HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Supplementary Order Paper

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HOSPITALS AMENDMENT BILL

Proposed Amendments

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

Clause 3: To omit lines 1 to 5 from proposed substituted section 62 (2), and substitute the words "(2) Subject to subsections (4) and (5) of this section,".

To insert in proposed substituted section 62 (4) (d), after the word "Information", the word "properly".

To insert in proposed substituted section 62 (4) (j), after the word "Information", the word "properly".

To insert, after proposed substituted section 62 (5) the following subsection:

"(5A) Nothing in this section shall derogate from section 8 of the Evidence Act 1908 or any other enactment or rule of law relating to evidence in any civil or criminal proceeding.

Clause 4: To omit from proposed section 62A (5), in both places where it appears, the word "tape", and substitute, in each case, the words "computer-readable storage medium".

Clause 5: To omit from proposed section 91 (1) the words "such bank accounts", and substitute the words "accounts at such banks".

EXPLANATORY NOTE

These amendments make it clearer that section 8 of the Evidence Act 1908 is not affected by the provisions of the Bill, limit slightly the circumstances in which medical information may be given to various officials, substitute a wider expression for the word "tape", in proposed section 62A, and alter proposed new section 91 (1) to provide that the Minister of Finance has to approve only the banks into which Hospital Boards must pay money, not the actual accounts.