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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

REPRESENTATIVES. HOUSE OF

No. 102.

WEDNESDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1952.

- 1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2. PETITION.-Mr. Bowden presented a petition from certain citizens of Gippsland, Victoria, praying that immediate action be taken to construct a railway line from Orbost via Cann River in Victoria to Bombala in New South Wales.

Petition received and read.

3. COMMONWEALTH LITERARY FUND STATEMENT BY MEMBER.—Mr. Wentworth, by leave, made a Statement regarding the affairs of the Commonwealth Literary Fund, with particular reference to one of the recipients of assistance from the Fund.

Mr. Keon asked leave to make a Statement in connexion with the matter.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

Mr. Haylen asked leave to make a Statement in connexion with the matter.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

4. COMMONWEALTH LITERARY FUND-STATEMENT BY MEMBER .--- Mr. Haylen, by leave, made a Statement with reference to the Commonwealth Literary Fund. Mr. Keon asked leave to make a Statement in connexion with the matter. Objection being raised, leave not granted.

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

Lands Acquisition Act-Land acquired for Department of Civil Aviation purposes-Merimbula, New South Wales.

Public Service Act—Appointments—Department— Commerce and Agriculture—A. N. Egan.

Health-K. A. Steele.

- Science and Industry Endowment Act-Report by Auditor-General on Accounts of Science and Industry Endowment Fund-Year-1951-52.
- 6. WHEAT EXPORT CHARGE BILL 1952 .- Mr. McEwen (Minister for Commerce and Agriculture) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the Wheat Export Charge Act 1948.

Question-put and passed.

Mr. McEwen 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. Mr. McEwen asked leave to move, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

Suspension of Standing Orders.—Mr. McEwen moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the second reading being moved forthwith.

Question—put and passed, with the concurrence of an absolute majority.

Mr. McEwen moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Mr. Pollard 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.—STATES GRANTS (SPECIAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE) BILL 1952.— Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

Message No. 130.

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 and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

EDWARD MATTNER,

The Senate,

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MR. SPEAKER,

Canberra, 23rd September, 1952.

President,

- 8. INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION ASSESSMENT BILL (No. 3) 1952.-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. Calwell, viz. :- That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof :---" the Bill be redrafted to provide for-
 - (1) greater reductions and concessions in relation to the subjects of taxation ;
 - (2) a broader definition of the concession in respect of money paid or expended for educational purposes;
 - (3) a liberalization of the means test; and
 - (4) the increase of the amount granted by way of deduction from assessable income in respect of the spouse and dependants of taxpayers "

Debate resumed.

Question-That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question-put. Th

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Mr. Bland Mr. Bostock Mr. Bowden Mr. Brimblecombe Mr. Brown Mr. D. A. Cameron Mr. Corser Mr. Cramer Mr. Davis Mr. Dean	Mr. Downer Mr. Drury Sir A. Fadden Mr. Failes Mr. Fairhall Mr. Falkinder Mr. Francis Mr. Freeth Mr. Graham Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Eric J. Harrison Mr. Haworth Mr. Jack Mr. Joske Mr. Kekwick Mr. Kent Hughes Mr. Lawrence Mr. Luck Mr. Luck Mr. Lucock	Mr. McBride Mr. McColm Mr. McEwen Mr. McLeay Mr. McMahon Mr. Osborne Sir E. Page Mr. Pearce Mr. Treloar Mr. Turnbull	Mr. Wentworth Mr. Wheeler Mr. Wight Mr. Wilson <i>Tellers</i> Mr. Davidson Mr. Gullett
		Noes, 42.		
Mr. Anderson Mr. Andrews Mr. Beazley Mr. Bird Mr. W. M. Bourke Mr. Bruce Mr. Bryson Mr. T. P. Burke Mr. Calwell	Mr. C. R. Cameron Mr. Clarey Mr. Costa Mr. Crean Mr. Cremean Mr. Curtin Mr. Davies Mr. Drakeford Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Fuller Mr. Griffiths Mr. E. James Harrison Mr. Haylen Mr. James Mr. Johnson Mr. Joshua Mr. Keon	Mr. Lawson Mr. Luchetti Mr. McLeod Mr. Minogue Mr. Morgan Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Mullens Mr. Peters Mr. Pollard	Mr. Riordan Mr. Russell Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins <i>Tellers</i> : Mr. Daly Mr. Sheehan

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

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Clause 4-

Mr. Nelson moved the following amendment :---Page 3, line 21, omit paragraph (d), insert the following paragraph :-

(d) by omitting from paragraph (m) the words 'One thousand nine hundred and fifty-two' and inserting in their stead the words 'One thousand nine hundred and fifty-three'; and ".

Debate ensued.

Question-That the paragraph proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause-put. The Committee divided (The Deputy Chairman, Mr. Bowden, in the Chair)-

		Aves, 51.		
Mr. Bate Mr. Beale Mr. Bland Mr. Bostock Mr. Brimblecombe Mr. Brown Mr. D. A. Cameron Mr. Casey	Mr. Dean Mr. Downer Mr. Drury Sir A. Fadden Mr. Failes Mr. Fairhall Mr. Falkinder Mr. Francis	Mr. Eric J. Harrison Mr. Hasluck Mr. Haworth Mr. Jack Mr. Joske Mr. Kekwick Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. McBride Mr. McColm Mr. McEwen Mr. McLeay Mr. McMahon Mr. Opperman Mr. Osbortte Sir E. Page	Mr. Treloar Mr. Turnbull Mr. Wentworth Mr. Wheeler Mr. Wight Mr. Wilson Tellers:
Mr. Casey Mr. Corser Mr. Cramer Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth Mr. Graham Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lawrence Mr. Luck Mr. Lucock NoEs, 45.	Mr. Pearce Mr. Roberton Mr. Townley	Mr. Davidson Mr. Gullett
Mr. Anderson Mr. Andrews Mr. Beazley Mr. Bird Mr. W. M. Bourke Mr. Bruce Mr. Bruce Mr. Bryson Mr. T. P. Burke Mr. Calwell Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Clarey Mr. Costa Mr. Crean Mr. Cremean Mr. Curtin Mr. Davies Mr. Drakeford Mr. Edmonds Mr. Fitzgerald Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Fuller Mr. Galvin Mr. Griffiths Mr. E. James Harrison Mr. Haylen Mr. James Mr. Johnson Mr. Joshua Mr. Joshua Mr. Keon	Mr. Lawson Mr. Luchetti Mr. McLeod Mr. Minogue Mr. Morgan Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Mullens Mr. Peters Mr. Pollard Mr. Riordan	Mr. Russell Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins <i>Tellers</i> : Mr. Daly Mr. Sheehan

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Sir Arthur Fadden (Treasurer) moved the following amendment :-- Page 3, lines 22-33, omit paragraph (e).

Debate continued.

Question-That the amendment be agreed to-put,

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The Committee divided (The Deputy Chairman, Mr. Bowden, in the Chair)-

		AYES, 52.		
Mr. Bate	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Townley
Mr. Beale	Mr. Dean	Mr. Eric J.	Mr. McBride	Mr. Treloar
Mr. Berry	Mr. Downer	Harrison	Mr. McColm	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bostock	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Failes	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Wilson
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Casey	Mr. Francis	Mr. Kent Hughes	Sir E. Page	Tellers :
Mr. Corser	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Luck	Mr. Roberton	Mr. Gullett
·		NGES, 42.		
Mr. Anderson	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Keon	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Andréws	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Russell
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Bird	Mr. Crean	Mr. E. James	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Ward
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Cremean	Harrison	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Mulcahy	
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. James	Mr. Mullens	Tellers :
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Peters	Mr. Daly
Mr. Calwell	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Pollard	Mr.Sheehau

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

New clause-

On the motion, by leave, of Mr. Wentworth, the following new clause was inserted in the Bill, after debate :---

- (i) a company that is a resident and in which not less than three-quarters of the voting power is controlled directly or indirectly by persons, other than companies, who are residents; or
- (ii) any other person who is a resident, derives income from the working of a mining property in Australia or in the Territory of New Guinea for the purpose of obtaining uranium-bearing ore; and
- (b) the Commissioner is satisfied that all uranium recoverable from ore obtained from the mining property in the year of income is or will become (either before or after recovery) the property of the Commonwealth or has been or will be (whether before or after recovery) sold or disposed of to a person approved by the Commonwealth.

(2.) So much of the income referred to in the last preceding sub-section as, in the opinion of the Commissioner, is attributable to uranium, shall be exempt from income tax.

'(3.) Where a taxpayer carries on mining operations on a mining property partly for the purpose of gaining or producing income that is exempt under this section and partly for the purpose of gaining or producing assessable income, the taxpayer is entitled to such part only as the Commissioner considers just of the deductions allowable, but for this section, in relation to those operations.'."

Clause 5 omitted, after debate.

Clause 6 debated—

Question-That the clause be agreed to-put.

The Committee divided (The Deputy Chairman, Mr. Bowden, in the Chair)-

Aves, 44.						
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Russell		
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Ward		
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Watkins		
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cremean	Mr. E. James	Mr. Minogue			
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Curtin	Harrison	Mr. Morgan			
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Davies	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Mulcahy	С		
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. James	Mr. Mullens	Tellers:		
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Peters			
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Daly		
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Keon	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Sheehan		
		Nors, 53.				
Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Eric J.	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wentworth		
Mr. Beale	Mr. Downer	Harrison	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wheeler		
Mr. Berry	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wight		
Mr. Bland	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wilson		
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Failes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Opperman			
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Joske	Mr. Osborne			
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Kekwick	Sir E. Page			
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Pearce			
Mr. Casey	Mr. Francis	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Roberton	Tellers :		
Mr. Corser	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley			
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Treloar	Mr. Davidson		
Mr. Davis	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. McBride	Mr. Turnbull	Mr. Gullett		
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And so it was negatived. Clauses 7 to 14 agreed to, 24th September, 1952.

Clause 15-

Mr. Calwell moved the following amendment :- Page 14, line 33, after "tutor" insert " and amounts otherwise expended by the taxpayer in the year of income ".

Debate ensued.

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

The Committee divided (The Deputy Chairman, Mr. Bowden, in the Chair)-

		AYES, 44.		
Mr. Anderson Mr. Andrews Mr. Beazley Mr. Bird Mr. W. M. Bourke Mr. Bruce Mr. Bryson Mr. T. P. Burke Mr. Calwell	Mr. Clarey Mr. Costa Mr. Crean Mr. Cremean Mr. Curtin Mr. Davies Mr. Drakeford Mr. Edmonds Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Fuller Mr. Galvin Mr. Griffiths Mr. E. James Harrison Mr. Haylen Mr. James Mr. Johnson Mr. Johnson Mr. Joshua	Mr. Lawson Mr. Luchetti Mr. McLeod Mr. Minogue Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Mullens Mr. Peters Mr. Pollard Mr. Riordan	Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins <i>Tellers</i> : Mr. Daly
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Keon	Mr. Russell	Mr. Sheehan
		Noes, 53.		
Mr. Bate Mr. Beale Mr. Berry Mr. Bland Mr. Bostock Mr. Brimblecombe Mr. Brown Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Dean Mr. Downer Mr. Drury Sir A. Fadden Mr. Failes Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Fairball Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Eric J. Harrison Mr. Hasluck Mr. Haworth Mr. Jack Mr. Joske Mr. Kekwick Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. McColm Mr. McLeay Mr. McLeay Mr. McMahon Mr. Opperman Mr. Osborne Sir E. Page Mr. Pearce	Mr. Wentworth Mr. Wheeler Mr. Wight Mr. Wilson
Mr. Casey Mr. Corser Mr. Cramer Mr. Davis	Mr. Francis Mr. Freeth Mr. Graham Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lawrence Mr. Luck Mr. Lucock Mr. M-Bride	Mr. Roberton Mr. Townley Mr. Treloar Mr. Treloar	Tellers: Mr. Davidson
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And so it was negatived.

Mr. Calwell moved the following amendment :- Page 14, line 38, omit "that", insert "a". Amendment negatived.

Mr. Calwell moved the following amendment :- Page 14, line 39, omit "that ", insert " a ". Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 16 to 24 agreed to.

Clause 25-

On the motion of Mr. Wentworth, the following amendment was made, after debate :--Page 28, line 35, after "by " insert " section four A, by ". Sir Arthur Fadden moved the following further amendment :--Page 28, lines 40-46, omit sub-clause

(4.).

Debate continued.

Question-That the amendment be agreed to-put.

The Committee divided (The Deputy Chairman, Mr. Bowden, in the Chair)-

		Ayes, 53.			
Mr. Bate Mr. Beale Mr. Berry Mr. Bland Mr. Bostock Mr. Brimblecombe Mr. Brown Mr. D. A. Cameron Mr. Casey Mr. Corser Mr. Cramer	Mr. Davis Mr. Dean Mr. Downer Mr. Drury Sir A. Fadden Mr. Failes Mr. Fairbain Mr. Fairhall Mr. Falkinder Mr. Francis Mr. Freeth	Ayes, 53. Mr. Graham Mr. Hamilton Mr. Eric J. Harrison Mr. Hasluck Mr. Hasluck Mr. Jack Mr. Joske Mr. Joske Mr. Kekwick Mr. Kent Hughes Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Luck Mr. Lucock Mr. McBride Mr. McColm Mr. McLeay Mr. McLeay Mr. OcMahon Mr. Opperman Mr. Osborne Sir E. Page Mr. Pearce	Mr. Roberton Mr. Townley Mr. Treloar Mr. Turnbull Mr. Wentworth Mr. Wheeler Mr. Wight Mr. Wilson <i>Tellers</i> : Mr. Davidson Mr. Gullett	
Noes, 44.					

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Costa	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cremean	Mr. E. James	Mr. Minogue	
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Curtin	Harrison	Mr. Mulcahy	
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Davies	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Mullens	
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. James	Mr. Peters	Tellers:
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr., Joshu a	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Daly
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Keon	Mr. Russell	Mr. Sheehan

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

On the motion of Sir Arthur Fadden, by leave, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time,

9. ADJOURNMENT-COUNT-OUT.-Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Mr. Curtin addressing the House, and having disobeyed instructions from the Chair, was directed by Mr. Speaker to discontinue his speech.

Mr. T. P. Burke moved, That Mr. Curtin be further heard.

Question—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)-

		AYES, 58.		
Mr. Anderson Mr. Andrews Mr. Berry Mr. Bird Mr. Bostock Mr. W. M. Bourke Mr. Brimblecombe Mr. Bruce Mr. Bryson Mr. T. P. Burke Mr. Calwell Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Clarey Mr. Costa Mr. Crean Mr. Cremean Mr. Curtin Mr. Davies Mr. Downer Mr. Drakeford Mr. Drury Mr. Edmonds Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Fairball	Mr. Falkinder Mr. Fitzgerald Mr. A. D. Fraser Mr. Galvin Mr. Graham Mr. Graham Mr. Grifiths Mr. Hamilton Mr. Haworth Mr. Jack Mr. James Mr. Johnson	Mr. Joshua Mr. Keon Mr. Lawson Mr. Luchetti Mr. Lucock Mr. McColm Mr. McLeod Mr. Minogue Mr. Mulcahy Mr. Mullens Mr. Peters Mr. Pollard	Mr. Riordan Mr. Russell Mr. Thompson Mr. Treloar Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins Mr. Wentworth Mr. Wight <i>Tellers:</i> Mr. Daly Mr. Sheehan
		NoES, 35.		
Mr. Bate Mr. Beale Mr. Bowden Mr. Brown Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Davis Mr. Dean Sir A. Fadden Mr. Failes Mr. Francis	Mr. Joske Mr. Kekwick Mr. Kent Hughes Mr. Lawrence	Mr. McLeay Mr. McMahon Mr. Opperman Mr. Osborne Sir E. Page	Mr. Turnbull Mr. Wilson Tellers:
Mr. Casey Mr. Corser Mr. Cramer	Mr. Freeth Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. Luck Mr. McBride Mr. McEwen	Mr. Pearce Mr. Roberton Mr. Townley	Mr. Davidson Mr. Gullett

And so it was resolved in the affirmative. Debate continued.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight-

THURSDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER, 1952.

Debate continued.

Mr. Bate called attention to the absence of a quorum of Members and Mr. Speaker, having determined that a quorum was not present, thereupon, at sixteen minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned the House until this day at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Adermann, Mr. Anthony, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Clark, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Duthie, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Grayden, Mr. Holt, Mr. Howse, Mr. Hulme, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Leslie, Mr. McDonald, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Rosevear and Mr. Timson.

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

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