**LAND SETTLEMENT ACT AMENDMENT BILL 1955**

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Second reading

**The Hon. C. S. HINCKS (Minister of Lands)—**I move—

That this Bill be now read a second time.

It provides that the present members of the Land Settlement Committee shall be entitled to remain in office until the end of 1956, providing, of course, that they retain their seat in Parliament at the next election. The Government has given careful consideration to the period of this extension. It has been the practice to extend the term of the committee for periods of three years. At present. however, although land development and settlement is proceeding steadily, it does not appear that there will be much work for the committee in the near future. In view of the uncertainty of the position, the Government considers that it is desirable at this juncture to extend committee’s term for one year only. This position can then be reviewed next year. The proposed extension is provided for in clause 1.

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