

1956.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 72.

WEDNESDAY, 17TH OCTOBER, 1956.

1. The House met at twenty-six minutes to three o'clock p.m.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. RESIGNATION OF MEMBER.—Mr. Speaker announced that he had received from the Right Honorable Sir Eric Harrison a letter dated the 17th October, 1956, resigning his seat as Member for the Electoral Division of Wentworth.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for Defence purposes—Fort Scratchley, New South Wales.
Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of National Development—D. M. Cox.
Repatriation Act—War Pensions Entitlement Appeal Tribunals Nos. 1, 2 and 3—Reports for year 1955-56.
4. LOANS SECURITIES BILL 1956.—Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Loans Securities Act* 1919.
Question—put and passed.
Mr. Holt 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. Holt moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr. Calwell), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
5. PRECEDENCE TO GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.—Mr. H. E. Holt (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, pursuant to notice, That Government Business shall take precedence over General Business to-morrow.
Question—put and passed.
6. DEFENCE BILL 1956.—Mr. Cramer (Minister for the Army) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Defence Act* 1903-1952.
Question—put and passed.
Mr. Cramer 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. Cramer moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr. Pollard), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
7. AIR FORCE BILL 1956.—Mr. Cramer (Minister for the Army) moved, by leave, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Air Force Act* 1923-1952.
Question—put and passed.
Mr. Cramer 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. Cramer moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr. Pollard), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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8. DISTILLATION BILL 1956.—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 agreed to.

Clauses 2 to 5, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 6—

On the motion of Mr. Osborne (Minister for Customs and Excise), the following amendment was made :—Page 3, lines 15–20, omit sub-section (2.) of proposed section 82, insert the following sub-section :—

“(2.) Unless, within six months after the removal of spirits, vessels and packages under the last preceding sub-section—

(a) they are claimed, in writing, by the person entitled to them; and

(b) the duty, expenses of removal, warehouse rent and charges and other storage charges (if any) on or in respect of them are paid,

they may be sold by the Collector.”

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Lawrence reported accordingly.

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

9. WAR PENSIONS APPROPRIATION BILL 1956.—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.)

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

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Lawrence reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. D. A. Cameron (Minister for Health), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

10. MOUNT STROMLO OBSERVATORY BILL 1956.—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.

The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Lawrence, in the Chair)—

AYES, 54.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Killen	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Graham	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Timson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Luck	Mr. Turner
Mr. Aston	Mr. Downer	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drummond	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howse	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wight
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howson	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Jack	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fox	Mr. Joske	Mr. Snedden	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 37.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clark	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Webb
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cope	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Costa	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. O'Connor	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Coutts	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Peters	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Daly	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Russell	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy 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, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

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The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Fairhall (Minister for the Interior), the House adopted the Report.

Mr. Fairhall moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a third time.

11. LOAN (WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT) BILL 1956.—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. Pollard rising to address the House—

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.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. McLeay, in the Chair)—

AYES, 54.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Allan	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Aston	Mr. Davis	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Luck	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Dean	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Downer	Mr. Howse	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Howson	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wight
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wilson
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Casey	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 34.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clarey	Mr. E. James	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clark	Harrison	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bird	Mr. Cope	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Morgan	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Costa	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Peters
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Crean	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Russell	Mr. Stewart
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson

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, and debated.

Mr. Ward 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 Chairman, Mr. Adermann, in the Chair)—

AYES, 52.

Mr. Allan	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Aston	Mr. Davis	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Luck	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Dean	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Downer	Mr. Howse	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Howson	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McMahon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Jack	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Casey	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Mr. Roberton	
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Stokes	

NOES, 32.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Chambers	Mr. E. James	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clarey	Harrison	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bird	Mr. Clark	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cope	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Costa	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Peters	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Stewart
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Makin	Mr. Russell	Mr. Thompson

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. Holt, the House adopted the Report.

Mr. Holt moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Ward addressing the House—

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. McLeay, in the Chair)—

AYES, 53.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Allan	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Aston	Mr. Davis	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Luck	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Dean	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Downer	Mr. Howse	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Howson	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McMahon	Tellers:
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Jack	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Casey	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 32.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Chambers	Mr. E. James	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clarey	Harrison	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bird	Mr. Clark	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cope	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. O'Connor	Tellers:
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Costa	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Duthie
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Makin	Mr. Russell	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

Debate ensued.

Mr. Ward addressing the House—

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

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. McLeay, in the Chair)—

AYES, 53.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Allan	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Davidson	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Aston	Mr. Davis	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Luck	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Dean	Mr. H. E. Holt	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Downer	Mr. Howse	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Howson	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McMahon	Tellers:
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Jack	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Casey	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 32.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Chambers	Mr. E. James	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Thompson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clarey	Harrison	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bird	Mr. Clark	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cope	Mr. R. W. Holt	Mr. O'Connor	Tellers:
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Costa	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Duthie
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Makin	Mr. Russell	Mr. Stewart

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 to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Bate, Mr. Brand, Mr. Bruce, Mr. Curtin, Sir Arthur Fadden, Mr. Failes, Mr. Fairbairn*, Mr. Freeth, Sir Eric Harrison, Mr. H. V. Johnson, Mr. Kent Hughes, Mr. McEwen, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Riordan*, Mr. Townley and Mr. Watkins.

* On leave.

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