

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Supplementary Order Paper

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ACCESS TRAINING SCHEME BILL

Proposed Amendments

Hon. P. B. GOFF, in Committee, to move the following amendments:

Clause 21: To omit subclause (2) (lines 11 to 14 on page 12), and substitute the following subclauses:

(2) Where a Council makes a decision requiring the payment of any money, the Department shall implement the decision without any inquiry other than that required by subsection (3) of this section.

(3) Where the Department has reason to believe that any decision contravenes, or that the payment of any money would contravene,—

(a) Any provision of this Act; or

(b) The objectives, rules, and guidelines set for, or any directions given to, the Council by the Minister,—
the Department shall make inquiries, and if, after making those inquiries, it considers that it has good reason to so believe, it shall not implement the decision or pay the money.

(4) The Department shall make the payments required to implement the decisions of a Council out of money available for the Scheme.

Clause 21A (1): To omit paragraph (c) (lines 28 to 31 on page 12), and substitute the following paragraph:

(c) The amount of funding supplied during the previous financial year to each person or body approved by the Council to provide training under the Scheme.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Clause 21: This amendment relates to the obligation of the Department of Labour to implement the decisions of Regional Employment and Access Councils.

The Bill presently provides that the Department is to implement, without further inquiry, all decisions of a REAC that require the payment of money.

This amendment provides that if the Department of Labour has reason to believe that any decision or payment would contravene the Act, or the objectives, rules, and guidelines set for, or any directions given to, that REAC by the Minister, it shall make inquiries, and if, after making those inquiries, it considers that it has good reason to so believe, it shall not implement the decision or pay the money.

Clause 21A (1): This amendment relates to the content of a REAC's annual report.

The Bill presently provides that the report is to list the persons who, or bodies that, received funding under the Scheme during the previous financial year, and the amounts of money provided to each person or body during that year.

This amendment clarifies that this requirement only relates to the training providers approved by the REAC preparing the report. The annual report is not

required to list other people who may receive money under the Scheme, i.e.,
trainees to whom allowances are paid.

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