

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 39.

THURSDAY, 31ST MAY, 1956.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The Deputy Speaker (Mr. Adermann) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Pollard presented a Petition from 1,409 members and friends of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Victoria praying that, as an expression of Christian principle, immediate steps be taken in the United Nations towards the abolition of war, and that the British Government be requested to cease work on further atom bomb or nuclear weapon testing in Australia.  
Petition received and read.
3. MIGRANTS TO AUSTRALIA—RELATIVES IN RUSSIA—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Immigration), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House that advice had been received indicating that, subject to information regarding sponsors being furnished to the Soviet authorities, persons in Russia who wished to join their relatives in Australia would be allowed to do so; equally relatives in Australia could visit their families in Russia.  
Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, also made a Statement regarding the matter.  
Mr. Holt and Mr. Evatt, by leave, made further Statements on the subject.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Explosives Act—Explosives Regulations—Order—Berthing of a Vessel.  
Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Civil Aviation—R. H. Harris.
5. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.  
Debate ensued.  
Question—put and passed.
6. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF URGENCY—HOUSING.—Mr. Barnard having proposed to Mr. Deputy Speaker that a definite matter of urgent public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The urgent and vital necessity of additional homes and housing accommodation in Australia, and the serious social dangers threatening the nation as a result of the failure of the Commonwealth Government to deal effectively with the problem"—  
Mr. Deputy 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. Barnard addressed the House.  
Discussion ensued.  
Mr. Whitlam rising to address the House—  
Sir Eric Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the Business of the Day be called on.  
Question—put.  
The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Adermann, in the Chair)—

AYES, 61.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Downer	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Townley
Mr. Aston	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bate	Mr. Drury	Mr. H. E. Holt	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howse	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brimblecombe	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howson	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wight
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McMahan	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Sir E. Page	
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Killen	Mr. Robertson	
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Fox	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Snedden	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Davis	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz	

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Mr. Barnard	Mr. Chambers	Mr. E. James	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clarey	Harrison	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cope	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Costa	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Coutts	Mr. James	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Curtin	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Russell	Mr. Luchetti
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

7. EXPORT PAYMENTS INSURANCE CORPORATION BILL 1956—SENATE'S AMENDMENT.—The Order of the Day having been read for the consideration in Committee of the whole House of the Amendment made by the Senate in this Bill—

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

(In the Committee.)

The Committee proceeded to consider the Amendment, which is as follows :—

## SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT MADE BY THE SENATE.

Page 3, clause 9, line 42, leave out " declares ", insert " shall declare ".

Mr. McMahon (Acting Minister for Trade) moved, That the Senate's Amendment be disagreed to, but that, in place thereof, clause 9 of the Bill be omitted and the following clause be inserted in its stead :—

" 9. If the Commissioner—

Vacation  
of office.

- (a) engages in paid employment outside the duties of his office without the approval of the Minister ;
- (b) becomes bankrupt, applies to take the benefit of a law for the relief of bankrupt or insolvent debtors, compounds with his creditors or makes an assignment of his salary for their benefit ;
- (c) resigns his office by writing under his hand addressed to the Governor-General ;
- (d) is absent from duty, except on leave granted by the Minister, for fourteen consecutive days or for twenty-eight days in any twelve months ; or
- (e) in any way, otherwise than as a member, and in common with the other members, of an incorporated company consisting of not less than twenty-five persons—
  - (i) becomes concerned or interested in a contract entered into by or on behalf of the Corporation ; or
  - (ii) participates or claims to participate in the profit of any such contract or in any benefit or emolument arising from any such contract,

the Governor-General shall declare, by notice in the *Gazette*, that the office of the Commissioner is vacant, and thereupon the office shall be deemed to be vacant."

Debate ensued.

Mr. Crean rising to address the Committee—

*Closure.*—Sir Eric 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 Temporary Chairman, Mr. McLeay, in the Chair)—

## AYES, 56.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Drummond	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley
Mr. Aston	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Turner
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Erwin	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howse	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Casey	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howson	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wight
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Joske	Mr. Robertson	
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Mr. Snedden	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Stokes	
Mr. Dean	Mr. Graham	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Downer	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Timson	Mr. Turnbull

## NOES, 36.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Chambers	Mr. E. James	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Russell
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clarey	Harrison	Mr. Makin	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cope	Mr. Haylen	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Costa	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Morgan	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Coutts	Mr. James	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Curtin	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Duthie
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 59.				
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Dean	Mr. Graham	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Aston	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drummond	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Turner
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Erwin	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howse	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Casey	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howson	Mr. McColn	Mr. Wight
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jack	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Joske	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Mr. Snedden	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 37.				
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Chambers	Mr. E. James	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Russell
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clarey	Harrison	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cope	Mr. Haylen	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Costa	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Coutts	Mr. James	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Curtin	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Duthie
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.  
Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. McLeay reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. McMahon, the House adopted the Report.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL 1956.—Mr. Deputy Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General :—

W. J. SLIM,

*Governor-General.*

*Message No. 24.*

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 *Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904-1955*, and for other purposes.

Canberra, 10th May, 1956.

Ordered—That the Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.  
Mr. Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

*(In the Committee.)*

Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904-1955*, and for other purposes.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. McLeay reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. Holt, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

9. CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL 1956.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—  
Mr. Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

*(In the Committee.)*

Clause 1 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 2 to 6 agreed to.

Clause 7—

Mr. Clarey moved the following amendment :—Page 3, proposed section 6, sub-section (1.), omit paragraphs (c) and (d).

Debate ensued.

Mr. Anderson rising to address the Committee—

*Closure.*—Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 57.				
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Dean	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Townley
Mr. Aston	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drummond	Sir E. Harrison	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Erwin	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wight
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howse	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howson	Sir E. Page	
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Robertson	
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Snedden	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Fox	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Turnbull
NOES, 29.				
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clarey	Mr. E. James	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Cope	Harrison	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Coutts	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Duthie
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Ward	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Morgan		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the paragraphs proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 57.				
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Dean	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Aston	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drummond	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Erwin	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wight
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howse	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howson	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hulme	Sir E. Page	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Killen	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Fox	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Snedden	Mr. Turnbull
NOES, 29.				
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clarey	Mr. E. James	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Cope	Harrison	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Coutts	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Duthie
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Ward	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Morgan		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the clause be considered by proposed sections.

Question—That proposed section 6 be agreed to—put.

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

AYES, 52.				
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Timson
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Townley
Mr. Aston	Mr. Dean	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bate	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drummond	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wight
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howse	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wilson
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howson	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. Casey	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Joske	Mr. Robertson	
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Killen	Mr. Snedden	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Fox	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Turnbull
NOES, 27.				
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Makin	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Cope	Mr. E. James	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Harrison	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Proposed sections 7 to 9 agreed to.

Proposed section 10—

On the motion of Mr. Holt, the following amendment was made:—Page 5, line 7, omit "not absent from duty", insert "who is not absent from duty and is willing to act".

Proposed section, as amended, agreed to.

Proposed sections 11 to 14 agreed to.

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Proposed section 15—

Mr. Holt moved the following amendment :—Page 6, omit the proposed section, insert the following section :—

“ 15. If a Commissioner—

- (a) engages in paid employment outside the duties of his office without the approval of the Minister ;
- (b) becomes bankrupt or insolvent, applies to take the benefit of any law for the relief of bankrupt or insolvent debtors, compounds with his creditors or makes an assignment of his remuneration for their benefit ;
- (c) except on leave granted by the Minister, absents himself from duty for fourteen consecutive days or for twenty-eight days in any twelve months ; or
- (d) resigns his office by writing under his hand addressed to the Governor-General and his resignation is accepted,

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office of  
Commissioner.

the Governor-General shall declare, by notice in the *Gazette*, that the office of the Commissioner is vacant, and thereupon the office shall be deemed to be vacant.”

Debate ensued.

Amendment withdrawn, by leave.

Debate continued.

Proposed section agreed to.

Proposed sections 16, 16A and 16B agreed to.

Proposed section 16C—

On the motion of Mr. Holt, the following amendment was made, after debate :—Page 6, line 39, omit “ may ”, insert “ shall ”.

Proposed section, as amended, agreed to.

Proposed section 16D agreed to.

Proposed section 16E—

Mr. Clarey moved the following amendment :—Page 7, line 5, omit “ Two thousand seven hundred and fifty ”, insert “ Three thousand ”.

*Point of Order*.—Mr. Holt raised a Point of Order that the amendment was out of order as it sought to increase the appropriation.

*Temporary Chairman's Ruling*.—The Temporary Chairman (Mr. Lawrence) upheld the Point of Order for the reason stated.

Debate ensued on the proposed section.

Question—That proposed section 16E be agreed to—put.

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

**AYES, 55.**

Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Dean	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Aston	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drummond	Sir E. Harrison	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Erwin	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. McLeay	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howse	Mr. McMahon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Casey	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howson	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Killen	Mr. Swartz	
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Fox	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Timson	

**NOES, 28.**

Mr. Barnard	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Makin	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cope	Mr. E. James	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Costa	Harrison	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Proposed section 16F agreed to.

Proposed section 16G—

On the motion of Mr. Mackinnon, the following amendment was made, after debate :—Page 7, sub-section (2.), omit paragraph (a), insert the following paragraph :—

“ (a) for effecting a reconciliation between the parties to industrial disputes ; ”.

Proposed section, as amended, agreed to.

Proposed section 16H—

Mr. E. James Harrison moved the following amendment :—Page 7, line 26, after “ motion ” insert “ (except the powers referred to in sub-section (1.) of section sixteen s) ”.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Anderson rising to address the Committee—

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 55.				
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Dean	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Aston	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drummond	Sir E. Harrison	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Erwin	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. McLeay	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howse	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. Casey	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howson	Mr. Robertson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Snedden	
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Killen	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Fox	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Timson	
NOES, 25.				
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cope	Mr. E. James	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Costa	Harrison	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Luchetti
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Ward	
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Whitlam	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the words proposed to be inserted be so inserted—was put accordingly, and negatived.

Question—That proposed section 16H be agreed to—put.

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

AYES, 54.				
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Joske	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Davis	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Aston	Mr. Dean	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Downer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Townley
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Drury	Sir E. Harrison	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wight
Mr. Casey	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howse	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howson	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Snedden	Mr. Turnbull
NOES, 25.				
Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cope	Mr. E. James	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Costa	Harrison	Mr. Riordan	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Luchetti
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Ward	
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Whitlam	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Proposed sections 16J, 16K and 16L agreed to.

Proposed section 16M—

Mr. Holt moved the following amendment:—Page 8, line 10, omit “or arbitration”, insert “or, if in his opinion conciliation is unlikely to succeed or has failed, by arbitration”.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Harrison rising to address the Committee—

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 51.				
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Dean	Mr. Graham	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Aston	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drummond	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Erwin	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. McColm	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howse	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Casey	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howson	Mr. Robertson	
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Mr. Timson	
NOES, 26.				
Mr. Barnard	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cope	Mr. E. James	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Costa	Harrison	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Ward	Mr. Luchetti

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Proposed section, as amended, agreed to.

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Proposed section 16N—

Mr. Harrison moved the following amendment :—Page 8, omit sub-section (1.), insert the following sub-section :—

“(1.) A Commissioner, for the purpose of preventing or settling an industrial dispute, upon application made by a party to the industrial dispute shall direct a person to attend at a time and place specified in the direction at a conference presided over by a Conciliator.”.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the sub-section proposed to be omitted stand part of the proposed section—put. The Committee divided (The Temporary Chairman, Mr. Freeth, in the Chair)—

**AYES, 46.**

Mr. Allan	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Aston	Mr. Dean	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Drury	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. McLeay	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howse	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Casey	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howson	Mr. Robertson	
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Mr. Timson	

**NOES, 26.**

Mr. Barnard	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cope	Mr. E. James	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Costa	Harrison	Mr. Riordan	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. H. V. Johnson	Mr. Ward	Mr. Luchetti

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

On the motion of Mr. Holt, the following amendment was made, after debate :—Page 9, omit sub-section (6.), insert the following sub-section :—

“(6.) Except to such extent as the person presiding over the conference directs that it be held in public, the conference shall be held in private.”.

Proposed section, as amended, agreed to.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Freeth reported accordingly.

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

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Whitlam addressing the House—

*Closure.*—Sir Eric 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 Deputy Speaker, Mr. Adermann, in the Chair)—

**AYES, 46.**

Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Dean	Sir E. Harrison	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Aston	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howse	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howson	Mr. McLeay	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Joske	Mr. Robertson	
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Killen	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Fox	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Swartz	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Timson	

**NOES, 20.**

Mr. Barnard	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Riordan	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Cope	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Ward	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Whitlam	Mr. Luchetti
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean			

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-six minutes past eleven 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. Beale, Mr. Bland\*, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Brand, Mr. A. G. Cameron\*, Mr. Clark, Mr. Daly\*, Mr. J. M. Fraser, Mr. Galvin, Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Haworth\*, Mr. Kent Hughes\*, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Minogue, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Watkins\* and Mr. Webb.

\*On leave.

A. A. TREGEAR,  
Clerk of the House of Representatives.