

Supplementary Order Paper.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Wednesday, the 11th Day of January, 1922.

LOCAL BODIES' FINANCE BILL.

Hon. Mr. DOWNIE STEWART, in Committee, to move the following amendments:—

Clause 1: To omit the words "and shall come into operation on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-two."

Clause 2: To omit the definition of "Year," and to substitute the following:—

"Year" means the financial year of a local authority.

Clause 2: To add the following definition:—

"End of its present financial year" means in the case of each local authority the last day of its financial year current at the date of the passing of this Act.

Clause 3: To omit from subclause (2) the words "on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-two," in lines 2 and 3, and to substitute the words "at the end of its present financial year"; to omit the words "exceeding two-thirds," and to substitute the words "exceeding three-fourths" in each of paragraphs (a) and (b) of subclause (2); and to omit from paragraph (c) of the same subclause the words "on the thirty-first day of March," in line 16, and to substitute the words "at the end."

Clause 5: To omit from subclause (1) the words "on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-two," and to substitute the words "at the end of its present financial year"; to omit from subclause (2) the words "on the said thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-two," in lines 54 and 55, and to substitute the words "at the end of its present financial year"; to omit from the same subclause the words "on or before the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred and twenty-two," in lines 56 and 57, and to substitute the words "within three months after the end of its present financial year"; to omit from paragraph (a) of the same subclause the words "on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-two," and to substitute the words "at the end of its present financial year"; to omit from paragraph (b) of the same subclause the word "sum," and to substitute the word "sums"; to omit paragraph (c) of the same subclause; and to omit subclause (3), and to substitute the following:—

(3.) The aggregate of all such sums shall in the case of each local authority be the amount hereinafter called the "antecedent liability."

Clause 6: To omit from subclause (2) the words "commencing on the first day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-three," in lines 40 and 41, and to substitute the words "commencing in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-three."