

all income taxes. I sometimes wonder whether Crown corporations are responsible for income taxes. Do they pay all the sales taxes that are applicable? Do they pay the excise taxes for which we are responsible, and other government levies for which private and public corporations are responsible?

This company, this proposed Crown corporation, should be expected to compete with private enterprise and with public corporations, but it is going to be put in a very favoured position. It is not going to have the same responsibility as other companies. In fact, in so far as the people are concerned, its responsibility is likely to be nil. It will not be fairly competitive.

I suggest that the minister and the government have not done sufficient homework to realize that the consequences of this bill are serious. They have not indicated what will be the long-term cost to the consumers and taxpayers of this country; and goodness knows, it is hard to get results from this government at the present time.

The reason for the amendment is reasonable, sensible, fair and practical. The reason for the bill is not reasonable; it is not practical and it is neither necessary nor sensible. I suggest that the minister should, in the public interest, realize now the serious difficulties and problems that will result from the enactment of this bill and which are unseen at this time. This bill does not really fill any need. On the contrary, it fires up an already fragile situation in our economy.

The government has been talking about government restraint, yet here they are forming another Crown corporation to spend our money inefficiently, possibly wastefully, and duplicating other expenditure. The evidence and presentations submitted by the members of the House indicate quite clearly that the minister should take further counsel and advice if he is willing to do so. The minister should consent now to add the proposed amendment. If he does not, then he should see the wisdom of withdrawing the whole bill here and now. Let us take heed, lest in passing this bill very grave and serious effects result, the consequences of which will have to be borne by Canadian taxpayers and consumers into eternity. Surely the minister cannot agree to pass a bill that is so unfair, so non-competitive, so needless and so useless. If this company cannot be competitive, then it should not exist.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Penner): Is the House ready for the question?

Some hon. Members: Question.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Penner): The question is on motion No. 4. All those in favour of the motion will please say yea.

Some hon. Members: Yea.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Penner): All those opposed will please say nay.

Some hon. Members: Nay.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Penner): In my opinion the nays have it.

And more than five members having risen:

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The Acting Speaker (Mr. Penner): Call in the members.

● (1250)

Following the ringing of the bells, Mr. Speaker assumed the chair:

Mr. Speaker: The question before the House is on motions Nos. 3 and 4.

Mr. MacLean: Mr. Speaker, in view of the time I have a suggestion to make in an attempt to accommodate the House so that we will not be delayed much beyond one o'clock. I think there may be general agreement that the vote which has been deferred be not a recorded vote but a voice vote. Then we could proceed to a recorded vote on motion No. 4, if that is agreeable to hon. members.

Mr. Speaker: Is there agreement to that suggestion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Speaker: The question, then, is on motion No. 3 in the name of the hon. member for Calgary Centre (Mr. Andre). All those in favour of the amendment will please say yea.

Some hon. Members: Yea.

Mr. Speaker: All those opposed will please say nay.

Some hon. Members: Nay.

Mr. Speaker: In my opinion the nays have it. I therefore declare the amendment lost.

Motion No. 3 (Mr. Andre) negatived.

Mr. Speaker: The question is on motion No. 4 in the name of the hon. member for York-Simcoe (Mr. Stevens).

The House divided on motion No. 4 (Mr. Stevens) which was negatived on the following division:

(Division No. 56)

YEAS

Messrs.

Alexander	Hargrave	McKenzie
Alkenbrack	Hees	McKinley
Andre	Hnatyshyn	McKinnon
(Calgary Centre)	Holmes	Munro
Balfour	Horne	(Esquimalt-Saanich)
Beatty	Huntington	Murta
Carter	Hurlburt	Neil
Clarke	Jarvis	Nowlan
(Vancouver Quadra)	Jelinek	Oberle
Coates	Jones	O'Sullivan
Cossitt	Kempling	Paproski
Crouse	Knowles	Patterson
Darling	(Norfolk-Haldimand)	Reynolds
Diefenbaker	Lambert	Ritchie
Dinsdale	(Edmonton West)	Roche
Ellis	Lawrence	Rynard
Elzinga	MacDonald (Miss)	Schellenberger
Epp	(Kingston and the	Smith
Fairweather	Islands)	(Churchill)
Forrestall	MacKay	Stanfield
Friesen	MacLean	Stevens
Gillies	Macquarrie	Stewart
Grafftey	Malone	(Marquette)
Hamilton	Marshall	Towers
(Qu'Appelle-Moose	Masniuk	Whiteway
Mountain)	Mazankowski	Whittaker
Hamilton	McCain	Wise
(Swift Current-	McCleave	Wooliams
Maple Creek)	McGrath	Yewchuk—74.