Supplementary Order Paper

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, the 19th Day of October 1955

TRANSPORT AMENDMENT BILL

Proposed Amendments

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

Clause 8: To insert, after subsection (4) of the proposed new section 31, the following subsection:

"(4A) Notwithstanding anything in this section or in section forty-one or section forty-one A of this Act, the Court by which any order of cancellation or suspension or disqualification is made under this section may direct that the order shall take effect on a date later than the date of the conviction.

Clause 14 (1): To omit subsection (3) of the proposed new section 96.

Clause 15: To omit from the proposed new section 96A the words "this Part of this Act and of any regulations under this Act" in lines 18 and 19, and substitute the words "section ninety-six of this Act and of any regulations under this Act (being regulations relating to the carriage of goods by road where there is an available route for the carriage of the goods that includes not less than a specified length of open Government railway)".

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Clause 8: This amendment gives the convicting Court power to defer the operation of any order cancelling or suspending a driver's licence or disqualifying the defendant from obtaining a licence for any period.

Clause 14: Under subsections (2) and (3) of the proposed new section 96 a market gardener may carry his own fresh vegetables in competition with the Railways without being the holder of a transport licence with no limit as to distance where the laden weight of his truck does not exceed $6\frac{1}{2}$ tons. Where the laden weight exceeds $6\frac{1}{2}$ tons he may carry the vegetables up to 50 miles, except in the case of root vegetables (other than radishes), onions (other than spring onions), pumpkins, marrows, cucumbers, or melons, in which cases he is limited to 30 miles.

The effect of this amendment will be to abolish the difference between different kinds of fresh vegetables, so that where the laden weight of the truck exceeds $6\frac{1}{2}$ tons, a market gardener may carry his own fresh vegetables of any kind for distances up to 50 miles. Where the laden weight does not exceed $6\frac{1}{2}$ tons there is no limitation as to distance.

Clause 15: The purpose of this amendment is to ensure that the provisions relating to linked-up services apply only to the carriage of goods by road in competition with the Railways, and will not apply where no such question of competition arises.