

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 90

THURSDAY, 1 APRIL 1971

- 1 The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Sir William Aston) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 **PETITIONS:** Mr Griffiths presented a petition from Wilfred Williams of the Lions Club of Richmond in the State of Victoria praying that the House legislate for the purpose of (1) making grants suitable to the financial needs of benevolent institutions for additional accommodation and equipment of a capital nature and the estimated costs of same, in particular for destitute or near-destitute men, women and children of all age groups, and for those in a non-pensionable age category and (2) enabling financial grants of a supplementary nature to be made for maintenance costs of an urgent nature in such institutions.
- Petition received and read.
- Mr MacKellar presented a petition from certain citizens of New South Wales praying that the export of products made from kangaroos be banned and the Commonwealth Government take necessary steps to have all wildlife in Australia brought under its control.
- Petition received.
- 3 **QUESTIONS:** Questions without notice were asked.
- 4 **Gazette NOTIFICATION—STATEMENT BY MINISTER:** Mr Gorton (Minister for Defence), by leave, made a statement relating to a question asked by the honourable Member for Hunter (Mr James) concerning a notification in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* of expenditure on a residence in Terang, Victoria.
- 5 **SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS MOVED—MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE:** Mr Armitage moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the moving of a motion to amend the standing orders to provide for question time to extend for 45 clear minutes.

Debate ensued.

Several Members rising to address the House—

Closure: Mr Swartz (Leader of the House) moved—That the question be now put.

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

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 54

Mr Armitage	Mr Crean	Mr Hansen	Mr Morrison
Mr Barnard	Mr Cross	Mr Hayden	Mr Nicholls
Mr Beazley	Mr Daly	Mr Hurford	Mr Patterson
Mr Bennett	Mr Davies	Mr Jacobi	Mr Reynolds
Mr Berinson	Mr Enderby	Mr Jenkins	Mr Scholes
Mr Birrell	Mr Everingham	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Stewart
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Uren
Mr J. F. Cairns	Mr Foster	Mr Jones	Mr Wallis
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr A. D. Fraser	Mr Keating	Mr Webb
Mr Cass	Mr Fulton	Mr Kennedy	Mr Whitlam
Mr Cohen	Mr Garrick	Mr Keogh	
Mr Collard	Mr Grassby	Mr Kirwan	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Connor	Mr Griffiths	Mr Luchetti	Mr Duthie
Mr Cope	Mr Gun	Mr Martin	Mr James

NOES, 60

Mr Adermann	Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr Jarman	Mr Reid
Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Jess	Mr Robinson
Mr Barnes	Mr Forbes	Mr Katter	Mr Snedden
Mr Bate	Mr J. M. Fraser	Mr Kelly	Mr Solomon
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr Garland	Mr Killen	Mr Staley
Mr Brown	Mr Giles	Mr King	Mr Street
Mr Buchanan	Mr Gorton	Mr Lloyd	Mr Swartz
Mr Bury	Mr Graham	Mr Lucock	Mr Turner
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Hallett	Mr Lynch	Mr Wentworth
Mr Calder	Mr Hamer	Mr Mackay	Mr Whittorn
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Holten	Mr MacKellar	
Mr Chipp	Mr Howson	Mr McLeay	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hughes	Mr McMahan	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Dobie	Sir A. Hulme	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Drury	Mr Hunt	Mr Peacock	Mr Fox
Mr England	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Pettitt	Mr Turnbull

And so it was negatived.

- 6 *Gazette* NOTIFICATION—STATEMENT BY MINISTER: Mr Gorton (Minister for Defence), by leave, made a further statement concerning the notification in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* of expenditure on a residence in Terang, Victoria.
- 7 ALTERATION OF HOUR OF NEXT MEETING: Mr Swartz (Leader of the House) moved—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until eleven o'clock a.m. tomorrow.
Question—put and passed.
- 8 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE: Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:
31 March 1971—Message—
No. 138—Australian Capital Territory Supreme Court 1971.
No. 139—Customs 1971.
No. 140—Naval Defence 1971.
No. 141—Criminology Research 1971.
- 9 MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILL: A message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bill:
31 March 1971—Message No. 103—Loan (Australian Wheat Board) 1971.
- 10 COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL BILL 1971 [No. 2]: Mr Daly, pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918–1966*.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Daly moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
It being two hours after the time fixed for the meeting of the House, the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 109.
Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for debate: Mr Hunt (Minister for the Interior) moved, by leave—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being considered until five minutes past three o'clock p.m.
Question—put and passed.
Mr Daly continued his speech.
Ordered—That Mr Daly be granted an extension of time.
Debate ensued.
The extended time allotted for the consideration of the Bill having expired, the debate was interrupted, Mr Adermann was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed, and the resumption of the debate was made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 11 INTERNATIONAL TIN AGREEMENT BILL 1971: Mr Anthony (Minister for Trade and Industry), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to approve the Ratification by Australia of the Fourth International Tin Agreement.
Bill read a first time.
Mr Anthony 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 PRODUCTIVITY AND THE COMMUNITY—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 Killen—That the House take note of the paper (*presented on 23 February 1971*), viz.:

Productivity and the community—Ministerial statement, 23 February 1971—*Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for speech*: Mr Swartz (Leader of the House) moved, by leave—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent Mr C. R. Cameron speaking for a period not exceeding 45 minutes.

Question—put and passed.

Debate resumed.

Ordered—That Mr Cameron be granted an extension of time.

Debate continued.

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

13 SOCIAL SERVICES BILL 1971: 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—*And on the amendment moved thereto by Mr Hayden, viz.*—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof: “while not opposing the Bill, the House is of the opinion that—

- (1) the increases proposed are inadequate,
- (2) social service payments generally are inadequate to maintain an acceptable standard of living,
- (3) steps should be taken immediately to eliminate poverty,
- (4) a national superannuation system should be established and the means test eliminated,
- (5) pension payments should be a proportion of average weekly earnings adjusted annually and
- (6) the subject of social services should be referred to a select committee of this House”—

Debate resumed.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put. The House divided (the Speaker, Sir William Aston, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 55

Mr Adermann	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Jess	Mr Reid
Mr Bate	Mr J. M. Fraser	Mr Katter	Mr Robinson
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr Garland	Mr Kelly	Mr Sinclair
Mr Brown	Mr Giles	Mr Killen	Mr Snedden
Mr Buchanan	Mr Graham	Mr King	Mr Solomon
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Hallett	Mr Lloyd	Mr Staley
Mr Calder	Mr Hamer	Mr Lucock	Mr Street
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Holten	Mr Mackay	Mr Swartz
Mr Chipp	Mr Howson	Mr MacKellar	Mr Turner
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hughes	Mr Maisey	Mr Wentworth
Mr Dobie	Sir A. Hulme	Mr McLeay	Mr Whittorn
Mr Drury	Mr Hunt	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr England	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Peacock	Mr Fox
Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr Jarman	Mr Pettitt	Mr Turnbull

Noes, 48

Mr Armitage	Mr Cross	Mr Hayden	Mr Patterson
Mr Beazley	Mr Daly	Mr Jacobi	Mr Reynolds
Mr Bennett	Mr Davies	Mr Jenkins	Mr Scholes
Mr Berinson	Mr Enderby	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Stewart
Mr Birrell	Mr Everingham	Mr Jones	Mr Uren
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Keating	Mr Wallis
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Mr Cope	Mr Gun	Mr Morrison	Mr James
Mr Crean	Mr Hansen	Mr Nicholls	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Message from the Governor-General: Message No. 104, dated 30 March 1971, from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced 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 Wentworth (Minister for Social Services), the Bill was read a third time.

14 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Swartz (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Mr Foster rising to address the House—

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

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

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

And then the House, at three minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until tomorrow at eleven o'clock a.m.

PAPER: The following paper was deemed to have been presented on 1 April 1971, pursuant to statute:

Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Ordinance—1971—No. 18—Co-operative Trading Societies (Loans Guarantee) (No. 2) 1970.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Bonnett, Mr Calwell, Mr Corbett, Mr McIvor, Mr Nixon and Mr Sherry.

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