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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

No. 132.

THURSDAY, 5TH MARCH, 1953.

1. The House met, at half-past ten o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—Mr. Speaker (the Honorable A. G. Cameron) took the Chair, and read Prayers.
2. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—New Guinea—Report to General Assembly of the United Nations on Administration of New Guinea for year 1951-52.
Ordered to lie on the Table.
The following Paper was presented, pursuant to Statute—
Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of National Development—M. C. Konecki.
3. DAIRY RESEARCH LABORATORY, HIGHETT—APPROVAL OF WORK.—Sir Philip McBride (Minister for Defence) moved, pursuant to notice, That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1913-1951*, it is expedient to carry out the following proposed work which has been referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works and on which the Committee has duly reported to this House the results of its investigations, namely :—The proposed erection of a Dairy Research Laboratory at Highett, Victoria.
Question—put and passed.
4. DECLARATION OF COMMONWEALTH BANK BILL 1953 AS URGENT BILL—LIMITATION OF DEBATE.—
Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) declared that the Commonwealth Bank Bill 1953 was an Urgent Bill—
Question—That the Bill be considered an Urgent Bill—put.
The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 51.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Davis	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Timson
Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley
Mr. Beale	Mr. Downer	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hasluck	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drury	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bowden	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Howse	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brown	Mr. Failes	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Joske	Mr. Opperman	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Casey	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Corser	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Lawrence	Sir E. Page	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham		Mr. Robertson	Mr. Turnbull

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Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clark	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Morgan	
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. James	Mr. Mulcahy	<i>Tellers :</i>
Mr. Bird	Mr. Crean	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Mullens	
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Creamean	Mr. Joshua	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Daly
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Keon	Mr. Peters	Mr. Sheehan
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Ward	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Ewert	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Watkins	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Allotment of Time.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison then moved, That the time allotted in connexion with the Bill be as follows:—

- (a) For the Committee stage—
 - (i) to the end of clause 6, until 4 p.m. this day,
 - (ii) to the end of clause 10, until 5 p.m. this day,
 - (iii) remainder of Committee stage, until 11 p.m. this day.
- (b) For the remaining stages, until 11.15 p.m. this day.

Debate ensued.

Statement by Member—Leave to make not granted.—Mr. Calwell asked leave to make a Statement.

Objection being raised, leave not granted.

Question—That the motion be agreed to—put.

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The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 52.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Davis	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Bate	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Luck	Mr. Timson
Mr. Beale	Mr. Downer	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drummond		Sir P. McBride	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bowden	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brown	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howse	Mr. McMahon	Mr. Wilson
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairhall	Mr. Jack	Mr. Menzies	
Mr. Casey	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Joske	Mr. Opperman	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Corser	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Kekwick	Mr. Osborne	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lawrence	Sir E. Page	Mr. Turnbull

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Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Ewert	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Ward
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bird	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Morgan	
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Creamean	Mr. James	Mr. Mulcahy	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Johnson	Mr. Mullens	Mr. Daly
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Joshua	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Sheehan
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Evatt	Mr. Keon	Mr. Peters	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

5. COMMONWEALTH BANK BILL 1953.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 1 agreed to.

Clause 2 debated.

Clauses 2 to 6, by leave, to be taken together.

Debate continued.

Limitation of Debate.—At four o'clock p.m., the Temporary Chairman (Mr. Bowden) having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the Committee stage to the end of clause 6 had expired—

Question—That clauses 2 to 6 be agreed to—put.

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

AYES, 51.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Bate	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Timson
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drury		Mr. Lucock	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bostock	Sir A. Fadden	Mr. Hasluck	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brown	Mr. Failes	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wilson
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Holt	Mr. McLeay	
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Mr. Corser	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Jack	Mr. Opperman	Mr. Gullett
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Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clark	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Morgan	
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy	<i>Tellers:</i>
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Mr. Bryson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Peters	
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Ward	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Ewert	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Watkins	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

6. WAYS AND MEANS—CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 7) AND CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (NO. 2).—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Minister representing the Minister for Trade and Customs) moved—

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (NO. 7).

1. That the Schedule to the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1952 be amended as hereinafter set out, and that, on and after the sixth day of March, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-three, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, reckoned according to standard time in the Australian Capital Territory, Duties of Customs be collected in pursuance of the *Customs Tariff* 1933–1952 as so amended.

2. That, without prejudice to the generality of paragraph 1 of these Proposals, the Governor-General may, from time to time by Proclamation declare that, from a time and

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date specified in the Proclamation, the Intermediate Tariff shall apply to such goods specified in the Proclamation as are the produce or manufacture of any British or foreign country specified in the Proclamation.

3. That on and after the time and date specified in a Proclamation issued in accordance with the last preceding paragraph, the Intermediate Tariff shall apply to such goods specified in the Proclamation as are the produce or manufacture of a British or foreign country specified in that Proclamation.

4. That any Proclamation issued in accordance with paragraph 2 of these Proposals may, from time to time, be revoked or varied by a further Proclamation, and upon the revocation or variation of the Proclamation, the Intermediate Tariff shall cease to apply to the goods specified in the Proclamation so revoked, or, as the case may be, the application of the Intermediate Tariff to the goods specified in the Proclamation so varied, shall be varied accordingly.

5. That in these Proposals, unless the contrary intention appears—

“Proclamation” mean a Proclamation by the Governor-General, or the person for the time being administering the government of the Commonwealth, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, and published in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette*;

“the Intermediate Tariff” mean the rates of duty set out in the Schedule to these Proposals, in the column headed “Intermediate Tariff”, in respect of goods in relation to which the expression is used.

IMPORT DUTIES.

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
DIVISION I.—ALE, SPIRITS, AND BEVERAGES.			
12. By omitting the words “Wine, sparkling*, viz. :—” and inserting in their stead the following :— “Wine, grape, sparkling*, viz. :—”.			
13. By omitting the words “Wine, Still (including Medicated and Vermouth) :—” and inserting in their stead the following :— “Wine, grape, still (including medicated and vermouth) :—”.			
14. By omitting the whole item.			
15. By omitting the whole item and inserting in its stead the following item :— “15. Wine n.e.i. ; meads— (A) Containing not more than 25 per cent. of proof spirit - - - per gallon (B) Containing more than 25 per cent. but not more than 50 per cent. of proof spirit per gallon (C) Containing more than 50 per cent. of proof spirit - - - per gallon	7s. 6d. 15s. 30s.	7s. 9d. 15s. 6d. 31s.	7s. 9d. 15s. 6d. 31s.”
16. By adding a new sub-item (c) as follows :— “ (c) Grape juice - - - per gallon	3s.	3s.	3s.”
DIVISION V.—TEXTILES, FELTS AND FURS, AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND ATTIRE.			
105. By omitting the whole of paragraph (3) of sub-item (A) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph :— “ (3) Piece goods of the type used for furnishing and upholstery, woven on jacquard or dobby type looms (not including moquettes, chenille fabrics and other pile fabrics), embodying a woven design and weighing seven ounces or more per square yard, viz. :— (a) wholly of artificial silk ; composed of a mixture of fibres in which at least 10 per cent. by weight is artificial silk and, if the mixture of fibres includes wool, not more than 5 per cent. by weight is wool - - - ad val. <i>less per square yard</i> (b) wholly of cotton ; wholly of linen ; composed of a mixture of fibres but not including a mixture of fibres in which more than 50 per cent. by weight is wool, except piece goods enumerated in sub-item (A) (3) (a) - - - ad val.	30 per cent. 2½d. 12½ per cent.	30 per cent. .. 30 per cent.	40 per cent. .. 40 per cent.”
106. By adding a new sub-item (g) as follows :— “ (g) Fasteners, snap— (1) Two-piece sew-on type, as ordinarily used with apparel - - - ad val. (2) Other - - - ad val. By adding a new sub-item (h) as follows :— “ (h) Fasteners, turnbutton, of the type ordinarily used for the attachment of textile hoods or textile coverings to motor vehicles - - - ad val.	Free 7½ per cent. 7½ per cent.	12½ per cent. 25 per cent. 25 per cent.	12½ per cent. 30 per cent. 30 per cent.”
122. By omitting the heading, viz. :—“Articles n.e.i.—”.			
130. By adding to sub-item (h) a new paragraph (3) as follows :— “ (3) Flax or containing a mixture of fibres in which flax predominates - - - ad val.	27½ per cent.	45 per cent.	55 per cent.”

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IMPORT DUTIES—*continued.*

Tariff Items.	British Preferential Tariff.	Intermediate Tariff.	General Tariff.
DIVISION VI.—METALS AND MACHINERY.			
174. By omitting the whole of paragraph (48) of sub-item (v). By omitting the whole of paragraph (49) of sub-item (v).			
176. By omitting the whole of paragraph (2) of sub-item (E) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph :— “ (2) Ironing machines - - - - - ad val.	15 per cent.	27½ per cent.	32½ per cent.”
By omitting the whole of paragraph (3) of sub-item (E) and inserting in its stead the following paragraph :— “ (3) Washing machines (including dry cleaning washing machines) - - - - - ad val.	15 per cent.	27½ per cent.	32½ per cent.”
178. By omitting the whole of sub-item (i) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “ (i) Internal combustion engines (other than those included under Item 178 (j)), viz. :— (1) Marine, including reversing gear and reduction gear imported therewith and for use therewith— (a) up to and including 40 horse-power ad val.	25 per cent.	42½ per cent.	52½ per cent.
(b) exceeding 40 horse-power—the rate of duty shall be the percentage rate under sub-paragraph (a) reduced by 2.5 for each horse-power above 40 horse-power, with minimum of ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	17½ per cent.
(2) Other— (a) up to and including 60 horse-power ad val.	25 per cent.	42½ per cent.	52½ per cent.
(b) exceeding 60 horse-power—the rate of duty shall be the percentage rate under sub-paragraph (a) reduced by 2.5 for each horse-power above 60 horse-power, with minimum of ad val.	Free	12½ per cent.	17½ per cent.
For the purposes of this sub-item horse-power shall be determined as prescribed by Departmental By-laws.”			
208. By omitting from sub-item (P) the words “centre-stretched,”.			
219. By adding a new sub-item (κ) as follows :— “ (κ) Micrometers, being hand tools, viz. :— (1) Dial micrometers - - - - - ad val.	Free	17½ per cent.	17½ per cent.
(2) Other - - - - - ad val.	Free	7½ per cent.	12½ per cent.”
By adding a new sub-item (L) as follows :— “ (L) Precision test indicators, not being hand tools, for testing the accuracy of surfaces, viz. :— (1) Pneumatic type - - - - - ad val.	17½ per cent.	35 per cent.	40 per cent.
(2) Other - - - - - ad val.	Free	17½ per cent.	22½ per cent.”
DIVISION VII.—OILS, PAINTS, AND VARNISHES.			
225. By omitting the whole of sub-item (B) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “ (B) Crayons and pastels, including solid lead pencils but not including leads for wooden lead pencils ; chalks n.e.i. - - - - - ad val.	17½ per cent.	35 per cent.	45 per cent.”
By adding a new sub-item (D) as follows :— “ (D) Leads for wooden lead pencils - - - - - ad val.	Free	17½ per cent.	17½ per cent.”
DIVISION XVI.—MISCELLANEOUS.			
376. By omitting the whole of sub-item (a) and inserting in its stead the following sub-item :— “ (a) Kit bag frames - - - - - ad val.	22½ per cent.	37½ per cent.	45 per cent.”
By adding a new sub-item (H) as follows :— “ (H) Frames for ladies' or children's handbags ; catches (not being fasteners covered by item 106 (a) or item 106 (H)) for wallets or for ladies' or children's handbags - - - - - ad val.	17½ per cent.	32½ per cent.	40 per cent.”
418. By omitting from paragraph (1) of sub-item (c) the words “ dial micrometers ; ”.			

CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) AMENDMENT (No. 2).

1. That, on and after the thirtieth day of January, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-three, the provisions of these Proposals be deemed to have had effect and have effect for the purposes of the *Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) 1933-1952* in lieu of the provisions of section eleven of that Act.

2. That goods be deemed to be the produce of New Zealand if they are unmanufactured raw products of New Zealand.

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3. That goods be deemed to be the manufacture of New Zealand—
- (a) if the goods were wholly manufactured in New Zealand from materials of one or more of the following classes :—
 - (i) unmanufactured raw products ;
 - (ii) materials wholly manufactured in New Zealand or Australia, or in New Zealand and Australia ; and
 - (iii) imported materials which the Minister has determined, by notice in the *Gazette*, to be manufactured raw materials ; or
 - (b) if the goods were partly manufactured in New Zealand, the process last performed in the manufacture of the goods was performed in New Zealand and—
 - (i) not less than one-half of the factory or works cost of the goods is represented by the value of labour or material, or of labour and material, of New Zealand or of New Zealand and Australia ;
 - (ii) not less than three-quarters of the factory or works cost of the goods is represented by the value of labour or material, or of labour and material, of New Zealand and the United Kingdom or of New Zealand, Australia and the United Kingdom ; or
 - (iii) in the case of goods of a class or kind not commercially manufactured in Australia, not less than one-quarter of the factory or works cost of the goods is represented by the value of labour or material, or of labour and material, of New Zealand or of New Zealand and Australia, and the Minister has not determined, by notice in the *Gazette*, that the provisions enacted to give effect to this clause do not apply in relation to those goods or to a class of goods in which those goods are included.
4. That, for the purposes of the provisions enacted to give effect to paragraph 3 of these Proposals, the Minister may, by notice in the *Gazette*—
- (a) specify the manner in which the factory or works cost of goods or the value of labour and material is to be determined ; and
 - (b) determine that goods, or goods included in a class of goods, shall be deemed to be goods of a class or kind not commercially manufactured in Australia.
5. That, for the purposes of the provisions enacted to give effect to clause (ii) of sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph 3 of these Proposals, material which, under the New Zealand British Preferential Tariff, is treated as having been wholly produced or wholly manufactured in the United Kingdom be deemed to be material of the United Kingdom.
6. That, in these Proposals—
- “ the *Gazette* ” mean the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* ;
 - “ the Minister ” mean the Minister of State for the time being administering the *Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) 1933-1952*, or that Act as amended from time to time, and include any Minister of State or member of the Federal Executive Council for the time being acting for or on behalf of that Minister ;
 - “ the New Zealand British Preferential Tariff ” have the same meaning as in the *Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) 1933-1952* ;
 - “ unmanufactured raw products ” mean natural or primary products that have not been subjected to an industrial process, other than an ordinary process of primary production, and include, without limiting the generality of the foregoing—
 - (a) animals, and parts of animals obtained by killing, including bones, hides and skins (raw or sun dried) ;
 - (b) greasy wool ;
 - (c) plants, and parts of plants, including raw cotton, bark, fruit, nuts, grain, seeds (in their natural state) and unwrought logs ;
 - (d) minerals in their natural state and ores ; and
 - (e) crude petroleum.

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

The House resumed ; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

Resolved—That the House will, at a later hour this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

7. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—

Tariff Board—Reports—

Catches for Ladies' Handbags and Wallets.
 Domestic Sewing Machine Heads.
 Flax Canvas and Flax Canvas Fire Hose.
 Frames for Handbags.
 Ironing Machines and Washing Machines.
 Internal Combustion Engines.
 Kit Bag Frames.
 Leads for Wooden Pencils.
 Matches and Mechanical Lighters.
 Precision Test Indicators and Micrometers.
 Turnbuttons and Snap Fasteners.

Severally ordered to lie on the Table,

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8. COMMONWEALTH BANK BILL 1953.—The Order of the Day having been read for the further consideration of this Bill in Committee of the whole House—
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House again resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses 7 to 10, by leave, taken together.

Debate ensued.

Question—That clauses 7 to 10 be agreed to—put.

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

AYES, 50.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bate	Mr. Downer	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Turner
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Hasluck	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drury	Mr. Haworth	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Failes	Mr. Holt	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Howse	Mr. McMahon	
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Jack	Mr. Opperman	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Casey	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Joske	Mr. Osborne	
Mr. Corser	Mr. Graham	Mr. Lawrence	Sir E. Page	Mr. Gullett
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Robertson	Mr. Turnbull
Mr. Davis			Mr. Timson	

NOES, 34.

Mr. Anderson	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Morgan	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Andrews	Mr. Costa	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Mulcahy	
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Crean	Mr. James	Mr. Mullens	Mr. Daly
Mr. Bird	Mr. Creamean	Mr. Johnson	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Sheehan
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Peters	
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Ward	
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Ewert	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Watkins	
Mr. Calwell	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Remainder of Bill, by leave, taken as a whole.

Debate ensued.

Limitation of Debate.—At eleven o'clock p.m., the Temporary Chairman (Mr. Bowden) having called the attention of the Committee to the fact that the time allotted for the remainder of the Committee stage had expired—

Question—That the remainder of the Bill be agreed to and that the Bill be reported without amendment—put.

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

AYES, 50.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. Luck	Mr. Townley
Mr. Bate	Mr. Downer	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. Lucock	Mr. Turner
Mr. Beale	Mr. Drummond	Mr. Haworth	Sir P. McBride	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bland	Mr. Drury	Mr. Holt	Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Failes	Mr. Howse	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wilson
Mr. Brown	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Jack	Mr. McMahon	
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Mr. Davis	Mr. Hamilton		Mr. Timson	

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Mr. Andrews	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Watkins
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Costa	Mr. Fuller	Mr. Minogue	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bird	Mr. Crean	Mr. Griffiths	Mr. Morgan	
Mr. W. M. Bourke	Mr. Creamean	Mr. James	Mr. Mulcahy	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Johnson	Mr. O'Connor	Mr. Daly
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Duthie	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Peters	Mr. Sheehan

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House resumed; Mr. Bowden reported accordingly.

On the motion of Mr. Holt (Minister for Immigration), the House adopted the Report, and the Bill was read a third time.

9. MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.—ASSENT TO BILLS.—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor-General was received, and was read by Mr. Speaker:—

W. J. McKELL,
Governor-General.

Message No. 108.

Proposed Laws intituled:—

"Taxation Administration Act 1953"

"Land Tax Abolition Act 1953"

as finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth, having been presented to the Governor-General for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, assented to the said Laws.

Government House,
Canberra, 4th March, 1953.

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10. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison (Vice-President of the Executive Council) moved, That the House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Mr. T. P. Burke addressing the House—

Closure.—Mr. Eric J. Harrison moved, That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The House divided (The Speaker, Mr. A. G. Cameron, in the Chair)—

AYES, 41.

Mr. Anthony	Mr. Dean	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Luck	Mr. Turner
Mr. Bostock	Mr. Downer	Mr. Eric J. Harrison	Mr. Luceck	Mr. Wentworth
Mr. Bowden	Mr. Drummond		Mr. McColm	Mr. Wheeler
Mr. Brown	Mr. Drury	Mr. Hasluck	Mr. McLeay	Mr. Wilson
Mr. D. A. Cameron	Mr. Failes	Mr. Haworth	Mr. Opperman	
Mr. Casey	Mr. Fairbairn	Mr. Holt	Mr. Osborne	<i>Tellers</i>
Mr. Corser	Mr. Falkinder	Mr. Jack	Mr. Robertson	
Mr. Cramer	Mr. Freeth	Mr. Joske	Mr. Timson	Mr. Lawrence
Mr. Davis	Mr. Grayden	Mr. Leslie	Mr. Townley	Mr. Turnbull

NOES, 24.

Mr. Andrews	Mr. Calwell	Mr. Curtin	Mr. Luchetti	Mr. Ward
Mr. Beazley	Mr. Clarey	Mr. Duthie	Mr. McLeod	Mr. Whitlam
Mr. Bird	Mr. Costa	Mr. Ewert	Mr. Minogue	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr. Bryson	Mr. Crean	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morgan	Mr. Daly
Mr. T. P. Burke	Mr. Cremean	Mr. Joshua	Mr. Peters	Mr. Fuller

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

And then the House, at twenty-five minutes to twelve o'clock midnight, 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. Adermann, Mr. Berry, Mr. Brimblecombe, Mr. Bruce, Mr. C. R. Cameron, Mr. Chambers, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Davies, Mr. Drakeford, Mr. Edmonds, Mr. Francis, Mr. A. D. Fraser, Mr. Galvin, Mr. E. James Harrison, Mr. Haylen, Mr. Hulme, Mr. Kent Hughes, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McDonald, Mr. McEwen, Mr. Pearce, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Riordan, Mr. Rosevear, Mr. Russell, Mr. Swartz, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Treloar and Mr. Wight.

F. C. GREEN,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.