

## COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 18.

## JOURNALS OF THE SENATE.

THURSDAY, 3RD APRIL, 1941.

1. MEETING OF SENATE.—The Senate met at half-past ten a.m., pursuant to adjournment.
2. PRAYERS.
3. PAPERS.—The following Paper was presented, by command of His Excellency the Governor-General—  
Papua—Annual Report for year 1939–40.  
The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determination by the Arbitrator, &c.—  
No. 5 of 1941—Amalgamated Engineering Union; Australasian Society of Engineers;  
Australian Federated Union of Locomotive Enginemen; Australian Workers' Union;  
Boilermakers' Society of Australia; and Electrical Trades Union of Australia.  
Lands Acquisition Act—Land acquired at—  
Corbie Hill, New South Wales—For Postal purposes.  
Darwin, Northern Territory—For Defence purposes.  
Seymour, Victoria—For Defence purposes.
4. QUESTIONS.—Questions on notice were answered.
5. WAR SERVICE HOMES BILL 1941.—Order of the Day read for the adjourned 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 Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee.

Clause 1 agreed to.  
 Clause 2 debated and agreed to.  
 Title agreed to.  
 Bill to be reported without amendment.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Committees (Senator James McLachlan) reported accordingly.

*Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.*—The Minister administering War Service Homes (Senator Collett), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through its remaining stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Senator Collett the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

6. CHILD ENDOWMENT BILL 1941.—Order of the Day read for the adjourned 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 Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee.

Clauses 1 to 4 agreed to.  
 Clause 5 debated and agreed to.  
 Clauses 6 to 29 agreed to.  
 Title agreed to.  
 Bill to be reported without amendment.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Committees (Senator James McLachlan) reported accordingly.

On the motion of the Assistant Minister (Senator Leckie) the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

7. PRINTING COMMITTEE—SECOND REPORT.—Senator Cunningham brought up the following Report from the Printing Committee :—

REPORT.

The Printing Committee have the honour to report that they have met in Conference with the Printing Committee of the House of Representatives.

The Joint Committee, having considered the Petition and Papers presented to Parliament since the last meeting of the Committee, and other Papers, motions for the printing of which lapsed with the Dissolution of the Fifteenth Parliament, recommend that the following be printed :—

Bankruptcy Act—Twelfth Annual Report by Attorney-General, for year ended 31st July, 1940.

Elections and Referendums—Statistical Returns in relation to the Senate Elections, and the General Elections for the House of Representatives, 1940 ; Detailed Return in relation to the Election for the House of Representatives, 1940, for the Northern Territory ; together with Summaries of Elections and Referendums, 1903–1940.

Elections, 1940—

Statistical Returns showing the voting within each Sub-division in relation to the Senate Election and the General Elections for the House of Representatives, 1940, viz. :—

New South Wales.

Queensland.

South Australia.

Tasmania.

Victoria.

Western Australia.

International Labour Organization of the League of Nations—Twenty-Fifth Session, Geneva, June, 1939—Reports of the Australian Delegates.

Northern Territory—Report on Administration for year 1939–40.

Postmaster-General's Department—Thirtieth Report, for year 1939–40.

Wool—Report of the Central Wool Committee for period ended 30th June, 1940.

The Committee noted the printing by a private printing company of the Report of the Department of Civil Aviation for 1939–40, and resolved that Departmental reports should be printed only by the Government Printer, and that the Resolution be brought to the notice of the Government.

J. CUNNINGHAM,

for Vice-Chairman.

House of Representatives Committee Room,  
3rd April, 1941.

The Report was read by the Clerk.

Senator Cunningham, by leave, moved—That the Report be adopted.

Question—put and passed.

8. RAW COTTON BOUNTY BILL 1941.—Order of the Day read for the adjourned 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 Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee.

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Chairman of Committees (Senator James McLachlan) reported accordingly.

On the motion of the Assistant Minister (Senator Leckie) the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

9. TRADE AGREEMENT (SOUTHERN RHODESIA) BILL 1941.—Order of the Day read for the adjourned 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 Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee.

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

The Schedule agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Temporary Chairman of Committees (Senator Cooper) reported accordingly.

On the motion of the Assistant Minister (Senator Leckie) the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

10. EMPIRE AIR SERVICE (ENGLAND TO AUSTRALIA) BILL 1941.—Order of the Day read for the adjourned 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 Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee.

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.  
 The Schedule agreed to.  
 Title agreed to.  
 Bill to be reported without amendment.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Temporary Chairman of Committees (Senator Cooper) reported accordingly.  
 On the motion of the Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay) the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

11. AIR FORCE BILL 1941.—*Message from the House of Representatives.*—The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

*Message No. 42.*

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act to amend section eight of the ‘ Air Force Act 1923-1939 ’* ”, in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

W. M. NAIRN,  
*Speaker.*

House of Representatives,  
 Canberra, 3rd April, 1941.

*Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.*—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.  
 On the motion of Senator McLeay the Bill was read a first time.  
 Senator McLeay moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.  
 Bill read a second time.  
 The Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee.

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.  
 Title agreed to.  
 Bill to be reported without amendment.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Committees (Senator James McLachlan) reported accordingly.  
 On the motion of Senator McLeay the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

12. CUSTOMS TARIFF (SOUTHERN RHODESIAN PREFERENCE) BILL 1941.—*Message from the House of Representatives.*—The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read:—

MR. PRESIDENT,

*Message No. 43.*

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled “ *A Bill for an Act relating to Duties of Customs* ”, in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

W. M. NAIRN,  
*Speaker.*

House of Representatives,  
 Canberra, 3rd April, 1941.

*Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.*—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.  
 On the motion of the Assistant Minister (Senator Leckie) the Bill was read a first time.  
 Senator Leckie moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.  
 Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.  
 Bill read a second time.  
 The Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee.

Clauses 1 to 6 agreed to.  
 The Schedule agreed to.  
 Title agreed to.  
 Bill to be reported without requests.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Temporary Chairman of Committees (Senator Herbert Hays) reported accordingly.  
 On the motion of Senator Leckie the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

13. WAR PENSIONS APPROPRIATION BILL 1941.—*Message from the House of Representatives.*—The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

*Message No. 44.*

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for War Pensions*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

W. M. NAIRN,  
*Speaker.*

House of Representatives,  
Canberra, 3rd April, 1941.

*Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.*—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of the Minister for Supply and Development (Senator McBride) the Bill was read a first time.

On the motion of Senator McBride the Bill was read a second time.

The Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee.

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Temporary Chairman of Committees (Senator Herbert Hays) reported accordingly.

On the motion of Senator McBride the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

14. INVALID AND OLD-AGE PENSIONS APPROPRIATION BILL 1941.—*Message from the House of Representatives.*—The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

*Message No. 45.*

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to grant and apply out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund a sum for Invalid and Old-age Pensions*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

W. M. NAIRN,  
*Speaker.*

House of Representatives,  
Canberra, 3rd April, 1941.

*Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.*—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of the Minister for Supply and Development (Senator McBride) the Bill was read a first time.

On the motion of Senator McBride the Bill was read a second time.

The Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee.

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Chairman of Committees (Senator James McLachlan) reported accordingly.

On the motion of Senator McBride the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

15. WINE GRAPES CHARGES BILL 1941.—*Message from the House of Representatives.*—The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

*Message No. 46.*

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the ' Wine Grapes Charges Act 1929-1937 '*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

W. M. NAIRN,  
*Speaker.*

House of Representatives,  
Canberra, 3rd April, 1941.

*Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.*—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of the Minister for Supply and Development (Senator McBride) the Bill was read a first time.

On the motion of Senator McBride the Bill was read a second time.

The Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee.

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Committees (Senator James McLachlan) reported accordingly.

On the motion of Senator McBride the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

16. CUSTOMS TARIFF VALIDATION BILL 1941.—*Message from the House of Representatives.*—The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

*Message No. 47.*

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to provide for the Validation of Collections of Duties of Customs under Customs Tariff Proposals*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

W. M. NAIRN,  
*Speaker.*

House of Representatives,  
Canberra, 3rd April, 1941.

*Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.*—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of the Assistant Minister (Senator Leckie) the Bill was read a first time.

On the motion of Senator Leckie the Bill was read a second time.

The Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee.

Clauses 1 to 4 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without requests.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Committees (Senator James McLachlan) reported accordingly.

On the motion of Senator Leckie the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

17. CUSTOMS TARIFF (EXCHANGE ADJUSTMENT) VALIDATION BILL 1941.—*Message from the House of Representatives.*—The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

*Message No. 48.*

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to provide for the Validation of Adjustments in Duties of Customs under Customs Tariff (Exchange Adjustment) Proposals*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

W. M. NAIRN,  
*Speaker.*

House of Representatives,  
Canberra, 3rd April, 1941.

*Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.*—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of the Assistant Minister (Senator Leckie) the Bill was read a first time.

On the motion of Senator Leckie the Bill was read a second time.

The Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee.

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without requests.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Committees (Senator James McLachlan) reported accordingly.

On the motion of Senator Leckie the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

18. CUSTOMS TARIFF (SPECIAL WAR DUTY) VALIDATION BILL 1941.—*Message from the House of Representatives.*—The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

*Message No. 49.*

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to provide for the Validation of Collections of Duties of Customs under Customs Tariff (Special War Duty) Proposals*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

W. M. NAIRN,  
*Speaker.*

House of Representatives,  
Canberra, 3rd April, 1941.

*Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.*—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of the Assistant Minister (Senator Leckie) the Bill was read a first time.

On the motion of Senator Leckie the Bill was read a second time.

The Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

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In the Committee.

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without requests.

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The President resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Committees (Senator James McLachlan) reported accordingly.

On the motion of Senator Leckie the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

19. CUSTOMS TARIFF (CANADIAN PREFERENCE) VALIDATION BILL 1941.—*Message from the House of Representatives.*—The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

Message No. 50.

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to provide for the Validation of Collections of Duties of Customs under Customs Tariff (Canadian Preference) Proposals*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

W. M. NAIRN,  
Speaker.

House of Representatives,  
Canberra, 3rd April, 1941.

*Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.*—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of the Assistant Minister (Senator Leckie) the Bill was read a first time.

On the motion of Senator Leckie the Bill was read a second time.

The Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

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In the Committee.

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without requests.

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The President resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Committees (Senator James McLachlan) reported accordingly.

On the motion of Senator Leckie the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

20. CUSTOMS TARIFF (NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE) VALIDATION BILL 1941.—*Message from the House of Representatives.*—The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

Message No. 51.

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to provide for the Validation of Collections of Duties of Customs under Customs Tariff (New Zealand Preference) Proposals*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

W. M. NAIRN,  
Speaker.

House of Representatives,  
Canberra, 3rd April, 1941.

*Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.*—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of the Assistant Minister (Senator Leckie) the Bill was read a first time.

On the motion of Senator Leckie the Bill was read a second time.

The Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

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In the Committee.

Clauses 1 to 3 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without requests.

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The President resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Committees (Senator James McLachlan) reported accordingly.

On the motion of Senator Leckie the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

21. COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC SERVICE BILL 1941.—*Message from the House of Representatives.*—The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

*Message No. 52.*

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend the ' Commonwealth Public Service Act 1922-1940 '*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,  
Canberra, 3rd April, 1941.

W. M. NAIRN,  
*Speaker.*

*Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.*—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of Senator McLeay the Bill was read a first time.

On the motion of Senator McLeay the Bill was read a second time.

The Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee.

Clauses 1 to 5 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The President resumed the Chair ; and the Chairman of Committees (Senator James McLachlan) reported accordingly.

On the motion of Senator McLeay the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

22. WAR SERVICE HOMES BILL 1941.—*Message from the House of Representatives.*—The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

*Message No. 53.*

The House of Representatives returns to the Senate the Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to amend section four of the ' War Service Homes Act 1918-1937 '*", and acquaints the Senate that the House of Representatives has agreed to the Bill without amendment.

House of Representatives,  
Canberra, 3rd April, 1941.

W. M. NAIRN,  
*Speaker.*

23. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
National Security Act—National Security (General) Regulations—Orders—  
Prohibited places (3).  
Prohibiting work on land.  
Taking possession of land, &c. (49).  
Use of land (7).

24. LOAN BILL 1941.—*Message from the House of Representatives.*—The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

*Message No. 54.*

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to authorize the Raising and Expending of a certain Sum of Money*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

House of Representatives,  
Canberra, 3rd April, 1941.

W. M. NAIRN,  
*Speaker.*

*Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.*—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of the Minister for Supply and Development (Senator McBride) the Bill was read a first time.

Senator McBride moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Senate divided—

Ayes, 17.

Noes, 3.

Senator—	Senator—
Aylett.	Leckie.
Brand.	McBride.
Collett.	McLachlan, A. J.
Collings.	McLachlan, James.
Cooper.	McLeay.
Courtice.	Spicer.
Foll.	
Hayes, J. B.	
Hays, Herbert.	<i>Teller :</i>
Johnston, E. B.	Senator Uppill.

Senator—  
Cameron.  
Darcey.  
*Teller :*  
Senator Keane.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative,

Bill read a second time.

The Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee.

Clause 1 debated and agreed to.

Clause 2 agreed to.

Clause 3 debated—

*Declaration of Urgency.*—Senator McLeay, having declared that the Bill was an Urgent Bill, moved—That the Bill be considered an Urgent Bill.

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 14.		Noes, 6.
Senator—	Senator—	Senator—
Brand.	McBride.	Aylett.
Collett.	McLachlan, A. J.	Cameron.
Cooper.	McLachlan, James.	Collings.
Foll.	McLeay.	Darcey.
Hayes, J. B.	Spicer.	Keane.
Hays, Herbert.		
Johnston, E. B.	<i>Teller :</i>	<i>Teller :</i>
Leckie.	Senator Uppill.	Senator Courtice.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative, there being at least thirteen Senators voting in favour of the motion.

*Allotment of Time.*—Senator McLeay moved—That the time allotted in connexion with the consideration of the Bill be as follows :—

For the Committee stage of the Bill—until 9.35 p.m. this day.

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 14.		Noes, 6.
Senator—	Senator—	Senator—
Brand.	McBride.	Aylett.
Collett.	McLachlan, A. J.	Cameron.
Cooper.	McLachlan, James.	Collings.
Foll.	McLeay.	Darcey.
Hayes, J. B.	Spicer.	Keane.
Hays, Herbert.		
Johnston, E. B.	<i>Teller :</i>	<i>Teller :</i>
Leckie.	Senator Uppill.	Senator Courtice.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Clause 3 agreed to.

Clause 4 read—

Question—That the clause stand as printed—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 17.		Noes, 3.
Senator—	Senator—	Senator—
Aylett.	Leckie.	Darcey.
Brand.	McBride.	Keane.
Collett.	McLachlan, A. J.	
Collings.	McLachlan, James.	
Cooper.	McLeay.	
Courtice.	Spicer.	
Foll.		
Hayes, J. B.	<i>Teller :</i>	<i>Teller :</i>
Hays, Herbert.	Senator Uppill.	Senator Cameron.
Johnston, E. B.		

Clause 4 agreed to accordingly.

*Limitation of Debate.*—And the time allotted for proceedings in the Committee having expired—

The Chairman of Committees put the Question—That the remainder of the Bill, including the Title, be agreed to, and that the Bill be reported without amendment.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 17.		Noes, 3.
Senator—	Senator—	Senator—
Aylett.	Leckie.	Darcey.
Brand.	McBride.	Keane.
Collett.	McLachlan, A. J.	
Collings.	McLachlan, James.	
Cooper.	McLeay.	
Courtice.	Spicer.	
Foll.		
Hayes, J. B.	<i>Teller :</i>	<i>Teller :</i>
Hays, Herbert.	Senator Uppill.	Senator Cameron.
Johnston, E. B.		

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Committees (Senator James McLachlan) reported accordingly.

On the motion of Senator McBride the Report from the Committee was adopted.

Senator McBride moved—That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

*Closure*.—Senator McLeay moved—That the Question be now put.

Question—That the Question be now put—put.

The Senate divided—

Ayes, 14.

Senator—

Brand.

Collett.

Cooper.

Foll.

Hayes, J. B.

Hays, Herbert.

Johnston, E. B.

Leckie.

Senator—

McBride.

McLachlan, A. J.

McLachlan, James.

McLeay.

Spicer.

*Teller :*

Senator Uppill.

Noes, 6.

Senator—

Aylett.

Collings.

Courtice.

Darcey.

Keane.

*Teller :*

Senator Cameron.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative, there being at least thirteen Senators voting in favour of the motion.

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

Bill read a third time.

25. BERRY FRUIT-GROWERS' RELIEF BILL 1941.—*Message from the House of Representatives*.—The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read :—

MR. PRESIDENT,

*Message No. 55.*

The House of Representatives transmits to the Senate a Bill intituled "*A Bill for an Act to authorize the making of Loans to the State of Tasmania for the Purpose of Relief to Berry Fruit-growers, and for other purposes*", in which it desires the concurrence of the Senate.

W. M. NAIRN,

*Speaker.*

House of Representatives,

Canberra, 3rd April, 1941.

*Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders*.—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay), pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would prevent the Bill being passed through all its stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

On the motion of the Minister for Supply and Development (Senator McBride) the Bill was read a first time.

Senator McBride moved—That the Bill be now read a second time.

*Declaration of Urgency*.—Senator McLeay, having declared that the Bill was an Urgent Bill, moved—That the Bill be considered an Urgent Bill.

Question—put.

The Senate divided—

Ayes, 14.

Senator—

Brand.

Collett.

Cooper.

Foll.

Hayes, J. B.

Hays, Herbert.

Johnston, E. B.

Leckie.

Senator—

McBride.

McLachlan, A. J.

McLachlan, James.

McLeay.

Spicer.

*Teller :*

Senator Uppill.

Noes, 6.

Senator—

Aylett.

Collings.

Courtice.

Darcey.

Senator—

Keane.

*Teller :*

Senator Cameron.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative, there being at least thirteen Senators voting in favour of the motion.

*Allotment of Time*.—Senator McLeay moved—That the time allotted in connexion with the consideration of the Bill be as follows :—

For the remaining stages of the Bill—until 10.30 p.m. this day.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Senate divided—

Ayes, 13.		Noes, 6.
Senator—	Senator—	Senator—
Brand.	McLachlan, A. J.	Aylett.
Collett.	McLachlan, James.	Cameron.
Cooper.	McLeay.	Collings.
Hayes, J. B.	Spicer.	Courtice.
Hays, Herbert.		Keane.
Johnston, E. B.	<i>Teller :</i>	<i>Teller :</i>
Leckie.		
McBride.	Senator Uppill.	Senator Darcey.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Senate, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee for the consideration of the Bill.

In the Committee.

Clause 1 debated and agreed to.

Clause 2 agreed to.

Clause 3 debated and agreed to.

Clauses 4 to 6 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

The President resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Committees (Senator James McLachlan) reported accordingly.

On the motion of Senator McBride the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

26. LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO ALL SENATORS DURING ADJOURNMENT.—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay), by leave, moved—That leave of absence be granted to every Member of the Senate from the determination of the sitting this day to the day on which the Senate next meets.

Question—put and passed.

27. NEXT MEETING OF THE SENATE.—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay) moved—That the Senate, at its rising, adjourn till a day and hour to be fixed by the President, which time of meeting shall be notified to each Senator by telegram or letter.

Question—put and passed.

28. ADJOURNMENT.—The Postmaster-General (Senator McLeay) moved—That the Senate do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

The Senate adjourned at four minutes to eleven p.m. till a day and hour to be fixed by the President, which time of meeting shall be notified to each Senator by telegram or letter.

29. ATTENDANCE.—Present, all the Members except Senators Gibson, Grant, and Wilson.

R. A. BROINOWSKI,  
*Clerk of the Senate.*