

1929-30.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,  
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 25.

TUESDAY, 1ST APRIL, 1930.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Norman J. O. Makin) took the Chair, and offered Prayers.
2. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

STONEHAVEN,  
Governor-General.

Message No. 15.

Proposed Laws intituled :—

“ Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1930 ”  
“ Customs Tariff 1930 ”  
“ Customs Tariff Validation Act 1930 ”  
“ Solar Observatory Fund Act 1930,”

as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Laws.

Government House,  
Canberra, 29th March, 1930.

3. PRIVILEGE.—Mr. Crouch raised a question of Privilege in consequence of the action of Mr. Speaker in preventing him from asking the Prime Minister a question, without notice, in certain terms concerning the office of Governor-General.  
Mr. Speaker made a Statement in connexion with the matter.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1930, Nos. 26, 29.  
Naval Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1930, Nos. 22, 30, 31.  
Northern Australia Act—Ordinances of 1930—  
Central Australia—No. 3—Coroners.  
North Australia—No. 4—Coroners.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—DEVELOPMENT AND MIGRATION BILL (1930).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 22.

The Senate has passed a Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Development and Migration Act 1926’ and for other purposes,* ” and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

The Senate,  
Canberra, 28th March, 1930.

WALTER KINGSMILL,  
President.

Mr. Scullin (Prime Minister) moved, That the Bill transmitted by the foregoing Message be now read a first time.

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

Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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6. POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICES OF MOTION.—Ordered—That Notices of Motion, Government Business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
7. CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (POWER OF AMENDMENT) BILL.—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.  
Mr. Earle Page moved, That the debate be now adjourned.  
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.  
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
8. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
War Service Homes Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1930, Nos. 9, 20.
9. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Theodore (Treasurer) moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at twenty-nine minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Curtin, Mr. Eldridge, Mr. Fenton\*, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Gibbons, Mr. Albert Green, Mr. Guy, Mr. Hawker, Mr. Hill, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Killen\*, Mr. Latham, Mr. Mathews\*, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Rowe, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Thompson, and Mr. White.

\* On leave.

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E. W. PARKES,  
*Clerk of the House of Representatives.*