**FRUIT FLY (COMPENSATION) BILL 1967**

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Second reading

The Hon. S. C. BEVAN (Minister of Local Government): I move:

*That this Bill be now read a second time.*

It is in similar form to the Acts passed in 1959, 1963 and 1964, its object being to enable the payment of compensation for losses arising from the campaign for eradication of fruit fly. A proclamation relating to the fruit fly outbreak was made in January this year under the Vine, Fruit and Vegetable Protection Act and, as honourable members know, the practice has been for compensation to be given for losses arising by reason of any act of officers of the Agriculture Department within a proclaimed area.

Clause 3 of the Bill accordingly provides for such compensation and compensation for loss arising from the prohibition of removal of fruit from land in a proclaimed area. Clause 4 fixes the time limit for lodging of claims, which is August 31, 1967, and which has been fixed having regard to the date the proclamation was issued and the modified stripping methods now possible with new insecticides and lures. Otherwise, the Bill is in the usual terms.

The Hon, H. K. KEMP secured the adjournment of the debate.