

1926-7.

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

 STATES GRANTS BILL.

*(Amendments to be proposed by the Treasurer, the
Hon. Earle Page, M.P.)*

- Page 1, clause 1, line 4, omit "1926", insert "1927".
- Page 1, clause 2, line 7, omit "twenty-six", insert "twenty-seven".
- Page 1, clause 3, omit the clause.
- Page 1, clause 4, lines 13-14, omit "In addition to the payments made under the last preceding section to the State of Western Australia,".
- Page 1, clause 4, line 15, omit "that State", insert "the State of Western Australia".
- Page 1, clause 4, at the end of the clause add the following sub-clause:—
- "(2.) All sums paid to the State of Western Australia, during the period from the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six to the thirtieth day of June One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, in pursuance of section five of the *Surplus Revenue Act* 1910, shall be deemed to have been payments made to that State in fulfilment of the obligations of the Commonwealth to that State under sub-section (1.) of this section in respect of that period."
- Page 2, clause 5, lines 1-2, omit "In addition to the payments made under section three of this Act to the State of Tasmania,".
- Page 2, clause 5, line 3, omit "that State", insert "the State of Tasmania".
- Page 2, clause 6, line 7, omit "three", insert "two".

Page 2, clause 6, line 8, after "States", insert "of the Commonwealth".

Page 2, clause 6, line 10, omit "each financial year", insert "the financial year commencing on the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, and at the close of each financial year thereafter".

Page 2, clause 6, at the end of the clause, add the following sub-clause:—

"(2.) For the purposes of this section, the number of the people of a State shall be deemed to be the number as ascertained according to the laws of the Commonwealth by the Commonwealth Statistician as at the thirty-first day of December in the financial year in respect of which a payment under this section is to be made to that State."

Page 2, clause 7, omit the clause, insert the following clause:—

"7. Subject to the terms of any agreement made between the Commonwealth and all the States, and adopted by the Parliament, the Treasurer shall, during the financial year commencing on the first day of July One thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, make payments to each State, in equal monthly instalments, to the amount specified in the Schedule, opposite to the name of that State."

Page 2, clause 8, line 18, omit "and advances".

Page 2, The Schedule, omit The Schedule, and insert the following Schedule:—

THE SCHEDULE.			
New South Wales	..	..	£2,978,343
Victoria	..	..	2,152,615
Queensland	..	..	1,131,646
South Australia	..	..	721,269
Western Australia	..	..	483,750
Tasmania	..	..	267,367
			7,734,990