

Hon. Mr. Turner: I suggest that it is not a question of half a loaf or a loaf. I think the senator is getting a full loaf, but he does not like the baker.

The Acting Chairman: Senator Croll, would you move the amendment in the form in which we have before us.

Senator Croll: Yes. I move that on page 36, strike out subclause (2) of clause 36 and substitute therefor the following:

"(2) Where the amount of the compensation adjudged under this Part to be payable to a party to any proceedings in the Court under section 29 in respect of an expropriated interest does not exceed the total amount of any offer made under section 14 and any subsequent offer made to such party in respect thereof before the commencement of the trial of the proceedings, the Court shall, unless it finds the amount of the compensation claimed by such party in the proceedings to have been unreasonable, direct that the whole of such party's costs of and incident to the proceedings by paid by the Crown, and where the amount of the compensation so adjudged to be payable to such party exceeds that total amount, the Court shall direct that the whole of such party's costs of and incident to the proceedings, determined by the Court on a solicitor and client basis, be paid by the Crown."

The Acting Chairman: That is seconded by Senator Urquhart. All those in favour of the amendment?

Senator Choquette: I would like to ask a question of the minister. I have already intimated that I am not pressing any amendment. Why is it that under a similar act in Ontario an application to court is necessary to extend the time for making an offer? Why is it not necessary under this act, and why is it left to the discretion of the minister? Is there any special reason for that?

Hon. Mr. Turner: Because under the Ontario act they do not have to pay interest if they get the time extended.

The Acting Chairman: Are you ready for the motion, honourable senators?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

The Acting Chairman: Shall I report the bill as amended?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

Senator Hayden: I move that we adjourn.

The Acting Chairman: Thank you, honourable senators. Thank you, Mr. Minister.

The Committee adjourned.