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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.  
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 83.

WEDNESDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 1942.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable W. M. Nairn) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. UNIFORM TAXATION PROPOSALS—FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO STATES—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—PRESENTATION OF PAPER.—Mr. Chifley (Treasurer), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House of the decision to increase the amounts to be paid to the States of Western Australia and Tasmania under the States Grants (Income Tax Reimbursement) Bill. Mr. Chifley then, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper :—
 

Financial Assistance to Tasmania—Report of the Commonwealth Grants Commission upon the application submitted by the Government of Tasmania for increased financial assistance under the uniform taxation proposals.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 

Air Force Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 232.  
Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determination by the Arbitrator, &c.—1942—No. 22—Arms, Explosives and Munition Workers' Federation of Australia.  
Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointments of H. G. Gellie, D. T. Sutherland, Department of the Treasury.  
Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 231.  
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired—

  - For Defence purposes—
    - Bendigo, Victoria.
    - Botany, New South Wales.
    - Northam, Western Australia.
    - Parafield, South Australia.
    - Preston, Victoria.
    - Redbank, Queensland.
    - Victor Harbour, South Australia.
    - Williamtown, New South Wales.
  - For Postal purposes—
    - Myrniong, Victoria.
    - Pinkenba, Queensland.

National Security Act—

  - National Security (Aliens Control) Regulations—Orders—Aliens control (Queensland curfew) (2).
  - National Security (Emergency Control) Regulations—Orders—Military powers during emergency (3).
  - National Security (General) Regulations—Orders—
    - Control of—
      - Dextrose.
      - Highways.
      - Evacuation of areas (2).
      - Navigation (Aquatic racing on Sydney Harbour).
      - Prohibited places.
      - Taking possession of land, &c. (139).
      - Use of land (8).
    - National Security (Internment Camps) Regulations—Rules—Camp (2).
    - National Security (Man Power) Regulations—Orders—Protected undertakings (16).
    - National Security (Maritime Industry) Regulations—Orders—Nos. 18, 19, 21.

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National Security (Medical Co-ordination and Equipment) Regulations—Orders—Control of medical equipment (2).

National Security (Prisoners of War) Regulations—Rules—Camp (4).

National Security (Stevedoring Industry) Regulations—Orders—Nos. 1-3.  
Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, Nos. 235, 236.

Northern Territory Acceptance Act and Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Ordinance—1942—No. 3—Stamp.

4. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER NO. 70.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, pursuant to notice, That Standing Order No. 70 (eleven o'clock rule) be suspended for this week and next week. Debate ensued.  
Question—put and passed.
5. DAIRY PRODUCE EXPORT CONTROL BILL 1942.—Mr. Scully (Minister for Commerce) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Dairy Produce Export Control Act 1924-1938*.  
Question—put and passed.  
Mr. Scully then brought up the Bill accordingly, and moved, That it 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.
6. INCOME TAX (WAR-TIME ARRANGEMENTS) BILL 1942.—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. Menzies 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.
7. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—WIDOWS' PENSIONS BILL 1942.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER.

Message No. 115.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to provide for the Payment of Widows' Pensions, and for other purposes*", and requests the House to amend the Bill as set out in Schedule A annexed.

The Senate desires to inform the House that the Amendments set out in Schedule B annexed have been made by the Senate in the Bill.

The Senate,  
Canberra, 27th May, 1942.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,  
President.

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

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Abbott, Mr. Anthony, Sir George Bell, Mr. Blain\*, Mr. Breen, Mr. Coles, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Jolly, Sir Charles Marr, Mr. McCall, Mr. McLeod, Sir Earle Page, and Mr. White\*.

\* On leave.

F. C. GREEN,  
Clerk of the House of Representatives.