

1948.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 17.

THURSDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1948.

1. The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The Deputy Speaker (Mr. Clark) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Commonwealth Electoral Act—Report, with Maps, by the Commissioners appointed for the purpose of redistributing the State of Western Australia into Electoral Divisions.
Ordered—That the Report be printed.
Naval Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1948, No. 116.
Defence (Transitional Provisions) Act—National Security (Industrial Property) Regulations—Orders—Inventions and designs (12).
3. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES 1948-49.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Vote—“Prime Minister’s Department, £2,878,400”—debated.
Progress to be reported, and leave asked to sit again.

The House resumed; Mr. Sheehan reported accordingly.
Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

4. INTERNATIONAL TRADE ORGANIZATION BILL 1948.—Mr. Dedman (Minister for Post-war Reconstruction), pursuant to leave given on the 15th September, brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to approve Acceptance by Australia of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and the Havana Charter for an International Trade Organization, and for other purposes*”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
Mr. Dedman moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Harrison (Acting Leader of the Opposition) moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
5. NATIONALITY AND CITIZENSHIP BILL 1948.—Mr. Calwell (Minister for Immigration), pursuant to leave given on the 23rd September, brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act relating to British Nationality and Australian Citizenship*”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
Mr. Calwell moved, by leave, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Harrison (Acting Leader of the Opposition) moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.
Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
6. IMMIGRATION (GUARDIANSHIP OF CHILDREN) BILL 1948.—Mr. Calwell (Minister for Immigration), pursuant to leave given on the 23rd September, brought up a Bill intituled “*A Bill for an Act to amend the ‘Immigration (Guardianship of Children) Act 1946’*”, and moved, That it be now read a first time.
Question—put and passed.—Bill read a first time.
Mr. Calwell asked leave to move, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Objection being raised, leave not granted.
Ordered—That the second reading be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.
7. POSTPONEMENT OF ORDERS OF THE DAY.—Ordered—That Orders of the Day Nos. 2 to 16 be postponed until after Order of the Day No. 17, Government Business.

30th September, 1948.

8. TUBERCULOSIS BILL 1948.—The Order of the Day having been read for the second reading—
 Mr. Holloway (Minister representing the Minister for Health) moved, That the Bill be now read a second time.
 Mr. Harrison (Acting Leader of the Opposition) moved, That the debate be now adjourned.
 Question—That the debate be now adjourned—put and passed.
 Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be made an Order of the Day for the next sitting.

9. SUPPLY—ESTIMATES 1948-49.—The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Vote—“Prime Minister’s Department, £2,878,400”—further debated.

Mr. Dedman (Minister for Defence) moved, That the Temporary Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again.

Question—put.

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

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Barnard
 Mr. Beazley
 Mrs. Blackburn
 Mr. Brennan
 Mr. Burke
 Mr. Calwell
 Mr. Chambers
 Mr. Clark
 Mr. Conelan
 Mr. Dedman
 Mr. Drakeford
 Mr. Duthie
 Mr. Edmonds
 Mr. Fraser
 Mr. Haylen
 Mr. Holloway
 Mr. Johnson

Mr. Lang
 Mr. Langtry
 Mr. Lawson
 Mr. Lemmon
 Mr. O’Connor
 Mr. Pollard
 Mr. Riordan
 Mr. Russell
 Mr. Scully
 Mr. Thompson
 Mr. Ward
 Mr. Williams

Noes, 18.

Mr. Abbott
 Mr. Bowden
 Mr. Cameron
 Mr. Davidson
 Mr. Fadden
 Mr. Falkinder
 Mr. Francis
 Mr. Gullett
 Mr. Hamilton
 Mr. Harrison

Mr. Hutchinson
 Dame Enid Lyons
 Mr. McBride
 Mr. Rankin
 Mr. Ryan
 Mr. Turnbull
 Mr. Corser
 Mr. McDonald

Tellers:

Mr. Fuller
 Mr. Sheehan

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House resumed; Mr. Hadley reported accordingly.

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

10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Holloway (Minister for Labour and National Service) moved, That the House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at one minute to eleven o’clock p.m., adjourned until to-morrow at half-past ten o’clock a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT.—All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr. Aldermann, Mr. Anthony, Mr. Beale, Mr. Evatt, Mr. Falstein, Mr. Holt, Mr. Howse, Mr. James, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Menzies, Mr. Mulcahy, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. Scullin, Mr. Sheehy and Mr. Spender.

F. C. GREEN,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.