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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 60

WEDNESDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER 1970

- 1 The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Sir William Aston) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
- 2 PETITIONS: Mr Gorton (Prime Minister) presented a petition from certain citizens of Australia praying that the House take immediate steps to ensure that emergency finance from the Commonwealth will be given to the States for their public education services.

Petition received.

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.

Petition received and read.

- A similar petition to that presented by Mr Fox was presented by Mr Kennedy, and was received.
- Mr Wallis presented a petition from certain electors of the Division of Grey praying that this House take immediate steps to increase the base pension rate to 30 per cent of average weekly male earnings.

Petition received and read.

- A similar petition to that presented by Mr Wallis was presented by Mr Birrell, from certain citizens of South Australia, and was received.
- Sir John Cramer presented a petition from certain citizens of the Commonwealth praying that this House make legal provision for (1) the allowance of personal education expenses as a taxation deduction, (2) the removal of the present age limit in respect of the deduction for education expenses, (3) an increase in the deduction allowable for tertiary education expenses and (4) the exemption of non-bonded scholarships for part-time students from income tax.

Petition received.

3 PAY-ROLL TAX—STATEMENT BY PREMIER OF VICTORIA—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—MOTION TO TAKE NOTE OF PAPER: Mr Gorton (Prime Minister), by leave, made a ministerial statement with reference to a statement made by the Premier of Victoria in his Budget speech that it was the intention of the Victorian Government not to provide for the payment of pay-roll tax, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

Pay-roll tax—Statement by the Premier of Victoria—Ministerial statement, 30 September 1970—

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

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

- 4 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
- 5 Papers: The following paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Australian Atomic Energy Commission—Interim Report for year 1969-70.

The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:

Wheat Research Act—Twelfth Annual Report for 1969.

6 POSTAGE RATES TO NEW ZEALAND—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT: Mr Hulme (Postmaster-General), by leave, made a ministerial statement informing the House of changes in the postage rate arrangements to New Zealand.

Mr Crean, by leave, also made a statement with reference to the matter.

7 APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 1970-71: The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

In the committee

Second Schedule-

Proposed expenditure—Department of Housing, \$6,314,000—

Mr Uren moved, as an amendment—That the proposed expenditure be reduced by \$1. Debate continued.

Limitation of debate: The debate having continued for 2 hours, the Chairman called the attention of the committee to the fact that the time allotted for the proposed expenditure had expired.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

The committee divided (the Chairman, Mr Lucock, in the Chair)—

AYES, 45

Mr Armitage	Mr Crean	Mr Jacobi	Mr Patterson
Mr Barnard	Mr Cross	Mr Jenkins	Mr Reynolds
Mr Bennett	Mr Davies	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Sherry
Mr Birrell	Mr Enderby	Mr Jones	Mr Stewart
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Everingham	Mr Keating	Mr Uren
Mr Bryant	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Kennedy	Mr Wallis
Mr J. F. Cairns	Mr Foster	Mr Keogh	Mr Whitlam
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Garrick	Mr Kirwan	
Mr Cass	Mr Grassby	Mr Luchetti	Tellers:
Mr Cohen	Mr Griffiths	Mr Martin	
Mr Collard	Mr Gun	Mr McIvor	Mr Cope
Mr Connor	Mr Hayden	Mr Morrison	Mr Duthie

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Mr Adermann	Mr England	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anthony	Mr G. D. Erwir.	Mr Jarman	Mr Snedden
Mr Barnes	Mr Fairbairn	Mr Jess	Mr Solomon
Mr Bonnett	Mr Forbes	Mr Killen	Mr Staley
Mr N. H Bowen	Mr Giles	Mr King	Mr Swartz
Mr Brown	Mr Gorton	Mr Lynch	Mr Turner
Mr Buchanan	Mr Graham	Mr Mackay	Mr Wentworth
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Hallett	Mr MacKellar	
Mr Calder	Mr Holten	Mr Nixon	
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Howson	Mr O'Keefe	Tellers:
°1r Chipp	Mr Hughes	Mr Peacock	
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hulme	Mr Pettitt	Mr Fox
Mr Drury	Mr Hunt	Mr Robinson	Mr Turnbull

And so it was negatived.

Further question—That the proposed expenditure be agreed to—put and passed.

Ordered—That consideration of the proposed expenditure for the Department of Immigration be postponed until after consideration of the proposed expenditure for the Department of the Interior.

Proposed expenditure—Department of the Interior, \$103,167,000—debated.

Limitation of debate: The debate having continued for 1½ hours, the Chairman called the attention of the committee to the fact that the time allotted for the proposed expenditure had expired.

Question—That the proposed expenditure be agreed to—put and passed.

Proposed expenditure—Department of Immigration, \$71,274,000—debated.

It being eleven o'clock p.m.—Progress to be reported.

The House resumed; Mr Lucock reported accordingly.

Adjournment negatived: The question was accordingly proposed—That the House do now adjourn.

Mr Snedden (Leader of the House) requiring the question to be put forthwith without debate—

Question—put.

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

	Ayes,	38	
Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Mr Jacobi	Mr Reynolds
Mr Barnard	Mr Davies	Mr Jenkins	Mr Sherry
Mr Bennett	Mr Enderby	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Stewart
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Jones	Mr Uren
Mr Bryant	Mr Foster	Mr Keating	Mr Wallis
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Garrick	Mr Kennedy	Mr Whitlam
Mr Cohen	Mr Grassby	Mr Keogh	
Mr Collard	Mr Gun	Mr Kirwan	Tellers:
Mr Crean	Mr Hayden	Mr Martin	Mr Cope
Mr Cross	Mr Hurford	Mr Patterson	Mr Duthie
	Noes,	44	
Mr Adermann	Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr Killen	Mr Sinclair
Mr Anthony	Mr Fairbairn	Mr King	Mr Snedden
Mr Bonnett	Mr Forbes	Mr Lucock	Mr Solomon
Mr N. H Bowen	Mr Giles	Mr Lynch	Mr Staley
Mr Brown	Mr Graham	Mr Mackay	Mr Swartz
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Hallett	Mr MacKellar	Mr Wentworth
Mr Calder	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Howson	Mr Nixon	
Mr Chipp	Mr Hughes	Mr O'Keefe	Tellers:
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hunt	Mr Pettitt	
Mr Drury	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Reid	Mr Fox
Mr England	Mr Jarman	Mr Robinson	Mr Turnbull

And so it was negatived.

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole.

In the committee

Debate continued.

Limitation of debate: The debate having continued for 2 hours, the Chairman called the attention of the committee to the fact that the time allotted for the proposed expenditure had expired.

Question—That the proposed expenditure be agreed to—put and passed.

Proposed expenditure—Department of Labour and National Service, \$14,088,000—debated.

The committee continued to sit until after midnight-

THURSDAY, 1 OCTOBER 1970

Debate continued.

Point of order: A point of order having been raised by Mr Daly that a remark by the honourable Member for Hume relating to the Leader of the Opposition was offensive and should be withdrawn—

Deputy Chairman's ruling: The Deputy Chairman (Mr Drury) ruled that he would not require the remark to be withdrawn.

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

Question-put.

Mr Armitage

The committee divided (the Deputy Chairman, Mr Drury, in the Chair)—

Mr Enderby

Ayes, 36

Mr Jenkins

Mr Sherry

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Mr Barnard	Mr Everingham	Mr L. K Johnson	Mr Stewart
Mr Bennett	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Jones	Mr Uren
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Foster	Mr Keating	Mr Wallis
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Mr Cross	Mr Jacobi	Mr Reynolds	Mr Cope
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Mr Adermann	Mr Fairbairn	Mr King	Mr Snedden
Mr Anthony	Mr Forbes	Mr Lucock	Mr Solomon
Mr Bonnett	Mr Giles	Mr Lynch	Mr Staley
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr Graham	Mr Mackay	Mr Swartz
Mr Brown	Mr Hallett	Mr MacKellar	Mr Wentworth
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	
Mr Calder	Mr Howson	Mr Nixon	
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hughes	Mr O'Keefe	
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Mr England	Mr Jarman	Mr Robinson	Mr Fox
Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr Killen	Mr Sinclair	Mr Turnbull

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Proposed expenditure agreed to.

Proposed expenditure—Department of National Development, \$38,457,200—

Mr Stewart moved, as an amendment—That the proposed expenditure be reduced by \$10.

Debate continued.

Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr Lucock reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said committee.

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

30 September 1970—Message—

No. 69—Post and Telegraph Rates 1970.

No. 70—Post and Telegraph 1970.

9 Adjournment: Mr Snedden (Leader of the House) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Question-put and passed.

And then the House, at eighteen minutes past two o'clock in the morning, adjourned until this day at half-past ten o'clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Bate, Mr Beazley, Mr Berinson, Mr Bury, Mr Calwell, Mr Corbett, Mr Dobie, Mr J. M. Fraser, Mr Fulton, Mr Hamer, Mr Hansen*, Mr James, Mr L. R. Johnson, Mr Katter*, Mr Kelly, Mr McLeay, Mr McMahon, Mr Nicholls*, Mr Scholes, Mr Street and Mr Whittorn.

• On leave

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