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Therefore I call on this government to stop playing footsie with Grant Devine on this issue and to start giving Saskatchewan's forests and the forest communities the support it has promised for so long.

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HEALTH CARE

Mr. Ross Stevenson (Durham): Mr. Speaker, medicare is the cornerstone of the social system, cherished by all Canadians. However few understand the actual cost of these excellent services, for example that it is much more expensive to treat minor health problems at hospital emergency wards rather than in doctors' offices.

In this age of computers we should provide everyone with a print-out showing the real cost of medical services received each year. Then we would have an informed public able to make more cost effective use of medicare, with resulting savings for all taxpayers.

We already get print-outs showing our Canada Pension entitlement. I urge the federal government and the provinces to give Canadians personal information about the actual cost of their medicare.

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COST SHARING PROGRAMS

Mr. Jim Jordan (Leeds—Grenville): Mr. Speaker, the recently announced \$80 million joint expenditure by the province of Quebec and the federal government should be looked upon as a positive step by all levels of government.

The 75-25 sharing arrangement to develop municipal roads, sewage and water facilities for industrial projects will be welcomed, I am sure, by the municipalities that benefit from it.

With a similar need for funds for regional development by municipalities in all provinces, it is hoped that the minister responsible will advise the House soon what the criteria are for provinces to apply for this assistance or tell us when similar cost sharing programs will be announced for other provinces.

The government is finally seeing the folly in its deindustrialization process and has taken a step in the right direction with Quebec, a step which should be repeated with all other provinces.

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GUN CONTROL

Mrs. Pierrette Venne (Saint-Hubert): Mr. Speaker, last week, the National Firearms Association sent me a copy of the book entitled "Armed and Female" by the American author Paxton Quigley. It advocates the use of firearms as the only effective means of self-defense for women. It also puts forward an American philosophy, of an armed society, which is far from what we want in Canada. Increasing the number of firearms is not the answer to the problem of violence against women.

By sending me this book, the management of the National Firearms Association show their true intention, which is to copy the Americans. In spite of the pressures of these lobbyists working for American arms manufacturers, I will keep asking for more severe gun control measures, knowing I can count on the support of over 500,000 Canadians.

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EASTERN ONTARIO ECONOMY

Mr. Don Boudria (Glengarry—Prescott—Russell): Mr. Speaker, the Hawkesbury Employment Center which serves my riding of Glengarry—Prescott—Russell just released the most recent statistics on unemployment in Glengarry—Prescott—Russell and the verdict is a condemnation of the economic policy of the government opposite. Based on these figures, the rate of unemployment in the Hawkesbury area, in my riding, is 16.6 per cent. It has never been this high, even during the global recession of 1982. Glengarry—Prescott—Russell, Prescott in particular, is in need of immediate help.

So, I call upon the government to develop an economic recovery plan for Eastern Ontario and the Hawkesbury area in particular.

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ENERGY

Mr. Ross Harvey (Edmonton East): Mr. Speaker, after just six months in power, the New Democratic Government of Ontario has already left the Mulroney Conser-