

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

No. 93.

JOURNALS OF THE SENATE.

THURSDAY, 18TH FEBRUARY, 1943.

1. MEETING OF SENATE.—The Senate met at half-past ten a.m., pursuant to adjournment.
2. PRAYERS.
3. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
 Arbitration (Public Service) Act—Determination by the Arbitrator, &c.—No. 6 of 1943—
 Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners of Australia.
 Commonwealth Grants Commission Act—Interim Report (1943) of the Commonwealth Grants
 Commission, dated 25th January, 1943, on the application made by the State of Tasmania
 for further Financial Assistance in 1942–43 from the Commonwealth under Section 96 of
 the Constitution.
4. QUESTIONS.—A Question on notice was answered.
5. POSTPONEMENT.—Ordered—That Business of the Senate, Order of the Day No. 1, be postponed till
 the next day of sitting.
6. DEFENCE (CITIZEN MILITARY FORCES) BILL 1943.—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.

Clauses 3 and 4 postponed.

Senator McLeay moved—That the following new clause be inserted in the Bill, viz. :—

“4A.—(1.) If the Governor-General is of opinion that a grave emergency exists in the present war he may make a Proclamation to that effect.

Service during
grave
emergency.

(2.) On and from the date of issue of any such Proclamation and until its revocation, the Governor-General may, notwithstanding anything contained in this or in any other Act, make regulations requiring members of the Citizen Military Forces to serve in such area beyond the limits of the South-Western Pacific Zone as is specified in the regulations as being an area in which it is necessary or expedient for the efficient prosecution of the war for them to serve.”

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 17.

Senator—
 Brand.
 Collett.
 Cooper.
 Foll.
 Gibson.
 Hayes, J. B.
 Hays, Herbert.
 Latham.
 Leckie.
 McBride.

Senator—
 McLachlan, A. J.
 McLachlan, James.
 McLeay.
 Sampson.
 Spicer.
 Uppill.

Teller :

Senator Allan MacDonald.

Noes, 17.

Senator—
 Amour.
 Armstrong.
 Arnold.
 Arthur.
 Ashley.
 Aylett.
 Brown.
 Cameron.
 Collings.
 Crawford.

Senator—
 Cunningham.
 Darcey.
 Fraser.
 Keane.
 Lamp.
 Large.

Teller :

Senator Clothier.

The Ayes and Noes being equal, proposed new clause negatived accordingly.
 Clause 5 agreed to.

Postponed clause 3 again read—

Senator Spicer moved an amendment, viz.—Leave out the clause, insert the following new clause :—
 “3. In this Act ‘the South-Western Pacific Zone’ means the area bounded on the West by the ninetieth meridian of East longitude and on the East by the one hundred and eightieth meridian of East longitude, and shall include the Dominion of New Zealand.”.

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Committee divided—

Ayes, 17.

Senator—	Senator—
Brand.	McLachlan, A. J.
Collett.	McLachlan, James.
Cooper.	McLeay.
Foll.	Sampson.
Gibson.	Spicer.
Hayes, J. B.	Uppill.
Hays, Herbert.	
Latham.	
Leckie.	
McBride.	

Teller :

Senator Allan MacDonald.

Noes, 17.

Senator—	Senator—
Amour.	Cunningham.
Armstrong.	Darcey.
Arnold.	Fraser.
Arthur.	Keane.
Ashley.	Lamp.
Aylett.	Large.
Brown.	
Cameron.	
Collings.	
Crawford.	

Teller :

Senator Clothier.

The Ayes and Noes being equal, amendment negatived accordingly.

Clause 3 agreed to.

Postponed clause 4 agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

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

Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.—The Minister for the Interior (Senator Collings), 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 Collings the Report from the Committee was adopted.

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

Debate ensued.

Question—put.

The Senate divided—

Ayes, 22.

Senator—	Senator—
Amour.	Fraser.
Armstrong.	Hayes, J. B.
Arnold.	Hays, Herbert.
Arthur.	Keane.
Ashley.	Lamp.
Aylett.	Large.
Brown.	Leckie.
Cameron.	McLachlan, A. J.
Collings.	McLachlan, James.
Crawford.	
Cunningham.	
Darcey.	

Teller :

Senator Clothier.

Noes, 12.

Senator—	Senator—
Brand.	McLeay.
Collett.	Sampson.
Cooper.	Spicer.
Foll.	Uppill.
Gibson.	
Latham.	
McBride.	

Teller :

Senator Allan MacDonald.

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a third time.

7. NEXT MEETING OF THE SENATE.—The Minister for the Interior (Senator Collings) moved—That the Senate, at its rising, adjourn till Thursday next at three p.m.

Question—put and passed.

8. ADJOURNMENT NEGATIVED.—The Minister for the Interior (Senator Collings) moved—That the Senate do now adjourn.

Question—put.

The Senate divided—

Ayes, 16.

Senator—	Senator—
Amour.	Darcey.
Armstrong.	Fraser.
Arnold.	Keane.
Arthur.	Lamp.
Ashley.	Large.
Aylett.	
Brown.	
Cameron.	
Collings.	
Cunningham.	

Teller :

Senator Clothier.

Noes, 17.

Senator—	Senator—
Brand.	McLachlan, A. J.
Collett.	McLachlan, James.
Cooper.	McLeay.
Foll.	Sampson.
Gibson.	Spicer.
Hayes, J. B.	Uppill.
Hays, Herbert.	
Latham.	
Leckie.	
McBride.	

Teller :

Senator Allan MacDonald.

And so it was negatived.

9. FINANCIAL STATEMENT, DATED 11TH FEBRUARY, 1943—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT.—Order of the Day read for the adjourned debate on the motion by the Minister for Trade and Customs (Senator Keane), viz.—That the Paper be printed.

On the motion of Senator McBride the debate was adjourned.

Ordered—That the resumption of the debate be an Order of the Day for the next day of sitting.

10. NATIONAL SECURITY BILL 1943.—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.

The Senate divided—

Ayes, 17.

Noes, 16.

Senator—	Senator—
Brand.	McLachlan, A. J.
Collett.	McLachlan, James.
Cooper.	McLeay.
Foll.	Sampson.
Gibson.	Spicer.
Hayes, J. B.	Uppill.
Hays, Herbert.	
Latham.	Teller :
Leckie.	
McBride.	Senator Allan MacDonald.

Senator—	Senator—
Amour.	Darcey.
Armstrong.	Fraser.
Arnold.	Keane.
Arthur.	Lamp.
Aylett.	Large.
Brown.	
Cameron.	Teller :
Collings.	
Courtice.	
Cunningham.	Senator Clothier.

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.

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 Brown) reported accordingly.

Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.—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 its remaining stages without delay.

Question—put and passed.

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

11. ADJOURNMENT.—The Minister for the Interior (Senator Collings) moved—That the Senate do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question—put and passed.

The Senate adjourned at eight minutes to five p.m. till Thursday next at three p.m.

12. ATTENDANCE.—Present, all the Members except Senator Wilson (on leave).

JOHN EDWARDS,
Clerk of the Senate.