

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

# Supplementary Order Paper

Wednesday, 6 November 1985

## HOMOSEXUAL LAW REFORM BILL

*Proposed Amendments*

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

*Clause 3, proposed section 140A:* To omit from line 35 on page 2, and also from line 12 on page 3, and also from line 20 on that page, the expression "16 years", and substitute in each case the expression "18 years".

*Clause 4:* To omit from line 33 on page 3, and also from line 35 on that page, the expression "16 years", and substitute in each case the expression "18 years".

*Clause 5:* To omit from line 5 on page 4 the expression "16 years", and substitute the expression "18 years".

To omit from line 43 on that page the expression "16 years", and substitute the expression "18 years".

To omit from line 13 on page 5 the expression "16 years", and substitute the expression "18 years".

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Supplementary Order Paper is in substitution for Supplementary Order Paper No. 66, which contained an error.

The amendments simply raise the so-called age of consent for homosexual activity from 16 years of age as proposed in the Bill to 18 years. Because *clause 5* of the Bill relates to heterosexual as well as homosexual anal intercourse, the effect of the amendment to that clause is to fix the age of consent for heterosexual anal intercourse at 18 years as well.