

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 106.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, 29TH AUGUST, 1924.

1. The House met, at eleven o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Right Honorable W. A. Watt) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. ALTERATION OF DAY OF NEXT MEETING.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House, at its rising, adjourn until Tuesday next at three o'clock p.m.
Question.—put and passed.
3. WINE EXPORT BOUNTY BILL.—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. Lazzarini moved, as an amendment, That all the words after the word "That" be omitted, with a view to the insertion of the following words in place thereof:—"in order to give true relief to the growers of grapes the excise on wine be reduced by Four shillings per gallon."
Debate continued.
Question.—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put and passed.
Question.—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(*In the Committee.*)

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Clause 4—

On the motion of Mr. Mann, after debate, the following amendment was made:—Line 5, omit "twenty-seven," insert "twenty-six".

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 5 debated and agreed to.

Clause 6 agreed to.

Clause 7 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 8 and 9 agreed to.

Clause 10 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 11 to 14 agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bamford reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister), the House adopted the Report, and (the Standing Orders having previously been suspended, see page 371 *ante*) the Bill was read a third time.

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4. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—
Defence Department—Estimates of Expenditure, 1924–25—Explanatory Statement prepared
by direction of the Minister for Defence.

Ordered to lie on the Table, and to be printed.

The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—

National Debt Sinking Fund Act—National Debt Commission—First Annual Report for
period ended 30th June, 1924.

Ordered to be printed.

Naval Defence Act—Regulations Amended—Statutory Rules 1924, Nos. 121, 122, 123.

War Service Homes Act—Land acquired in New South Wales, at—North Sydney and
Orange.

5. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Bruce (Prime Minister) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at eleven minutes to four o'clock p.m., adjourned until Tuesday next at three
o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—
Mr. Bayley*, Sir Austin Chapman, Mr. Charlton*, Mr. R. W. Foster, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Gregory,
Sir Littleton Groom*, Mr. Hill*, Mr. Killen, Mr. Latham*, Mr. W. Maloney*, Mr. Marks*,
Mr. Maxwell, Mr. Charles McDonald, Mr. Frederick McDonald, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Prowse,
Sir Granville Ryrie*, Mr. Seabrook, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. Yates.

* On leave.

FRANK L. CLAPIN,
Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives.