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Supplementary Order Paper

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MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS BILL

Proposed Amendments

Hon. JENNY SHIPLEY, in Committee, to move the following amendments:

Clause 54A (4): To insert in line 26 on page 40, after the word "rules", the words "purporting to have been".

Clause 93 (1) (b): To omit from lines 31 to 33 on page 69 the expression "(of whom 2 shall be medical practitioners and 2 shall be persons who are not medical practitioners)", and substitute the expression "(of whom 3 shall be medical practitioners and 1 shall be a person who is not a medical practitioner)".

Clause 106: To add on page 84, as subclause (4), the following subclause:

(4) The Secretary shall ensure that—

(a) A copy of every order of the Tribunal made under section 99 or section 105 of this Act; and

(b) Notice of any decision of the Tribunal made under section 100 of this Act—

is given to the Registrar as soon as practicable.

Clause 137 (3): To insert in line 10 on page 102, and also in lines 14 and 16 on that page, in each case after the word "branch", the words "or sub-branch".

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Supplementary Order Paper proposes to amend the Medical Practitioners Bill.

Clause 54A (4): the amendment is of a technical drafting nature.

Clause 93 (1) (b) is amended to alter the composition of the Medical Practitioners Disciplinary Tribunal. In the Bill as reported back, the 4 persons to be selected from a panel for the purposes of each hearing were to comprise 2 medical practitioners and 2 laypersons. The amendment changes this so that the panel members are to comprise 3 medical practitioners and 1 layperson.

Clause 106 is amended to require the Secretary of the Medical Practitioners Disciplinary Tribunal to notify the Registrar of certain orders and decisions of the Tribunal.

Clause 137 (3): the amendment inserts references to sub-branches of medicine. The amendment is necessary in order to maintain consistency with clause 21.