

House of Representatives

Supplementary Order Paper

Tuesday, 2 August 2022

Accident Compensation (Maternal Birth Injury and Other Matters) Amendment Bill

Proposed amendments

Jan Logie, in Committee, to move the following amendments:

Clause 7

Replace *clause 7* (page 4, lines 10 and 11) with:

7 Section 26 amended (Personal injury)

In section 26(1A), delete “that is 6% or more of binaural hearing loss”.

Schedule 1: new Part 3 of Schedule 1AA

In *Schedule 1, new Part 3 of Schedule 1AA, clause 10(2)*, replace “as if **section 7** of the amendment Act had not been enacted.” (page 7, lines 24 and 25) with “on the basis of this Act as amended by **section 7** of the amendment Act.”.

Explanatory note

This Supplementary Order Paper amends the Accident Compensation (Maternal Birth Injury and Other Matters) Amendment Bill. The effects of the amendments are to:

- remove the threshold of hearing loss introduced in 2010, so that any binaural hearing loss caused by a personal injury would be covered under the Accident Compensation Act 2001. Currently, the Bill provides for the threshold to be reduced from 6% of hearing loss to 5% of hearing loss.
- change the transitional arrangements in relation to claims for hearing loss that are lodged, but not decided, before the threshold is removed. This will mean that those yet-to-be decided claims have the benefit of the removal of the threshold.

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