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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 101.

WEDNESDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1942.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable W. M. Nairn) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—APPROPRIATION BILL 1942-43.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 145.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and forty-three and to appropriate the Supplies granted by the Parliament for that year*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 30th September, 1942, a.m.

3. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER NO. 70.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, by leave, That Standing Order No. 70 (eleven o'clock rule) be suspended for the remainder of this week.
Question—put and passed.

4. RURAL INDUSTRIES—JOINT COMMITTEE.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, by leave—
(1) That Mr. Marwick be appointed to serve on the Joint Committee on Rural Industries.
(2) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the Senate by Message.
Question—put and passed.

5. ACTIVITIES OF DEPARTMENT OF WAR ORGANIZATION OF INDUSTRY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—Mr. Dedman (Minister for War Organization of Industry), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement reviewing recent activities of the Department of War Organization of Industry, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper :—

Activities of Department of War Organization of Industry—Ministerial Statement, 30th September, 1942—

and moved, That the Paper be printed.

Mr. Fadden (Leader of the Opposition) 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.

6. DISCHARGE OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—On the motion of Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister), by leave, the following Order of the Day, Government Business, was discharged :—

Activities of Department of War Organization of Industry—Ministerial Statement—Motion for Printing Paper—Resumption of debate upon the motion, That the Paper be printed.

7. ADJOURNMENT—MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Anthony rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The serious condition of the dairying industry, due to deficient man power and inadequate prices for butter and other dairy products, and the necessity for immediate remedial Government action".

Mr. Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—

Mr. Anthony moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The debate having been continued for two hours, it was terminated in accordance with Standing Order No. 257B.

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8. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate :—

[*Appropriation (Works and Buildings) Bill 1942-43*].—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 146.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to grant and apply a sum out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the service of the year ending the thirtieth day of June, One thousand nine hundred and forty-three for the purposes of Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c., and to appropriate such sum* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 30th September, 1942.

[*States Grants Bill 1942*].—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 147.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund sums for the purposes of Financial Assistance to the States of South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 30th September, 1942.

9. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

Excise Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1942, No. 387.

National Security Act—

National Security (General) Regulations—

Orders—

Beef (Restrictions on sale and consumption).

Control of—

Sale of meat.

Stock foods and remedies.

Simplification of meals.

Orders by State Premiers—Queensland, Western Australia.

National Security (Supplementary) Regulations—Orders by State Premiers—New South Wales (2), Victoria, Western Australia.

10. SUPERANNUATION 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.

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.*)

Clause 1—

Progress 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.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—SUPERANNUATION BILL 1942.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and was read by Mr. Speaker :—

GOWRIE,

Governor-General.

Message No. 89.

In accordance with the requirements of section fifty-six of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Superannuation Act 1922-1937*, and for other purposes.

Canberra, 18th September, 1942.

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

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

(*In the Committee.*)

Mr. Lazzarini (Minister assisting the Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Superannuation Act 1922-1937*, and for other purposes.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

The said Resolution was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Lazzarini, by leave, was adopted by the House.

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12. SUPERANNUATION BILL 1942.—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 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 4 and 5 agreed to.

Clause 6—

On the motion of Mr. Lazzarini (Minister assisting the Treasurer), the following amendments were made :—

Page 3, line 45, after " years " insert ", and an employee who was a contributor at the commencement of the *Superannuation Act 1942*,".

Page 5, lines 13-15, omit ", not later than twelve months after the first payment of the increased salary,".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 7 to 12 agreed to.

Clause 13—

On the motion of Mr. Lazzarini, the following amendment was made :—

Page 8, line 4, after " payable " insert ", on the death of a contributor,".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 14 and 15 agreed to.

Clause 16—

On the motion of Mr. Lazzarini, the following amendment was made :—

Page 8, lines 31-32, omit " poll at ", insert " result of ".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 17 to 42 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

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

13. WOMEN'S EMPLOYMENT 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.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

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Debate continued.

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.)

Clause 1—

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Prowse reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

14. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate :—

[*Loan Bill (No. 3) 1942*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 148.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of a certain Sum of Money*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 30th September, 1942.

[*Pay-roll Tax Assessment Bill 1942*]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 149.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the ' Pay-roll Tax Assessment Act 1941 ' "*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 30th September, 1942.

30th September and 1st October, 1942.

15. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—BLACK MARKETING BILL 1942.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 150.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “*An Act to provide for the Prevention of Black Marketing*”, 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.

JAS. CUNNINGHAM,
President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 1st October, 1942, a.m.

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

16. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Curtin (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at ten minutes past three o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Beck, Sir George Bell, Mr. Blain*, Mr. Cameron, Mr. Coles, Mr. Drakeford, Mr. Duncan-Hughes, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Forde, Mr. Jolly, Mr. Langtry, Mr. Perkins, and Mr. White*.

* On leave.

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