

Motor Accidents (Applications) Bill 1983

NOTES ON CLAUSES

Clause 1 contains the usual citation provisions and provides for the provisions of the Bill to be brought into operation on a day to be fixed by proclamation of the Governor in Council.

Clause 2 amends section 22 of the Principal Act so as to extend the limitation period within which application may be made for payments under the Act from three years to six years.

Clause 3 makes consequential amendments to sections 66, 67 and 68 of the Principal Act which empower the Motor Accidents Board to enter into agreements with hospitals, ambulance services and doctors in respect of the payment for the provision of hospital, ambulance and medical services to accident victims. The amendments remove restrictions on such agreements arising out of the initial three year limitation period.

Clause 4 provides that the amendments made by the Bill will apply in respect of injuries or deaths arising out of accidents which occurred not more than six years prior to the commencement of the Bill.

