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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 126.

TUESDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER, 1965.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable Sir John McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. QUESTIONS.—Questions without notice were asked.
3. OFF-SHORE PETROLEUM LEGISLATION—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER.—
Mr. Fairbairn (Minister for National Development), by leave, made a ministerial statement regarding the agreement reached between the Governments of the Commonwealth and of the Australian States on a system of legislation to control and safeguard the exploration for, and exploitation of, the petroleum resources in Australian off-shore areas both within and beyond territorial limits. Mr. Fairbairn then, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:—
Off-shore Petroleum Legislation—Ministerial statement, 16th November, 1965—
and moved, That the House take note of the paper.
Debate adjourned (Mr. Whitlam), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL—ASSENT TO BILLS.—A message from His Excellency the Governor-General was announced informing the House that His Excellency, in the name of Her Majesty, had assented to the following Bills:—
12th November, 1965—Message No. 133—
Appropriation (No. 1) 1965-66.
Appropriation (No. 2) 1965-66.
5. EXCISE TARIFF BILL 1965.—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, Sir John McLeay, in the Chair)—

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Mr. Allan	Mr. Cleaver	Mr. Freeth	Mr. L. H. Irwin	Mr. Pettitt
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Cockle	Mr. Gibbs	Mr. Jack	Mr. Robinson
Mr. Armstrong	Sir J. Cramer	Mr. Gibson	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shaw
Mr. Bate	Mr. Davis	Mr. Giles	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr. Sinclair
Mr. Bosman	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hallett	Mr. Killen	Mr. Swartz
Mr. Bowen	Mr. Failes	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bridges-Maxwell	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Holt	Mr. Mackay	Mr. Whittorn
Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Holten	Mr. Maisey	
Mr. Bury	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Howson	Mr. McMahon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. K. M. K. Cairns	Mr. Fox	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Nixon	Mr. Aston
Mr. Chaney	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Turnbull

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Mr. Barnard	Mr. Connor	Mr. Fulton	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Beaton	Mr. Cope	Mr. Gray	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Uren
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Webb
Mr. Benson	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Hansen	Mr. Mortimer	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Crean	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Nicholls	
Mr. J. F. Cairns	Mr. Daly	Mr. Hayden	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Davies	Mr. James	Mr. Pollard	Mr. Coutts
Mr. Clark	Mr. Devine	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Reynolds	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Collard	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Jones	Mr. Riordan	

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

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr. Bury (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), the Bill was read a third time.

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6. CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (No. 3) 1965.—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. Brimblecombe 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 a later hour this day.
7. RHODESIA—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT, 16TH NOVEMBER, 1965, AND PAPER—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPERS.—Sir Robert Menzies (Prime Minister), by leave, made a ministerial statement with reference to recent events in Rhodesia, the Government's attitude to the developments and the economic measures to be taken by the Government. Sir Robert Menzies then, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following papers:—
Rhodesia—Ministerial statement, 16th November, 1965.
Documents on Rhodesia, 27th October, 1964–11th November, 1965—
and moved, That the House take note of the papers.
Debate adjourned (Mr. Calwell—Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
8. CUSTOMS TARIFF PROPOSALS No. 9 [1965].—Mr. Bury (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise) moved Customs Tariff Proposals No. 9 [1965].
Debate adjourned (Mr. J. F. Cairns), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
9. CUSTOMS TARIFF BILL (No. 3) 1965.—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.)

First Schedule—

Ordered to be considered by Tariff amendments specified in the Schedule.
Amendments 1 to 10, by leave, taken together, and agreed to, after debate.
Amendments 11 to 37, by leave, taken together, and agreed to, after debate.
Amendments 38 to 71, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.
Amendment 72 debated and agreed to.
Amendments 73 to 84, by leave, taken together, and agreed to, after debate.
Amendments 85 to 111, by leave, taken together, and agreed to, after debate.
Amendment 112 debated and agreed to.
Amendments 113 to 150, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.
Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.
Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Failes reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Bury (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

10. COPPER BOUNTY BILL 1965.—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.
Messages from the Governor-General.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following messages from His Excellency the Governor-General—
No. 134, dated 22nd September, 1965, recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill, and
No. 135, dated 11th October, 1965, recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of an amendment to be moved in the Bill by a Minister.
The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

(In the committee.)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

On the motion of Mr. Bury (Minister representing the Minister for Customs and Excise), the following amendment was made:—Clause 4, page 2, omit paragraph (a), insert the following paragraph:—

“(a) by omitting sub-sections (1.) and (2.) and inserting in their stead the following sub-sections:—

‘(1.) Where—

(a) a financial year or part of a financial year, of a producer, falls within the periods to which this Act applies; and

(b) the net profit derived by the producer during that financial year or part of a financial year from the production and sale of refined copper, after taking into account bounty payable in respect of that refined copper, would exceed profit at the rate of ten per centum per annum on the capital used by the producer in that production and sale, the bounty otherwise payable in respect of that refined copper shall be reduced by the amount of the excess.

‘(2.) For the purposes of the last preceding sub-section, where the Minister is satisfied that the net profit derived by the producer during an earlier financial year or part of a financial year that fell within the periods to which this Act applies from the production and sale of refined copper, after taking into account any bounty in respect of that refined copper, was less than profit at the rate of ten per centum per annum on the capital used in that production and sale, or that no such profit was derived, he may make such allowance by reason of that fact as he, in his discretion, thinks fit.’”

Bill, as amended, agreed to.
Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Lucock reported accordingly.
On the motion of Mr. Bury, by leave, the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

11. MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.—Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:—
16th November, 1965—Message—
No. 211—Northern Territory (Administration) 1965.
No. 212—Export Payments Insurance Corporation 1965.
12. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That orders of the day Nos. 4 to 21, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
13. CURRENCY BILL 1965.—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. Hansen), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.
14. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Forbes (Minister for the Army) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Question—put and passed.
- And then the House, at one minute past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

PAPERS.—The following papers were deemed to have been presented on the 16th November, 1965, pursuant to statute—
Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1965, No. 159.
Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinance—1965—No. 52—American Province of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart.
Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Variation of plan of lay-out of City of Canberra and its environs, dated 29th October, 1965.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Adermann, Mr. Birrell, Mr. Chipp, Mr. Cross, Mr. Curtin, Mr. England, Mr. G. D. Erwin, Mr. Galvin, Mr. Harding, Mr. Jess, Mr. Mackinnon, Mr. McEwen*, Mr. Peters, Mr. Sexton and Mr. Stokes*.

* On leave.

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