

**Hon. Lloyd Axworthy (Minister of Employment and Immigration):** Madam Speaker, the Government of Canada has been continually interested in promoting development of an economic base upon which full-time work can be created. We have had a number of investments in the housing industry, in research and development, in new technology, and in new training programs, all to ensure that we provide a framework within which the private sector can develop an ongoing, stable, and active economy.

In the meantime, we are saying that, because of the world-wide recession that we are a part of, we must provide bridging assistance to help those who are laid off, who do not have jobs, or who have run out of UI benefits. That is why we have introduced programs, such as the NEED Program and the Canada Community Development Program. The Hon. Member refers to temporary versus full-time employment. But what we consider important is to provide the opportunity for people to have jobs, whatever label you put on it, and that is what we are trying to do.

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## GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES

### IMPLEMENTATION OF RESTRAINT PROGRAM

**Mr. S. J. Korchinski (Mackenzie):** Madam Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Finance. The Minister is charged with the responsibility of promoting the six and five program, but he is promoting it to the point where he is having it apply to pensioners? Has the Minister sought and received the total co-operation of all Ministers and Departments to implement this program, particularly where Government funding applies to projects either taken alone or in conjunction with other Governments or private enterprise?

[Translation]

**Hon. Marc Lalonde (Minister of Finance):** Madam Speaker, I received the support and the co-operation of all my hon. colleagues for implementation of the 6 and 5 policy. It has the support of all ministers and of the entire caucus on this side of the House, and I would even say of all Canadians, and I hope that the Hon. Member himself will also continue to support this policy.

● (1200)

[English]

### SALARIES OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT OFFICERS

**Mr. S. J. Korchinski (Mackenzie):** Madam Speaker, my supplementary question is for the Minister of Employment and Immigration. Why, under the Community Development Projects, has the Minister allowed salaries for project managers to go over 41 per cent above the average levels that were in effect last year, which has the effect of reducing the number of projects which can be undertaken? As well, it works out on the

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average from 30 per cent to 50 per cent of the funds going to the project managers and not employing as many people.

**Hon. Lloyd Axworthy (Minister of Employment and Immigration):** Madam Speaker, I would think that the answer to that question would be obvious. The normal salary range that we provide under the Canada Community Development Projects, is the prevailing provincial minimum wage with a variable of approximately 20 per cent. However, because many of these projects are engaged in fairly skilled light construction work in the development of municipal services or facilities, they require the addition of some skilled personnel to provide supervision and management. In order to engage those people to provide the over-all accountability for that program, or to provide specialized training for those on the projects, a slightly higher stipend must be paid to do it. That is why we provide that different rate.

The average wages which are paid are around \$200 a week, based on the minimum wage. It is only the managers or supervisors who must provide the over-all direction for a project who receive a larger stipend.

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## PETITIONS

### MR. GREENAWAY—PREVENTION FROM PROFITING FROM CRIME

**Madam Speaker:** I have the honour to inform the House that the Clerk of the House has laid upon the Table the three hundred and forty-fifth report of the Clerk of Petitions stating that he has examined the petition presented by the Hon. Member for Cariboo-Chilcotin (Mr. Greenaway) on Thursday, December 2, 1982, and finds that the petition meets the requirements of the Standing Orders as to form.

## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

### COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE

#### STANDING ORDERS AND PROCEDURE—PRESENTATION OF FOURTH REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE

**Mr. Thomas H. Lefebvre (Pontiac-Gatineau-Labelle):** I have the honour to present the fourth report of the Special Committee on Standing Orders and Procedures—

[Translation]

—in French and in English, Canada's two official languages.

[English]

#### REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT—PRESENTATION OF SIXTH REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

**Mr. Maurice Harquail (Restigouche):** I have the honour to present the sixth report of the Standing Committee on Regional Development—