

[Translation]

LEADER OF THE BLOC QUÉBÉCOIS

Mr. Jean-Guy Guilbault (Drummond): Mr. Speaker, I am surprised at Lucien Bouchard, the Leader of the Bloc Quebecois, and his attitude to the strike by PSAC members.

I wonder why he voted against the Public Sector Compensation Act? According to an article published in the Chicoutimi *Le Quotidien* on May 23 this year, the great defender of the interests of Quebecers received, in addition to his usual legal fees, more than \$250,000 from the Quebec government to impose a 20 per cent wage cut on teachers, nurses and all social sector employees, when he represented the employer for the PQ government in 1982-83.

Mr. Speaker, the government is taking a very serious approach to the deficit and government spending. This public sector wage restraint program is part of our economic recovery plan, and it also applies to ministers, senators and members of this House.

So far, six provinces have followed our lead by introducing a wage freeze in the provincial public section.

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[English]

CANADA HEALTH ACT

Mr. Jim Karpoff (Surrey North): Mr. Speaker, the provincial ministers of health and the federal minister of health at their meeting in Winnipeg reaffirmed their commitment to a partnership among federal, provincial and territorial governments for a universal health care system.

They have called upon the federal government to ensure stable future funding and to uphold national standards as set out in the Canada Health Act. This act specifically prohibits user fees.

However, the two provinces that did not attend the conference, Quebec and British Columbia, are the two provinces which are promoting user fees.

I call upon the minister of health to inform Quebec that he will proceed immediately under the Canada Health Act to penalize Quebec for Bill 120 which imposes user fees in emergency wards.

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He should also inform the premier of the province of British Columbia who has been advocating user fees that he will not accept user fees in that province.

All Canadians, regardless of where they live, must be assured of universal, accessible health care.

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MONT TREMBLANT SKI RESORT

Mr. Jacques Vien (Laurentides): Mr. Speaker, on September 11, I attended a special evening to mark the purchase of the Mont Tremblant ski resort by Intrawest, a group from Vancouver.

This group is a major Canadian resort developer and also operates the Blackcomb ski resort in British Columbia. The purchase represents an investment of several million dollars, which will stimulate the economy of the region and consolidate the local market.

I would like to point out to the House that Intrawest, by focussing on the Laurentian area, made a very substantial investment. The Laurentians are a vacation paradise, and our region is attractive to entrepreneurs looking for a good business investment because of its potential for growth and development. Intrawest's investment is a case in point.

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[English]

MICOT

Mr. Peter L. McCreath (South Shore): Mr. Speaker, in the press today there were three reports concerning Mr. Glen Kealey's Micot project in Hull.

Looking at a translation of one news item by Telemedia reporters, Yves Bellavance and Carole-Marie Alard, I read that according to testimony and correspondence of ex-employees of Mr. Kealey, Mr. Kealey ordered the falsification—I repeat, falsification—of his company's accounting books.

It would appear that in order to avoid embarrassing explanations about the company's performance in the project presumably by his associates and investors, Mr. Kealey ordered the falsification of his accounting books.