

To ensure that temperature of all public buildings does not fall below 5° Celsius.

and, if so, has the government implemented the recommendation and, if not, for what reason?

Hon. Donald J. Johnston (President of the Treasury Board): See reply to question No. 1,291 answered this day.

Question No. 1,306—Mr. Herbert:

Is the government aware of the recommendation by the Special Joint Committee on Employer-Employee relations in the Public Service in a report to parliament in February 1976 as follows:

That the President of the Privy Council, upon the recommendation of the Public Service Staff Relations Board, acting on his own initiative or upon application, may refer a dispute or difference between employer and employee that exists or is apprehended to exist to an inquiry commission for investigation and report to the President of the Privy Council.

and, if so, has the government implemented the recommendation and, if not, why not?

Hon. Donald J. Johnston (President of the Treasury Board): See reply to question No. 1,291 answered this day.

Question No. 1,307—Mr. Herbert:

Is the government aware of the recommendation by the Special Joint Committee on Employer-Employee relations in the Public Service in a report to parliament in February 1976 as follows:

That when parliament is dissolved, the governor-in-council be empowered to suspend the right to strike, whenever in its opinion a strike is adverse to the public interest.

and, if so, has the government implemented the recommendation and, if not, for what reason?

Hon. Donald J. Johnston (President of the Treasury Board): See reply to question No. 1,291 answered this day.

Question No. 1,308—Mr. Herbert:

Is the government aware of the recommendation by the Special Joint Committee on Employer-Employee relations in the Public Service in a report to parliament in February 1976 as follows:

That the general principle of collective bargaining law governing the Public Service of Canada is sound and the rights granted should not be withdrawn merely to overcome inconvenience.

That the bargaining agents, subject to the conditions of the statute and the recommendations to follow, continue to be able to choose arbitration or conciliation-strike, as the method of dispute resolution.

That there is a need for additional procedural and substantive amendments to the law governing the collective bargaining relationship, and more appropriate remedies for unlawful activity.

and, if so, has the government implemented the recommendation and, if not, for what reason?

Hon. Donald J. Johnston (President of the Treasury Board): See reply to question No. 1,291 answered this day.

Question No. 1,309—Mr. Herbert:

Is the government aware of the recommendation by the Special Joint Committee on Employer-Employee relations in the Public Service in a report to parliament in February 1976 as follows:

That certain revisions to the Public Service Employment Act be made immediately to allow the Public Service Commission to operate efficiently under the present statute and that the Public Service Commission, after consultation with the bargaining agents and the employer, develop proposals for such revisions.

That parliament consider the proposed changes to the Public Service Employment Act as soon as possible, bearing in mind their relationship to changes recommended in the Public Service Staff Relations Act.

and, if so, has the government implemented the recommendation and, if not, for what reason?

Hon. Donald J. Johnston (President of the Treasury Board): See reply to question No. 1,291 answered this day.

Question No. 1,310—Mr. Herbert:

Is the government aware of the recommendation by the Special Joint Committee on Employer-Employee relations in the Public Service in a report to parliament in February 1976 as follows:

That a special task force be established to review the Public Service Employment Act and the role of the commission in personnel management and employer-employee relations in the Public Service; and

That the review include an examination of the role assigned the Public Service Commission and its relationship to the Treasury Board secretariat and the Public Service Staff Relations Board.

That the review entail a study of the relationship of the Public Service Commission and the departments and agencies; and consider the development of an audit system for performance accountability with respect to matters delegated to departments and agencies under the Public Service Employment Act.

and, if so, has the government implemented the recommendation and, if not, for what reason?

Hon. Donald J. Johnston (President of the Treasury Board): See reply to question No. 1,291 answered this day.

PROGRAMS—RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCES

Question No. 1,311—Mr. Schellenberger:

1. Are any programs which are designed to promote the use of renewable energy resources underway in the (a) Department of Energy, Mines and Resources (b) Department of Public Works, apart from PASEM and PUSH (c) Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (d) Department of Agriculture (e) Department of Supply and Services (f) National Research Council and, if so, in each case, what is the (i) name of the program (ii) budget?

2. Are reports available for any or all of the programs?

Mr. David Collette (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): In so far as the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources is concerned:

1. (a) Yes

(i) Program	(ii) Budget
Forest Industry Renewable Energy (F.I.R.E.) Program	\$104 million over five years