

In return for commitments to performance, managers receive increased administrative flexibility and delegation. They enjoy greater freedom of action to serve Canadians better and to adapt more quickly to changes in client needs.

Five agencies are now in place. Nine others are in the final stages of preparation and they are producing results. For example, the government telecommunications agency has succeeded in offering a credit of \$8.5 million to departments. The government is actively seeking opportunities to extend the application of the agency model.

Departmental managers will be accountable for the services delivered and for bottom line costs in a way they have not been to date.

The Veterans Independence Program administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs will improve service to clients and minimize the administrative burden. This will involve prepaying entitlements and asking clients to submit their expenditure claims only once and at the end of the year.

Revenue Canada Taxation has already introduced no calculation tax forms for individuals whose returns are relatively straightforward. A similar saving in time and cost will result from the introduction of the new T-2 short tax form for businesses.

I have one last closing remark. As hon. members can appreciate, the innovations that I have just described mean that money taxpayers have entrusted to the government—and that forms part of the Main Estimates—will be spent with care and will buy increasingly more efficient services that Canadians can depend on.

• (2200)

[Translation]

Madam Deputy Speaker: It being ten o'clock, it is my duty, pursuant to Standing Order 81(16), to interrupt

Supply

the proceedings and to put forthwith every question necessary to dispose of the supply proceedings.

The first vote is on the motion for concurrence. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some hon. members: No.

Some hon. members: Agreed.

Madam Deputy Speaker: All those in favour of the motion will please say yea.

Some hon. members: Yea.

Madam Deputy Speaker: All those opposed will please say nay.

Some hon. members: Nay.

Madam Deputy Speaker: In my opinion the nays have it.

And more than five members having risen:

Madam Deputy Speaker: Call in the members.

The House divided on the motion, which was agreed to on the following division:

(Division No. 218)

YEAS

Members

Anderson	Andre
Atkinson	Attewell
Belsher	Bernier
Bertrand	Bird
Bjornson	Blackburn (Jonquière)
Blais	Bosley
Boyer	Browes
Cadieux	Cardiff
Chadwick	Charest
Chartrand	Clark (Yellowhead)
Clark (Brandon—Souris)	Cole
Couture	Danis
DeBlois	de Cotret
Della Noce	Desjardins
Dick	Domm
Dorin	Duplessis
Edwards	Epp
Feltham	Ferland
Fontaine	Friesen
Gibeau	Gray (Bonaventure—Îles-de-la-Madeleine)
Greene	Gustafson
Halliday	Harvey (Chicoutimi)
Hawkes	Hicks
Hogue	Holtmann
Horner	Horning
Hughes	Jacques
James	Johnson
Joncas	Jourdenais
Kempling	Koury
Langlois	Larrivée
Layton	Littlechild
Loiselle	Lopez
MacDonald (Rosedale)	MacDougall (Timiskaming)
Marin	Martin (Lincoln)
Masse	Mazankowski
McCreath	McDermid
McDougall (St. Paul's)	McKnight
McLean	Merrithew
Monteith	Moore
Nicholson	Oberle
O'Kurley	Paproski