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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 23

WEDNESDAY, 3 MAY 1967

- 1 The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Acting Speaker (Mr Lucock) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 3 SELF-GOVERNMENT FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND PAPER—PAPERS NOTED: Mr Anthony (Minister for the Interior), by leave, made a ministerial statement with reference to the progress of certain investigations which had been made into the question of self-government for the Australian Capital Territory, and, by command of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth, presented the following papers:
 Self-Government for the Australian Capital Territory—
 Ministerial statement, 3 May 1967.
 A Preliminary Assessment, May 1967—(Progress report by the Minister for the Interior)—
 and moved—That the House take note of the papers.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and passed.
- 4 AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY COUNCIL: Mr Anthony (Minister for the Interior) moved, by leave—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Australian National University Act 1946–1966*, this House elects Mr Beazley and Mr Gibson to be members of the Council of the Australian National University for a period of three years from this day.
 Question—put and passed.
- 5 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REPORT: Mr Chaney (Chairman) brought up the following report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:
 Report relating to the proposed construction of beef roads, Western Barkly Tablelands, Northern Territory.
 Ordered to be printed.
- 6 LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MEMBER: Mr Patterson moved—That leave of absence for one month be given to the honourable Member for Leichhardt (Mr Fulton) on the ground of ill health.
 Question—put and passed.
- 7 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—AGED PERSONS HOMES BILL 1967: Mr Acting Speaker reported the receipt of the following message from the Senate:

MR ACTING SPEAKER,

Message No. 21

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "*An Act to amend the 'Aged Persons Homes Act 1954–1957'*", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the amendment indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which amendment the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate,
 Canberra, 2 May 1967

A. M. McMULLIN,
 President

Ordered—That the amendment be taken into consideration, in committee of the whole House, at a later hour this day.

- 8 AUSTRALIAN TOURIST COMMISSION BILL 1967: 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 Turner 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.

- 9 AUSTRALIAN TOURIST COMMISSION BILL 1967: 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

Clauses 1 to 5, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 6—

Mr Wentworth moved the following amendment: Page 2, line 21, omit “two”, insert “four”.

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

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

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Haworth reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Chipp (Minister in charge of Tourist Activities), the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

- 10 STATES GRANTS (TEACHERS COLLEGES) BILL 1967: Mr Freeth (Minister representing the Minister for Education and Science), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to grant Financial Assistance to the States for the purposes of Building Projects in connection with Teachers Colleges.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Freeth moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr Patterson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 11 INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT BILL (No. 2) 1967: Mr Howson (Minister assisting the Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Law relating to Income Tax in relation to Income derived by persons connected with certain Undertakings of the Government of the United States of America, in relation to Moneys paid on Shares in certain Prospecting and Mining Companies and in relation to Non-resident Dividend Income.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Howson moved—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.

- 12 INCOME TAX (INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS) BILL 1967: Mr Howson (Minister assisting the Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to amend section 19A of the *Income Tax (International Agreements) Act 1953–1966*.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Howson moved—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.

13 ESTATE DUTY ASSESSMENT BILL 1967: Mr Howson (Minister assisting the Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to exempt from Estate Duty certain Property of Persons connected with certain Undertakings of the Government of the United States of America.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Howson moved—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.

14 GIFT DUTY ASSESSMENT BILL 1967: Mr Howson (Minister assisting the Treasurer) presented a Bill for an Act to exempt from Gift Duty certain Gifts made by Persons connected with certain Undertakings of the Government of the United States of America.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Howson moved—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.

15 BRIGALOW LANDS AGREEMENT BILL 1967: Mr Fairbairn (Minister for National Development), by leave, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Brigalow Lands Agreement Act 1962–1965*.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Fairbairn moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr Patterson), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

16 MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE: Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:

3 May 1967—Message—

No. 22—

Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities 1967.

Customs Tariff (No. 2) 1967 (*without requests*).

Excise Tariff 1967 (*without requests*).

Income Tax Assessment 1967.

Pay-roll Tax Assessment 1967.

Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) 1967.

No. 23—Sheltered Employment (Assistance) 1967.

No. 24—National Health 1967.

17 HOMES SAVINGS GRANT BILL 1967: 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 G. D. Erwin), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

18 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Bury (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

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Debate continued.

Question—put and passed.

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

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 3 May 1967:
By command of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth:
Treaty—Text of Customs Convention on the temporary importation of professional equipment, signed 8 June 1961.
Pursuant to statute:
Northern Territory (Administration) Act—Administrative Actions (Investigation) Ordinance 1966, together with statement of reasons for withholding assent to the Ordinance.
Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinance—1967—No. 20—Land Titles Commission 1966.
Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of Territories—V. S. Gadsby.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Aston, Mr Benson, Mr Daly, Mr Drury, Mr Forbes, Mr Fulton*, Sir Wilfrid Kent Hughes and Mr McEwen.

* On leave.

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