**FRUIT FLY ACT AMENDMENT BILL 1953**

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Second reading

**The Hon. M. McINTOSH, for the Holt. Sir GEORGE JENKINS (Minister of Agriculture)—**I move—

That this Bill be now read a second time. This Bill has the same purpose as the previous Bills providing for compensation for loss incurred through the campaign for the destruction of fruit fly. In January of this year, because of infestation by fruit fly, the Government found it necessary to issue proclamations prohibiting the removal of fruit and vegetables from certain areas in the eastern suburbs of Adelaide, and to carry out stripping and spraying in those areas. In April a proclamation was issued prohibiting the growing of certain plants in those areas. Following the policy previously approved by Parliament the Government desires to provide for the payment of compensation to persons who suffers loss either through the stripping and spraying or by reason of the prohibition of the removal of fruit or vegetables or the growing of plants, and the purpose of this Bill is to provide for the payment of this compensation

The details of the Bill are as follow. Clause makes a consequential amendment to section 3 of the principal Act. Clause 4 amends section 4 by striking out the provisions of that section dealing with compensation which are superseded by this Bill or have ceased to have effect. Clause 5 makes a consequential amendment to section 8. Clause 6 confers a right to compensation for loss arising out of the operation of the regulations made earlier in this year and which are set out in the schedule to the Bill. The clause gives a right to compensation to persons who suffer or who have suffered loss as the result of anything done or prohibited under those regulations; for example, where fruit or vegetables have been destroyed or where loss has been sustained as a result of the prohibition contained in the regulations against the removal of fruit or vegetables from the land affected by the regulations. In accordance with the principle previously followed in the principal Act, the clause also provides for payment of compensation in respect of any loss which may be incurred by reason of the operation of any regulation which may be made between the passing of the Bill and January 1, 1954.

Mr. O’HALLORAN secured the adjournment of the debate.