

Supplementary Order Paper

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, the 25th Day of October 1955

GOVERNMENT SERVICE TRIBUNAL AMENDMENT BILL

Proposed Amendments

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

Clause 2, subclause (1): To omit from lines 13 and 14 on page 1 the words "before the definition of the term 'controlling authority' the following definition", and substitute the words "in their appropriate alphabetical order the following definitions".

Clause 2, subclause (1): To add the following definition:

"'Official Circular' means the Public Service Official Circular."

Clause 3: To omit the word "Commission" in each place where it occurs in lines 11, 31, 32, and 42 on page 2, and in lines 5 and 16 on page 3, and substitute in each case the words "controlling authority"; also to omit from line 16 on page 2 and also from line 33 on that page the words "Public Service".

To add the following new clause:

5. (1) Section twenty-six of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding to subsection two the following paragraph:

"(d) References to the Official Circular shall be deemed to be references to such publication as may be prescribed in that behalf."

(2) Section twenty-six of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:

"(3) Where the provisions of this Act are applied to any branch of the Government service by regulations under this Act, no determination under section ten A of this Act, as set out in section three of the Government Service Tribunal Amendment Act 1955, shall be made by the controlling authority of that branch without the approval of the Minister to whom he is responsible."

Application of principal Act to other branches of Government service.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Bill as introduced was designed to facilitate the general regrading of the Public Service to be carried out as at 1 April 1956 and future regradings, and generally to allow the Commission to amend salary scales subject to review by the Tribunal. The provisions for regrading apply exclusively to the Public Service under the control of the Commission, but the provision for amending salary scales can usefully be applied to other branches of the Government Service to which the legislation is applied under section 26 of the principal Act, e.g., the Education service. This Supplementary Order Paper makes minor amendments in the Bill to provide for this. The power of controlling authorities other than the Commission is restricted by providing that they shall not make determinations under the new section ten A without the consent of the Minister to whom they are responsible.