

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## Supplementary Order Paper

Thursday, the 28th Day of September 1978

## FIRE SERVICE AMENDMENT

*Proposed Amendments*

Hon. Mr HIGHET, in Committee, to move the following amendments:

*Clause 2:* To add to the definition of the term "defence fire brigade" in subclause (1) in line 8 on page 2 the words "; but does not include a fire fighting unit maintained by the Minister of Defence in his capacity as a Fire Authority under the Forest and Rural Fires Act 1977".

To add the following subclause on page 2:

(4) Section 2 (1) of the Forest and Rural Fires Act 1977 is hereby amended by adding to the definition of the term "brigade" the words "and a defence fire brigade (as defined in section 2 (1) of that Act)".

*Clause 6:* To omit line 10 on page 3, and substitute the following line:

"including", the words "defence fire brigades and".

*Clause 10:* To omit from lines 19 and 20 on page 4 the words "such consent in either case not to be unreasonably withheld,".

*Clause 18:* To insert in line 41 on page 8, after the words "books thereof", the words "and to the best of his knowledge and belief".

To insert in line 31 on page 9, after the word "return", the words "for any year".

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*Clause 2:* The first amendment excludes from the definition of the term "defence fire brigade" any fire fighting unit maintained by the Minister of Defence in his capacity as a Fire Authority under the Forest and Rural Fires Act 1977.

The second amendment amends that Act to include a reference to defence fire brigades.

*Clause 6:* This amendment corrects a printing error.

*Clause 10:* This amendment removes the implication that the Commission may compel the installation of fire alarms under this clause.

*Clause 18:* The first amendment qualifies the statutory declaration given by an insurance company when forwarding the return of premium income.

The second amendment is a minor drafting amendment.