

Some hon. Members: Question.

● (2050)

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some hon. Members: Yes.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): No.

Mr. Speaker: Those in favour, please say yea.

Some hon. Members: Yea.

Mr. Speaker: Those opposed, please say nay.

Some hon. Members: Nay.

Mr. Speaker: In my opinion the yeas have it.
And more than five members having risen:

Mr. Speaker: Call in the members.

The House divided on the motion (Mr. Lang) which was agreed to on the following division:

(Division No. 51)

YEAS

Messrs.

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| Abbott | Fleming | Marshall |
| Allard | Flynn | Martin |
| Allmand | Foster | McCain |
| Andres | Gauthier | McGrath |
| (Lincoln) | (Ottawa-Vanier) | McIsaac |
| Appoloni (Mrs.) | Gendron | McKinley |
| Baker | Gillespie | McRae |
| (Gander-Twillingate) | Goodale | Milne |
| Baker | Gray | Morin (Mrs.) |
| (Grenville-Carleton) | Guay | Muir |
| Baldwin | (Lévis) | Munro |
| Béchar | Hamilton | (Hamilton East) |
| Blais | (Qu'Appellé-Moose | Pearsall |
| Blaker | Mountain) | Pelletier |
| Boulangier | Hamilton | (Hochelaga) |
| Breau | (Swift Current- | Philbrook |
| Caccia | Maple Creek) | Pinard |
| Cadieu | Hargrave | Raines |
| Cafik | Herbert | Reid |
| Campagnolo (Mrs.) | Hnatyshyn | Richardson |
| Campbell | Isabelle | Roberts |
| (LaSalle-Émard-Côte | Jarvis | Robinson |
| Saint-Paul) | Johnston | Roche |
| Caron | Kaplan | Rooney |
| Chrétien | Kemping | Roy |
| Clark | Lachance | (Laval) |
| (Rocky Mountain) | Lajoie | Schellenberger |
| Clarke | Lang | Schumacher |
| (Vancouver Quadra) | Langlois | Scott |
| Collenette | Laniel | Sharp |
| Comtois | Lawrence | Smith |
| Crouse | Lessard | (Saint-Jean) |
| Cullen | Loiselle | Stanfield |
| Cyr | (Chambly) | Stevens |
| Danson | Loiselle | Stewart |
| Darling | (Saint-Henri) | (Marquette) |
| De Bané | Lumley | Stewart |
| Demers | MacDonald | (Cochrane) |
| Dionne | (Cardigan) | Tessier |
| (Northumberland- | MacEachen | Towers |
| Miramichi) | MacFarlane | Watson |
| Douglas | MacKay | Whelan |
| (Bruce-Grey) | MacLean | Wise |
| Drury | Marceau | Woolliams |
| Duclos | Marchand | Yanakis |
| Dupras | (Kamloops-Cariboo) | Yewchuk |
| Ethier | | Young—114. |

Salaries Act

NAYS

Messrs.

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| Benjamin | Firth | Peters |
| Dionne | Fortin | Rodriguez |
| (Kamouraska) | Hogan | Saltsman—10. |
| Douglas | Knowles | |
| (Nanaimo-Cowichan- | (Winnipeg | |
| The Islands) | North Centre) | |

● (2130)

Mr. Speaker: I declare the motion carried. Accordingly, the bill stands referred to the Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs.

Bill read the second time and referred to Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs.

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SALARIES ACT

AMENDMENT TO INCREASE SALARIES OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNORS

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council) moved that Bill C-24, to amend the Salaries Act, be read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Estimates.

Mr. Speaker: It is the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. Members: Carried.

Mr. Sharp: Mr. Speaker—

Some hon. Members: Filibuster.

Mr. Sharp:—the purpose of this bill is to recognize the continuing importance in our constitutional system of the functions discharged by lieutenant governors of the provinces by raising their salaries to a more appropriate level and at the same time to remove the differences that now prevail.

One of the legacies of history in connection with this ancient and honourable institution is that salaries were permitted to vary from province to province in accordance with such factors as population differences and the burdens of office arising therefrom.

In fact all provinces are equal in a constitutional sense and the functions of a lieutenant governor in one province are, for constitutional purposes, as important as those in any other province; the differences in burdens of office arising from such factors as variations in population should be recognized in other ways.

Lieutenant governors' salaries now range from a high of \$20,000 in Ontario and Quebec to a low of \$16,000 in Prince Edward Island.

This bill proposes that lieutenant governors' salaries in each of the ten provinces be fixed at \$35,000, which appears, in the light of other responsible public functions and the salaries attached to them, to constitute reasonable remuneration, and at the same time applies the principle of uniformity to which I have already referred.