

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 66

MONDAY, 19 OCTOBER 1970

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- 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 PETITION: Mr Morrison 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 which provide schooling for 78 per cent of Australia's children.
Petition received and read.
 - 3 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.
 - 4 PAPER: The following paper was presented, pursuant to statute:
Australian Capital Territory Electricity Supply Act—Australian Capital Territory Electricity Authority—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1969–70.
 - 5 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REPORT: Mr Kelly (Chairman) brought up the following report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:
Report relating to the proposed construction of Commonwealth Offices Stage 1, Hobart (Nineteenth report of 1970).
Ordered to be printed.
 - 6 DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—PRONOUNCEMENTS ON MATTERS COMING BEFORE CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION COMMISSION: Mr Speaker informed the House that Mr C. R. Cameron had proposed that a definite matter of public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The repeated pronouncements by the Prime Minister, the Treasurer and the Minister for Labour and National Service which are calculated to embarrass, compromise and prejudice the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission in the discharge of its constitutional and statutory functions and its hearing of pending matters such as the oil industry and national wage cases initiated and conducted by the Australian Council of Trade Unions".
The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—
Mr Cameron addressed the House.
Discussion ensued.
Discussion concluded.
 - 7 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE—AIR NAVIGATION (CHARGES) BILL 1970: Message No. 79, dated 16 October 1970, from the Senate was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the House a Bill for "*An Act relating to Charges in respect of Commonwealth Air Navigation Facilities and Services*".
Bill read a first time.
Mr Swartz (Minister representing the Minister for Civil Aviation) moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate adjourned (Mr Beazley), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 8 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 expenditures—

Defence Services—

Department of Defence, \$23,724,000—

Department of the Navy, \$216,888,000—

Department of the Army, \$402,512,000—

Department of Air, \$272,998,500—

Department of Supply, \$104,600,500—

General Services, \$3,757,300—

together further debated.

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

The House resumed; Mr Drury reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said committee.

- 9 CONTAINER SHIP SERVICE—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—PAPER NOTED: Mr McEwen (Minister for Trade and Industry), by leave, made a ministerial statement with reference to the operation of the container ship service between Australia and the United Kingdom and Europe, and, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General, presented the following paper:

Container ship service—Ministerial statement, 19 October 1970.

Mr Swartz (Minister for National Development) moved—That the House take note of the paper.

Mr Jones moved, as an amendment—That the following words be added to the motion: “but deplores the failure of the Government to make available to it all relevant information on the increases in overseas freights and the future of Australian ports”.

Debate continued.

Closure: Mr Sinclair (Minister for Shipping and Transport) moved—That the question be now put.

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

And the question—That the words proposed to be added be so added—being accordingly put—

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

AYES, 50

Mr Armitage	Mr Crean	Mr Hayden	Mr Morrison
Mr Barnard	Mr Cross	Mr Hurford	Mr Patterson
Mr Beazley	Mr Daly	Mr Jacobi	Mr Reynolds
Mr Bennett	Mr Davies	Mr Jenkins	Mr Sherry
Mr Birrell	Mr Enderby	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Stewart
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Everingham	Mr Jones	Mr Uren
Mr Bryant	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Keating	Mr Wallis
Mr J. F. Cairns	Mr Foster	Mr Kennedy	Mr Webb
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Fulton	Mr Keogh	Mr Whitlam
Mr Cass	Mr Garrick	Mr Kirwan	
Mr Cohen	Mr Grassby	Mr Klugman	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Collard	Mr Griffiths	Mr Luchetti	Mr Duthie
Mr Cope	Mr Gun	Mr Martin	Mr James

NOES, 55

Mr Barnes	Mr Forbes	Mr Jess	Mr Pettitt
Mr Bate	Mr J. M. Fraser	Mr Kelly	Mr Reid
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr Garland	Mr Killen	Mr Robinson
Mr Brown	Mr Giles	Mr King	Mr Sinclair
Mr Buchanan	Mr Gorton	Mr Lucock	Mr Solomon
Mr Bury	Mr Graham	Mr Mackay	Mr Staley
Mr Calder	Mr Hallett	Mr MacKellar	Mr Street
Mr Chipp	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	Mr Swartz
Mr Corbett	Mr Howson	Mr McEwen	Mr Turner
Sir J. Cramer	Mr Hughes	Mr McLeay	Mr Wentworth
Mr Drury	Mr Hulme	Mr McMahon	Mr Whittorn
Mr England	Mr Hunt	Mr Nixon	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr O'Keefe	Mr Fox
Mr Fairbairn	Mr Jarman	Mr Peacock	Mr Turnbull

And so it was negatived.

Question—That the House take note of the paper—put and passed.

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

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together further debated.

Mr Swartz (Minister for National Development) moved—That the Deputy Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again.

Question—put.

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

AYES, 48

Mr Anthony	Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr Jess	Mr Sinclair
Mr Barnes	Mr Forbes	Mr Kelly	Mr Solomon
Mr Bate	Mr J. M. Fraser	Mr Killen	Mr Staley
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr Garland	Mr King	Mr Street
Mr Brown	Mr Giles	Mr Mackay	Mr Swartz
Mr Buchanan	Mr Graham	Mr MacKellar	Mr Wentworth
Mr Bury	Mr Hallett	Mr McLeay	Mr Whittorn
Mr K. M. K. Cairns	Mr Holten	Mr Nixon	
Mr Calder	Mr Howson	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Chipp	Mr Hughes	Mr Peacock	
Mr Corbett	Mr Hunt	Mr Pettitt	<i>Tellers:</i>
Sir J. Cramer	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Reid	Mr Fox
Mr England	Mr Jarman	Mr Robinson	Mr Turnbull

NOES, 44

Mr Armitage	Mr Daly	Mr Jenkins	Mr Reynolds
Mr Barnard	Mr Enderby	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Sherry
Mr Bennett	Mr Everingham	Mr Jones	Mr Stewart
Mr Berinson	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Keating	Mr Uren
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Foster	Mr Kennedy	Mr Wallis
Mr Bryant	Mr Fulton	Mr Keogh	Mr Whitlam
Mr J. F. Cairns	Mr Garrick	Mr Kirwan	
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Grassby	Mr Klugman	
Mr Cass	Mr Gun	Mr Luchetti	
Mr Cohen	Mr Hayden	Mr Martin	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Cope	Mr Hurford	Mr Morrison	Mr Duthie
Mr Cross	Mr Jacobi	Mr Patterson	Mr James

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House resumed; Mr Drury reported accordingly.

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

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

19 October 1970—Message—

No. 80—Excise Tariff 1970 (*without requests*).

No. 81—Diesel Fuel Tax (No. 1) 1970 (*without requests*).

No. 82—Diesel Fuel Tax (No. 2) 1970 (*without requests*).

No. 83—Customs Tariff (No. 2) 1970 (*without requests*).

No. 84—States Grants (Mental Health Institutions) 1970.

No. 85—Wireless Telegraphy Regulations 1970.

No. 86—Sheltered Employment (Assistance) 1970.

12 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Swartz (Minister for National Development) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at fourteen minutes past eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 19 October 1970, pursuant to statute:

Commonwealth Banks Act—Appointment certificates—M. F. Chartres, R. G. Serpell.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Adermann, Mr Bonnett, Mr Calwell, Mr D. M. Cameron, Mr Dobie, Mr Hamer, Mr Hansen*, Mr Katter*, Mr Lynch, Mr Nicholls* and Mr Scholes*.

* On leave

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