Chapter 11. Employers Involvement in Training: The Canada **Manpower Industrial Training Program**

The Committee recommends that a substantially increased Increased proportion of total training funds be used to purchase courses for funds for adults to receive skill training in an industrial or working environment because training-in-industry can swiftly be adapted to page 94. demands of the labour market. At the same time the Committee recognizes that institutional training will continue to be required for certain skills which are better taught in the classroom and for upgrading basic educational qualifications for employment.

The Committee recommends the preparation of a pilot train- Institutional ing project to explore the potential of private industry to give training in industry trainees institutional style courses combining practical experience with the theoretical background. Such institutional training in industry might be commissioned on the basis of a review of competitive tenders submitted by interested employers.

The Canada Manpower Training Program now absorbs 63 Control of exper cent of total expenditures of the Manpower Division. The penditures on Committee recommends that strict control of any future expansion be exercised to ensure that this program is more directly related to the provision of immediate opportunities for employment than it appears to be at present. The justification for any future expansion should be fully explained to Parliament in the Annual Report of the Department.

To offset increases in the cost of mounting courses the Division must concentrate on improving the effectiveness of present manpower training. Courses offered should be relevant to the needs of the economy. This is most likely to result if more manpower training takes place away from formal training institutions, on the job site using the capacity of employers to provide courses.

PART IV:

JOB CREATION

Chapter 12. Job Creation Programs

The Committee recommends continuance of the Student Student Manpower Centres because they provide a placement facility for Manpower Centres students seeking holiday employment as well as assisting employ-supporteders who require seasonal workers. It also supports the public page 102. relations programs designed to encourage employers to provide jobs for students.

The administration of the Local Initiatives Program has been Annual improved to the point where it has become a useful technique for reassessment reducing the adverse effects of seasonal unemployment. The Com-