Supplementary Order Paper

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, the 24th Day of October 1962

POST OFFICE AMENDMENT BILL

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

Clause 5: To omit this clause.

Clause 7: To insert after this clause the following clause:

7A. Operation of Post Office Account—The principal Act is hereby further amended by repealing section 170, and substituting the following section:

"170. The Post Office Account shall be operated on only by cheque signed by the Director-General or by such person or persons as the Director-General appoints from time to time for that purpose."

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Clause 7A: Section 170 of the principal Act provides that the Post Office Account shall be operated on only by cheque signed by the Director-General or some other officer authorised by the Postmaster-General. The section includes further provisions requiring a bank order to be sent to the Audit Office and countersigned by the Audit Office before the bank may pay the cheques drawn upon the Post Office Account.

This clause replaces that provision, and provides that cheques on the Post Office Account are to be signed by the Director-General or by such person or persons as the Director-General appoints for that purpose, and omits the provisions requiring a bank order to be sent to the Audit Office and counter-signed.