

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 58

FRIDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER 1970

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- 1 The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Sir William Aston) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 PETITIONS: Mr Fox presented a petition from certain residents of Victoria praying that the export of products made from kangaroos be banned and the Commonwealth Government take necessary steps to have all wildlife in Australia brought under its control.
- Mr Klugman presented a petition from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House seek to ensure that Commonwealth legislation bearing on films, literature and radio and television programmes is so framed and so administered as to give the maximum freedom to adults to choose what they will watch, read and listen to, even in the face of pressure from those who seek to impose their ideas and morals on others who do not share them.
- Petitions severally received and read.
- A similar petition to that presented by Mr Klugman was presented by Mr Whitlam (Leader of the Opposition), and was received.
- Mr L. R. Johnson presented a petition from certain citizens of the Commonwealth praying that this House make legal provision for (1) a joint Commonwealth-State inquiry into inequalities in Australian education, (2) the immediate financing of special programmes for low income earners and others and (3) the provision of pre-school opportunities for all children.
- Mr Kirwan presented a petition from certain citizens of Australia praying that this House take immediate steps to abolish the means test for all people who have reached retiring age or who otherwise qualify for social service benefits or pensions.
- Petitions severally received and read.
- 3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice being asked—
- Mr McLeay having, in the course of asking a question, displayed a flag on a staff—
- Point of order:* Mr C. R. Cameron, in raising a point of order, asked if it was in order for a Member to exhibit in the Chamber a flag belonging to a foreign power.
- Speaker's ruling:* Mr Speaker ruled that he was not aware that the flag displayed was of any country; exhibits had previously been brought into the Chamber by honourable Members, and unless the matter in question had some relation to disloyalty or was contrary to the standing orders, the Chair was not in a position to act.
- Dissent from ruling:* Mr Barnard (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) moved—That the ruling be dissented from.
- Question—put and negatived.
- Questions without notice continued.

4 PAPER: The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:

National Library Act—Council of the National Library of Australia—Tenth Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1969–70.

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

24 September 1970—Message—

No. 67—Repatriation (No. 2) 1970.

No. 68—Seamen's War Pensions and Allowances 1970.

6 PRESS STATEMENT BY THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION, 23 SEPTEMBER 1970—PAPER—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 Lynch (Minister for Immigration)—That the House take note of the paper (*presented on 24 September*), viz.:

Press statement by the Leader of the Opposition, 23 September 1970—

Debate resumed.

Mr J. F. Cairns moved, as an amendment—That the following words be added to the motion: "and condemns the Gorton Government for its failure to end conscription for Vietnam".

Debate continued.

Point of order: Mr Uren raised a point of order that certain words used by Mr Jarman during the course of a personal explanation were offensive and asked for their withdrawal.

Deputy Speaker's ruling: The Deputy Speaker (Mr Lucock) ruled that he could not agree to the request for the withdrawal of the words referred to.

Dissent from ruling: Mr Keating moved—That the ruling be dissented from.

Debate ensued on the motion of dissent.

Mr Kirwan rising to address the House—

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

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

And the question—That the ruling be dissented from—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 45

Mr Armitage	Mr Crean	Mr Hayden	Mr Morrison
Mr Barnard	Mr Cross	Mr Jacobi	Mr Reynolds
Mr Bennett	Mr Daly	Mr Jenkins	Mr Sherry
Mr Berinson	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Stewart
Mr Birrell	Mr Enderby	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Uren
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Everingham	Mr Jones	Mr Webb
Mr Bryant	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Keating	Mr Whitlam
Mr J. F. Cairns	Mr Foster	Mr Kennedy	
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr A. D. Fraser	Mr Keogh	
Mr Cass	Mr Garrick	Mr Kirwan	
Mr Cohen	Mr Grassby	Mr Klugman	
Mr Connor	Mr Gun	Mr Martin	

Tellers:

Mr Cope
Mr James

NOES, 50

Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Jarman	Mr Robinson
Mr Barnes	Mr Forbes	Mr Jess	Mr Sinclair
Mr Bate	Mr J. M. Fraser	Mr Kelly	Mr Snedden
Mr Bonnett	Mr Garland	Mr Killen	Mr Solomon
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr Gorton	Mr Mackay	Mr Staley
Mr Brown	Mr Graham	Mr MacKellar	Mr Street
Mr Buchanan	Mr Hallett	Mr Maisey	Mr Turner
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Holten	Mr McEwen	Mr Wentworth
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Howson	Mr McLeay	Mr Whittorn
Mr Chipp	Mr Hughes	Mr Nixon	
Mr Corbett	Mr Hulme	Mr O'Keefe	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drury	Mr Hunt	Mr Pettitt	Mr Fox
Mr England	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Reid	Mr Turnbull

And so it was negatived.

Debate on original question and the amendment continued.

Adjournment negatived: It being four o'clock p.m.—The question was proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Mr Snedden requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—

Question—put and negatived.

Debate continued.

Question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—put.

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

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Mr Cohen	Mr Grassby	Mr Klugman	Mr James
Mr Connor	Mr Gun	Mr Martin	

NOES, 51

Mr Anthony	Mr Forbes	Mr Kelly	Mr Snedden
Mr Barnes	Mr J. M. Fraser	Mr Killen	Mr Solomon
Mr Bate	Mr Garland	Mr Lucock	Mr Staley
Mr Bonnett	Mr Gorton	Mr Mackay	Mr Street
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr Graham	Mr MacKellar	Mr Turner
Mr Brown	Mr Hallett	Mr Maisey	Mr Wentworth
Mr Buchanan	Mr Holten	Mr McEwen	Mr Whittorn
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Mr Drury	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Reid	
Mr England	Mr Jarman	Mr Robinson	
Mr Fairbairn	Mr Jess	Mr Sinclair	

And so it was negatived.

Mr Fox moved—That the debate be now adjourned.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 51

Mr Anthony	Mr Forbes	Mr Kelly	Mr Snedden
Mr Barnes	Mr J. M. Fraser	Mr Killen	Mr Solomon
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Mr Bonnett	Mr Gorton	Mr Mackay	Mr Street
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr Graham	Mr MacKellar	Mr Turner
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Mr Cass	Mr Garrick	Mr Kirwan	<i>Tellers:</i>
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Mr Connor	Mr Gun	Mr Martin	Mr James

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 7 WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY REGULATIONS BILL 1970: Mr Hulme (Postmaster-General), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend certain Regulations under the *Wireless Telegraphy Act 1905-1967*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 8 AGRICULTURAL TRACTORS BOUNTY BILL 1970: Mr Chipp (Minister for Customs and Excise), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Agricultural Tractors Bounty Act 1966*.

Bill read a first time.

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

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

- 9 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REPORTS: Mr Kelly (Chairman) brought up the following reports from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:

Report relating to the proposed construction of a primary school, Wagaman, N.T. (Seventeenth report of 1970).

Report relating to the proposed construction of sleeping, messing and amenities facilities for Chiefs and Petty Officers, H.M.A.S. *Cerberus*, Westernport, Vic. (Eighteenth report of 1970).

Severally ordered to be printed.

10 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Chipp (Minister for Customs and Excise) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-seven minutes past four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

PAPER: The following paper was deemed to have been presented on 25 September 1970, pursuant to statute:

Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for post office purposes—Lakemba, New South Wales.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Beazley, Mr Bury, Mr Calder, Mr Calwell, Mr Collard, Sir John Cramer, Mr Dobie, Mr Duthie, Mr Giles, Mr Hamer, Mr Hansen*, Mr Hurford, Mr Katter*, Mr Lynch, Mr McMahon, Mr Nicholls*, Mr Scholes and Mr Swartz.

* On leave

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