

The Hon. the Speaker: Let the doors to the chamber be locked.

Motion negated on the following division:

YEAS

THE HONOURABLE SENATORS

Asselin	Macquarrie
Atkins	Murray
Balfour	Nurgitz
Barootes	Phillips
David	Robertson
Doodly	Spivak
Doyle	Tremblay—15.
Flynn	

NAYS

THE HONOURABLE SENATORS

Anderson	Leblanc
Argue	(<i>Saurel</i>)
Buckwold	McElman
Cools	Neiman
Cottreau	Olson
Davey	Pitfield
De Bané	Rizzuto
Fairbairn	Robichaud
Frith	Stanbury
Gigantès	Steuart
Guay	(<i>Prince Albert-</i>
Haidasz	<i>Duck Lake</i>)
Hébert	Turner
	Watt—24.

ABSTENTIONS

THE HONOURABLE SENATORS

Nil

The Hon. the Speaker: Let the doors be opened.

MOTION IN AMENDMENT NEGATED

Hon. Nathan Nurgitz: Honourable senators, with respect to the main motion for a message to the Commons, I move, seconded by the Honourable Senator Tremblay:

That the motion be amended by striking out all the words after the words "that House" in the second line of the first paragraph and replacing them by the following:

"that notwithstanding that the Senate has, on 21st April, 1988, authorized the proclamation of an amendment to the Constitution in the terms of the following

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Schedule, the Senate does not oppose a proclamation of an amendment in the terms of the Resolution adopted by the House of Commons on 26th October, 1987, if the House should adopt again the same resolution in the same terms."

● (1610)

The Hon. the Speaker: It is moved by the Honourable Senator Nurgitz, seconded by the Honourable Senator Tremblay:

That the motion be amended by striking out all the words after the words "that House" in the second line of the first paragraph—

Hon. Royce Frith (Deputy Leader of the Opposition): Dispense!

The Hon. the Speaker: Is it your pleasure, honourable senators, to adopt the motion in amendment?

Senator Frith: No.

Senator Flynn: Yes.

The Hon. the Speaker: Will those honourable senators who are in favour of the motion please say "yea"?

Some Hon. Senators: Yea.

The Hon. the Speaker: Will those honourable senators who are against the motion please say "nay"?

Some Hon. Senators: Nay.

The Hon. the Speaker: In my opinion, the "nays" have it. *And two honourable senators having risen.*

The Hon. the Speaker: Please call in the senators.

Senator Frith: Honourable senators, if it is agreeable to my friends opposite, we would accept the previous vote's being applied to this motion in amendment.

Hon. Lowell Murray (Leader of the Government and Minister of State for Federal-Provincial Relations): No, no! These are two entirely different propositions. I do not see how the Deputy Leader of the Opposition can presume that all of his colleagues will necessarily vote against the amendment that has been proposed by Senator Nurgitz. This is a very important amendment, and if my friends opposite vote against it they will find themselves in direct opposition to the position taken by their counterparts in the House of Commons.

Senator Frith: Honourable senators, I make no more presumptions than the Leader of the Government does, who apparently is making the presumption that there will not be the same vote on his side either. So, if any honourable senators wish to disagree with either the Leader of the Government's presumption or what he thinks is my presumption, they can do so. However, I take it that—

Senator Murray: I want the fans of John Turner to have an opportunity to stand up.