

Mr. HELLYER: It is to facilitate the working of the capitalistic private enterprise system as we know it, and to maintain that system. There is some question as to whether the Act, as presently set up, actually does that or whether it is, in some cases, a bit of a millstone around the neck of the system.

The CHAIRMAN: Mr. MacGregor, would you care to make any remarks?

Mr. K. R. MACGREGOR (Associate Superintendent of Insurance): I might make the comment, sir, that the Governor of the Bank of Canada has had these proposals before him for the last six months and also the Deputy Minister of Finance, and we have met both of those officials on several occasions to discuss these proposals, and so far as I know, they are completely in accord with the measures put forward here. I know of no objection, in any event, from either the governor of the Bank of Canada or the Deputy Minister of Finance—certainly they offered none in our discussions.

Mr. Low: Mr. Chairman, Mr. MacGregor is aware, of course, of a remark made recently in a speech by Mr. Coyne in which he urged some change of attitude on the part of the Canadian people towards investments. Now, one of the difficulties, he sees, and all of us see, is that development of resources will not go forward unless people become resource-minded. We have come to the point in Canada where everybody with money to invest wants to get in on a sure thing. A 3-per cent government bond they look upon as a sure thing and, as a result, the development of resources is not going forward as we would like to see that development go forward. I am supporting the request made by Mr. Hellyer that we do call one of the leading banking officials to give us something on section 9.

The CHAIRMAN: Are you ready for the question? The motion is that the consideration of section 9 stand until Mr. Coyne, Mr. Graham Towers or Dr. Clark be called to give evidence. All those in favour of the motion?

Carried.

Section 10:

Mr. HARRIS: May I just make one suggestion there. One of the best investments that life insurance companies can make, in my opinion, would be to invest some of their funds in hospital work and prolong the life of the present generation so they would insure their premiums as they go along. I hope they will take that to heart.

The CHAIRMAN: Shall section 10 carry?

Carried.

Shall section 11 carry?

Carried.

Shall section 12 carry?

Carried.

Shall section 13 carry?

Carried.

Shall section 14 carry?

Carried.

Mr. MACDONNELL: Could I ask a question on 14 (b)—

“redeemable security” means a security for a fixed term and which is redeemable at the end of that term at a specified value.

Does that mean that a security is redeemable at a certain price before the end of the term? Is that the meaning?

Mr. MACGREGOR: The intention there, sir, is to eliminate perpetual bonds and shares. The definition is for use in connection with amortized values and it