# **House of Representatives**

# **Supplementary Order Paper**

# Tuesday, 31 July 2001

## Social Security (Residence of Spouses) Amendment

## Proposed amendments

Hon Steve Maharey, in Committee, to move the following amendments:

#### Clause 2

To omit the words "This Act comes into force on 1 July 2001." (line 8 on page 1), and substitute the following subclauses:

- (1) This Act, except **section 4**, comes into force on the day after the date on which it receives the Royal assent.
- (2) Section 4 is deemed to have come into force on 1 July 2001:

#### New clause 4

To add the following clause (after line 20 on page 2):

#### 4 Commencement of benefits

Section 80(2)(b) of the principal Act is amended by inserting, after the word "Act,", the words "a sickness benefit,".

## **Explanatory note**

This Supplementary Order Paper proposes to amend the commencement date of the Social Security (Residence of Spouses) Amendment Bill, and to add a new *clause 4*. This clause is outside the scope of the Bill and entirely unrelated to it.

The purpose of *clause 4* is to make an amendment that should have been included as a consequential amendment in Part 3 of the Social Security Amendment Act 2001. The proposed amendment inserts a reference to the sickness benefit into section 80(2)(b) of the Social Security Act 1964. Section 80(2) imposes a stand down period on certain benefits. *Clause 2*(2) deems

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clause 4 to have been in force since 1 July 2001, which is when Part 3 of the Social Security Amendment Act 2001 came into force.

The commencement date of the rest of the Bill is amended (in  $clause\ 2(1)$ ) to be the day after the date on which the Act receives the Royal assent.