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immediately following an election.

The Chief Electoral Officer shall, if he so deems fit, call upon any person or persons or organizations participating in elections, for a complete return of all money received or expended, and failure to comply with such request shall make such persons or organizations subject to the penalties provided in the Act.

If at any future time after due inquiry it is found that facts regarding political campaign funds have not been submitted to the Chief Electoral Officer, such individual or organization shall be guilty of contravention of the Act and be liable for the penalties provided for.

The Chief Electoral Officer, upon receiving information of a breach of the provisions of the Act or having knowledge of any contravention, shall have power to institute such proceedings as are deemed necessary and at such places where the contraventions have occurred."

This motion having been discussed, and several members of the Committee having suggested that the matter should be considered further in conjunction with a general revision of the Election Act, the following amendment was moved by Mr. McPhee and carried unanimously, viz:

"That the Chairman report to the House that the Committee has had under consideration a report made by the subcommittee appointed to make certain enquiries into the election machinery of this country in comparison with other countries as well as the amendments proposed by Mr. Mitchell to the Election Act relative to publicity of contributions to political parties, and having in view that there will be a general revision of the Election Act at the next Session of this Parliament, that said report and proposed amendments be filed and referred to the Committee appointed at the next Session to deal with the general revision of the Act".

For the convenience of members of the Committee, the Clerk was instructed to furnish them with mimeographed copies of a draft Report embodying the above Resolution as well as copies of Mr. Mitchell's Resolution and of the Subcommittee's Report.

The Committee then adjourned to meet at the call of the Chair.

Clerk of the Committee.