

Supply

A measure has been enacted to place the crown in substantially the same position as a private person with respect to liability for acts committed by its servants, for breach of duty arising out of ownership or occupation of property, and for salvage claims, and also to confer upon the provincial courts jurisdiction concurrent with that of the Exchequer Court of Canada to entertain certain classes of claims.

You have made provision for the renewal of taxation agreements with the provinces; and new agreements have been made with the governments of nine of the provinces.

You revised and greatly improved the legislation respecting the financial administration of the government of Canada, the audit of public accounts and the financial control of crown companies.

At the present session you enacted a measure to regulate co-operative credit societies incorporated by parliament for the purpose of operating in more than one province.

You have approved revisions of the Civil Service Superannuation Act; the Food and Drugs Act; and the trade marks legislation.

Legislation respecting payment to rural mail carriers has been revised.

Amendments were also made to the Farm Improvement Loans Act, the Prairie Farm Assistance Act, the act to protect the coastal fisheries, the Fisheries Research Board Act, the Prisons and Reformatories Act, the Canada Evidence Act, the Judges Act, the Canada Shipping Act, the Trans-Canada Air Lines Act, the Canadian Overseas Telecommunication Corporation Act, the Territorial Lands Act, the Trust Companies Act and the Loan Companies Act.

Members of the House of Commons:

I thank you for making provision for all essential services including our national defence and our external obligations.

Honourable Members of the Senate:

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As this parliament concludes its labours, I pray that Divine Providence may continue to bless this nation and our beloved Queen and to help us secure a lasting peace.

This concluded the seventh session of the twenty-first parliament.

[The following items were passed in committee of supply]:

DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT

408. To provide for the expenses incurred by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation in constructing and supervising construction of married quarters, schools and related services on behalf of the Department of National Defence, \$700,000.

Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation—

541. To provide for advances to Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation for the purposes of subsection one of section 34 of the National Housing Act, 1944, in respect of housing projects for veterans, and housing projects at Gander, Newfoundland, for sale or rental, \$3,300,000.

General—

727. To provide for the restoration of the special account in the consolidated revenue fund established by section 35 of the National Housing Act by the amount paid out of the special account during the fiscal year 1952-53 in respect of:

(a) Preliminary expenses incurred under enabling agreements with provincial governments, \$5,840.

(b) Loss on housing project operation during the fiscal year 1952-53, \$5,636—\$11,476.

Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation—

763. To provide for the restoration of the special account in the consolidated revenue fund established by section 35 of the National Housing Act by the amount paid out of the special account in respect of housing and land development projects undertaken jointly with the governments of the provinces during the fiscal year 1952-53, \$9,000,000.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

A—Department—

162. Departmental administration, \$391,601.

163. Remission service, \$113,176.

164. Administration of justice—miscellaneous expenditure, including expenses of litigated matters, \$21,200.

Supreme Court of Canada—

165. Administration, \$180,137.

Exchequer Court of Canada—

166. Administration, \$100,925.

Yukon Territorial Court—

167. Administration, \$13,675.

168. Construction or acquisition of buildings, works, land and new equipment, \$6,000.

Other courts—

169. Payments of gratuities to the widows or other dependents of judges who die while in office, \$20,000.

Combines Investigation Act—

170. Restrictive trade practices commission, \$82,150.

171. Office for investigation and research, \$279,059.

172. Bankruptcy Act administration, \$37,525.

173. Northwest Territories—administration of justice, \$62,460.

174. Yukon Territory—administration of justice, \$59,830.

General—

175. To provide for the revision, classification and consolidation of the public general statutes of Canada, \$104,395.

B—Penitentiaries—

176. Administration of the office of the commissioner of penitentiaries, including \$35,000 for grants to recognized prisoners' aid societies, as may be approved by the governor in council, \$346,452.

177. Operation and maintenance of penitentiaries, including supplies and services relating thereto; administration, operation, repair and upkeep of buildings, works and equipment; maintenance, discharge and transfer of inmates; compensation to discharged inmates permanently disabled while in penitentiaries, \$8,218,403.

178. Construction, improvement and new equipment, including provision for the establishment and construction of a new institution in the province of Quebec for the confinement and reformation of federal prisoners, \$1,315,724.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police—

409. General administration, \$376,144.

Land services—arising out of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Act, enforcement of federal statutes generally and other incidental expenses—

410. Operation and maintenance, \$26,398,424.