

The amendment is more than the expression of an abstract opinion on a matter which may necessitate a burden on the Treasury. It does not only assert an abstract principle. It goes as far as to say certain tax exemptions, the elimination of the sales tax, increases in family allowances, provisions for disabled adults and selective subsidies on food products be enacted during the present session.

One of my predecessors decided on February 20, 1936, that a motion requesting the Government to immediately introduce legislation granting retirement allowances to all citizens over sixty years of age was out of order because it involved an expenditure of money. His decision was sustained by the House and has now the validity of a standing order.

I do not see much difference between demanding an expenditure immediately and saying that the Cabinet should have given the assurance that legislation would be submitted during the present session whereby certain specific expenditures would have to be made.

The adoption of the amendment would be an order given to the House to increase expenditures and it is therefore an encroachment of the Governor General's prerogative to recommend expenditures.

The amendment is not in general terms and I have to rule it out of order.

From this ruling Mr. Low appealed to the House.

And the question being put by Mr. Speaker: Shall the Ruling of the Chair be sustained?—It was decided in the affirmative, on the following division:—

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Messrs.

Abbott,	Denis,	Hartt,	Matthews (Brandon),
Arsenault,	Dickey,	Hazen,	Maybank,
Baker,	Dion (Lake St. John-	Healy,	Mayhew,
Beaudoin,	Roberval),	Henderson,	Miller,
Beaudry,	Dionne (Beauce),	Howe,	Mitchell,
Belzile,	Dubois,	Ilsley,	Mullins,
Bertrand (Laurier),	Emmerson,	Isnor,	Mutch,
Bertrand (Prescott),	Eudes,	Jean,	Picard,
Black (Chateauguay-	Ferguson,	Jutras,	Pinard,
Huntingdon),	Fontaine,	King, Mackenzie	Reid,
Blanchette,	Fournier (Hull),	LaCroix,	Richard
Boivin,	Fournier (Maison-	Lafontaine,	(Gloucester),
Bonnier,	neuve-Rosemont),	Lalonde,	Richard (Ottawa
Boucher,	Gardiner,	Langlois,	East),
Bradette,	Gariépy,	Lapointe,	Ross (Hamilton
Breithaupt,	Gauthier (Nipissing),	Laurendeau,	East),
Brown,	Gauthier (Portneuf),	Leger,	St. Laurent,
Case,	Gibson (Hamilton	Lesage,	Smith (York North),
Church,	West),	McCann,	Stanfield,
Claxton,	Gingues,	McCulloch (Pictou),	Stephenson,
Cloutier,	Gladstone,	Macdonnell	Stuart (Charlotte),
Coté (Matapedia-	Golding,	(Muskoka-Ontario),	Tremblay,
Matane),	Gour (Russel),	McIlraith,	Tucker,
Coté (St. Johns-Iber-	Gourd (Chapleau),	McIvor,	Viau,
ville-Napierville),	Grant,	MacLean,	Warren,
Coté (Verdun),	Gregg,	MacNaught,	Weir,
Croll,	Hackett,	Maloney,	Whitman,
Cruikshank,	Hallé,	Marier,	Winkler,
Daniel,	Harris (Grey-	Marquis,	Winters—108.
Dechene,	Bruce),	Martin,	