

The House resumed consideration in Committee of the Whole of a certain proposed resolution to establish a National Economic Development Board.

*(In the Committee)*

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved,—That it is expedient to introduce a measure to establish a National Economic Development Board and to define the duties thereof, to provide for the appointment of the chairman and other members of the Board and for the payment of the chairman's remuneration and of certain expenses of the members thereof, to provide further that the Board may engage the services of such advisers and staff as may be necessary to enable it to carry out its duties and to provide further for other related and incidental matters.

Resolution to be reported.

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The said resolution was reported and concurred in.

Mr. Churchill for Mr. Nowlan, seconded by Mr. O'Hurley, by leave of the House, presented Bill C-87, An Act to provide for the establishment of a National Economic Development Board, which was read the first time and ordered for a second reading at the next sitting of the House.

The Order being read for the second reading of Bill C-64, An Act to amend the Coal Production Assistance Act;

Mr. Martineau, seconded by Mr. Churchill, moved,—That the said bill be now read a second time.

And debate arising thereon; the said debate was interrupted.

[At 5.00 o'clock p.m., *Private Members' Business* was called pursuant to *Standing Order 15(3)*]

*(Notices of Motions)*

Item No. 13 having been called for the first time was allowed to stand.

Mr. Argue, seconded by Mr. Gordon, moved,—That, in the opinion of this House, the government should consider the advisability of providing comprehensive income payments to farmers in time of crop failure by giving consideration to amending the Prairie Farm Assistance Act so as to provide: (a) an increase in the schedule of payments as follows: (i) an increase in the maximum payment from \$4 per acre to \$8 per acre; (ii) an increase in the present \$3 per acre payment to \$6 per acre; (iii) an increase in the present \$2 per acre payment to \$4 per acre; (b) an increase in farmers' contributions from 1 per cent to 2 per cent; (c) an increase in the maximum cultivated acreage on which payments may be made from 400 acres to 600 acres; and should give consideration to the provision of other appropriate amendments required to assure adequate income support in time of crop failure.—(*Notice of Motion No. 14*).