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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 23.

TUESDAY, 13TH MAY, 1958.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
 - Cocos (Keeling) Islands—Report for period 23rd November, 1955 to 30th June, 1957.
 - Nauru—Report to the General Assembly of the United Nations on Administration of Nauru for year 1956–57.
 - New Guinea—Report to the General Assembly of the United Nations on Administration of New Guinea for year 1956–57.
 Severally ordered to lie on the Table.
 The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 - Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for—
Postal purposes—Proston, Queensland.
 - Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Authority purposes—Adaminaby, New South Wales.
 - Navigation Act—Navigation (Dangerous Goods) Regulations—Determination dated 7th May, 1958.
 - Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
Postmaster-General—D. L. Dunn.
 - Supply—Z. R. Jeffrey, A. F. Nicholson.
 - Tobacco Industry Act—Second Annual Report for year 1956–57.
3. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILL.—A Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bill:—
 - 6th May, 1958—*Message No. 16*—Re-establishment and Employment 1958.
4. SNOWY MOUNTAINS HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER BILL 1958.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Robertson (Minister for Social Services) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate adjourned (Mr. A. D. Fraser), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.
5. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDER OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 2, Government Business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
6. COTTON BOUNTY BILL 1958.—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, after debate.
 Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.
 On the motion of Mr. McMahon (Minister for Primary Industry), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

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7. BEER EXCISE BILL 1958.—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.

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(In the Committee.)

Clause 1—
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

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The House resumed; Mr. Adermann reported accordingly.
Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—BEER EXCISE BILL 1958.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General:—

W. J. SLIM,
Governor-General.

Message No. 17.

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 *Beer Excise Act 1901-1957*, and for other purposes.

Canberra, 8th May, 1958.

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

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(In the Committee.)

Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to amend the *Beer Excise Act 1901-1957*, and for other purposes.
Question—put and passed.
Resolution to be reported.

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

9. BEER EXCISE BILL 1958.—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 again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

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(In the Committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to, after debate.
Bill to be reported without amendment.

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

10. SNOWY MOUNTAINS HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER BILL 1958.—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.
Debate adjourned (Mr. Chambers), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

11. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—A Message from the Senate was reported returning the following Bill without amendment:—

13th May, 1958—Message No. 24—Tariff Board 1958.

12. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Robertson (Minister for Social Services) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Mr. Ward rising to address the House—
Closure.—Sir Philip McBride (Minister for Defence) 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, 54.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Davidson	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Killen	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Allan	Mr. Davis	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Snedden
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Dean	Mr. Graham	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Swartz
Mr. J. D. Anthony	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Timson
Mr. Aston	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Luck	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Failes	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bury	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howse	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Howson	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Casey	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Hulme	Mr. McEwen	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Chaney	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Jack	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Fox	Mr. Joske	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 25.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Cope	Mr. Harrison	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. L. R. Johnson	Mr. Russell	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Crean	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Ward	Mr. Stewart
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Watkins	
Mr. Chambers	Mr. Griffiths			

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 seventeen minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Sir Garfield Barwick, Mr. Bird, Mr. Bostock, Mr. Brand, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Cairns, Mr. Clarey, Mr. Clark, Mr. Erwin, Mr. Haylen, Mr. R. W. Holt, Mr. James*, Mr. H. V. Johnson, Sir Wilfrid Kent Hughes, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McIvor, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Peters, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Riordan, Mr. Stokes, Mr. Townley, Mr. Webb and Mr. Wight.

*On leave.

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