

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

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JOURNALS OF THE SENATE.

THURSDAY, 19TH OCTOBER, 1950.

1. MEETING OF SENATE.—The Senate met at eleven a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The President (Senator the Honorable Gordon Brown) took the Chair.
2. PRAYERS.
3. QUESTIONS.—Questions on notice were answered.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—
National Development—R. Inglis, R. C. T. Riddell.
Treasury—W. L. Davies, J. A. Howard.
Works and Housing—H. J. D. Garrett.
5. POSTPONEMENT.—Ordered—That Order of the Day No. 1, General Business, be postponed until after the consideration of Order of the Day No. 1, Government Business.
6. COMMUNIST PARTY DISSOLUTION BILL 1950 [No. 2].—Order of the Day read for the adjourned debate on the Question—That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate resumed.
Closure moved.—Senator Hannaford moved—That the Question be now put.
Question—That the Question be now put—put.
The Senate divided—

Ayes, 23.

Senator—	Senator—
Cooper.	Robertson.
Gorton.	Scott.
Guy.	Simmonds.
Hannaford.	Spicer.
Henty.	Spooner.
Kendall.	Vincent.
McCallum.	Wedgwood.
Mattner.	Wood.
O'Sullivan.	Wordsworth.
Piesse.	
Rankin, A. J. M.	<i>Teller:</i>
Rankin, G. J.	
Reid.	Senator Wright.

Noes, 29.

Senator—	Senator—
Armstrong.	Large.
Arnold.	McKenna.
Aylett.	Morrow.
Beerworth.	Murray.
Benn.	Nash.
Brown.	Nicholls.
Cameron.	O'Flaherty.
Cole.	Ryan.
Cooke.	Sandford.
Courtice.	Sheehan.
Devlin.	Ward.
Finlay.	Willesee.
Fraser.	
Grant.	<i>Teller:</i>
Harris.	
Katz.	Senator Critchley.

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Closure again moved.—Senator Robertson moved—That the Question be now put.

Question—That the Question be now put—put.

The Senate divided—

Ayes, 22.		Noes, 30.	
Senator—	Senator—	Senator—	Senator—
Cooper.	Rankin, G. J.	Amour.	Katz.
Gorton.	Reid.	Armstrong.	Large.
Guy.	Robertson.	Arnold.	McKenna.
Hannaford.	Scott.	Ashley.	Morrow.
Henty.	Spooner.	Aylett.	Murray.
Kendall.	Vincent.	Beerworth.	Nash.
McCallum.	Wedgwood.	Benn.	Nicholls.
McLeay.	Wood.	Brown.	O'Flaherty.
Mattner.	Wordsworth.	Cameron.	Ryan.
O'Sullivan.		Cole.	Sandford.
Piesse.	<i>Teller:</i>	Cooke.	Sheehan.
Rankin, A. J. M.	Senator Wright.	Courtice.	Ward.
		Finlay.	Willesee.
		Fraser.	
		Grant.	<i>Teller:</i>
		Harris.	Senator Critchley.

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

Closure again moved.—Senator Wordsworth moved—That the Question be now put.

Question—That the Question be now put—put.

The Senate divided—

Ayes, 23.		Noes, 30.	
Senator—	Senator—	Senator—	Senator—
Cooper.	Reid.	Amour.	Katz.
Gorton.	Robertson.	Armstrong.	Large.
Guy.	Scott.	Arnold.	McKenna.
Hannaford.	Simmonds.	Ashley.	Morrow.
Henty.	Spooner.	Aylett.	Murray.
Kendall.	Vincent.	Beerworth.	Nash.
McCallum.	Wedgwood.	Benn.	Nicholls.
McLeay.	Wood.	Brown.	O'Flaherty.
Mattner.	Wordsworth.	Cameron.	Ryan.
O'Sullivan.		Cole.	Sandford.
Piesse.	<i>Teller:</i>	Cooke.	Sheehan.
Rankin, A. J. M.	Senator Wright.	Courtice.	Ward.
Rankin, G. J.		Finlay.	Willesee.
		Fraser.	
		Grant.	<i>Teller:</i>
		Harris.	Senator Critchley.

And so it was negatived.

Debate continued.

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

Clause 3 debated and agreed to.

Clause 4 debated and agreed to.

Clause 5 debated and agreed to.

Clause 6 debated and agreed to.

Clause 7 agreed to.

Clause 8 debated and agreed to.

Clause 9 debated—

And it being 10.30 p.m.—The Chairman, under Sessional Order, put the Question—That he do leave the Chair and report to the Senate—
Which Question was negatived.

Clause 9 further debated and agreed to.

Clause 10 debated and agreed to.

Clause 11 agreed to.

Remaining clauses, preamble and title, by leave, taken as a whole and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

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

Suspension of Standing and Sessional Orders.—The Minister for Trade and Customs (Senator O'Sullivan), 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 O'Sullivan the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

7. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—
Commonwealth Public Service Act—Appointment—Department of the Interior—H. A. Johnson.
Papua and New Guinea Act—Ordinances—1950.
 No. 18—Ordinances Revision.
 No. 19—Administration Contracts.
 No. 20—Supply (No. 2) 1950-51.
 No. 21—Commerce (Trade Descriptions).
Seat of Government Acceptance Act and Seat of Government (Administration) Act—Ordinance—
1950—No. 7—Motor Traffic.
8. ADJOURNMENT.—The Senate adjourned at three minutes to eleven p.m. till Tuesday next at three p.m.
9. ATTENDANCE.—Present, all the Members except Senators Hendrickson, Maher, O'Byrne, Tangney (on leave) and Tate.

JOHN EDWARDS,
Clerk of the Senate.