Business of Supply

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

BUSINESS OF SUPPLY

CONSIDERATION OF SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES (B) 1968-69

Hon, Paul Hellyer (for the President of the Treasury Board) moved:

That supplementary estimate 12(b) Revised, relating to the Department of Labour, for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1969, presented to the house, Friday, February 28, 1969, be concurred in.

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the house to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. Members: On division.

Motion agreed to.

Hon. Paul Hellyer (for the President of the Treasury Board) moved:

That Supplementary Estimates (B) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1989, presented to the house Monday, February 24, 1969, less item 12(b) relating to the Department of Labour, be concurred in.

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the house to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

Hon. Paoul Hellyer (for the President of the Treasury Board) moved:

That Bill C-177, for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money for the public service for the financial year ending the 31st March, 1969, be now read the first time and printed.

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the house to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Speaker: When shall the said bill be read the second time?

Some hon. Members: Now.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): By leave.

Mr. Speaker: By special order made February 24, 1969, now.

Hon. Paul Hellyer (for the President of the Treasury Board) moved:

That Bill C-177, for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money for the public service for the financial year ending the 31st March, 1969, be read the second time and referred to a committee of the whole.

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the house to adopt the said motion?

[Mr. Speaker.]

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to, bill read the second time and the house went into committee thereon, Mr. Béchard in the chair.

The Deputy Chairman: In accordance with section 1 of Standing Order 75 the preamble and clause 1 of this bill must stand. Clause 2. Shall clause 2 carry?

On clause 2—\$222,254,283 granted for 1968-69.

Mr. Baldwin: Mr. Chairman, by virtue of an understanding which was reached this afternoon it was agreed that we should turn our attention in committee to the schedule and that a certain order would be accepted in dealing with it. It may well be that the house will want to get through the clauses of the bill but hopefully, as the minister is here to defend what some of us think is indefensible and as other hon. members are concerned with this matter, the committee might agree to direct its attention to the schedule and those items which come under the responsibility of the Minister of Transport in his capacity of dealing with housing.

Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale): Mr. Chairman, I wonder whether the most defensible course of action would not be to pass the first six clauses of the bill, then proceed with the schedule, and then by special agreement call the item under C.M.H.C. first, notwithstanding that it appears last. If the committee were agreeable perhaps we could pass all the other items in the schedule and call the housing item, or perhaps we could reverse the order of the schedule and deal with the C.M.H.C. item first after passing the first six clauses.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Chairman, I do not mind the little exercise in which the President of the Privy Council has engaged, but I think it would be more sensible if we allowed clauses 2 to 6 to stand and called the schedule and proceeded as we agreed with the housing items.

Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale): We did not agree to have them stand.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): I thought we had agreed to go directly to the schedule.

Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale): I thought we had agreed to move them and then go to the schedule and call the housing item first.