

## COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

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THURSDAY, 26TH FEBRUARY, 1953.

1. MEETING OF SENATE.—The Senate met at eleven a.m., pursuant to adjournment.—The President (Senator the Honorable Edward Mattner) took the Chair.
2. PRAYERS.
3. QUESTIONS.—Questions on notice were answered.
4. PAPERS.—The following Papers were presented, pursuant to Statute—  
Public Service Act—Appointments—Department—  
National Development—P. G. Duff.  
Parliamentary Library—T. M. Exley.  
Repatriation—M. I. Michelmore.
5. LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—Senator Armstrong, pursuant to notice, moved—That Senator Fraser be granted two months' leave of absence on account of ill health.  
Question—put and passed.
6. FISHERIES BILL 1953.—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.

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.  
Bill to be reported without amendment.

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

On the motion of the Minister for Shipping and Transport (Senator McLeay) the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

7. PEARL FISHERIES BILL 1953.—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.

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.  
Bill to be reported without amendment.

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

On the motion of the Minister for Shipping and Transport (Senator McLeay) the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

8. WAR PENSIONS APPROPRIATION BILL 1953.—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.

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.  
Bill to be reported without amendment.

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

On the motion of the Minister for National Development (Senator Spooner) the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

9. TAXATION ADMINISTRATION BILL 1953.—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, 27.

Senator—	Senator—
Cooper.	Reid.
Cormack.	Robertson.
Gorton.	Robinson.
Guy.	Scott.
Hannaford.	Seward.
Henty.	Spicer.
Kendall.	Spooner.
McCallum.	Tate.
McLeay.	Vincent.
McMullin.	Wedgwood.
Maher.	Wordsworth.
O'Sullivan.	<i>Teller:</i>
Paltridge.	Senator Annabelle
Pearson.	Rankin.
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Senator—	Senator—
Armstrong.	McKenna.
Benn.	Nicholls.
Brown.	O'Flaherty.
Byrne.	Sandford.
Cameron.	Sheehan.
Cooke.	Tangney.
Courtice.	<i>Teller:</i>
Grant.	Senator Critchley.
Hendrickson.	

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.*

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

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

On the motion of the Attorney-General (Senator Spicer) the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

10. LAND TAX ABOLITION BILL 1953.—Order of the Day read for the adjourned debate on the Question—That the Bill be now read a second time.  
 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.*

Bill, by leave, taken as a whole, and agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

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

On the motion of the Attorney-General (Senator Spicer) the Report from the Committee was adopted, and the Bill read a third time.

11. NEXT MEETING OF THE SENATE.—The Minister for Trade and Customs (Senator O'Sullivan) moved—That the Senate, at its rising, adjourn till Wednesday, 11th March, at three p.m.  
 Question—put and passed.
12. ADJOURNMENT.—The Senate adjourned at twenty-three minutes past four p.m. till Wednesday, 11th March, at three p.m.
13. ATTENDANCE.—Present, all the Members except Senators Arnold, Ashley, Aylett, Cole, Devlin (on leave), Fraser (on leave), Morrow, O'Byrne, Ryan (on leave), Willesee, Wood and Wright.

JOHN EDWARDS,

*Clerk of the Senate.*