendment was made, after debate: Clause 5, page 4, omit from column 2 of the proposed First Schedule the figures "23,476", insert the figures "46,854".

Bill, as amended, agreed to.

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Lucock reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Swartz, by leave, the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

8 AUDIT 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 Swartz (Minister assisting the Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

9 SCHOLARSHIPS 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 J. M. Fraser (Minister for Education and Science), the Bill was read a third time.

10 Adjournment: Mr G. D. Erwin (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Several Members rising to address the House-

Closure: Mr Erwin moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Aston, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 48

AlES, 40			
Mr Drury	Mr Jarman	Mr Sinclair	
Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr Jessop	Mr Snedden	
Mr Failes	Mr A. T. Jones	Mr Stokes	
Mr Fairbairn	Mr Kelly	'Mr Street	
Mr Forbes	Mr Lee	Mr Swartz	
Mr J. M. Fraser	Mr Lucock	Mr Wentworth	
Mr Gibbs	Mr Maisey	Mr Wilson	
Mr Hallett	Mr McLeay		
Mr Holten	Mr McMahon		
Mr Howson	Mr Nixon		
Mr Hughes	Mr Peacock	Tellers:	
Mr Hulme	Mr Pearsall	Mr K. M. K. Cairns	
Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Pettitt	Mr Turnbull	
	Mr Drury Mr G. D. Erwin Mr Failes Mr Fairbairn Mr Forbes Mr J. M. Fraser Mr Gibbs Mr Hallett Mr Holten Mr Howson Mr Hughes Mr Hulme	Mr G. D. Erwin Mr Jessop Mr Failes Mr A. T. Jones Mr Fairbairn Mr Kelly Mr Forbes Mr Lee Mr J. M. Fraser Mr Lucock Mr Gibbs Mr Maisey Mr Hallett Mr McLeay Mr Holten Mr Howson Mr Hughes Mr Hulme Mr Pearsall	

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Mr Arthur	Mr Crean	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Scholes
Mr Bate	Mr Curtin	Mr Katter	Mr Stewart
Mr Beazley	Mr Daly	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr Uren
Mr Bryant	Mr Everingham	Mr Mackay	
Mr J. F. Cairns	Mr Giles	Mr Munro	
Mr Calder	Mr Hansen	Mr Nicholls	Tellers:
Mr Calwell	Mr Hayden	Mr Patterson	Mr Duthie
Mr Cope	Mr Jess	Mr Peters	Mr James

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight-

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And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at one minute 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 16 April 1969, pursuant to statute:

Australian National University Act-Statutes-

No. 87-Board of the Institute of Advanced Studies Amendment No. 3.

No. 88-Board of the School of General Studies Amendment No. 3.

No. 89—Faculties (School of General Studies) Amendment No. 8.

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for post office purposes—North Motton, Tasmania.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Bridges-Maxwell, Mr Devine, Mr Freeth, Mr Fulton, Mr Gibson, Mr Graham, Mr Haworth, Mr Killen, Mr King and Mr Turner.

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