

*Routine Proceedings*

lower-income parents to claim their children as dependants under certain circumstances.

They want the elimination of the goods and services tax on students' books and school supplies. They want the promotion of subsidies at the post-secondary level. They want the promotion of price control on text books and vital school supplies. They want the promotion of job training opportunities and programs for future graduates.

They want the promotion of job creation and implementation of assistance programs. They want provisions of incentives for youths to improve themselves through better education and training. They want leniency by the Secretary of State toward students whose student loans are due and who cannot afford to repay them because they have no job.

Finally, they urge the Secretary of State to involve students in all policies that affect them and Canada.

IMMIGRATION

**Ms. Margaret Mitchell (Vancouver East):** Mr. Speaker, I rise to present a petition on behalf of many of my own constituents in Vancouver East and other very concerned citizens, particularly in the lower mainland of British Columbia.

The petitioners state that whereas they are concerned with many of the proposed amendments to the Immigration Act in Bill C-86, in particular they strongly oppose the provisions that allow decisions to be made retroactively which would cause many individuals and families who will already have relied upon an earlier decision to be affected in a serious manner.

Therefore they call upon Parliament and urge the government to withdraw these amendments.

HOUSING

**Mr. Mac Harb (Ottawa Centre):** Mr. Speaker, I join with my constituents in opposing the government's recent budget cuts in the area of housing.

There are approximately 164,000 tenant households looking for affordable and accessible housing. My constituents and I are asking this Parliament to urge the government to immediately reinstate all the social hous-

ing programs that were cut in the latest government budget.

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[Translation]

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

**Mr. Charles A. Langlois (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of State and Leader of the Government in the House of Commons):** Mr. Speaker, question No. 432 will be answered today.

[Text]

Question No. 432—**Mr. Stupich:**

With respect to the long term disability, LTD policy for public servants of National Life Assurance or Sun Life, for the last 10 years (a) what was the Treasury Board's and the employees' share of contribution (b) how much was paid out in disability income (c) how many employees were out of disability benefits after returning to work part-time (d) as employer, does the Treasury Board monitor the LTD program (e) how are discrepancies between the employees "deserved" benefits and "received" benefits dealt with (f) are all medical records and pertinent documents attached to the employees' file automatically available to them and, if so, what is the procedure (g) what is the average length of time someone is on LTD (h) what is the average LTD income expressed as a percentage based on the salary level at time of disability?

**Hon. Gilles Loiselle (President of the Treasury Board and Minister of State (Finance)):**

		Share	
a) Year	Employee	Employer	
1970	50 %	50%	
1989	33 1/3 %	66 2/3 %	
1990	25 %	75 %	
March 1993	15 %	85%	

  

b) Year	DI (\$000's)	L.T.D. (\$000's)
1982	\$ 31,054.8	\$ 5,180.3
1983	38,635.6	5,969.1
1984	45,954.8	6,771.5
1985	53,881.2	7,635.7
1986	61,571.7	8,878.6
1987	66,953.6	9,288.0
1988	73,195.6	9,980.1
1989	79,549.4	11,161.8
1990	85,190.7	12,383.7
1991	95,845.6	13,570.5