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## THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 44.

## VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 1922.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Hughes moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Monday next, at three o'clock p.m.  
Debate ensued.  
*Closure*—Mr. Greene moved, That the question be now put.  
Question—That the question be now put—put.  
The House divided—

Ayes, 26.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lamond
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Lister
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Marks
Mr. Bell	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Donald Cameron	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Corser	Mr. Watt
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Wise
Mr. Greene	
Mr. Higgs	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Jackson	Mr. Story

Noes, 22.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Charlton	Mr. McDonald
Mr. Considine	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Robert Cook	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Hill	Mr. West
Mr. Jowett	
Mr. Lambert	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Mahony	Mr. Fenton
Mr. Makin	Mr. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question being accordingly put—That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Monday next, at three o'clock p.m.—

The House divided—

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hunter
Mr. Bamford	Mr. Jackson
Mr. Bayley	Mr. Lamond
Mr. Bell	Mr. Lister
Mr. Blundell	Mr. Marks
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Bruce	Mr. Poynton
Mr. Donald Cameron	Mr. Prowse
Mr. Chanter	Mr. Rodgers
Mr. Robert Cook	Sir Granville Ryrie
Mr. Corser	Mr. Laird Smith
Mr. Foley	Mr. Watt
Mr. R. W. Foster	Mr. Wise
Mr. Francis	
Mr. Gibson	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Greene	
Mr. Higgs	Mr. Mackay
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Story

Noes, 19.

Mr. Anstey	Mr. Mathews
Mr. Charlton	Mr. McWilliams
Mr. Considine	Mr. Parker Moloney
Mr. Fleming	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Hill	Mr. West
Mr. Jowett	
Mr. Lambert	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Mahony	
Mr. Makin	Mr. Fenton
Mr. W. Maloney	Mr. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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3. INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT BILL (1922).—Mr. Bruce, pursuant to leave given on the 7th instant, brought up a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the Imposition Assessment and Collection of a Tax upon Incomes* ”, and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time. Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
4. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—
- FORSTER,  
*Governor-General.* *Message No. 27.*
- Bills intituled—  
“ *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1922* ”,  
“ *Entertainments Tax Act 1922* ”,  
“ *Customs Tariff 1922* ”,
- as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty, assented to the said Acts.
- Government House,  
Melbourne, 28th September, 1922.
5. COMMONWEALTH SHIPPING BILL.—Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act relating to the Commonwealth Shipping Line. Debate ensued. Question—put and passed.
6. WAR SERVICE HOMES BILL (1922).—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 4 agreed to.

Clause 5—

On the motion of Mr. Lamond, the following amendments were made :—

Line 6, after “ amended— ” insert “ (a) by omitting sub-section (1.) thereof and inserting in its stead the following sub-sections :—

‘ (1.) Subject to this Act the Commissioner may acquire land for the purposes of this Act.

(1A.) Before acquiring—

(a) any land upon which dwelling-houses or other buildings are already erected ;

(b) any Crown land of a State ; or

(c) any road or land which has been dedicated, reserved or set apart for any public or other purpose whether by a State or by any private person, the Commission shall obtain the consent of the Minister to the acquisition of that land.’ ”

Line 7, before “ cost ” insert “ determine the ”.

Lines 12–13, omit “ ‘ fair value of each lot ’ ”, insert “, from time to time, determine the fair value of all or any of the lots into which the land is subdivided ”.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 6 debated and agreed to.

Clause 7 agreed to.

Clause 8 debated—

Mr. Charlton moved, as an amendment, That the following proviso be added to sub-clause (2.) :—

“ Provided that in the case of the person acquiring a home already erected and in the case of future applicants the cost to the soldier shall not exceed the amount provided by statute unless such additional cost was incurred at his request.”

Debate ensued—

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at its next sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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7. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—PUBLIC SERVICE BILL (1922).—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was presented, and the same was read by Mr. Speaker :—

FORSTER,  
Governor-General.

Message No. 28.

In accordance with the requirements of section 56 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, the Governor-General recommends to the House of Representatives that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to consolidate and amend the Law regulating the Public Service, and for other purposes.

Government House,  
Melbourne, 29th September, 1922.

Ordered—That the foregoing Message be considered in Committee of the whole House forthwith. Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Greene—That it is expedient that an appropriation of revenue be made for the purposes of a Bill for an Act to consolidate and amend the Law regulating the Public Service, and for other purposes.  
Resolution to be reported.

The House resumed ; Mr. Chanter reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the Report be considered at once.

The said Resolution was read, and, on the motion of Mr. Greene, was adopted by the House.

8. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Hughes moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Blakeley, Mr. J. H. Catts, Mr. Austin Chapman, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Groom, Mr. Hay, Mr. Lavelle\*, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Marr, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Nicholls, Mr. Earle Page, Mr. Pratten, and Mr. Wienholt.

\* On leave.

WALTER A. GALE,  
Clerk of the House of Representatives.