THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 96

THURSDAY, 29 MAY 1969

- 1 The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable W. J. Aston) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 Petitions: Mr Whittorn presented a petition from certain residents of Victoria praying that the Commonwealth Government place a complete ban on the export and local sale of kangaroo meat and fur products and that a Commonwealth body to control kangaroos be formed immediately.

Petition received.

Miss Brownbill presented a petition from certain electors of the Division of Kingston praying that this House take any action necessary to impress upon the Government the need to adopt Senator Gair's Independent Schools (Financial Assistance) Bill 1968 as its own Bill and ensure its speedy passage through Parliament.

Petition received and read.

- 3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 4 PAPER: The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:

Life Insurance Act—Insurance Commissioner—Twenty-third Annual Report, for 1968.

- 5 Criminology—Establishment of National Institute—Ministerial statement—Motion to take note of paper: Mr Bowen (Attorney-General), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House that the Commonwealth and the States had reached agreement upon a joint scheme which involves the establishment of a national Institute of Criminology to inquire into crime in Australia and the best methods to deal with it, the formation of a Criminology Research Council and the establishment of a Criminology Research Fund. There were hopes that New Zealand would also join the scheme.
 - Mr Whitlam (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.
 - Mr Bowen, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

Criminology—Establishment of national Institute—Ministerial statement, 29 May

and moved—That the House take note of the paper.

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

- 6 POST OFFICE—ESTABLISHMENT AS PUBLIC CORPORATION—PROPOSED JOINT SELECT COM-MITTEE: Mr Webb moved, pursuant to notice—That a joint select committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the desirability and practicability of establishing a public corporation to conduct the business of the Post Office.
 - Debate ensued.
 - It being two hours after the time fixed for the meeting of the House, the debate was interrupted in accordance with standing order 109.

Ordered—That the time for the discussion of notices be extended until fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m.

Debate continued.

- The time allotted for precedence to general business having expired, the debate was interrupted, Mr Devine was granted leave to continue his speech when the debate is resumed, and the resumption of the debate was made an order of the day for the next sitting.
- 7 POSTPONEMENT OF NOTICE: Ordered—That notice No. 1, government business, be postponed until a later hour this day.
- 8 CORAL SEA ISLANDS BILL 1969: Mr Barnes (Minister for External Territories), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the Government of certain Islands acquired by the Commonwealth.

Bill read a first time.

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

Debate adjourned (Mr Whitlam—Leader of the Opposition), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

9 AUSTRALIAN COASTAL SHIPPING COMMISSION BILL 1969: 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.

On the motion of Mr Sinclair (Minister for Shipping and Transport), the Bill was read a third time.

10 States Grants (Special Financial Assistance) Bill 1969: 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 C. K. Jones rising to address the House-

Closure: Mr G. D. Erwin (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 Drury, in the Chair)—

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	Ayes,	63	
Mr Adermann	Mr Chaney	Mr Hulme	Mr Nixon
Mr Anthony	Mr Chipp	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Peacock
Mr Armstrong	Mr Corbett	Mr Jarman	Mr Pearsall
Mr Arthur	Sir J. Cramer	Mr Jess	Mr Pettitt
Mr Barnes	Mr England	Mr Jessop	Mr Robinson
Mr Bate	Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr A. T. Jones	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Katter	Mr Stokes
Mr Bosman	Mr Fairhall	Mr Kelly	Mr Street
Mr Bowen	Mr J. M. Fraser	Mr Killen	Mr Swartz
Mr Bridges-Maxwell	Mr Freeth	Mr Lee	Mr Turner
Miss Brownbill	Mr Garland	Mr Lucock	Mr Wentworth
Mr Buchanan	Mr Gibbs	Mr Lynch	Mr Whittorn
Mr Bury	Mr Gibson	Mr Mackay	Mr Wilson
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Graham	Mr McLeay	Tellers:
Mr Calder	Mr Hallett	Mr McMahon	Mr Fox
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Holten	Mr Munro	Mr Turnbull
	Noes,	31	
Mr Barnard	Mr Costa	Mr J. R. Fraser	Mr Peters
Mr Bryant	Mr Crean	Mr Griffiths	Mr Scholes
Mr J. F. Cairns	Mr Cross	Mr Hayden	Mr Uren
Mr Calwell	Mr Curtin	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Webb

Mr Luchetti

Mr McIvor

Mr Minogue

Mr Patterson

Mr Whitlam

Tellers:

Mr Duthie

Mr James

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Daly

Mr Davies

Mr Devine

Mr Everingham

Mr C. R. Cameron

Mr Collard

Mr Connor

Mr Cope

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

Message from the Governor-General: Mr Deputy Speaker announced the receipt of message No. 136, dated 21 May 1969, from His Excellency the Governor-General 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 Swartz (Minister assisting the Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

11 Mapping Surveys Bill 1969: Mr Fairbairn (Minister for National Development), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act relating to Surveys required for the Preparation of Maps for Commonwealth purposes.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Fairbairn 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 Australian Capital Territory Taxation (Administration) Bill 1969: 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 J. R. Fraser), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour this day.

13 New and Permanent Parliament House Site—Ministerial statement: Mr Gorton (Prime Minister), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the disagreement between the Houses on the site for the new and permanent Parliament House and stated that the position could not be allowed to remain unresolved because of the need for planning and construction of other works which depended on the making of a decision on the site. The Government, therefore, feeling that a decision must be made, had decided to inform the National Capital Development Commission that Camp Hill would be the site of the new Parliament House.

Mr Buchanan asked leave to make a statement in connection with the matter.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

Mr Luchetti asked leave to make a statement in connection with the matter.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

- 14 TECHNICAL TRAINING SCHEME—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr J. M. Fraser (Minister for Education and Science), by leave, made a ministerial statement with reference to the allocation of grants under the Technical Training Scheme and informed the House of actual expenditure by the States under the Scheme up to 30 June 1968.
- 15 Science Laboratories and apparatus in Government and independent secondary schools—Ministerial statement and paper: Mr J. M. Fraser (Minister for Education and Science), by leave, made a ministerial statement with reference to the operation of the scheme for the provision of science laboratories and apparatus in Government and independent secondary schools, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

Science laboratories—Schedule of State Government schools selected for new laboratories during period 1 July 1964 to 31 March 1969.

16 AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY TAXATION (ADMINISTRATION) BILL 1969: 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.

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

17 Australian Capital Territory Tax (Cheques) Bill 1969: 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 Aston, in the Chair)-

Ayes, 58

Mr Adermann	Mr Corbett	Mr Hulme	Mr Peacock
Mr Armstrong	Sir J. Cramer	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Pearsall
Mr Arthur	Mr Drury	Mr Jessop	Mr Pettitt
Mr Barnes	Mr England	Mr Katter	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bonnett	Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr Kelly	Mr Stokes
Mr Bosman	Mr Fairhall	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr Street
Mr Bowen	Mr Forbes	Mr Killen	Mr Swartz
Mr Bridges-Maxwell	Mr J. M. Fraser	Mr King	Mr Turner
Miss Brownbill	Mr Freeth	Mr Lucock	Mr Wentworth
Mr Buchanan	Mr Garland	Mr Lynch	Mr Whittorn
Mr Bury	Mr Gibbs	Mr Mackay	Mr Wilson
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr Maisey	
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hallett	Mr McMahon	Tellers:
Mr Chaney	Mr Holten	Mr Munro	Mr Fox
Mr Chipp	Mr Hughes	Mr Nixon	Mr Turnbull
	Noes,	33	
Mr Barnard	Mr Crean	Mr Hansen	Mr Stewart
Mr Bryant	Mr Cross	Mr Hayden	Mr Uren
Mr J. F. Cairns	Mr Curtin	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Webb
Mr Calwell	Mr Daly	Mr Luchetti	Mr Whitlam
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Davies	Mr McIvor	
Mr Collard	Mr Devine	Mr O'Connor	
Mr Connor	Mr Everingham	Mr Patterson	Tellers:
Mr Cope	Mr J. R. Fraser	Mr Peters	Mr Duthie
Mr Costa	Mr Griffiths	Mr Scholes	Mr James

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 Swartz (Minister assisting the Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

18 Australian Capital Territory Tax (Hire-purchase Business) Bill 1969: 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.

Ouestion—put.

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

Ayes, 59

Mr Adermann	Mr Chipp	Mr Hughes	Mr Munro
Mr Armstrong	Mr Corbett	Mr Hulme	Mr Nixon
Mr Arthur	Sir J. Cramer	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Peacock
Mr Barnes	Mr Drury	Mr Jessop	Mr Pettitt
Mr Bonnett	Mr England	Mr Katter	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bosman	Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr Kelly	Mr Stokes
Mr Bowen	Mr Fairhall	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr Street
Mr Bridges-Maxwell	Mr Forbes	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 Garland	Mr Lucock	Mr Whittorn
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Gibbs	Mr Lynch	Mr Wilson
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr Mackay	Tellers:
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hallett	Mr Maisey	Mr Fox
Mr Chaney	Mr Holten	Mr McMahon	Mr Turnbull

Noes, 33

Mr Barnard	Mr Crean	Mr Hansen	Mr Stewart
Mr Bryant	Mr Cross	Mr Hayden	Mr Uren
Mr J. F. Cairns	Mr Curtin	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Webb
Mr Calwell	Mr Daly	Mr Luchetti	Mr Whitlam
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Davies	Mr McIvor	
Mr Collard	Mr Devine	Mr O'Connor	
Mr Connor	Mr Everingham	Mr Patterson	Tellers:
Mr Cope	Mr J. R. Fraser	Mr Peters	Mr Duthie
Mr Costa	Mr Griffiths	Mr Scholes	Mr James

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 Swartz (Minister assisting the Treasurer), the Bill was read a third time.

19 Suspension of standing orders—Australian Capital Territory Tax Bills:

Mr Swartz (Minister assisting the Treasurer) moved, by leave—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent orders of the day Nos. 6, 7 and 8 for the resumption of the debate on the second reading of the Australian Capital Territory Tax (Insurance Business) Bill, the Australian Capital Territory Tax (Sales of Marketable Securities) Bill and the Australian Capital Territory Tax (Purchases of Marketable Securities) Bill being read together and a motion being moved that the Bills be now passed.

Ouestion—put and passed.

20 AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY TAX (INSURANCE BUSINESS), AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY TAX (SALES OF MARKETABLE SECURITIES), AND AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY TAX (PURCHASES OF MARKETABLE SECURITIES) BILLS 1969: The orders of the day for the resumption of the debate on the second reading of the several Bills having been read together—

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

Question—put and passed.

21 Australian Capital Territory Stamp Duty Bill 1969: 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, after debate. Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr Lucock reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr Swartz (Minister assisting the Treasurer), the House adopted the report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

22 INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANIZATION CONVENTION No. 99—RATIFICATION—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT AND PAPER: Mr Bury (Minister for Labour and National Service), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House of the intention of the Government to lodge an instrument of ratification of International Labour Organization Convention No. 99, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

International Labour Organization Convention No. 99—Text of Convention concerning minimum wage fixing machinery in Agriculture, adopted by the

Conference at its Thirty-fourth Session, Geneva, 28 June 1951.

Mr Whitlam (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.

23 PRINTING COMMITTEE—EIGHTH REPORT: Mr Graham (Chairman) brought up the Eighth Report from the Printing Committee (sitting in conference with the Printing Committee of the Senate). The report is as follows:

EIGHTH 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:

Christmas Island—Report for year 1967-68.

Cocos (Keeling) Islands—Report for year 1967-68.

Commonwealth Telegraphs Agreement—Commonwealth Telecommunications Board—Seventeenth General Report and Statement of Accounts for year ended 31 March 1968.

Company Law Advisory Committee to the Standing Committee of Attorneys-General—Second interim report, 28 February 1969 (Company Law Reform—Disclosure of substantial shareholdings and take-overs).

Draft Criminal Code for the Australian Territories submitted by the Law Council of Australia, together with Commentary by the Council's Coordinating Committee, February 1969.

Education and the Gross National Product—Paper prepared by Department of Education and Science, 1969.

Life Insurance Act—Insurance Commissioner—Twenty-third Annual Report, for 1968.

New Guinea—Report to the General Assembly of the United Nations on administration of New Guinea for year 1967-68.

Norfolk Island—Report for year 1967-68.

Standards for secondary school libraries—Preliminary statement prepared by Commonwealth Secondary Schools Libraries Committee—March 1969.

States Grants (Advanced Education) Act—Statement by Minister of approvals given during 1968 under section 8 of the Act for Commonwealth grants in respect of library materials.

Stevedoring Industry Act—Australian Stevedoring Industry Authority— Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1967-68.

Tobacco Marketing Act—Australian Tobacco Board—Third Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for 1968.

B. W. GRAHAM, Chairman

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

24 Message from the Senate—Patents Bill 1968: Mr Speaker reported the receipt of the following message from the Senate:

Mr Speaker,

Message No. 191

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for "An Act to amend the 'Patents Act 1952-1966'", and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill with the amendments indicated by the annexed Schedule, in which amendments the Senate requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate,

A. M. McMullin,

Canberra, 29 May 1969

President

Ordered—That the amendments be taken into consideration, in committee of the whole House, forthwith.

In the committee

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE SENATE

- (1) Page 3, clause 10, lines 33 to 44, leave out proposed section 47A, insert the following section:—
 - "'47a.—(1.) Where a complete specification has been lodged in respect of an application and the Commissioner considers it desirable to give a direction under this section on all or any of the grounds specified in the next succeeding sub-section, he may, at any time before the expiration of five years after the date of lodgment of the complete specification or the expiration of two years after the date fixed under sub-section (2) of section two of the Patents Act 1968

date fixed under sub-section (2.) of section two of the *Patents Act* 1968, whichever is the later, by notice in writing given to the applicant, direct the applicant to request the making of an examination of the application and complete specification.

- "'(2.) The grounds referred to in the last preceding sub-section are—
- (a) that the Commissioner considers it expedient to give the direction having regard to the progress made in the examination of applications lodged before the date of lodgment of the application concerned;
- (b) that the Commissioner considers it to be in the public interest to give the direction; and
- (c) that the Commissioner considers it expedient to give the direction having regard to the examination of another application.
- "'(3.) Where the Commissioner gives a direction to an applicant under this section, he shall at the same time inform the applicant of the ground or grounds on which the direction is given.".
- (2) Page 4, clause 10, at the end of proposed section 47B, add the following subsection:—-
 - "'(2.) The last preceding sub-section does not apply in relation to an application and complete specification unless the application and complete specification have become open to public inspection.".
- (3) Page 4, clause 10, line 18, leave out "three", insert "six".
- (4) Page 4, clause 10, lines 25 to 27, leave out sub-section (2.) of proposed section 47D.
- (5) Page 9, clause 14, after proposed section 52A, insert the following section:—
 - " '52AA.—(1.) Where—
 - (a) a Convention application has been made;
 - (b) an application for protection in respect of an invention (in this section referred to as a "foreign application") has been made in a prescribed Convention country, being an application that—

Request for deferment of examination of an application and complete specification.

- (i) constitutes the basic application or one of the basic applications for the purposes of Part XVI.; or
- (ii) claims a priority in that country based on an application made in another country that constitutes the basic application or one of the basic applications for the purposes of that Part;
- (c) a patent has not been granted in respect of the foreign application;
- (d) the applicant has been directed by the Commissioner under section forty-seven A of this Act to request the making of an examination of the application and complete specification, being a direction given on a ground that is not, or on grounds that do not include, either of the grounds specified in paragraphs (b) and (c) of sub-section (2.) of that section.

the applicant, instead of requesting the making of an examination of the application and complete specification, may request, as prescribed, the deferment of the examination of the application and complete specification.

- "'(2.) Where an applicant makes a request in accordance with the last preceding sub-section, paragraph (b) of section forty-seven c of this Act does not apply in relation to the application.
 - " '(3.) Where-
 - (a) the applicant does not request the making of an examination of the application and complete specification before the expiration of nine months after the date on which the request for deferment was lodged in the Patent Office; and
 - (b) the application has not previously lapsed under section forty-seven c of this Act,

the application shall lapse.

" '(4.) Section forty-seven E of this Act applies in relation to an application that has lapsed under the last preceding sub-section as it applies in relation to an application that has lapsed under section forty-seven c of this Act.".

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- (6) Page 17, clause 37, line 27, leave out "or section forty-seven c", insert ", section forty-seven c or sub-section (1.) of section fifty-two AA".
- (7) Page 18, clause 41, line 19, leave out "and 37", insert ", 37 and 37A".
- Page 17, after clause 37, insert the following new clause:—
 - "37A. Section 162 of the Principal Act is amended by adding at the Exercise of end thereof the following sub-section:-
 - '(2.) The last preceding sub-section does not apply in relation to the power of the Commissioner to give a direction under section fortyseven A or section forty-seven B of this Act.".
- On the motion of Mr Bowen (Attorney-General), the amendments were agreed to, after debate.

Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Killen reported accordingly. On the motion of Mr Bowen, the House adopted the report.

25 Messages from the Senate: Messages from the Senate were reported returning the following Bills without amendment:

29 May 1969—Message—

No. 189—Superannuation (No. 2) 1969.

No. 190—Independent Schools (Loans Guarantee) 1969.

26 Prime Minister's visit to United States of America—Ministerial statement— MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: The order of the day having been read for the resumption of the debate on the motion of Mr G. D. Erwin (Leader of the House)— That the House take note of the paper (presented on 15 May 1969), viz.:

Prime Minister's visit to the United States of America—Ministerial statement, 15 May 1969-

Debate resumed.

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

27 SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT: Mr G. D. Erwin (Leader of the House) moved—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until a date and hour to be fixed by Mr Speaker, which time of meeting shall be notified by Mr Speaker to each Member by telegram or letter.

Debate ensued.

Mr Bryant addressing the House-

Closure: Mr Erwin moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

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

AYES, 56

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Mr Adermann	Mr Drury	Mr Jarman	Mr Pearsalı
Mr Armstrong	Mr England	Mr Jessop	Mr Pettitt
Mr Barnes	Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr Katter	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bonnett	Mr Fairhall	Mr Kelly	Mr Stokes
Mr Bosman	Mr Forbes	Sir W. Kent Hughes	Mr Street
Mr Bowen	Mr J. M. Fraser	Mr Killen	Mr Swartz
Miss Brownbill	Mr Freeth	Mr King	Mr Turner
Mr Bury	Mr Garland	Mr Lee	Mr Wentworth
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Gibbs	Mr Lucock	Mr Wilson
Mr Calder	Mr Graham	Mr Lynch	
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hallett	Mr Mackay	
Mr Chaney	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	
Mr Chipp	Mr Hughes	Mr Munro	Tellers:
Mr Corbett	Mr Hulme	Mr Nixon	Mr Fox
Sir J. Cramer	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Peacock	Mr Turnbull
	Noes,	26	
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Mr Barnard	Mr Crean	Mr Hansen	Mr Stewart
Mr Bryant	Mr Cross	Mr Hayden	Mr Uren
Mr Calwell	Mr Curtin	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Whitlam
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Daly	Mr O'Connor	
Mr Collard	Mr Devine	Mr Patterson	Tellers:
Mr Connor	Mr Everingham	Mr Peters	Mr Duthie
Mr Cope	Mr J. R. Fraser	Mr Scholes	Mr James

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr Adermann

Mr Chipp

Mr Corbett

And the question—That the motion be agreed to—being accordingly put—

Sir J. Cramer

Mr Holten

Mr Hughes

The House divided (the Speaker, Mr Aston, in the Chair)—
AYES. 55

Mr Hulme

Mr Maisey

Mr Munro

Mr Nixon

Mr Fox Mr Turnbull

Mr Peacock Mr Armstrong Mr Drury Mr L. H. Irwin Mr Barnes Mr Jarman Mr Pearsall Mr England Mr Pettitt Mr Bonnett Mr G. D. Erwin Mr Jessop Mr Sinclair Mr Bosman Mr Fairhall Mr Katter Mr Bowen Mr Forbes Mr Kelly Mr Stokes Miss Brownbill Mr Killen Mr Street Mr J. M. Fraser Mr Bury Mr Freeth Mr King Mr Swartz Mr K. M. K. Cairns Mr Turner Mr Lee Mr Garland Mr Wentworth Mr Calder Mr Gibbs Mr Lucock Mr D. M. Cameron Mr Lynch Mr Wilson Mr Graham Mr Chaney Mr Mackay Tellers: Mr Hallett

Noes, 26

Mr Barnard	Mr Crean	Mr Hansen	Mr Stewart
Mr Bryant	Mr Cross	Mr Hayden	Mr Uren
Mr Calwell	Mr Curtin	Mr C. K. Jones	Mr Whitlam
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Daly	Mr O'Connor	
Mr Collard	Mr Devine	Mr Patterson	Tellers:
Mr Connor	Mr Everingham	Mr Peters	Mr Duthie
Mr Cope	Mr J. R. Fraser	Mr Scholes	Mr James

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

- 28 Leave of absence to all Members: Mr G. D. Erwin (Leader of the House) moved—
 That leave of absence be given to every Member of the House of Representatives from the determination of this sitting of the House to the date of its next sitting.

 Ouestion—put and passed.
- 29 RETIREMENT OF MR PETERS: Mr Speaker referred to the retirement from the House, at the close of this Parliament, of the honourable Member for Scullin (Mr Peters) and, as this would be the last sitting of the House at which the honourable Member would be present, wished him good health and happiness in his retirement.

Mr Whitlam (Leader of the Opposition), Mr Turnbull, Mr Calwell, Mr Hulme (Postmaster-General), Mr Cope, Mr Lucock (Chairman of Committees) and Mr Curtin, by leave, supported the remarks of Mr Speaker.

Mr Peters, by leave, made his acknowledgments to the House.

30 ADJOURNMENT: Mr G. D. Erwin (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

FRIDAY, 30 MAY 1969

Debate ensued.

Several Members rising to address the House-

Closure: Mr Erwin moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and passed.

And then the House, at five minutes to one o'clock in the morning, adjourned until a date and hour to be fixed by Mr Speaker, and to be notified by him to each Member by telegram or letter as determined by resolution of the House at this sitting.

Papers: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 29 May 1969, pursuant to statute:

Lands Acquisition Act-Land, etc., acquired for-

Civil aviation purposes—Tweed Heads, New South Wales.

Post office purposes—near Coonabarabran, New South Wales.

Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations—

No. 77—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.

No. 79—Professional Radio Employees' Institute of Australasia.

No. 80-Federated Clerks' Union of Australia.

No. 81—Commonwealth Foremen's Association of Australia, Commonwealth Public Service.

No. 82—Commonwealth Public Service Association (Fourth Division Officers).

Nos. 83 and 85—Commonwealth Public Service Artisans' Association.

No. 86—Australian Workers' Union.

No. 87—Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Beazley, Mr Benson, Mr Birrell, Mr Clark, Mr Cleaver, Mr Courtnay, Mr Dobie, Mr Fulton, Mr Giles, Mr Haworth*, Mr Howson, Mr Nicholls and Mr Snedden.

* On leave

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