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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 27

THURSDAY, 11 MAY 1967

- 1 The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment. The Acting Speaker (Mr Lucock) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE: Mr Holt (Prime Minister) stated that, in view of press references and action by private Members in the Parliament in relation to the *Voyager* Royal Commission, the Government felt that this matter should be dealt with promptly by the House. It proposed, therefore, to make a statement on the matter on Tuesday next and would allow opportunity for Parliamentary discussion.
- 3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 4 NEW ZEALAND—DRAWING FROM INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND—USE OF AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr McMahon (Treasurer), by leave, made a ministerial statement with reference to a further provision of Australian currency for a drawing by New Zealand from the International Monetary Fund.
- 5 AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL AIRLINES COMMISSION EQUIPMENT BILL 1967: Mr McMahon (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to the provision of Finance for the Purchase of certain Aircraft and Equipment by the Australian National Airlines Commission.
Bill read a first time.
Mr McMahon 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.
- 6 SUGAR MARKETING ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT BILL 1967: Mr McMahon (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to an Agreement between the Commonwealth and the State of Queensland in connexion with a Guarantee by that State of the repayment of a Loan to The Sugar Board of that State by the Reserve Bank of Australia.
Bill read a first time.
Mr McMahon 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.
- 7 NATURAL GAS PIPELINE (SOUTH AUSTRALIA) AGREEMENT BILL 1967: Mr McMahon (Treasurer), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to an Agreement between the Commonwealth and the State of South Australia with respect to a Natural Gas Pipeline from Gidgealpa to Adelaide.
Bill read a first time.
Mr McMahon moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Luchetti), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 8 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—MAIL EXCHANGE BUILDING, PERTH: Mr Kelly (Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1913–1966*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report: Erection of a Mail Exchange Building, Perth.

Mr Kelly presented plans in connection with the proposed work.

Question—put and passed.

- 9 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REFERENCE OF WORK—R.A.N. BASE, MANUS ISLAND: Mr Kelly (Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1913–1966*, the following proposed work be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for investigation and report: Development of R.A.N. Base at Manus Island.

Mr Kelly presented plans in connection with the proposed work.

Question—put and passed

- 10 BEEF ROADS, WESTERN BARKLY TABLELANDS, N.T.—APPROVAL OF WORK: Mr Kelly (Minister for Works) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1913–1966*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the committee has duly reported to this House: Construction of Beef Roads, Western Barkly Tablelands, N.T.

Question—put and passed.

- 11 GRIEVANCE DEBATE: Pursuant to the provisions of standing order 106, the order of the day having been read—

Question proposed—That grievances be noted.

Debate ensued.

It being fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m., the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 106.

Suspension of standing orders—Extended time for Grievance debate: Mr Barnes (Minister for Territories) moved, by leave—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the consideration of order of the day No. 1, government business (Grievance debate), being continued until twenty-five minutes to three o'clock p.m.

Question—put and passed.

Debate continued.

It being twenty-five minutes to three o'clock p.m., the debate was interrupted.

Question—That grievances be noted—put and passed.

- 12 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—FOREIGN AFFAIRS—PROPOSED JOINT COMMITTEE: Mr Acting Speaker reported the receipt of the following message from the Senate:

MR ACTING SPEAKER,

Message No. 29

The Senate, having considered Message No. 30 of the House of Representatives, has agreed to the following resolutions in connection therewith:

- (1) That the Senate concurs in the Resolution transmitted to the Senate by Message No. 30 of the House of Representatives relating to the appointment of a Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs, subject to the following modification:

That at the end of paragraph (2) the following words be added—“and one Senator to be appointed by the Leader of the Australian Democratic Labor Party in the Senate”.

- (2) That the provisions of the Resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the Standing Orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the Standing Orders.

The Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives in the Senate's modification of the Resolution transmitted to the Senate by the House.

A. M. McMULLIN,

President

The Senate,

Canberra, 11 May 1967

Ordered—That the message be taken into consideration at the next sitting.

13 SUPPLY BILL (No. 1) 1967-68: 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 Uren addressing the House—

Closure: Mr Snedden (Leader of the House) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

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Mr Adermann	Mr Corbett	Mr Holten	Mr Peacock
Mr Allan	Sir J. Cramer	Mr Howson	Mr Pearsall
Mr Armstrong	Mr Dobie	Mr Hughes	Mr Pettitt
Mr Arthur	Mr Drury	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Sinclair
Mr Barnes	Mr England	Mr Jess	Mr Snedden
Mr Bate	Mr Failes	Mr Jessop	Mr St. John
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fairbairn	Mr A. T. Jones	Mr Stokes
Mr Bosman	Mr Fairhall	Mr Kelly	Mr Street
Mr Bridges-Maxwell	Mr Fox	Mr Killen	Mr Swartz
Miss Brownbill	Mr J. M. Fraser	Mr King	Mr Turner
Mr Buchanan	Mr Freeth	Mr Lee	Mr Wentworth
Mr Bury	Mr Gibbs	Mr Lynch	Mr Whitorn
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Gibson	Mr Maisey	Mr Wilson
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Giles	Mr McLeay	
Mr Chaney	Mr Graham	Mr McMahan	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Chipp	Mr Hallett	Mr Munro	Mr G. D. Erwin
Mr Cleaver	Mr Hasluck	Mr Nixon	Mr Turnbull

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Mr Beaton	Mr Connor	Mr Griffiths	Mr Stewart
Mr Beazley	Mr Cope	Mr Hayden	Mr Uren
Mr Benson	Mr Courtney	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Webb
Mr Birrell	Mr Crean	Mr Luchetti	
Mr Bryant	Mr Cross	Mr McIvor	
Mr J. F. Cairns	Mr Curtin	Mr Minogue	
Mr Calwell	Mr Davies	Mr Nicholls	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Clark	Mr Devine	Mr Patterson	Mr Duthie
Mr Collard	Mr Gray	Mr Peters	Mr James

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the Bill be now read a second time—was put accordingly, and passed—Bill read a second time.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Howson (Minister assisting the Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

14 SUPPLY BILL (No. 2) 1967-68: 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.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Howson (Minister assisting the Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

15 INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT BILL (No. 2) 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.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

Mr Howson (Minister assisting the Treasurer) moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

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

16 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—INCOME TAX (INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS), ESTATE DUTY ASSESSMENT, AND GIFT DUTY ASSESSMENT BILLS: Mr Howson (Minister assisting the Treasurer) moved, by leave—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent orders of the day Nos. 5, 6 and 7 for the resumption of the debate on the second reading of the Income Tax (International Agreements), the Estate Duty Assessment and the Gift Duty Assessment Bills being read together and a motion being moved that the Bills be now passed.

Question—put and passed.

17 INCOME TAX (INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS), ESTATE DUTY ASSESSMENT, AND GIFT DUTY ASSESSMENT BILLS 1967: The orders of the day for the resumption of the debate on the second reading of the several Bills having been read together—

Mr Howson (Minister assisting the Treasurer) moved—That the Bills be now passed.

Question—put and passed.

18 WOOL INDUSTRY 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 by Mr Beaton who moved, as an amendment—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof: “whilst not opposing the provisions of the Bill, the House recognises the urgent need for wool marketing reform and, believing that the full benefit of wool promotion cannot be reflected in wool prices until adequate marketing reform is instituted, the House requests the Australian Wool Board to make such recommendations as it may see fit at the earliest possible time”.

Debate continued.

Amendment negatived.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and passed—Bill read a second time.

Message from the Administrator: Mr Acting Speaker announced the receipt of message No. 24, dated 4 May 1967, from His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth recommending an appropriation of revenue for the purposes of the Bill.

Leave granted for third reading to be moved forthwith.

On the motion of Mr Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry), the Bill was read a third time.

19 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Adermann (Minister for Primary Industry) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at nineteen minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 11 May 1967, pursuant to statute:

Customs Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1967, Nos. 58, 59.

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

* On leave.

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