

WORKERS' COMPENSATION AMENDMENT BILL.

I HAVE the honour to report that, in consequence of the official statement to the effect that the whole position of the Workers' Compensation Act is to be investigated during the recess with a view to introducing legislation next session, the Committee decided not to take evidence on the matter, and under all the present circumstances recommends that the Bill be not allowed to proceed in the meantime, and that consideration be deferred.

7th October, 1929.

SHOPS AND OFFICES AMENDMENT BILL (No. 2).

I HAVE the honour to report that the Committee has carefully considered the above Bill, and recommends that it be allowed to proceed without amendment.

7th October, 1929.

SHOPS AND OFFICES AMENDMENT BILL.

I HAVE the honour to report that the Committee took some evidence on the Bill, but, in consequence of the official statement to the effect that the whole position of the Shops and Offices Act is to be investigated during the recess, with a view to introducing legislation next session, the Committee decided not to take further evidence on the matter, and under all the present circumstances recommends that the Bill be not allowed to proceed in the meantime, and that consideration be deferred.

7th October, 1929.

No. 370/28.—Petition of Mrs. J. JOYCE and 111 Others.

PRAYING for amendment of the Shops and Offices Act, 1921-22, relating to closing-hours for selling flower-seeds, garden-seeds, bedding-out plants, and tomato-plants.

I have the honour to report that, as the subject-matter of this petition was carefully considered in conjunction with consideration of the Shops and Offices Amendment Bill, upon which the Committee is reporting, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

7th October, 1929.

No. 371/28.—Petition of E. C. SORRELL and 101 Others.

PRAYING for amendment of the Shops and Offices Act, 1921-22, relating to closing-hours for selling flower-seeds, garden-seeds, bedding-out plants, and tomato-plants.

I have the honour to report that, as the subject-matter of this petition was carefully considered in conjunction with consideration of the Shops and Offices Amendment Bill, upon which the Committee is reporting, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

7th October, 1929.

SPECIAL REPORT.

I HAVE the honour to report that the members of the Labour Bills Committee desire to record their sincere appreciation of the ability and unfailing impartiality exhibited during the session by its Chairman, Mr. S. G. Smith, in the conduct of the business of the Committee; and the members of the Committee further desire that this resolution be reported to the House.

8th November, 1929.

ROBERT MCKEEN,
A member of the Committee.

SPECIAL REPORT.

I HAVE the honour to report that the members of the Labour Bills Committee desire to record their cordial appreciation of the able and assiduous manner in which the Clerk of the Committee, Mr. Llewellyn Meredith, has during the session performed the duties of his office. They further desire that this resolution be entered on the minutes and reported to the House.

7th November, 1929.

FINAL REPORT.

I HAVE the honour to report that the Labour Bills Committee, consisting of ten members, has during the session held seven meetings, with an average attendance at each meeting of eight members. Five Bills and two petitions were referred to the Committee, all of which have been reported upon to the House.

7th November, 1929.

SYDNEY G. SMITH, Chairman.

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