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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 63.

THURSDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 1959.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable J. McLeay) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Lands Acquisition Act—Land, &c., acquired for postal purposes—
Lake George North, New South Wales.
Wallabadah, New South Wales.
Warialda, New South Wales.
3. DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF URGENCY—AIRLINE FARES AND SERVICES TO PASSENGERS.—Mr. Speaker informed the House that Mr. Calwell had proposed that a definite matter of urgent public importance be submitted to the House for discussion, namely, "The policy of the Government in relation to the recent increase in airline fares, the imposition of a charge for transport to and from airports, the reduction in aircraft meal standards, and other matters which adversely affect Trans-Australia Airlines and airline patrons".
The proposed discussion having received the necessary support—
Mr. Calwell addressed the House.
Discussion ensued.
Mr. Downer (Minister for Immigration) moved, That the Business of the Day be called on.
Question—put and passed.
4. GENERAL BUSINESS.—It being past fifteen minutes to one o'clock p.m., General Business was not called on.
5. NATIONAL HEALTH BILL 1959.—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.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.
The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 1 to 3, by leave, taken together, and agreed to, after debate.
 Clause 4 debated and agreed to.
 Clauses 5 and 6, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.
 Clause 7 debated and agreed to.
 Clause 8 debated and agreed to.
 Clause 9 agreed to.
 Clause 10 debated and agreed to.
 Clauses 11 and 12 agreed to.
 Clause 13—
 Mr. A. D. Fraser moved the following amendment:—Page 8, omit proposed section eighty-seven.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—That the section proposed to be omitted stand part of the clause—put.

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

AYES, 51.

Mr. Adermann	Mr. Buchanan	Mr. Forbes	Mr. Lindsay	Mr. Turner
Mr. Allan	Mr. Bury	Mr. Fox	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Anderson	Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. J. M. Fraser	Mr. Mackinnon	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Cash	Mr. Halbert	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wight
Mr. Aston	Mr. Chresby	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Murray	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Bandidt	Mr. Cramer	Mr. Holt	Sir E. Page	
Mr. Barnes	Mr. Downer	Mr. Holten	Mr. Pearce	<i>Tellers:</i>
Sir G. Barwick	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Howson	Mr. Snedden	Mr. Opperman
Mr. Bland	Mr. Erwin	Mr. Hulme	Mr. Stokes	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Brimblecombe	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Joske	Mr. Timson	
Mr. Browne	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Killen	Mr. Townley	

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Mr. Barnard	Mr. Cope	Mr. Galvin	Mr. Makin	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. McIvor	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bryant	Mr. Courtney	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Minogue	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Crean	Mr. Johnson	Mr. O'Connor	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. C. R. Cameron	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Jones	Mr. Reynolds	
Mr. Clarey	Mr. Daly	Mr. Kearney	Mr. Russell	Mr. Duthie
Mr. Clay	Mr. A. D. Fraser	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Stewart

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 14 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 15 to 20, by leave, taken together, and agreed to.

Clause 21 debated and agreed to.

Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. D. A. Cameron (Minister for Health), the House adopted the Report.

Mr. Cameron moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a third time.

6. THERAPEUTIC SUBSTANCES BILL 1959.—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.

Question—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

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. Bowden reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. D. A. Cameron (Minister for Health), the House adopted the Report, and, by leave, the Bill was read a third time.

7. MATRIMONIAL CAUSES BILL 1959.—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—*And on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Luchetti, viz.:*—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:—“the Bill be referred to a Select Committee of this House”—

Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Snedden), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for a later hour this day.

8. APPOINTMENT OF THE RIGHT HONORABLE W. S. MORRISON AS GOVERNOR-GENERAL—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Mr. Menzies (Prime Minister), by leave, informed the House that Her Majesty The Queen had been graciously pleased to name the Right Honorable William Shepherd Morrison, M.C., Q.C., the recently retired Speaker of the House of Commons, as the new Governor-General of Australia. Mr. Menzies added that Her Majesty had been pleased to raise Mr. Morrison to the peerage under the name and style of Viscount Dunrossil.

Mr. Evatt (Leader of the Opposition), by leave, also made a Statement with reference to the appointment.

9. MATRIMONIAL CAUSES BILL 1959.—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—*And on the Amendment moved thereto by Mr. Luchetti, viz.:*—That all words after “That” be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof:—“the Bill be referred to a Select Committee of this House”—

Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned (Mr. Duthie), and the resumption of the debate made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

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10. ADJOURNMENT.—Sir Garfield Barwick (Attorney-General) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.

The House continuing to sit until after midnight—

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Debate continued.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at five minutes past twelve o'clock midnight, adjourned until Tuesday next at half-past two o'clock p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Casey, Mr. Chaney, Mr. Clark, Mr. Davis, Mr. Dean, Mr. Drury, Mr. Failes, Mr. Freeth, Mr. Haylen, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Peters*, Mr. Riordan, Mr. Sexton* and Mr. Swartz.

* On leave.

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