

In so far as the Ministry of the Solicitor General is concerned:

2. The Secretariat of the Ministry of the Solicitor General of Canada is involved in funding a range of activities from research and demonstration projects to preparation of kits or pamphlets to assist local groups. It has funded a number of workshops and conferences. In 1984, the Secretariat has contributed \$636,672 to assist battered wives.

Assistance is available to any community group either through consultative services, information services or funding.

3. Financial assistance is available to any community group, voluntary organization, or provincial department for experimental or demonstration projects for a maximum of three years. These projects develop or test new concepts in criminal justice and are usually funded in co-operation with the provinces and are administered by private agencies.

Core funding is offered through sustaining contributions or grants to national voluntary organizations in the criminal justice system.

FUNDING FOR SENIOR CITIZEN HOUSING

Question No. 236—**Mr. Howie:**

From January 1, 1984, what amount was loaned by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation for construction of senior citizens' residences?

Hon. Bill McKnight (Minister of Labour): I am informed by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation as follows:

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation provides direct loans, representing 75 per cent of the capital costs, of constructing housing projects, including senior citizens' residences, under Section 40 of the National Housing Act. It also provides 75 per cent of the yearly operating losses on these projects. In 1984, there were some 584 senior citizens' housing units built under this program. CMHC's share of the capital costs of these units is estimated to be \$20,470,576. CMHC's share of the first year's operating losses for these units is estimated at \$2,980,956. Operating losses on these projects are paid for a period of up to 50 years.

CMHC does not provide direct loans for the construction of housing projects, including seniors' residences, under the current non-profit and co-operative housing programs. However, CMHC provides mortgage loan insurance and subsidies for these housing units under these programs. In 1984, current records show CMHC insured loans totalling \$352,145,969 for the construction and/or acquisition of 7,062 non-profit and co-operative housing units for senior citizens. The subsidies to be paid by CMHC for the first year's operation of these units is estimated at \$29,937,507. Final records should be available shortly. These subsidies are paid over the length of the mortgage.

Under Section 44, NHA, CMHC can subsidize the operating losses on provincially-owned senior citizens' projects by 50 per cent. In 1984, there were some 254 senior citizens' housing units provided under this arrangement, all of which were in Ontario. CMHC's share of the first year's operating loss is

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estimated at \$1,069,935. Operating losses on these projects are paid for a period of up to 50 years.

In addition, under the rent supplement program (Section 44(1)(a), NHA) CMHC can provide a 50 per cent subsidy on operating losses on provincially-leased private rental projects. Rent supplement units approved in 1984 totalled some 689 units; however, the distribution between families and seniors has not yet been reported by the provinces.

As of January 24, 1985, there have been no commitments for senior citizens' housing projects in 1985 under any program.

[English]

Mr. Speaker: The questions as enumerated by the Parliamentary Secretary have been answered.

Mr. Dick: Mr. Speaker, I would ask that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

Mr. Speaker: Shall the remaining questions be allowed to stand?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

STATUTE LAW (CANADIAN CHARTER OF RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS) AMENDMENT ACT

MEASURE TO AMEND

The House resumed from Monday, April 1, consideration of the motion of Mr. Crosbie that Bill C-27, an Act to amend certain Acts having regard to the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, be read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs.

Mr. Speaker: Is the House ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: Question.

Mr. Speaker: The question is as follows: Mr. Crosbie, seconded by Mr. Hnatyshyn, moves that Bill C-27, an Act to amend certain Acts having regard to the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, be read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to, Bill read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs.