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programs. I certainly want a lengthy explanation of that before we proceed to do anything else.

I cannot refer to the debates of the other place in this regard. However, as I read the remarks of the senator who sponsored the bill he did not mention anything about this particular aspect. He just talked about one company being incorporated under provincial law and the other one being incorporated under federal law.

**Mr. Macaluso:** You should read what it says on page 143 about reinsurance.

**Mr. Howard:** Perhaps my hon. friend would be kind enough to pose his remark in the form of a question so that I can understand it.

**Mr. Macaluso:** My hon. friend should read the second column, half way down on page 143, just before the translation where it says:

—the requested powers are required so as to enable each of the companies to be able to reinsure coverages written by the other.

**Mr. Howard:** My hon. friend has transgressed the rules. He has referred to a debate in the other place. Good heavens! Had the hon. member been listening he would have heard me say that I could not refer to the debates of the other place. I could not refer to the point I have raised even if I wished to. The debates are silent on this matter. The matter I am talking about is the extinguishing of the operation of the so-called provincial company. The debates in the other place do not cover that at all. They do not even mention that situation.

The sponsor of the bill stated that it was the intention of Income Life Insurance Company, incorporated under the Ontario law, to cease operation, relinquish its charter and conduct all its business under a company to be incorporated by Bill No. S-11. This raises an extremely interesting point.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Order, please. The time allotted to the hon. member has expired.

**Mr. Arnold Peters (Timiskaming):** Mr. Speaker, I was not here when the hon. member introduced his bill and therefore I am not aware whether he read the remarks in the debates of the other place credited to Senator McDonald. I am of the opinion that this is one bill on which there should have been a great deal more detail than has been provided with regard to some other bills which have been recently introduced in this house.

We have seen bills recently introduced for church purposes which have gone into extensive detail in 70 or 80 clauses, the effect being to allow the bodies incorporated to engage in a wide diversity of businesses and interests. The purposes of this company have been encompassed in ten sections, two or three of which are stock clauses taken from the form that insurance company bills are advised to follow.

I understand this company is a provincial company already in operation but which wishes to extend its operations into the national field through a federal charter. It will be seen that the provincial company has acquired considerable capital. I presume such capital will be transferred or in some other way brought into the company before us in this bill. As soon as \$1,750 is subscribed with Income Life Insurance Company a general meeting can be held and a board of directors can be elected. There is also a provision for a capitalization of \$1,736,800, which amount must be subscribed and paid.

I am not sure whether this company will continue operating in the field previously covered by the provincial charter. A large amount of money obviously has to be put up by the provincial company. It obviously will be put up, making this company self-owned. It will be no different except that it will operate under a federal charter as well as under a provincial charter.

A number of things strike me as being odd about this company. One is that incorporation is being sought by two insurance executives and a trust executive. These three men, I presume, are the senior executives of the company proposed to be incorporated. They are also the same individuals who are connected with the second incorporation which is for a company to work in close association with this one.

We are asked to incorporate Income Life Insurance Company of Canada. I do not know whether they are running out of names. There are thousands of these companies established and it may be there are no names left. I wish the sponsor had indicated why this company wants to be called the Income Life Insurance Company. At first glance the name would indicate that this company is going into a new field, that of providing protection for income. Yet nowhere in the bill do I find an indication that the company does intend to offer this type of insurance.