THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 171.

THURSDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1953.

- 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. Public Accounts Committee-Report.-Mr. Bland (Chairman) brought up the following Report from the Joint Committee of Public Accounts:-Sixth Report-Department of External Affairs.
 - Ordered to be printed.

3. Messages from the Senate.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the Senate:

[Appropriation Bill 1953-54]—

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 241.

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 fifty-four, 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.

A. M. McMullin,

The Senate,

Canberra, 22nd October, 1953,

President.

[Appropriation (Works and Services) Bill 1953-54]—

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 242.

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 fifty-four, for the purposes of Additions, New Works and other Services involving Capital Expenditure 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 amendment.

A. M. McMullin, President.

The Senate,

Canberra, 22nd October, 1953, a.m.

4. Discussion of Matter of Urgency.—Commonwealth Shipping Fleet.—Mr. Duthie having proposed to Mr. Speaker that a definite matter of urgent public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The urgent necessity of protecting a national asset owned by the people of Australia by a public assurance that the Government will not dispose of the Commonwealth shipping fleet to a shipping monopoly of private companies "—

Mr. Speaker 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. Duthie addressed the House.

Discussion ensued.

Several Members rising to address the House-

Mr. Beale (Minister for Supply) moved, That the Business of the Day be called on.

Question—put.

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

		AYES, 49.		
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Francis	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Bate	Mr. Davis	Mr. Graham	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley
Mr. Beale	Mr. Dean	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bland	Mr. Downer	Mr. Holt	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Howse	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brimblecombe	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Jack	Mr. McLeav	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brown	Mr. Failes	Mr. Joske	Mr. Opperman	Tellera:
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Corser	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Turnbull
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		Noes, 36.		
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Costa	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Crean	Mr. Greenup	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cremean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Watkins
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Curtin	Mr. E. James	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Duthie	Harrison	Mr. Pollard	Tellers:
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Ewert	Mr. Keon	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Russell	Mr. Daly
Mr. Clark	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Stewart	Mr. Sheehan

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

5. Postponement of Order of the Day.—Mr. Beale (Minister for Supply) moved, That Order of the Day No. 1, Government Business, be postponed until a later hour this day.

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

Question-That the question be now put-put.

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

Ayes, 48.					
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Townley	
Mr. Bate	Mr. Davis	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Turner	
Mr. Beale	Mr. Dean	Mr. Holt	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wentworth	
Mr. Bland	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Wheel er	
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Jack	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wight	
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Drury	Mr. Joske	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Wilson	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Failes	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Osborne		
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Lawrence	Sir E. Page	Telle rs:	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Gullett	
Mr. Corser	Mr. Francis	Mr. Luck	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Turnbull	
		Noes, 38.			
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Costa	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Russell	
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Crean	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Stewart	
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cremean	Mr. Galvin	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Greenup	Mr. Minogue	Mr. War d	
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Watkins	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Duthie	Mr. E. James	Mr. O'Connor	Tellers:	
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Ewert	Harrison	Mr. Peters	Mr. Daly	
Mr. Clark	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Keon	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Sheehan	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed.

6. Repatriation Bill 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. Ward rising to address the House—

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

		AYES, 47.		
Mr. Adermann Mr. Bate Mr. Beale Mr. Bland Mr. Bostock Mr. Bowden Mr. Brimblecombe Mr. Brown Mr. Corser	Mr. Cramer Mr. Davis Mr. Dean Mr. Downer Mr. Drury Sir A. Fadden Mr. Failes Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Francis Mr. Graham	Mr. Eric J. Harrison Mr. Haworth Mr. Holt Mr. Howse Mr. Hulme Mr. Jack Mr. Joske Mr. Kekwick Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Leslie Mr. Luck Mr. Mackinnon Mr. McColm Mr. McEwen Mr. McLeay Mr. Opperman Mr. Osborne Mr. Pearce Mr. Swartz	Mr. Townley Mr. Turner Mr. Wentworth Mr. Wheeler Mr. Wight Mr. Wilson Tellers: Mr. Gullett Mr. Turnbull
		Noes, 32,		•
Mr. Anderson Mr. Andrews Mr. Beazley Mr. Bird Mr. W. M. Bourke Mr. Bryson Mr. Calwell	Mr. Clarey Mr. Clark Mr. Costa Mr. Crean Mr. Cremean Mr. Curtin Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Duthie Mr. Ewert Mr. Fitzgerald Mr. A. D. Fraser Mr. Greenup Mr. Griffiths Mr. Keon	Mr. Lawson Mr. Morgan Mr. O'Connor Mr. Pollard Mr. Russell Mr. Stewart Mr. Thompson	Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins Tellers: Mr. Daly Mr. Fuller

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Debate ensued.

Mr. Costa rising to address the Committee-

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Adermann, in the Chair)—	The Committee	divided (T)	e Chairman	Mr. Adermann	. in the	Chair)
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	_	AYES, 40.		
Mr. Bate Mr. Beale 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. Fairbairn Mr. Francis Mr. Graham Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. Haworth Mr. Holt Mr. Howse Mr. Hulme Mr. Jack Mr. Joske Mr. Kekwick Mr. Lawrence Mr. Leslie Mr. Luck	Mr. Mackinnon Mr. McColm Mr. McEwen Mr. McLeay Mr. Opperman Mr. Osborne Mr. Pearce Mr. Swartz Mr. Townley Mr. Turner	Mr. Wentworth Mr. Wheeler Mr. Wight Mr. Wilson Tellers: Mr. Gullett Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Anderson Mr. Andrews Mr. Beazley Mr. Bird Mr. W. M. Bourke Mr. Bryson Mr. Calwell	Mr. Clarey Mr. Clark Mr. Costa Mr. Crean Mr. Cremean Mr. Curtin Mr. Duthie	Noes, 30. Mr. Ewert Mr. Fitzgerald Mr. A. D. Fraser Mr. Greenup Mr. Griffiths Mr. Keon Mr. Lawson	Mr. Morgan Mr. O'Connor Mr. Pollard Mr. Stewart Mr. Thompson Mr. Ward Mr. Watkins	Tellers: Mr. Daly Mr. Fuller

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be agreed to—was put accordingly, and passed.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Francis (Minister representing the Minister for Repatriation), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

7. Messages from the Senate.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Messages from the

[Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Bill 1953]—

Mr. Speaker.

Message No. 243.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1935-1952 ", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

A. M. McMullin,

President.

Canberra, 22nd October, 1953.

[Sales Tax Bills (Nos. 1 to 9) 1953]-

Mr. Speaker,

The Senate.

Message No. 244.

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The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the following Bills:-
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"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Act (No. 1) 1930-1952'"
"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Act (No. 2) 1930-1952'"
"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Act (No. 3) 1930-1952'"
"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Act (No. 4) 1930-1952'"
"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Act (No. 5) 1930-1952'"
"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Act (No. 6) 1930-1952'"
"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Act (No. 7) 1930-1952'"
"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Act (No. 8) 1930-1952'"
"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Act (No. 8) 1930-1952'"
"A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Act (No. 9) 1930-1952'"
                                            "A Bill for an Act to amend the 'Sales Tax Act (No. 9) 1930-1952'"
and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bills without requests.
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A. M. McMullin,

The Senate,

Canberra, 22nd October, 1953.

President.

[States Grants (Special Financial Assistance) Bill 1953]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 245.

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 purpose of Financial Assistance to the States", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

A. M. McMullin,

The Senate,

Canberra, 22nd October, 1953.

President.

[Customs Tariff Validation Bill (No. 2) 1953]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 246.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to provide for the Validation of Collections of Duties of Customs under Customs Tariff Proposals", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

A. M. McMullin,

The Senate,

Canberra, 22nd October, 1953,

President,

[Excise Tariff Validation Bill 1953]-

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 247.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to provide for the Validation of Collections of Duties of Excise under Excise Tariff Proposals", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without requests.

A. M. McMullin.

The Senate,

Canberra, 22nd October, 1953.

[Loan (Housing) Bill 1953]--

Mr. Speaker,

Message No. 248.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to authorize the Raising of Moneys to be advanced to certain States for the purposes of Housing", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

A. M. McMullin,

The Senate,

Canberra, 22nd October, 1953.

President.

President.

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

Meat Export Control Act—Eighteenth Annual Report of the Australian Meat Board, for year 1952-53, together with Statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.

Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of National Development—M. F. Wall.

Public Service Arbitration Act—Determinations—1953-

No. 68—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.
No. 70—Commonwealth Public Service Clerical Association and others.

No. 71—Meat Inspectors' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.

No. 72—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.
No. 73—Amalgamated Postal Workers' Union of Australia.
No. 74—Australian Federated Union of Locomotive Enginemen.

No. 75—Federated Ironworkers' Association of Australia and others.

No. 76—Electrical Trades Union of Australia.

No. 77—Professional Officers' Association, Commonwealth Public Service.

9. Printing Committee-Seventh Report.-Mr. Wilson (Chairman) brought up the Seventh Report from the Printing Committee (sitting in conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate). The Report was read by the Clerk, as follows:-

REPORT.

The Printing Committee have the honour to report that they have met in Conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate.

The Joint Committee, having considered the Petitions and Papers presented to Parliament since the last meeting of the Committee, recommend that the following be printed:

Australian National University Act—Report of the Council for period 1st July, 1951 to 31st December, 1951.

Commonwealth Committee on Taxation-Reports-

Collection by instalments.

Entertainments Tax—conditional exemption.

Pay-roll Tax—exemptions and anomalies.

Pay-roll Tax—local governing bodies.

Penal provisions and prosecutions.

Provisional tax.

Returns and assessments.

Sales Tax—freight charges.

Sales Tax exemptions—private hospitals and similar institutions. Taxation of abnormal income receipts.

Postmaster-General's Department—Forty-second Annual Report, for year 1951-52.

Repatriation Act—Repatriation Commission—Report for year 1951-52.

Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Power Act—Third Annual Report of the Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Authority, for year 1951-52.

Social Services Consolidation Act-Report by Director-General of Social Services for year 1952-53.

War Service Homes Act—Annual Report for year 1952-53.

K. CAMERON WILSON, Chairman.

22nd October, 1953.

Mr. Wilson moved, by leave, That the Report be agreed to. Question—put and passed.

10. Special Adjournment.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until a date and hour to be fixed by Mr. Speaker, which time of meeting shall be notified by Mr. Speaker to each Member by telegram or letter. Question—put and passed.

- 11. Leave of Absence to all Members.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That leave of absence be given to every Member of the House of Representatives from the determination of this sitting of the House to the date of its next sitting. Question—put and passed.
- 12. 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.

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

		AYES, 40.		
Mr. Adermann Mr. Bate Mr. Beale Mr. Bostock Mr. Bowden Mr. Brimblecombe Mr. D. A. Cameron Mr. Corser Mr. Cramer	Mr. Dean Mr. Downer Mr. Drury Sir A. Fadden Mr. Failes Mr. Fairbairn Mr. Francis Mr. Graham Mr. Eric J.	Mr. Haworth Mr. Holt Mr. Howse Mr. Hulme Mr. Jack Mr. Joske Mr. Kekwick Mr. Lawrence Mr. Leslie	Mr. Mackinnon Mr. McColm Mr. McEwen Mr. McLeay Mr. Opperman Mr. Osborne Mr. Pearce Mr. Swartz Mr. Townley	Mr. Wentworth Mr. Wheeler Mr. Wight Mr. Wilson Tellers Mr. Gullett Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Davis	Harrison	Mr. Luck	Mr. Turner	
		Noes, 30.		
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Ewert	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. O'Connor	*** **
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Pollard	Tellers:
Mr. Bird	Mr. Crean Mr. Cremean	Mr. Greenup	Mr. Stewart	Mr. Dal-
Mr. W. M. Bourke		Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Daly
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Keon	Mr. Ward	Mr. Fuller
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Lawson		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

And then the House, at twenty-three minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until a date and hour to be fixed by Mr. Speaker, and to be notified by him to each Member by telegram or letter as determined by Resolution of the House at this sitting.

Members Present.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Berry, Mr. Bruce, Mr. T. P. Burke, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. Casey, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Davies, Mr. Edmonds, Mr. Falkinder, Mr. Freeth, Mr. Grayden, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hasluck, Mr. Haylen, Mr. James, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Joshua, Mr. Kent Hughes, Sir Philip McBride, Mr. McMahon, Mr. Mullens, Mr. Timson, Mr. Treloar and Mr. Whitlam.

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

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The following Messages from the Senate, returning Bills without amendment, were received after the adjournment of the House on the 22nd October, 1953:—

[Social Services Consolidation Bill 1953]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 249.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the Social Services Consolidation Act 1947-1952", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

A. M. McMullin,

The Senate,

President.

Canberra, 22nd October, 1953.

[States Grants Bill 1953]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 250.

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 purpose 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.

A. M. McMullin,

The Senate,

President.

Canberra, 22nd October, 1953.

[Loan (War Service Land Settlement) Bill 1953]—

MR. SPEAKER,

Message No. 251.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to authorize the Raising of Moneys for the purpose of Financial Assistance to the States of South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania in connexion with War Service Land Settlement, and for other purposes", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

A. M. McMullin,

The Senate,

President.

Canberra, 22nd October, 1953.

MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor-General were received after the adjournment of the House on the 22nd October, 1953:-

ASSENT TO BILLS.

W. J. SLIM,

Governor-General.

Message No. 144.

A Proposed Law intituled "Social Services Consolidation Act 1953" 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 Her Majesty, assented to the said Law.

Government House,

Canberra, 26th October, 1953.

W. J. SLIM,

Governor-General.

Message No. 145.

Proposed Laws intituled:-

"Wheat Marketing Act 1953"

"International Wheat Agreement Act 1953"

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 Her Maejsty, assented to the said Laws.

Government House,

Canberra, 26th October, 1953.

W. J. SLIM,

Governor-General.

Message No. 146.

Proposed Laws intituled:-

" Customs Act 1953"

"Service and Execution of Process Act 1953"

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 Her Majesty, assented to the said Laws.

Government House,

Canberra, 26th October, 1953.

W. J. SLIM,

Governor-General.

Message No. 147.

Proposed Laws intituled:—

" Appropriation Act 1953-54"

"Appropriation (Works and Services) Act 1953-54"
"Income Tax and Social Services Contribution Assessment Act (No. 2) 1953"

"Income Tax and Social Services Contribution Act 1953"

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 Her Majesty, assented to the said Laws.

Government House,

Canberra, 26th October, 1953.

MESSAGES FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL-continued.

W. J. SLIM.

Governor-General.

Message No. 148.

Proposed Laws intituled:-

- "Repatriation Act 1953"
- "Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances Act 1953"

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 Her Majesty, assented to the said Laws.

Government House,

Canberra, 28th October, 1953.

W. J. SLIM,

Governor-General.

Message No. 149.

Proposed Laws intituled:-

- "Estate Duty Assessment Act 1953"
- "Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1953"
 "Sales Tax Act (No. 1) 1953"

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 "Sales Tax Act (No. 2) 1953"
 "Sales Tax Act (No. 3) 1953"
 "Sales Tax Act (No. 4) 1953"
- " Sales Tax Act (No. 5) 1953"
- " Sales Tax Act (No. 6) 1953"
- "Sales Tax Act (No. 7) 1953"
 "Sales Tax Act (No. 8) 1953"
- " Sales Tax Act (No. 9) 1953"
- "States Grants (Special Financial Assistance) Act 1953"
 "Customs Tariff Validation Act (No. 2) 1953"
 "Excise Tariff Validation Act 1953"
 "Loan (Housing) Act 1953"
 "States Grants Act 1953"

- "Loan (War Service Land Settlement) Act 1953"

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 Her Majesty, assented to the said Laws.

Government House,

Canberra, 28th October, 1953.