

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Supplementary Order Paper

Tuesday, 10 June 1986

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (ELECTIONS, POLLS, AND VOTING RIGHTS) BILL

This Supplementary Order Paper is in addition to Supplementary Order Papers Nos. 19 and 20 dated 29 May 1986.

Proposed Amendments

Hon. Dr MICHAEL BASSETT, in Committee, to move the following amendments:

New clauses 4A and 4B: To insert, after clause 4 on page 3 the following clauses:

4A. Conduct of survey—Section 29 of the principal Act (as enacted by section 8 of the Local Government Amendment Act 1985) is hereby amended by omitting from subsection (4) and subsection (5) the expression “49”, and substituting in each case the expression “65”.

4B. Saving in respect of surveys requested before commencement of Act—Where any certificate under section 28 (8) of this Act has been received by the Commission before the commencement of this Act, the principal Act and the Local Elections and Polls Act 1976 shall apply in respect of the conduct of the survey as if this Act and the Local Elections and Polls Amendment Act 1986 had not been passed.

First Schedule: To insert in the item relating to the Electric Power Boards Act 1925, after the substituted section 3 (1) (b) (iv) on page 27, the following amendment:

By omitting from section 3 (3) the word “ratepayers”, and substituting the word “electors”.

To insert in that item, after the substituted section 5A (5A) on page 28, the following amendment:

By omitting from section 6 (2) the word “ratepayers”, and substituting the word “electors”.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

New clause 4A: This amendment is necessary because rolls are now to close 43 days before polling day, and there is a 14 day period before the closing of the rolls during which the rolls must be available for public inspection. A minimum of 57 days is therefore needed, and 65 days is considered appropriate.

New clause 4B is a saving provision in respect of surveys requested before the commencement of this legislation. It is understood that one request for a survey has been received and this amendment will enable it to be conducted under the law that applied when it was requested.

First Schedule: These amendments make 2 further changes to the Electric Power Boards Act 1925 in relation to petitions affecting electric power districts.