

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

# Supplementary Order Paper

Tuesday, the 11th Day of October 1977

CONTRACEPTION, STERILISATION, AND ABORTION BILL

*Proposed Amendments*

Dr WALL, in Committee, to move the following amendments:

*Clause 3, subclause (3):* To omit paragraphs (e) and (f) on page 5.

*Clause 54:* To insert in line 29 on page 28, after the word "girl", the words ", and that the danger cannot be averted by any other means".

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

*Clause 3, subclause (3):* The effect of the amendment is to prohibit the giving of information about contraception to children under 16 years of age in the circumstances referred to in the paragraphs to be omitted.

*Clause 54:* The amendment relates to the proposed section 187A (1) (a), set out in clause 54 of the Bill. That provision authorises an abortion if the person performing it believes that the continuance of the pregnancy would result in serious danger to the life, or to the physical or mental health, of the patient. This amendment adds the further requirement that the person performing the abortion believes that that danger cannot be averted by any other means.

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