

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

No. 51

TUESDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER 1970

1 The House met, at half-past two o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment. Mr Speaker (the Honourable Sir William Aston) took the Chair, and read Prayers.

2 PETITIONS: Mr Whittorn presented a petition from certain residents of Victoria praying that the export of products made from kangaroos be banned and the Commonwealth Government take necessary steps to have all wildlife in Australia brought under its control.

Petition received and read.

A similar petition was presented by Mr Fox, and was received.

Mr Hughes (Attorney-General) presented a petition from certain citizens of the Commonwealth praying that this House make legal provision for (1) the allowance of personal education expenses as a taxation deduction, (2) the removal of the present age limit in respect of the deduction for education expenses, (3) an increase in the deduction allowable for tertiary education expenses and (4) the exemption of non-bonded scholarships for part-time students from income tax.

Petition received.

Mr Grassby presented a petition from certain citizens of Australia praying that this House provide the finance to enable State Education Departments and local government authorities to establish pre-school centres, after-school centres and facilities for training staff for the centres.

Petition received and read.

3 MINISTERIAL ARRANGEMENTS: Mr McEwen (Deputy Prime Minister) informed the House of the following ministerial arrangements during the respective absences abroad of Mr McMahon (Minister for External Affairs), Mr Bury (Treasurer), Mr Sinclair (Minister for Shipping and Transport) and Senator Wright (Minister for Works):

Mr Swartz (Minister for National Development) was acting as Minister for External Affairs;

Mr Gorton (Prime Minister) was acting as Treasurer;

Senator Cotton (Minister for Civil Aviation) was acting as Minister for Shipping and Transport and would be represented in this House by Mr Nixon (Minister for the Interior); and

Mr Chipp (Minister for Customs and Excise) was acting as Minister for Works and would be represented in the Senate by Senator Sir Kenneth Anderson (Minister for Supply) who would also represent the Ministers for Labour and National Service, Education and Science and External Territories and the Attorney-General.

4 QUESTIONS: Questions without notice were asked.

5 PAPERS: The following paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General:

Australian Meat Research Committee—Interim Annual Report, for year 1969–70.

The following papers were presented, pursuant to statute:

Australian Institute of Aboriginal Studies Act—Council of the Australian Institute of Aboriginal Studies—Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1969–70.

Australian National University Act—Council of the Australian National University—Report for 1969.

Defence Act—Royal Military College of Australia—Report for period 1 February 1969 to 31 January 1970.

Dried Fruits Export Control Act—Australian Dried Fruits Control Board—Forty-sixth Annual Report, for year 1969–70, together with statement by Minister regarding the operation of the Act.

Gold-Mining Industry Assistance Act—Sixteenth Annual Statement concerning the operation of Act and payment of subsidy, for year 1969–70.

National Capital Development Commission Act—National Capital Development Commission—Thirteenth Annual Report and financial statements, together with the Auditor-General's Report, for year 1969–70.

Poultry Industry Assistance Act—Fifth Annual Report, for year 1969–70.

States Grants (Teachers Colleges) Act—Determination by Minister under subsection (5.) of section 5 of the Act.

- 6 PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—REPORT: Mr Kelly (Chairman) brought up the following report from the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works:

Report relating to the proposed provision of transportable houses and classroom at Exmouth, W.A. (Fifteenth report of 1970).

Ordered to be printed.

- 7 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE—REPORT—STATEMENT BY MEMBER: Mr Dobie (Chairman) brought up the following report from the Joint Committee of Public Accounts:

One hundred and twenty-second Report—Treasury Minutes on the Eighty-fifth and Eighty-sixth Reports together with summaries of those reports—

and, by leave, made a statement in connection with the report.

Ordered—That the report be printed.

- 8 LAPSE OF NOTICE: Upon notice No. 1, government business, being called on and not being proceeded with, it was, under standing order 159, withdrawn from the Notice Paper.

- 9 SHELTERED EMPLOYMENT (ASSISTANCE) BILL 1970: Mr Wentworth (Minister for Social Services), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the *Sheltered Employment (Assistance) Act 1967*.

Bill read a first time.

Mr Wentworth moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate adjourned (Mr Hayden), and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the next sitting.

- 10 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS—APPROPRIATION BILLS 1970–71—LIMITATION OF DEBATE: Mr Snedden (Leader of the House) moved, pursuant to notice—That, in relation to the proceedings on the Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 1970–71 and the Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 1970–71, so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the Leader of the House making one declaration of urgency and moving one motion for the allotment of time in respect of both Bills and the consideration of the proposed expenditures in the Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 1970–71 in the order (unless otherwise ordered by the committee of the whole) and groupings shown in the motion for the allotment of time.

Question—put and passed.

- 11 DECLARATION OF APPROPRIATION BILLS 1970–71 AS URGENT BILLS—LIMITATION OF DEBATE: Mr Snedden (Leader of the House) declared that the Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 1970–71 and the Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 1970–71 were urgent Bills.

Question—That the Bills be considered urgent Bills—put and passed.

Allotment of time: Mr Snedden then moved—That the time allotted in connection with the Bills be as follows:

(1) Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 1970-71—	Time allotted
(a) for the committee stage—	
(i) Second Schedule—	
Parliament	2 hours
Department of the Treasury	} 2 hours
Advance to the Treasurer	
Department of External Affairs	5 hours
Attorney-General's Department	2 hours
Department of Civil Aviation	2½ hours
Department of Customs and Excise	} 5 hours
Department of Primary Industry	
Department of Trade and Industry	
Department of Education and Science	2½ hours
Department of External Territories	2 hours
Department of Health	2½ hours
Department of Housing	2 hours
Department of Immigration	2 hours
Department of the Interior	1½ hours
Department of Labour and National Service	2 hours
Department of National Development	2½ hours
Postmaster-General's Department	2½ hours
Defence Services—	
Department of Defence	} 5 hours
Department of the Navy	
Department of the Army	
Department of Air	
Department of Supply	
General Services	} 2 hours
Prime Minister's Department	
Department of the Cabinet Office	} 3 hours
Repatriation Department	
Department of Social Services	
Department of Shipping and Transport	2½ hours
Department of Works	½ hour
(ii) Remainder of committee stage	10 minutes
(b) For the remaining stages	10 minutes
(2) Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 1970-71—All stages	10 minutes

Debate ensued.

The time allowed by standing order 92 for the discussion of the motion having expired—

Question—put.

The House divided (the Speaker, Sir William Aston, in the Chair)—

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Mr Adermann	Mr Forbes	Mr Killen	Mr Snedden
Mr Anthony	Mr J. M. Fraser	Mr King	Mr Solomon
Mr Barnes	Mr Garland	Mr Lucock	Mr Street
Mr Bonnett	Mr Giles	Mr Lynch	Mr Swartz
Mr N. H. Bowen	Mr Graham	Mr Mackay	Mr Turner
Mr Brown	Mr Hallett	Mr MacKellar	Mr Wentworth
Mr Buchanan	Mr Holten	Mr Maisey	Mr Whittorn
Mr Calder	Mr Howson	Mr McLeay	
Mr D. M. Cameron	Mr Hughes	Mr Nixon	
Mr Chipp	Mr Hulme	Mr O'Keefe	
Mr Corbett	Mr Hunt	Mr Peacock	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Drury	Mr L. H. Irwin	Mr Pettitt	
Mr England	Mr Jarman	Mr Reid	Mr Fox
Mr G. D. Erwin	Mr Kelly	Mr Robinson	Mr Turnbull

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Mr Armitage	Mr Cross	Mr L. K. Johnson	Mr Reynolds
Mr Barnard	Mr Daly	Mr L. R. Johnson	Mr Sherry
Mr Beazley	Mr Everingham	Mr Jones	Mr Stewart
Mr Bennett	Mr FitzPatrick	Mr Keating	Mr Uren
Mr Berinson	Mr Foster	Mr Kennedy	Mr Wallis
Mr Birrell	Mr Garrick	Mr Keogh	Mr Webb
Mr L. F. Bowen	Mr Grassby	Mr Kirwan	
Mr C. R. Cameron	Mr Gun	Mr Klugman	
Mr Cohen	Mr Hayden	Mr Luchetti	<i>Tellers:</i>
Mr Collard	Mr Hurford	Mr Martin	
Mr Cope	Mr Jacobi	Mr Morrison	Mr Duthie
Mr Crean	Mr Jenkins	Mr Patterson	Mr James

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

- 12 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 1970-71: The House, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

In the committee

Second Schedule—

Proposed expenditure—Parliament, \$3,753,000—debated.

Limitation of debate: The debate having continued for 2 hours, the Chairman called the attention of the committee to the fact that the time allotted for the proposed expenditure had expired.

Question—That the proposed expenditure be agreed to—put and passed.

Proposed expenditures—

Department of the Treasury, \$83,068,000—

Advance to the Treasurer, \$20,000,000—

together debated and agreed to.

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

The House resumed; Mr Lucock reported accordingly.

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

- 13 APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 1) 1970-71: The House, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

In the committee

Second Schedule—

Proposed expenditure—Department of External Affairs, \$81,276,600—debated.

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

The House resumed; Mr Lucock reported accordingly.

Ordered—That the House will, at the next sitting, again resolve itself into the said committee.

- 14 ADJOURNMENT: Mr Swartz (Minister for National Development) moved—That the House do now adjourn.

Question—put and passed.

And then the House, at eight minutes to eleven o'clock p.m., adjourned until tomorrow at half-past two o'clock p.m.

PAPERS: The following papers were deemed to have been presented on 15 September 1970, pursuant to statute:

Air Force Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1970, No. 117.

Commonwealth Employees' Furlough Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1970, No. 124.

- Customs Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1970, No. 121.
Defence Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1970, No. 120.
Income Tax Assessment Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1970, No. 126.
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired for—
 Civil aviation purposes—Lease No. 615, Portion 428, Northern Territory.
 Migrant accommodation purposes—Springvale, Victoria.
 Post office purposes—Coonamble, New South Wales.
National Health Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1970, No. 119.
Post and Telegraph Act—Regulations—Statutory Rules 1970, Nos. 122, 123.
Public Service Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules 1970, No. 125.
Public Service Arbitration Act—Public Service Arbitrator—Determinations—
 1970—
 No. 233—North Australian Workers' Union.
 No. 234—Australian Builders Labourers' Federation.
 Nos. 235 and 236—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.
 No. 237—Professional Radio Employees' Institute of Australasia; and
 Electrical Trades Union of Australia.
 No. 238—Association of Architects, Engineers, Surveyors and Draughtsmen
 of Australia.
 Nos. 239 and 240—Australian Nursing Federation, Employees' Section.
 Nos. 241 and 242—Hospital Employees' Federation of Australia.
 No. 243—Professional Radio Employees' Institute of Australasia.
 No. 244—Professional Musicians' Union of Australia.
 No. 245—Australian Journalists' Association.
 No. 246—Administrative and Clerical Officers' Association, Commonwealth
 Public Service and another.
 No. 247—Hospital Employees' Federation of Australia.
 No. 248—Amalgamated Engineering Union and others.
 No. 249—Australian Broadcasting Commission Staff Association.
Stevedoring Industry (Temporary Provisions) Act—Regulation—Statutory Rules
 1970, No. 118.
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MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present (at some time during the sitting) except Mr Bate, Mr Bury, Mr Calwell, Mr Cass, Mr Connor, Sir John Cramer, Mr Gorton, Mr Hansen, Mr Jess, Mr Katter, Mr McMahon, Mr Nicholls, Mr Scholes and Mr Sinclair.

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