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produce business profits without any guarantees that such tax benefits would result in new investment or job creation. For some time I have been concerned with the manner in which the Government is handing out moneys under both Summer Canada and the 1983-84 Canada Works program. I have made these views known to the Minister and I feel it is worth bringing them to the attention of the House.

The first part of my remarks will refer directly to the number of occasions when I, as a Member of Parliament, have intervened on behalf of individuals who have been trying to get either a loan from the Federal Business Development Bank or a mortgage from the Farm Credit Corporation. When we intervene on behalf of individuals in our ridings and deal with institutions such as the Federal Business Development Bank, we are told that the loan which a constituent wants does not fall under the terms of its mandate. When we go to the Farm Credit Corporation on behalf of farmers who, under the Liberals' high interest rate policy, have suffered severely, we find that it is out of funds.

Under the circumstances I find that I cannot agree with a program designed to give money on a donation-grant basis to profit-making enterprises on the basis that the events described in a Canada Works program application will produce jobs. That is my first objection to the method by which the Government hands out money under these programs.

My second objection is to the method by which the Government makes these programs available to the people in the riding. As far as I am concerned the advertising and information programs which tell a business firm in Simcoe North that it can or should apply under either the Canada Works or the Summer Canada Program is woefully inadequate. In my opinion, only the most extensive advertising campaign and effort to contact businesses in the riding would result in every business in my riding being in a position to apply for the programs. I am just not convinced that has been done. I have not seen enough in the way of advertisements. I do not believe there have been enough mailings to ensure that every business in my riding is on an equal footing. Therefore, I have two problems so far. First, I cannot get the loans under given programs, under a given institutional setup and, second, under the Canada Works and Summer Canada Programs, the advertising and information process is woefully inadequate.

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My third point is that the employees of Canada Manpower are the civil servants who determine which applications should be accepted and sent forward to the Minister for approval. I have interviewed the people in Canada Manpower in my riding of Simcoe North who make these decisions and I believe that in my particular case, although they mean well, Mr. Speaker, meaning well and being able to do well are two different things. In my opinion, the employees of Canada Manpower do not have the training and are not in a position to make value business judgments which I, after 25 years as both a chartered accountant and a lawyer, would hesitate to make. I do not doubt their sincerity, but I doubt their qualifications to make

those value judgments. I suggest to you, Mr. Speaker, that the Government is at odds with itself. In the former Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce the Government had qualified and trained civil servants in the field who were in a position to make these decisions. In my opinion, Mr. Speaker, as a result of the programs the Government has available to it, it has the qualified people from the former Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce to make these decisions. Unfortunately, those are not the employees or civil servants who are making the decisions. Instead, we have the Canada Manpower people who are not trained or qualified to make decisions whether any application will in fact produce jobs.

I would like to focus on that particular point for a moment. Will those applications under the Canada Works Program or under the Summer Canada Program in fact produce the number of jobs they say they will? I refer to an article published in The Globe and Mail between Christmas and New Year's wherein a report produced for the Ontario Development Corporation indicated that until 1979 the number of jobs created by loans was 39 per cent fewer than the number of jobs which the applications said would be created. In other words, Mr. Speaker, there is a very definite gap between the number of jobs which applications say will be produced and the number of jobs actually produced, according to the Ontario Development Corporation. They key difference between those Ontario Development Corporation applications and the applications we are dealing with here is that the Ontario Development Corporation lent money, whereas in fact under the Summer Canada and Canada Works Programs we are granting money. We are giving it away. I suggest to you, Mr. Speaker, and to Hon. Members of the House, that we are making a mistake when we simply grant money holus-bolus and depend upon that alone to create jobs. Those jobs will more likely be created, I suggest, if the moneys are given by way of a loan.

Something else which bothers me about the programs we have, Mr. Speaker, is that they do not appear to carry with them sufficient penalties to police a program effectively and return the money to the Government if the applicant fails to live up to the qualifications of the program. In fact, there are no penalties in the programs other than simply discontinuing the grant. Therefore, we have a situation where the Government is giving away money by way of grants with no penalties available to it under the process if in fact those jobs are not being created.

Let me deal for a moment with my position as a Member of Parliament. I suggest to you, Mr. Speaker, because of what I have said, that we—and I include all Hon. Members of the House of Commons—are placed in a difficult position, no matter what our political background. If a Member of Parliament approves one application over that of an applicant's competitor, we are placed in an untenable position. If an applicant in a certain field of business hears about a program and makes an application, and another applicant, or other applicants, do not hear about it, how can they be considered to be on an equal footing with the successful applicant? What is