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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

## OF THE

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 29.

WEDNESDAY, 13TH MAY, 1959.

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. PETITIONS.—Mr. Bryant presented a Petition from certain citizens of the Commonwealth praying that the Government will make provision, by means of a Referendum, for the alteration of certain sections of the Constitution which relate to the aboriginal people of Australia.  
Petition received and read.  
Similar Petitions were presented by Mr. Cairns, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Luchetti, and were severally received.
3. MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS.—Mr. McEwen (Acting Prime Minister) informed the House that, during the absence abroad of Mr. Downer, Mr. Osborne (Minister for Air) would act as Minister for Immigration.
4. NEPTUNE AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT, RICHMOND—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION FOR PRINTING PAPER.—  
Mr. Osborne (Minister for Air), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement with reference to a fatal accident to a Neptune aircraft of the Royal Australian Air Force at Richmond, New South Wales, on the 4th February, 1959, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, laid upon the Table the following Paper:—  
Royal Australian Air Force—Neptune Aircraft Accident, Richmond, New South Wales—  
Ministerial Statement—  
and moved, That the Paper be printed.  
Debate ensued.  
Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition) was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed.  
Debate adjourned, and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
5. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Defence Forces Retirement Benefits Act—Defence Forces Retirement Benefits Board—Tenth Annual Report, for year 1957–58.  
Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Primary Industry—A. R. Waters.
6. BANKRUPTCY BILL 1959.—Sir Garfield Barwick (Attorney-General) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to Bankruptcy.  
Question—put and passed.  
Bill brought up, and read a first time.  
Sir Garfield Barwick moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate adjourned (Mr. Whitlam), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
7. JUDICIARY BILL 1959.—Sir Garfield Barwick (Attorney-General) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Judiciary Act* 1903–1955.  
Question—put and passed.  
Bill brought up, and read a first time.  
Sir Garfield Barwick moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate adjourned (Mr. Whitlam), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.



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THE SCHEDULE—*continued.*IMPORT DUTIES—*continued.*

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<b>Division V.—Textiles, Felts and Furs, and Manufactures Thereof, and Attire—<i>continued.</i></b>			
114. By omitting sub-item (H) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:—			
“(H) Bathing hats; bathing (including shower) caps—			
(1) Wholly or principally of rubber - ad val.	12½ per cent.	22½ per cent.	22½ per cent.
(2) Other - - - - - ad val.	Free	10 per cent.	10 per cent.”
118. By adding a new sub-item (E) as follows:—			
“(E) Bath mats, of cotton or containing a mixture of fibres in which cotton predominates - - - ad val.	17½ per cent.	42½ per cent.	42½ per cent.”
120. By omitting sub-item (c) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item:—			
“(c) Towels and towelling, viz.:—			
(1) Towelling in the piece, cotton or linen or cotton and linen, not defined for cutting up, provided suitably equivalent goods the manufacture of Australia are not reasonably available, for use in the manufacture of art needlework, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	7½ per cent.
(2) Towelling in the piece, not defined for cutting up, provided suitably equivalent goods the manufacture of Australia are not reasonably available, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - - - - ad val.	5 per cent.	12½ per cent.	12½ per cent.
(3) Towelling in the piece, defined for cutting up, provided suitably equivalent goods the manufacture of Australia are not reasonably available, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - - - - ad val.	10 per cent.	17½ per cent.	17½ per cent.
(4) Towels, other than terry towels, viz.:—crash, dowlas, forfar, glass cloth, huckaback, kitchen, tea - - - - - ad val.	17½ per cent.	27½ per cent.	27½ per cent.
(5) Terry towels, cut or uncut; towels, other, cut or uncut; towelling, including terry towelling and similar terry fabrics, in the piece whether or not defined for cutting up - - - ad val.	17½ per cent.	55 per cent.	55 per cent.”

## DIVISION VI.—METALS AND MACHINERY.

219. By omitting from clause (1) of sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (2) of sub-item (c) the following:—			
“patternmakers' (bevelled edge, long thin paring); ”.			

## CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 5).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1959 be amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that on and after the fourteenth day of May, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected in pursuance of the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1959 as so amended.

## THE SCHEDULE.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
<b>DIVISION XVI.—MISCELLANEOUS.</b>			
400. By adding a new sub-item (c) as follows:—			
“(c) Goods being aircraft's stores, for use in aircraft engaged on an international service or flight, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - - - -	Free	Free	Free ”

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## CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 6).

That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1959 be amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that on and after the fourteenth day of May, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected in pursuance of the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1959 as so amended.

## THE SCHEDULE.

## IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
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## DIVISION V.—TEXTILES, FELTS AND FURS, AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND ATTIRE.

117. By omitting from sub-item (b) the following:—

“Lap Dusters;” and

“, including Buggy Rugs or Aprons”.

## DIVISION XVI.—MISCELLANEOUS.

433. By omitting the item and inserting in its stead the following item:—

“433. Wool tops - - - - - per lb.

Free

5d.

5d.”

## EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 2).

That the Schedule to the *Excise Tariff* 1921–1959 be amended as set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, and that on and after the fourteenth day of May, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine, at five o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Excise be collected in pursuance of the *Excise Tariff* 1921–1959 as so amended.

## THE SCHEDULE.

Articles.	Rate of Duty.
22. By adding a new item 22 as follows:— “22. Goods being aircraft's stores, for use in aircraft engaged on an international service or flight, as prescribed by Departmental By-laws - - - - -	Free”

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

## 12. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

## Tariff Board—Reports—

Bathing Caps and Bathing Hats.

Paperboards (Industries Preservation).

Printing of Silk Piece Goods.

Timing Units.

Towels, Towelling and Textile Articles made from Towelling.

Woodworking Chisels.

Woollen Goods.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

## 13. CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL 1959.—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.

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

## AYES, 58.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Jack	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Allan	Mr. Bury	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Joske	Mr. Timson
Mr. Anderson	Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fox	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Cash	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Chaney	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Killen	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Halbert	Mr. King	Mr. Wheeler
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Bate	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bland	Mr. Davis	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Drury	Mr. Holten	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howson	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Browne	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Snedden	Mr. Turnbull

## NOES, 36.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Cope	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Costa	Mr. Harrison	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Haylen	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Daly	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Russell	Mr. Luchetti
Mr. Clark	Mr. Davies	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Clay	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Makin	Mr. Uren	

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

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

## (In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 7, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 8 debated.

Question—That the clause be agreed to—put.

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

## AYES, 59.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Snedden
Mr. Allan	Mr. Bury	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jack	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Anderson	Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Joske	Mr. Timson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Cash	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Townley
Mr. Aston	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Fox	Mr. Killen	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. King	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Halbert	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wheeler
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drury	Mr. Haworth	Sir E. Page	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Holten	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Browne	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howson	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Turnbull

## NOES, 37.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Cope	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Uren
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Costa	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Ward
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Haylen	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Peters	
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Jones	Mr. Pollard	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Daly	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Reynolds	
Mr. Clark	Mr. Davies	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Russell	Mr. Luchetti
Mr. Clay	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Makin	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

#### 14. PUBLIC SERVICE ARBITRATION BILL 1959.—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—

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

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. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

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15. CELLULOSE ACETATE FLAKE BOUNTY BILL 1959.—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.  
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. Bowden reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

16. RAYON YARN BOUNTY BILL 1959.—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.  
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. Bowden reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

17. CUSTOMS BILL 1959.—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.  
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. Bowden 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.

18. SULPHURIC ACID BOUNTY BILL 1959.—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.  
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. Timson reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

19. TRACTOR BOUNTY BILL 1959.—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.  
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. Timson reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

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20. FISHERIES BILL 1959.—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.  
The House 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.  
Bill to be reported without amendment.

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

21. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.  
Ordered—That Mr. Fairhall be granted an extension of time.  
Ordered—That Mr. Pollard be granted an extension of time.  
Debate continued.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

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Debate continued.  
Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at three minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until this day at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

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MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Beazley, Mr. Bird, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Downer, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Howse, Mr. Lindsay, Mr. McColm, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Murray and Mr. Riordan.

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A. G. TURNER,  
*Clerk of the House of Representatives.*