

Mr. MACINNIS: Is section 110 repealed?

Mr. CASTONGUAY: No, it stays as it is.

Mr. MACINNIS: Then you add—would you read it again?

The CHAIRMAN: It reads:

This Act shall come into force on the date on which it is assented to subject to section 110 of the Dominion Elections Act, 1938, provided that notwithstanding the said section 110, sections 2, 3 and 4 of this Act shall come into force upon the date on which it is assented to.

Now then, sections 2, 3 and 4 relate to the qualifications, the appointment of the Chief Electoral Officer and his staff; so, as I understand it, the purpose of section 48, is that upon the Act being assented to, certain work can be undertaken within three months. This has appeared in section 110, and sections 2, 3 and 4 of the Act.

Mr. FAIR: Section 110 comes into force in the regular way.

Mr. MACNICOL: What would be the Act? The Act would be the completed Election Act including the amendments we have made.

The CHAIRMAN: All right. The various sections which would come into effect are section 2, having to do with the appointment of the electoral officer; section 3, relating to his staff; and section 4 relating to the returning officers; so he can go to work on those parts immediately. Otherwise section 110 postpones everything. Would someone move? Would you move, Mr. Fair?

Mr. MACNICOL: I cannot find 110.

Mr. CASTONGUAY: It is section 110 of the present Act, of the 1938 Act.

Mr. FAIR: And you will find it at page 289 of the old Act.

The CHAIRMAN: Shall section 48 carry?

Carried.

Will the title carry?

We will leave the title until we get the other sections.

Mr. MACINNIS: We cannot deal with that until we deal with the others.

The CHAIRMAN: We will just allow section 2 to stand. It has to do with the appointment of the chief electoral officer; section 6, has to do with certain qualifications; and section 37, has to do with the business of advanced poll voting.

Now we have sent for Mr. Robinson, but so far we have not been able to find him.

Mr. MCKAY: I would move that we adjourn at this time and have Mr. Robinson here for 8.30. It is now 5.30.

The CHAIRMAN: I think that is a good idea. Are there any subjects to be brought up not covered by the bill?

Is there any discussion required on the Act not covered by the bill, not directly related to Bill 198, but having to do with the Dominion Election Act?

Mr. MCKAY: I understand that the Chief Electoral Officer will give consideration to the letter which I presented today.

Mr. LOCKHART: Sections 2, 6 and 37 are allowed to stand.

The CHAIRMAN: Sections 2, 6 and 37.

Mr. LOCKHART: You are doing a marvellous job, Mr. Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN: Well, we now stand adjourned until 8.30 tonight at which time we will hear from Mr. Robinson, and as soon as we have heard from him and have heard from the Chief Electoral Officer on Mr. McKay's point, we will adjourn. We won't enter into a discussion of the sections we have allowed to stand.

The committee to meet again at 8.30 p.m.