

1948.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 32.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH OCTOBER, 1948.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The Deputy Speaker (Mr. Clark) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS—PUBLICATION OF PROCEEDINGS—STATEMENT BY MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—Mr. Deputy Speaker informed the House of certain declarations by the Joint Committee on the Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings in relation to the publication of the proceedings and decisions of the Committee, and stated that, in view of these declarations, any unauthorized publication of the proceedings of the Committee may be considered by the House as a breach of privilege.
3. ADJOURNMENT-MOTION FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSION.—Mr. Francis rose in his place, and said that he proposed to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, "The failure of the Government to implement effectively the Commonwealth Reconstruction Training Scheme, and to honour the promises made to ex-servicemen and women in this and in other rehabilitation matters".
Mr. Deputy Speaker thereupon called upon those Members who approved of the proposed discussion to rise in their places, and more than the necessary number of Members having risen accordingly—Mr. Francis moved, That the House do now adjourn.
Ordered—That Mr. Francis be granted an extension of time.
Debate ensued.
Ordered—That Mr. Dedman (Minister for Post-war Reconstruction) be granted an extension of time.
Debate continued.
Closure.—Mr. Scully (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the question be now put.
Question—That the question be now put—put.
The House divided (The Deputy Speaker, Mr. Clark, in the Chair)—

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Johnson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Langtry
Mrs. Blackburn	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Burke	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Calwell	Mr. McLeod
Mr. Chambers	Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Conelan	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Daly	Mr. Riordan
Mr. Dedman	Mr. Russell
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scully
Mr. Duthie	Mr. Ward
Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Falstein	Mr. Williams
Mr. Fraser	
Mr. Gaha	
Mr. Hadley	
Mr. Haylen	
Mr. Holloway	

*Tellers:*Mr. Fuller
Mr. Sheehan

Noes, 24.

Mr. Abbott	Mr. Hughes
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Hutchinso
Mr. Anthony	Mr. Lang
Mr. Beale	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Rankin
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Spender
Mr. Fadden	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Falkinder	Mr. White
Mr. Francis	
Mr. Gullett	
Mr. Hamilton	
Mr. Harrison	

*Tellers:*Mr. Corser
Mr. McDonald

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And the question—That the House do now adjourn—was put accordingly, and negatived.

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4. INCOME TAX ASSESSMENT BILL 1948.—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. Fadden, viz. :—*That all words after “ That ” be omitted with a view to inserting the following words in place thereof :—“ the Bill be withdrawn and referred to an independent committee of experts for recommendation for a more equitable system of taxation in relation to private companies ”—

Debate resumed.

Mr. Anthony moved, That Mr. Lang be granted an extension of time.

Question—put and negatived.

Debate continued.

Ordered—That Mr. Dedman (Minister for Defence) be granted an extension of time.

Question—That the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question—put.

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

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Barnard	Mr. Johnson
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Lang
Mrs. Blackburn	Mr. Langtry
Mr. Brennan	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Burke	Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Chambers	Mr. McLeod
Mr. Conelan	Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Daly	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Dedman	Mr. Russell
Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Scully
Mr. Duthie	Mr. Ward
Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Falstein	Mr. Williams
Mr. Fraser	
Mr. Gaha	
Mr. Hadley	
Mr. Haylen	
Mr. Holloway	

Tellers:

Mr. Fuller
Mr. Sheehan

Noes, 23.

Mr. Abbott	Mr. Hughes
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Hutchinson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. McBride
Mr. Beale	Mr. McEwen
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Rankin
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Ryan
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Fadden	Mr. White
Mr. Falkinder	
Mr. Francis	
Mr. Gullett	
Mr. Hamilton	
Mr. Harrison	

Tellers:

Mr. Corser
Mr. McDonald

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question—That the Bill be now read a second time—put and passed.—Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(*In the Committee.*)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2—

Mr. Fadden moved, as an amendment, That paragraph (a) of the definition of “ relative ” be omitted with a view to inserting the following paragraph in place thereof :—“ (a) the parent, spouse, child or adopted child of a shareholder ; and ”.

Debate ensued.

Amendment negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause 3 agreed to.

Clause 4 debated and agreed to.

Clause 5 agreed to.

Clause 6 —

On the motion of Mr. Dedman, the following amendment was made :—

Page 2, lines 41 and 42, omit “ repealed and the following section inserted in its stead ”, insert “ amended by omitting sub-sections (1.) and (2.) and inserting in their stead the following sub-sections ”.

Mr. Fadden moved, as a further amendment, That the words “ the company ” (page 2, line 46) be omitted with a view to inserting the word “ it ” in place thereof.

Amendment negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 7 agreed to.

Clause 8—

Mr. Cameron moved, as an amendment, That after proposed sub-paragraph (xi) the following sub-paragraph be inserted :—“ (xii) any church for the purposes of mission work in a State or Territory of the Commonwealth ; ”.

Debate ensued.

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Question—That the sub-paragraph proposed to be inserted be so inserted—put.

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

Ayes, 22.		Noes, 34.	
Mr. Abbott	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Barnard	Mr. Haylen
Mr. Adermann	Mr. Hutchinson	Mr. Beazley	Mr. Johnson
Mr. Anthony	Mr. McBride	Mrs. Blackburn	Mr. Lang
Mr. Beale	Mr. McEwen	Mr. Brennan	Mr. Langtry
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Rankin	Mr. Burke	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Ryan	Mr. Calwell	Mr. Lemmon
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Turnbull	Mr. Chambers	Mr. McLeod
Mr. Fadden	Mr. White	Mr. Clark	Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Falkinder		Mr. Conelan	Mr. Pollard
Mr. Francis	<i>Tellers:</i>	Mr. Daly	Mr. Russell
Mr. Gullett	Mr. Corser	Mr. Dedman	Mr. Scully
Mr. Hamilton	Mr. McDonald	Mr. Drakeford	Mr. Ward
		Mr. Duthie	Mr. Watkins
		Mr. Edmonds	Mr. Williams
		Mr. Falstein	<i>Tellers:</i>
		Mr. Fraser	Mr. Fuller
		Mr. Gaha	Mr. Sheehan
		Mr. Hadley	

And so it was negatived.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Lazzarini reported accordingly.

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

5. MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.—SALES TAX (EXEMPTIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS) BILL 1948.—

Mr. Deputy Speaker announced the receipt of the following Message from the Senate :—

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER,

Message No. 4.

The Senate returns to the House of Representatives the Bill for “ *An Act to amend the ‘ Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act 1935–1947’* ”, and acquaints the House that the Senate has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

The Senate,

Canberra, 27th October, 1948.

GORDON BROWN,

President.

6. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Dedman (Minister for Defence) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at fifteen minutes to eleven 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. Blain, Mr. Evatt*, Mr. Holt*, Mr. Howse*, Mr. James*, Mr. Menzies*, Mr. Mulcahy*, Sir Earle Page, Mr. Rosevear*, Mr. Scullin*, Mr. Sheehy* and Mr. Thompson.

* On leave.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.