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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 164.

FRIDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1953.

1. The House met, at ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
Interior—H. A. Johnson.
Territories—H. C. Haskew.
3. WHEAT MARKETING BILL 1953.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council), for 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 Industry Stabilization Act 1948-1953*.
Question—put and passed.
4. INTERNATIONAL WHEAT AGREEMENT BILL 1953.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council), for Mr. McEwen (Minister for Commerce and Agriculture), moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to approve Acceptance by Australia of the Agreement Revising and Renewing the International Wheat Agreement.
Question—put and passed.
5. ESTATE DUTY ASSESSMENT BILL 1953.—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.)

Clause 3—

Debate resumed on the amendment moved by Mr. E. James Harrison, viz. :—

Page 2, at the end of sub-clause (1.) add the following paragraph—

“(f) by adding the following sub-sections :—

(5.) From the value of the estate of a person who is or has been a member of the naval, military or air forces of the Commonwealth and who during service as such member or within three years of the termination of such service dies as a result of injuries received or disease contracted during such service, there shall be deducted in respect of such part of the estate as passes to the widow, children, grandchildren, parents, brothers, sisters, nephews or nieces of the deceased a sum of Five thousand pounds or where the value of that part is less than Five thousand pounds, an amount equal to the value of that part.

(6.) Subject to sub-section (3.), the question as to whether a person has or has not died as a result of injuries received or disease contracted on service as a member of the naval, military or air forces of the Commonwealth may on the application of the legal personal representatives of such person or a person beneficially interested in his estate be determined by a Judge of the Supreme Court of a State or Territory and the Supreme Court of a State is vested with Federal jurisdiction for the purposes of determining the question.”

Closure.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

Mr. Bate	Mr. Failes	AYES, 49.	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Townley
Mr. Beale	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Haaluck	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bland	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Holt	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brown	Mr. Francis	Mr. Howse	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Opperman	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Davis	Mr. Graham	Mr. Jack	Sir E. Page	
Mr. Dean	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Joske	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Davidson
Mr. Downer	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Kent Hughes	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Eric J.	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz	
Mr. Drury	Harrison	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson	
		Mr. Lucock		
		NOES, 40.		
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Ward
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. E. James	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Bird	Mr. Duthie	Harrison	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Ewert	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Keon	Mr. Russell	Mr. Daly
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Stewart	Mr. Sheenan
Mr. Crean	Mr. Greenup	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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And the question—That the amendment be agreed to—being accordingly put—
The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Adermann, in the Chair)—

AYES, 40.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Ward
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Mr. Bird	Mr. Duthie	Harrison	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Whitlam
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NOES, 51.

Mr. Bate	Mr. Drury	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. Luck	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Beale	Mr. Failes	Harrison	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bland	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Townley
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Haworth	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Brown	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Holt	Mr. McColm	Mr. Turner
Mr. Corsier	Mr. Francis	Mr. Howse	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McMahan	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Davis	Mr. Graham	Mr. Jack	Mr. Opperman	
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Mr. Drummond		Mr. Leslie	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Guillet

And so it was negatived.

Clause agreed to.

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

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. McMahon (Minister for the Navy), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

6. INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION ASSESSMENT BILL (No. 2) 1953.—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. Daly was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.

Ordered—That the debate be now adjourned and that the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—CUSTOMS BILL 1953.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate:—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 233.

The Senate has passed a Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Customs Act 1901-1952'", and transmits the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

A. M. McMULLIN,
President.

The Senate,
Canberra, 8th October, 1953.

Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Minister representing the Minister for Trade and Customs) 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. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Ward addressing the House—

Closure.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at two minutes to four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Anthony, Mr. Berry, Mr. Bostock, Mr. T. P. Burke, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. D. A. Cameron, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Clark, Mr. Cremean, Mr. Davies, Sir Arthur Fadden, Mr. Galvin, Mr. James, Mr. Kekwick, Mr. Lawrence, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Mullens, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Peters, Mr. Treloar, Mr. Wight and Mr. Wilson.

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