

1932.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,  
CANBERRA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 24.

TUESDAY, 10TH MAY, 1932.

1. The House met, at three o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable G. H. Mackay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—DEATH OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House that on the receipt of news of the death of Monsieur Paul Doumer, President of the French Republic, His Excellency the Governor-General sent the following message to the British Ambassador in Paris :—
 

“ On behalf of the Commonwealth Government and people of Australia I request Your Excellency to convey sincere sympathy to the relatives of the late Monsieur Paul Doumer, President of the French Republic, and to the whole French nation.”
3. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—DEATH OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OFFICE, GENEVA.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister), by leave, made a Ministerial Statement informing the House that the Government learned yesterday of the death of Monsieur Albert Thomas, Director of the International Labour Office, and that a message in the following terms was despatched by cable to the Secretary-General of the League of Nations :—
 

“ The Commonwealth Government deeply regret the passing of M. Albert Thomas. The loss of his experience and influence at the International Labour Office, in the organization and development of which he took such a prominent part, will be sorely felt. He leaves a vacancy which will be difficult to fill.”
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 

Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinances of 1932—

No. 12—Industrial Board (No. 2).  
No. 13—Administration and Probate.
5. FINANCIAL AGREEMENTS ENFORCEMENT BILL (No. 4) (1932).—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, pursuant to notice, That he have leave to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Financial Agreements Enforcement Acts 1932*.  
Question—put.

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The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Mackay, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 37.		Noes, 12.
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Blakeley
Mr. Bell	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Forde
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Marr	Mr. Albert Green
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McBride	Mr. James
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Makin
Mr. Dein	Mr. Nock	Mr. Martens
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Rosevear
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Perkins	Mr. Scullin
Mr. Gibson	Mr. Price	
Mr. Gregory	Mr. Prowse	<i>Tellers:</i>
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Stacey	Mr. Gander
Mr. Gullett	Mr. Frederick Stewart	Mr. E. C. Riley
Mr. Guy	Mr. William Watson	
Mr. E. F. Harrison		
Mr. E. J. Harrison	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Gardner	
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. Lane		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

6. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister) moved, pursuant to notice, That the Standing Orders be suspended so as to enable the Bill for an Act to amend the *Financial Agreements Enforcement Acts 1932* to be passed through all its stages without delay. Question—put and passed.
7. FINANCIAL AGREEMENTS ENFORCEMENT BILL (No. 4) (1932).—Mr. Lyons (Prime Minister), pursuant to leave given this day, brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘Financial Agreements Enforcement Acts 1932’*,” and moved, That it be now read a first time. Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time. Mr. Lyons moved, That the Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued. Question—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Mackay, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 37.		Noes, 11.
Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. John Lawson	Mr. Forde
Mr. Bell	Mr. Lyons	Mr. Gander
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Marr	Mr. Albert Green
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Maxwell	Mr. Holloway
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McBride	Mr. James
Mr. Bernard Corser	Mr. Nairn	Mr. Makin
Mr. Dein	Mr. Nock	Mr. Martens
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Earle Page	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill	Mr. Scullin
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Mr. Gregory	Mr. Prowse	Mr. E. C. Riley
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Mr. Guy	Mr. William Watson	
Mr. E. F. Harrison		
Mr. E. J. Harrison	<i>Tellers:</i>	
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Gardner	
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Thompson	
Mr. Lane		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—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 5 agreed to.

Clause 6 debated—

- Mr. Thompson moved, as an amendment, That the word “may” (page 3, line 7) be omitted with a view to the insertion of the word “shall” in place thereof.

Debate continued.

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Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lane
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. John Lawson
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McBride
Mr. Dein	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Nock
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill
Mr. Gabb	Mr. Perkins
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Mr. Gregory	Mr. Prowse
Sir Littleton Groom	Mr. Stacey
Mr. Gullett	Mr. Frederick Stewart
Mr. Guy	Mr. William Watson
Mr. E. F. Harrison	
Mr. E. J. Harrison	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Gardner
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Thompson

Noes, 8.

Mr. Forde
Mr. Holloway
Mr. James
Mr. Makin
Mr. Martens
Mr. Riordan
<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Gander
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the clause, as amended, be agreed to—put.

The Committee divided (The Chairman, Mr. Bell, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lane
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. John Lawson
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. McBride
Mr. Dein	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Nock
Mr. Josiah Francis	Mr. Parkhill
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Mr. Gullett	Mr. Frederick Stewart
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Mr. E. F. Harrison	
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Mr. Martens
Mr. Riordan
<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Gander
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 7 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported with an amendment.

The House resumed ; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Lyons, the House adopted the Report.

Mr. Lyons moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Question—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. Mackay, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Aubrey Abbott	Mr. Lane
Mr. Bell	Mr. John Lawson
Mr. Blacklow	Mr. Maxwell
Mr. Malcolm Cameron	Mr. McBride
Mr. Thomas Collins	Mr. Nairn
Mr. Dein	Mr. Nock
Mr. Fenton	Mr. Parkhill
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Mr. Gullett	Mr. William Watson
Mr. Guy	
Mr. E. F. Harrison	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. E. J. Harrison	
Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Gardner
Mr. Jennings	Mr. Thompson

Noes, 6.

Mr. Forde
Mr. Gander
Mr. Makin
Mr. Riordan
<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. James
Mr. E. C. Riley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.—Bill read a third time.

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8. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—LOAN (UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF WORKS) BILL.—Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. SPEAKER,

*Message No. 14.*

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for " *An Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of a certain sum of money for the purposes of Financial Assistance to the States in the provision of Relief to persons out of Employment,*" and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,  
Canberra, 10th May, 1932.

WALTER KINGSMILL,  
President.

9. SPIRITS BILL (1932).—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—Mr. Gullett (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—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.*)

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.  
Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bell reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Gullett, the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Gullett (Minister for Trade and Customs) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at twenty-five minutes to ten o'clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except—Mr. Anstey, Mr. Baker, Mr. Beasley, Mr. Bruce, Mr. Casey, Mr. Dennis, Mr. Roland Green, Mr. Hawker, Mr. Hill, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hunter\*, Mr. Hutchin, Mr. Latham\*, Mr. George Lawson, Mr. W. Maloney, Mr. McClelland, Mr. McGrath, Mr. McNicoll, Mr. Thomas Paterson, Mr. Scholfield, Mr. Thorby, Mr. Ward, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. White.

\* On leave.

E. W. PARKES,  
*Clerk of the House of Representatives.*