

1959.

## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 57.

THURSDAY, 22ND OCTOBER, 1959.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PETITION.—Mr. Minogue presented a Petition from certain electors of New South Wales praying that urgent steps be taken to alleviate the difficulties created by the Government's proposals in respect of social services, taxation and postal charges.  
Petition received.
3. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF URGENCY—FREIGHT RATES.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that Mr. Pollard had proposed that a definite matter of urgent public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The continuing failure of the Government to control freight rates on Australian exports and imports".  
The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—  
Mr. Pollard addressed the House.  
Discussion ensued.  
Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the Business of the Day be called on.  
Question—put and passed.
4. DEATH OF THE PREMIER OF NEW SOUTH WALES (THE HONORABLE J. J. CAHILL).—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister) referred to the death, earlier this day, of the Premier of New South Wales, the Honorable J. J. Cahill, and, in paying tribute to Mr. Cahill's record of public service, gave expression to the respect in which he had been held in this House and the sorrow felt at his passing.  
Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition), Mr. McEwen (Minister for Trade) and other honorable Members supported the remarks of the Prime Minister.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—STATES GRANTS BILL 1959.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General:—

W. J. SLIM,  
*Governor-General.*

*Message No. 41.*

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 grant Financial Assistance to the States.

Canberra, 21st October, 1959.

Ordered—That the Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

*(In the Committee.)*

Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant Financial Assistance to the States.  
Question—put and passed.  
Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

Mr. Holt moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Mr. Holt, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

22nd October, 1959.

Ordered—That Mr. Holt and Mr. Downer do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Bill brought up by Mr. Holt, and read a first time.

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

Debate adjourned (Mr. Barnard), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

6. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—STATES GRANTS (SPECIAL ASSISTANCE) BILL 1959.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General:—

W. J. SLIM,

*Governor-General.*

*Message No. 42.*

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 grant Financial Assistance to the States of South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania.

Canberra, 21st October, 1959.

Ordered—That the Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

*(In the Committee.)*

Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to grant Financial Assistance to the States of South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Bowden reported accordingly.

Mr. Holt moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Mr. Holt, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Holt and Mr. Downer do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Bill brought up by Mr. Holt, and read a first time.

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

Debate adjourned (Mr. Barnard), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

7. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—RAYON YARN BOUNTY BILL (No. 2) 1959.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General:—

W. J. SLIM,

*Governor-General.*

*Message No. 43.*

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 *Rayon Yarn Bounty Act 1954–1956*, as amended by the *Rayon Yarn Bounty Act 1959*.

Canberra, 21st October, 1959.

Ordered—That the Message be taken into consideration, in Committee of the whole House, forthwith.

*(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 *Rayon Yarn Bounty Act 1954–1956*, as amended by the *Rayon Yarn Bounty Act 1959*.

Question—put and passed.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

Mr. Osborne moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Mr. Osborne, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. Osborne and Mr. Downer do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

Bill brought up by Mr. Osborne, and read a first time.

Mr. Osborne moved, 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.

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8. LOAN (SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS) BILL 1959.—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to Authorize the Borrowing of Money by the Commonwealth for Short Periods and the Expending of the Money so Borrowed.  
Question—put and passed.  
Bill brought up, and read a first time.  
Mr. Holt moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate adjourned (Mr. Crean), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
9. NATIONALITY AND CITIZENSHIP BILL 1959.—Mr. Downer (Minister for Immigration) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Nationality and Citizenship Act* 1948–1958.  
Question—put and passed.  
Bill brought up, and read a first time.  
Mr. Downer moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.  
Debate adjourned (Mr. Haylen), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
10. NATIONAL HEALTH BILL 1959.—Mr. D. A. Cameron (Minister for Health) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *National Health Act* 1953–1958.  
Question—put and passed.
11. THERAPEUTIC SUBSTANCES BILL 1959.—Mr. D. A. Cameron (Minister for Health) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Therapeutic Substances Act* 1953.  
Question—put and passed.
12. ORDER OF THE DAY NO. 1—SUPPLY [“GRIEVANCE DAY”].—It being past fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m., Order of the Day No. 1 (“Grievance Day”—pursuant to Standing Order No. 291) was not called on, and the Committee of Supply was set down for a later hour.
13. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENTS (NOS. 4, 6, 7 AND 8) AND EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENTS (NOS. 3 AND 4).—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

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(In the Committee.)

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 4).

[See proposed Resolution of the 13th May, 1959 (pages 130–1).]

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 6).

[See proposed Resolution of the 13th May, 1959 (page 132).]

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 7).

[See proposed Resolution of the 11th August, 1959 (pages 147–8).]

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 8).

[See proposed Resolution of the 8th October, 1959 (pages 218–220).]

EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 3).

[See proposed Resolution of the 1st September, 1959 (pages 167–8).]

EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (No. 4).

[See proposed Resolution of the 8th October, 1959 (page 220).]

Motions, by leave, taken together, and agreed to, after debate.  
Resolutions to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

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The House resumed; Mr. Timson reported accordingly.

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

Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Mr. Osborne, the Resolutions reported from the Committee were adopted by the House.  
Ordered—That Mr. Osborne and Mr. McMahon do prepare and bring in Bills to carry out the foregoing Resolutions.

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14. CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (No. 3) 1959.—Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) then brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Customs* ”.  
Bill read a first time.  
Mr. Osborne moved, 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.

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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. Timson reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. Osborne, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

15. CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (No. 4) 1959.—Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) also brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Customs* ”.  
Bill read a first time.  
Mr. Osborne moved, 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.

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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. Timson reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. Osborne, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

16. CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (No. 5) 1959.—Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) also brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Customs* ”.  
Bill read a first time.  
Mr. Osborne moved, 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.

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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. Timson reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. Osborne, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

17. EXCISE TARIFF BILL (No. 2) 1959.—Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) also brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Excise* ”.  
Bill read a first time.  
Mr. Osborne moved, 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.

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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. Timson reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. Osborne, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

18. EXCISE TARIFF BILL (No. 3) 1959.—Mr. Osborne (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) also brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Excise* ”.  
Bill read a first time.  
Mr. Osborne moved, 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.

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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. Timson reported accordingly.  
On the motion of Mr. Osborne, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

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19. PRINTING COMMITTEE—THIRD REPORT.—Mr. Lucock (Chairman) brought up the Third 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 has the honour to report that it has 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, recommends that the following be printed:—

Aluminium Industry Act—Australian Aluminium Production Commission—Fourteenth Annual Report and financial accounts, for year 1958–59.

The Australian Economy, 1959.

Broadcasting and Television Act—Australian Broadcasting Control Board—Eleventh Annual Report, for year 1958–59.

Cocos (Keeling) Islands—Report for year 1957–58.

Colombo Plan—Australia's Part—Progress Report to 30th June, 1959.

Commonwealth Railways Act—Report for year 1958–59.

Elections 1958—Statistical Returns showing the voting within each Subdivision in relation to the Senate Election and the General Elections for the House of Representatives, 1958, viz.:—

New South Wales.

Queensland.

South Australia.

Tasmania.

Victoria.

Western Australia.

New Guinea—Report to the General Assembly of the United Nations on Administration of New Guinea for year 1957–58.

Northern Territory—Report for year 1956–57.

Papua—Report for year 1957–58.

Repatriation Act—Repatriation Commission—Report for year 1958–59.

Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Power Act—Snowy Mountains Hydro-electric Authority—Ninth Annual Report, for year 1957–58—Part I.

Social Services Act—Eighteenth Annual Report of Director-General of Social Services, for year 1958–59.

United Nations—General Assembly—Thirteenth Session, New York, 16th September to 13th December, 1958—Summary Report of Australian Delegation.

War Service Homes Act—Report for 1958–59.

PHILIP E. LUCOCK,  
Chairman.

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

20. WAYS AND MEANS—INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Debate resumed on the motion moved by Mr. Menzies (Acting Treasurer) on the 24th September, 1959 (see pages 188–191).

Motion agreed to.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Timson reported accordingly.

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

Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, pursuant to contingent notice, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the remaining stages being passed without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Mr. McMahon, the Resolution reported from the Committee was adopted by the House.

Ordered—That Mr. McMahon and Mr. Holt do prepare and bring in a Bill to carry out the foregoing Resolution.

21. INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION BILL 1959.—Mr. McMahon (Minister for Labour and National Service) then brought up a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to impose upon Incomes a Tax by the name of Income Tax and Social Services Contribution*".

Bill read a first time.

Mr. McMahon moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. Crean moved, as an amendment, That all words after "That" be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:—"this House declines to give a second reading to the Bill as, although it provides for a five per cent. reduction of taxation, it does so on an inequitable flat rate basis which fails to extend an adequate share of the reduction to the lower income groups".

Debate ensued.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Snedden), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

22nd October, 1959.

22. NATIONAL HEALTH BILL 1959.—Mr. D. A. Cameron (Minister for Health), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘ National Health Act 1953–1958 ’* ”. Bill read a first time.  
Mr. Cameron moved, by leave, 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 the next sitting.
23. THERAPEUTIC SUBSTANCES BILL 1959.—Mr. D. A. Cameron (Minister for Health), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘ Therapeutic Substances Act 1953 ’* ”. Bill read a first time.  
Mr. Cameron moved, by leave, 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 the next sitting.
24. INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION 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—*And on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Crean, viz.:*—That all words after “ That ” be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:—“ this House declines to give a second reading to the Bill as, although it provides for a five per cent. reduction of taxation, it does so on an inequitable flat rate basis which fails to extend an adequate share of the reduction to the lower income groups ”—Debate resumed.  
Mr. Uren addressing the House—  
*Closure.*—Mr. McMahon (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 Deputy Speaker, Mr. Bowden, in the Chair)—

## AYES, 44.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Cash	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Stokes
Mr. Allan	Mr. Chaney	Mr. Forbes	Mr. King	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Fox	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Timson
Mr. Aston	Mr. Davis	Mr. Halbert	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bland	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Drury	Mr. Holt	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Browne	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Howson	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Opperman
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Mr. Snedden	Mr. Turnbull

## NOES, 29.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Daly	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Uren
Mr. Bird	Mr. Clay	Mr. Davies	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cope	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Duthie
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Crean	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

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

## AYES, 48.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fox	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Timson
Mr. Allan	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Halbert	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Townley
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Aston	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Downer	Mr. Holt	Mr. Murray	Mr. Wight
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howson	Mr. Pearce	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Jack	Mr. Robertson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Browne	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Joske	Mr. Snedden	Mr. Opperman
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairhall	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Cash	Mr. Forbes	Mr. King	Mr. Swartz	

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Mr. Barnard	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Daly	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Uren
Mr. Bird	Mr. Clay	Mr. Davies	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Ward
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cope	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Duthie
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Crean	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—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. McMahon, the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

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25. PETROLEUM SEARCH SUBSIDY 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.

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

AYES, 45.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Chaney	Mr. Fox	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Allan	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Halbert	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wight
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Davis	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Aston	Mr. Dean	Mr. Holt	Mr. Murray	
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Downer	Mr. Howson	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Drury	Mr. Jack	Mr. Robertson	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Joske	Mr. Snedden	
Mr. Browne	Mr. Fairbairn	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Stokes	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. King	Mr. Swartz	
Mr. Cash	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Timson	

*Tellers:*

Mr. Opperman  
Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 27.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Crean	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Daly	Mr. Minogue	
Mr. Bird	Mr. Clay	Mr. Davies	Mr. Pollard	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Cope	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Costa	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Uren	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Ward	

*Tellers:*

Mr. Duthie  
Mr. Stewart

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.)

Clause 1—

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

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

26. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved, That the House do now adjourn.  
Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

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Debate continued.

Several Members rising to address the House—

*Closure.*—Mr. Holt (Treasurer) 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, 42.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Chaney	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Allan	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Fox	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Timson
Mr. Anderson	Mr. Davis	Mr. Halbert	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Aston	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Downer	Mr. Holt	Mr. Murray	
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Drury	Mr. Howson	Mr. Pearce	
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Jack	Mr. Robertson	
Mr. Browne	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Joske	Mr. Snedden	
Mr. Cash	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. King	Mr. Stokes	

*Tellers:*

Mr. Opperman  
Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 18.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. Thompson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Beazley	Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Uren	
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Ward	
Mr. Cairns	Mr. Cope	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Whitlam	

Mr. Costa  
Mr. Duthie

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-five minutes to one o'clock in the morning, 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 Sir Garfield Barwick, Mr. Casey\*, Mr. Failes\*, Mr. Falkinder, Mr. J. M. Fraser, Mr. Freeth, Mr. Galvin, Mr. Haworth\*, Mr. Holten, Mr. Howse, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Killen, Mr. McIvor, Mr. Nelson\*, Sir Earle Page\*, Mr. Peters\*, Mr. Riordan\* and Mr. Sexton\*.

\* On leave.

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