Time Allocation

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): Order, please. The Hon. Member for Western Arctic (Mr. Nickerson).

Mr. Dave Nickerson (Western Arctic): Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for recognizing me at this point in time. According to my calculations, I have two minutes in which to register my indignation that for the fifteenth time this Government has used closure during this single session of Parliament.

The reasons on this particular occasion are ones which we cannot possibly condone. The explanation given by the Minister of National Health and Welfare (Miss Bégin) was that she had heard enough from Opposition Members of Parliament, that in her consideration there was no necessity for debating the matter any longer. I remind the Minister that it is not up to her to decide whether debate has gone on a sufficient length of time. These matters are covered by the Standing Orders of the House of Commons. They are for no one individual to decide.

I was disappointed with the presentation by the Hon. Member for Vaudreuil (Mr. Herbert). He proposed that we have a permanent system of closure in this House, that once a Bill is presented, it automatically be subject to the guillotine, that it automatically be cut off. It is my submission that three and a half days is not sufficient time to debate this issue, namely, the hidden policy in this Bill which is the end of universality. Unless we are prepared to accept and condone the tyranny of the majority, as the Hon. Member for Bow River (Mr. Taylor) so succinctly put it, we must vote against closure on this occasion when it is so completely unwarranted.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): Order, please. It being 5:03 o'clock, the two hours provided for the consideration of the motion now before the House, under the provisions of Standing Order 82, have expired. Accordingly, under the terms of the Standing Order, it is my duty to interrupt the proceedings and put every question necessary to dispose of the motion.

Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Some Hon. Members: No.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): All those in favour of the motion will please say yea.

Some Hon. Members: Yea.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): All those opposed will please say nay.

Some Hon. Members: Nay.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): In my opinion, the nays have it

And more than five Members having risen:

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): Call in the Members.

The House divided on the motion (Miss Bégin) which was agreed to on the following division:

(Division No. 284)

YEAS

Messrs

Appolloni (Mrs.)	Erola (Mrs.)	Leduc
Axworthy	Ethier	Lefebvre
Bachand	Evans	Lumley
Beauchamp-Niquet	Ferguson	MacBain
(Mrs.)	Fisher	MacGuigan
Bégin (Miss)	Fleming	Mackasey
Berger	Flis	MacLaren
Blais	Foster	MacLellan
Blaker	Fox	Malépart
Bloomfield	Frith	Maltais
Bockstael	Garant	Marceau
Bossy	Gauthier	Massé
Breau	Gendron	Masters
Burghardt	Gimaïel	McCauley
Bussières	Gourd	McRae
Caccia	(Argenteuil-Papineau)	Nicholson (Miss)
Campbell (Miss)	Gourde	Olivier
(South West Nova)	(Lévis)	Ostiguy
Campbell	Gray	Ouellet
(LaSalle)	Harquail	Parent
Campbell	Henderson	Pelletier
(Cardigan)	Herbert	Pepin
Chrétien	Hervieux-Payette	Peterson
Collenette	(Mrs.)	Pinard
Comtois	Hopkins	Portelance
Corbin	Hudecki	Prud'homme
Cosgrove	Irwin	Regan
Côté (Mrs.)	Isabelle	Reid
Cousineau	Ittinuar	(Kenora-Rainy Rive
Cullen	Johnston	Roberts
Daudlin	Kaplan	Rompkey
Dawson	Kelly	Rossi
De Bané	Killens (Mrs.)	Roy
de Corneille	Lachance	Schroder
Demers	Lajoie	Smith
Deniger	Lalonde	Tardif
Dingwall	Lamontagne	Tessier
Dion	Landers	Tobin
Dionne	Lang	Tousignant
(Chicoutimi)	Laniel	Trudeau
Dionne	Lapointe	Turner
(Northumberland-	(Charlevoix)	Veillette
Miramichi)	Lapointe	Watson
Dubois	(Beauce)	Yanakis-121.
Dupont	LeBlanc	

NAYS

Messrs.

Althouse	Crosby	Halliday
Andre	(Halifax West)	Hamilton
Baker	Crouse	(Qu'Appelle-Moose
(Nepean-Carleton)	Dantzer	Mountain)
Beatty	Darling	Hargrave
Blackburn	Deans	Hawkes
Blenkarn	de Jong	Hnatyshyn
Bosley	Domm	Huntington
Bradley	Ellis	Jarvis
Broadbent	Elzinga	Kempling
Carney (Miss)	Epp	Kilgour
Clark	Fennell	King
(Yellowhead)	Forrestall	Kristiansen
Clarke	Fraser	Kushner
(Vancouver Quadra)	Fretz	Lambert
Cook	Friesen	La Salle
Cooper	Fulton	Lewis
Corbett	Gamble	MacDonald (Miss)
Cossitt (Mrs.)	Gass	(Kingston and the Islands
Crosbie	Greenaway	MacDougall
(St. John's West)	Gustafson	MacKay