

**Mr. Gustafson:** I wouldn't count on it.

**Mr. Nystrom:** I am sure it will. The Hon. Member for Assiniboia agrees. The Hon. Member for MacKenzie (Mr. Scowen) agrees. I hope Conservatives will listen because when they were in opposition they complained about Liberals wasting money and not fulfilling the regulations of the various programs. The brochure on the SEED program states, and I quote:

SEED jobs will provide practical work experience to enhance the student's future employability or will relate to a field of study or future career.

This program is supposed to enhance the student's future employability and to relate to a field of study or future career. I would like to refer to some of the applications which have been approved under the SEED program and ask the House whether or not we want to spend the taxpayers' money, which we must borrow, to fund programs to enhance students' careers in this way.

I have an application which is being approved for a retail company in Richmond, British Columbia, to provide 15 jobs in Saskatchewan. Of course, we want summer jobs for students but what kind of jobs? This application is for 15 store clerks in the province of Saskatchewan. How is store clerk going to enhance his or her future employability or career? It seems to me if we are going to have a program designed to enhance the employability of students and to build one's career, they should be provided with jobs which are more relevant to their future. But here is a company which will receive a wage subsidy to employ 15 store clerks in the province of Saskatchewan.

I have another application here from a company called Peavey Industries Limited in Red Deer, Alberta.

**Mr. Lewis:** I rise on a point of order, Mr. Speaker. The Hon. Member has on occasion accused Ministers of making public information which should be private. I wonder if he would like to reconsider having read into the record the name of an applicant for Government funding which I do not believe is normally made public.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** That is a matter for debate as far as the Chair is concerned.

**Mr. Nystrom:** With great respect, I think the Chair has reason. We can go either way on that one, Mr. Speaker, but I will continue. Peavey Industries is in Red Deer, Alberta. It has received some money under the SEED program to hire nine sales clerks in Saskatchewan. Is that what the Minister of Employment and Immigration wanted to do in establishing this program for students in 1986? I have another application for funds to hire a farm labourer. In this particular case it is a farmer hiring his son to work on the farm. I just wonder whether that meets the criteria of the program.

I will read once again what the Minister tells us the program should be.

Summer Employment/Experience Development (SEED) provides wage subsidies to stimulate employers from all sectors to create jobs for students that would not otherwise be available. Under SEED, students in all parts of Canada will

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have job opportunities which will benefit their future labour market participation as well as assist them in the continuation of their studies.

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Most of these applications call for clerks, farm workers, waitresses, waiters, labourers and so on. There are all kinds of jobs which need to be done but I do not feel those kinds of jobs meet the criteria of the Minister of Employment and Immigration.

I have another example of an application from someone in a small business. He will receive a subsidy to hire his daughter for the summer as a clerk in his store. I have another applicant who has gotten a project approved, and there is no job title or description whatsoever. It is just one big question mark as to what this money is being used for. I have another application by a pharmacy which will receive money to hire two clerks in a store. A town will receive a grant to hire one clerk in a store. Another pharmacy will receive money to hire one clerk in a pharmaceutical store. There is another pharmaceutical business which will receive money to hire two clerks, and another pharmaceutical which will receive money to hire one salesperson.

We can see what is happening here, Mr. Speaker. The summer program which is supposed to enhance the career and studies of students is being used by a number of pharmacies and companies to hire someone to work for the summer. They are using it strictly as a subsidy and saving themselves money, as well as taking away a full-time job from someone.

I have another application from a multinational company, International Minerals and Chemical Corporation, which is well known around this continent. It is receiving a grant to hire 13 labourers, 13 helpers and four others, for a total of 30 people. Another company is receiving a grant to hire a labourer. Another company in Estevan, which I think is in the riding of the Hon. Member for Assiniboia, is receiving some money to hire a waitress.

**Mr. Lewis:** Are you against jobs in Estevan?

**Mr. Nystrom:** I have an application for money to hire a grocery clerk, and another to hire a labourer. We can go on and on through all the application forms and we will find that time and time again the grants are going to provide jobs for clerks, cashiers, stock persons, waitresses, yardmen and things of that sort.

**Mr. Gustafson:** Real jobs.

**Mr. Nystrom:** What I am saying is that we are borrowing money to finance this program and the Minister of Employment and Immigration is saying in her own brochure that the objective of the program is one which will enhance the student's future employability and will relate to a field of study or future career. That is the objective of the program. It seems to me that some of these applications are really questionable in terms of whether or not they meet the objective of the program. There are all types of other programs which we could have put in place to hire farm labourers, clerks, waitresses and