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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,  
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 34.

FRIDAY, 5TH APRIL, 1935.

1. The House met, at half-past nine o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. J. Bell) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Earle Page (Acting Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Monday next at eleven o'clock a.m.  
Question—put and passed.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—  
ISAAC A. ISAACS,  
*Governor-General.* *Message No. 21.*  
Proposed Laws intituled :—  
“ *Loan Appropriation (Unemployment Relief) Act 1935* ”  
“ *Dried Fruits Export Control Act 1935* ”  
“ *Canned Fruits Export Control Act 1935* ”  
“ *Dried Fruits Act 1935* ”  
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, 4th April, 1935.
4. PAPER.—The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Public Service Act—Appointment of A. C. Fleetwood, Department of the Interior.
5. LOAN (FARMERS' DEBT ADJUSTMENT) BILL.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(*In the Committee.*)

Clauses 1 to 5 agreed to.

Clause 6 debated—

Mr. Aubrey Abbott moved, as an amendment, That after sub-clause (2.) the following sub-clause be inserted :—

(2A.) No grant shall be made under this Act to a State unless or until there is in force in the State legislation constituting an authority empowered on application being made to it, and at its discretion, to take action having the effect of suspending, either wholly or in part, the rights of any secured or unsecured creditor of a farmer against that farmer.

Mr. Beasley moved, as an amendment upon the proposed amendment, That all words after “ to it ” be omitted with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof :—“ to take action having the effect of writing down, either wholly or in part, the liabilities of the farmer to any secured or unsecured creditor, on a *pro rata* basis ”.

Debate continued.

F.4800.

5th April, 1935.

*Closure.*—Mr. Earle Page (Acting Prime Minister) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Prowse, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. John Lawson
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Sir Charles Marr
Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Casey	Mr. McBride
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McCall
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. Nock
Mr. Fiskin	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Price
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Scholfield
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Stacey
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Street
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. White
Mr. Hughes	
Mr. Hunter	
Mr. Hutchinson	
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	

Tellers:

Mr. Gardner
Mr. Thompson

Noes, 25.

Mr. Baker	Mr. Makin
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Martens
Mr. Beasley	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Brennan	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Clark	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Frost	Mr. Ward
Mr. Garden	
Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. James	
Mr. Lazzarini	
Mr. G. W. Mahoney	

Tellers:

Mr. Gander
Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the proposed amendment—being accordingly put—

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Prowse, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Sir Charles Marr
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. Maxwell
Sir Donald Cameron	Mr. McBride
Mr. Casey	Mr. McCall
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McClelland
Mr. J. V. Fairbairn	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Fiskin	Mr. Nock
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Price
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Street
Mr. Hughes	Mr. White
Mr. Hunter	
Mr. Hutchinson	
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	
Mr. John Lawson	

Tellers:

Mr. Gardner
Mr. Thompson

Noes, 23.

Mr. Baker	Mr. G. W. Mahoney
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Makin
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Martens
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward
Mr. Frost	
Mr. Garden	
Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. James	
Mr. Lazzarini	

Tellers:

Mr. Gander
Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the sub-clause proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and passed.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 7—

Mr. Hunter (Minister without portfolio) moved, as an amendment, That after " and " (page 3, line 13) the words " any or all of " be inserted.

Debate ensued.

The attention of the Chairman (Mr. Prowse) having been called several times to the fact that there was not a quorum present, and the Committee having been counted on each occasion, and Mr. Lazzarini having again called attention to the absence of a quorum of Members—

*Chairman's Ruling.*—The Chairman ruled that in order that the business of the Committee should not be obstructed, he did not propose to recount the House at such frequent intervals, as he had just assured himself that a quorum of Members was within the precincts of the Chamber.

*Closure moved.*—Mr. Gander moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Committee proceeded to divide, but there being one Member only voting on the side of the Ayes, the Chairman declared the question to be negatived.

*Dissent from Chairman's Ruling.*—Mr. Lazzarini having handed in, in writing, an objection to the Ruling of the Chairman regarding his refusal to count the Committee, moved, by leave, That the Ruling be dissented from.

5th April, 1935.

Closure.—Mr. Thompson moved, That the question be now put.

Question —That the question be now put—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Prowse, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 28.		Noes, 20.	
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McBride	Mr. Barnard	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McCall	Mr. Beasley	Mr. G. W. Mahoney
Mr. Casey	Mr. McClelland	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Makin
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Clark	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Fiskén	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Nock	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Frost	Mr. Ward
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Price	Mr. Garden	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield	Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Gander
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey	Mr. James	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Street	Mr. Lane	
Mr. Hutchinson	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Gardner		
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Thompson		
Sir Charles Marr			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Ruling be dissented from—being accordingly put—

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Prowse, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 20.		Noes, 30.	
Mr. Baker	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McBride
Mr. Barnard	Mr. G. W. Mahoney	Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McCall
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Makin	Mr. Casey	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Fiskén	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Nock
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward	Mr. Gregory	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Frost	<i>Tellers:</i>	Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Garden	Mr. Gander	Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Price
Mr. Albert Green	Mr. George Lawson	Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. James		Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stacey
		Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Street
		Mr. Jennings	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Lane	Mr. Gardner
		Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Thompson
		Sir Charles Marr	

And so it was negatived.

Amendment previously moved by Mr. Hunter, viz.: —That after “ and ” (page 3, line 13) the words “ any or all of ” be inserted—

Question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Prowse, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 31.		Noes, 22.	
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McCall	Mr. Baker	Mr. G. W. Mahoney
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McClelland	Mr. Barnard	Mr. Makin
Mr. Casey	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Beasley	Mr. Martens
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Fiskén	Mr. Nock	Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scullin
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Price	Mr. Frost	Mr. Ward
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield	Mr. Garden	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey	Mr. Albert Green	Mr. Gander
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Street	Mr. James	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. White	Mr. Lazzarini	
Mr. Jennings	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Lane	Mr. Gardner		
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Thompson		
Sir Charles Marr			
Mr. McBride			

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Garden moved, as a further amendment, That the following new paragraph be inserted:—

“ (aa) No interest shall be charged by the State to any farmer in respect of any debt adjustments ; ”.

5th April, 1935.

Mr. Earle Page addressing the Committee—

*Closure of Member.*—Mr. Ward moved, That the Right Honorable Member be not further heard.

Question—put and passed.

Question—That the paragraph proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Prowse, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 23.		Noes, 31.	
Mr. Baker	Mr. G. W. Mahoney	Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McCall
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Makin	Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Martens	Mr. Casey	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy	Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Fiskin	Mr. Nock
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear	Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scullin	Mr. Gregory	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward	Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Price
Mr. Frost		Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Garden		Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Street
Mr. James	Mr. Gander	Mr. Hunter	Mr. White
Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. George Lawson	Mr. Hutchinson	
		Mr. Jennings	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Lane	
		Sir Charles Marr	Mr. Gardner
		Mr. McBride	Mr. Thompson

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

*Closure.*—Mr. Parkhill (Minister for Defence) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Prowse, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 31.		Noes, 24.	
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Sir Charles Marr	Mr. Baker	Mr. G. W. Mahoney
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McBride	Mr. Barnard	Mr. Makin
Mr. Casey	Mr. McCall	Mr. Beasley	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Brennan	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Fiskin	Mr. Nock	Mr. Clark	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Price	Mr. Forde	Mr. Scullin
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Scholfield	Mr. Frost	Mr. Ward
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Stacey	Mr. Garden	
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Street	Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hughes	Mr. White	Mr. James	Mr. Gander
Mr. Hunter		Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Hutchinson	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Jennings			
Mr. Lane	Mr. Gardner		
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Thompson		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the clause, as amended, be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed.

Clauses 8 to 10 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Earle Page, by leave, the House adopted the Report.

Mr. Earle Page moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Lazzarini addressing the House—

*Closure.*—Mr. Parkhill moved, that the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

5th April, 1935.

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

Ayes, 32.		Noes, 25.	
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Sir Charles Marr	Mr. Baker	Mr. Makin
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Barnard	Mr. Martens
Mr. Casey	Mr. McBride	Mr. Beasley	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McCall	Mr. Brennan	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Fiskin	Mr. Nock	Mr. Clark	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Roland Green	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Price	Mr. Fordo	Mr. Scullin
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Prowse	Mr. Frost	Mr. Ward
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield	Mr. Garden	
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey	Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Street	Mr. James	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hunter	Mr. White	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Gander
Mr. Hutchinson		Mr. G. W. Mahoney	Mr. George Lawson
Mr. Jennings	<i>Tellers:</i>		
Mr. Lane	Mr. Gardner		
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Thompson		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be now read a third time—was put accordingly, and passed.—Bill read a third time.

6. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were received, and were read by Mr. Speaker :—

ISAAC A. ISAACS,  
*Governor-General.*

*Message No. 22.*

A Proposed Law intituled "*Invalid and Old-age Pensions Act 1935*" 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 Law.

Government House,  
Canberra, 4th April, 1935.

ISAAC A. ISAACS,  
*Governor-General.*

*Message No. 23.*

Proposed Laws intituled :—  
" *Raw Cotton Bounty Act 1935* "  
" *Customs Act 1935* "

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, 5th April, 1935.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—CARRIAGE BY AIR BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 32.*

The Senate has passed a Bill for "*An Act to give effect to a Convention for the unification of certain rules relating to international carriage by air, and for other purposes*", and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

The Senate,  
Canberra, 5th April, 1935.

P. J. LYNCH,  
President.

Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer) 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.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—SPIRITS BILL (1935).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 31.*

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the 'Spirits Act 1906-1932', and to repeal the 'Spirits Act 1933'*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the Amendment indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which Amendment the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate,  
Canberra, 5th April, 1935.

P. J. LYNCH,  
President.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, at the next sitting.

5th April, 1935.

9. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer) moved, That Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until after Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 5, Government Business.

Debate ensued.

Mr. James rising to address the House—

*Closure*.—Mr. Parkhill (Minister for Defence) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McBride
Mr. Casey	Mr. McCall
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nock
Mr. Fiskén	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Price
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Prowse
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Street
Mr. Hunter	Mr. White
Mr. Hutchinson	
Mr. Jennings	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Lane	
Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Gardner
Sir Charles Marr	Mr. Thompson

Noes, 23.

Mr. Baker	Mr. G. W. Mahoney
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Makin
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Martens
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Forde	Mr. Ward
Mr. Frost	
Mr. Garden	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Albert Green	
Mr. James	Mr. Gander
Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That Order of the Day No. 2 be postponed until after Orders of the Day Nos. 3 to 5, Government Business—being accordingly put—

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

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McBride
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McCall
Mr. Casey	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nock
Mr. Fiskén	Mr. Earle Page
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Price
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Prowse
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Street
Mr. Hunter	Mr. White
Mr. Hutchinson	
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. John Lawson	
Sir Charles Marr	Mr. Gardner
Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Thompson

Noes, 22.

Mr. Baker	Mr. G. W. Mahoney
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Makin
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Martens
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Frost	Mr. Ward
Mr. Garden	
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. James	Mr. Gander
Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

10. SALES TAX PROCEDURE BILL (1935).—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.

Clause 3—

On the motion of Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer), the following amendments were made:—

Page 2, line 6, omit “, in purported pursuance of any Sales Tax Assessment Act,”.

Page 2, line 7, omit “as or for sales tax”, insert “either as sales tax or for sales tax”.

5th April, 1935.

Mr. Casey moved, as a further amendment, That at the end of sub-section (1.) of proposed new section 12A the following proviso be inserted :—

“ Provided that where any person has paid any amount either as sales tax or for sales tax by reason of the sale of any goods which prior to that sale had gone into use or consumption in Australia and the Commissioner, upon the production of such evidence (other than, or additional to, the statement, whether by statutory declaration or otherwise, of that person) as the Commissioner considers sufficient, is satisfied—

- (a) that the amount was paid within one month after the close of the month in which the sale took place or within such further time as had been allowed by or under the authority of the Commissioner upon a request made by or on behalf of that person during that first mentioned month ; and
- (b) that the amount has not been passed on by that person to the purchaser of the goods in the total sum paid by the purchaser to the vendor in respect of the sale,

the Commissioner may refund to that person the amount so paid by him.”.

Mr. Scullin moved, as an amendment upon the proposed amendment, That paragraph (a) be omitted from the proposed proviso.

Debate ensued.

Mr. James rising to address the Committee—

*Closure.*—Mr. Parkhill (Minister for Defence) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Prowse, in the Chair) —

**Ayes, 28.**

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McCall
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McClelland
Mr. Casey	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Fisken	Mr. Nock
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Earle Page
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Price
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Street
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. White
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Gardner
Mr. McBride	Mr. Thompson

**Noes, 22.**

Mr. Baker	Mr. G. W. Mahoney
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Makin
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Martens
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Frost	Mr. Ward
Mr. Garden	
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. James	Mr. Gander
Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the paragraph proposed to be omitted stand part of the proposed amendment—being accordingly put—

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Prowse, in the Chair)—

**Ayes, 29.**

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. McClelland
Mr. A. G. Cameron	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Casey	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Fisken	Mr. Nock
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Earle Page
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. E. F. Harrison	Mr. Price
Mr. E. J. Harrison	Mr. Scholfield
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Street
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. White
Mr. Jennings	
Mr. Lane	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Gardner
Mr. McBride	Mr. Thompson
Mr. McCall	

**Noes, 22.**

Mr. Baker	Mr. G. W. Mahoney
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Makin
Mr. Beasley	Mr. Martens
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Mulcahy
Mr. Clark	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Curtin	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Frost	Mr. Ward
Mr. Garden	
Mr. Albert Green	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. James	Mr. Gander
Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. George Lawson

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the proviso proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put and passed.

On the motion of Mr. Casey, the following further amendments were made :—

Page 2, line 27, omit “ Commissioner ”, insert “ Commonwealth ”.

Page 2, lines 41 and 42, omit “ as or for sales tax in purported pursuance of ”, insert “ either as sales tax or for sales tax payable under ”.

Page 3, line 2, after “ Act,” insert “ or of that Act as amended from time to time,”.

Page 3, lines 4 and 5, omit “ as or for sales tax in purported pursuance of ”, insert “ either as sales tax or for sales tax payable under ”.

Page 3, at the end of the clause add the following definition :—

“ ; ‘ sale ’ includes a lease of goods under a hire purchase agreement.”.

5th April, 1935.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.  
 Title agreed to.  
 Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Casey (the Standing Orders having been previously suspended, *see* page 135), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—NORFOLK ISLAND BILL (1935).—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 33.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "An Act to amend the ' Norfolk Island Act 1913 ' ", and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

P. J. LYNCH,  
 President.

The Senate,  
 Canberra, 5th April, 1935.

Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer) 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.

12. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—  
 Tariff Board—Reports and Recommendations—

Arsenate of Lead.

Road Rollers ; Wheeled Tractors and Tractors (Caterpillar type) and parts of Tractors whether wheeled or caterpillar type for use in the manufacture of Road Graders, Road Rollers, Power Shovels, Power Loaders, Winches, Locomotives and similar appliances ; Sleeves for Tractors.

Wax Crayons.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

13. SALES TAX ASSESSMENT BILL (No. 1) (1935).—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.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.  
 Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

14. SALES TAX ASSESSMENT BILL (No. 9) (1935).—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.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.  
 Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

15. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That the intervening Orders of the Day be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 17, Government Business.
16. WAYS AND MEANS—SALES TAX.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer) moved :—

That on and after the date of the commencement of the Act passed to give effect to this resolution the goods leased by a tax-payer upon the sale value of which tax is imposed by sub-section (1.) of section three of the *Sales Tax Act* (No. 9) 1930–1931, as affected by section nineteen of the *Financial Relief Act* 1933, shall include goods which have gone into use or consumption in Australia, and which are leased by a tax-payer on or after that date.

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Question -put and passed.

Resolution to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Resolved That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.  
Mr. Casey moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended, to enable the remaining stages to be passed without delay.

Question -put and passed.

The Resolution reported from the Committee was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Casey, was adopted by the House.

Ordered -That Mr. Casey and Mr. Parkhill do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

17. SALES TAX BILL (No. 9) (1935).—Mr. Casey (Acting Treasurer) then brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘Sales Tax Act (No. 9) 1930-1931’*”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.

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

Mr. Casey moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question -put and passed. —Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(*In the Committee.*)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Casey, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

18. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Dried Fruits Export Control Act—Regulations Amended, &c.—Statutory Rules 1935, Nos. 29, 30.  
Raw Cotton Bounty Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1935, No. 31.

19. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Earle Page (Acting Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question -put and passed.

And then the House, at fifteen minutes past six o'clock p.m., adjourned until Monday next at eleven o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Sir Henry Gullett, Mr. Hawker, Mr. Holloway, Mr. Lyons, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Thomas Paterson, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Frederick Stewart, Mr. Thorby, and Mr. Watkins.

E. W. PARKES,

*Clerk of the House of Representatives.*