

REPORT TO THE HOUSE

Tuesday, July 13, 1976

The Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections has the honour to present its

TWELFTH REPORT

In accordance with its Order of Reference of Friday, October 4, 1974 your Committee has considered the subject matter of Section 16 of the House of Commons Act, Chapter H-9, R.S.C. 1970, dealing with the Nomination of the Commissioners of Internal Economy.

Your Committee is of the opinion that the Government should consider the advisability of amending the said Section in order to make the meaning of the expression "Privy Council" more precise.

A copy of the relevant Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence (Issues Nos. 24, 32 and 48) is tabled.

Respectfully submitted,

Le président

ROD BLAKER

Chairman

RAPPORT À LA CHAMBRE

Le mardi 13 juillet 1976

Le Comité permanent des privilèges et élections a l'honneur de présenter son

DOUZIÈME RAPPORT

Conformément à son Ordre de renvoi du vendredi 4 octobre 1974, votre Comité a étudié l'objet de l'article 16 de la Loi concernant la Chambre des communes, chapitre H-9, S.R.C. 1970, traitant de la nomination des commissaires à l'Économie interne.

Votre Comité est d'avis que le gouvernement devrait examiner l'opportunité de modifier ledit article afin de rendre plus précise la signification de l'expression « Conseil privé ».

Un exemplaire des procès-verbaux et témoignages s'y rapportant (fascicules n^{os} 24, 32 et 48) est déposé.

Respectueusement soumis,

Mr. Speaker (Honourable West) moved...

M. Lacombe (Liberal) moved...

That in the opinion of the Committee the expression "Privy Council" as it appears in Section 16 should be interpreted to include Members of the House of Commons who are Privy Counsellors but not necessarily members of the Cabinet and that the Committee recommends the Government consider the advisability of amending the said Section when the House is considering appointments to the Commission of Internal Economy.

After debate thereon the question being put on the motion it was by a show of hands, unrecorded, YEAS 23, NAYS 7.

When upon the Chairman voted in the negative.

Mr. Colbourne moved...

That in the opinion of the Committee the expression "Privy Council" as it appears in Section 16 should be interpreted to mean the "Cabinet".

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Mr. Flynn moved...

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