

Canada Lands Surveys Act

2. Yes. (a) Four contracts with McGill University. (b) 1973-1974, \$74,937; 1974-1975, \$54,671; 1975-1976, \$19,988; 1976-1977, \$4,994. (c) N/A (laboratory research only).

[English]

Mr. Goodale: Mr. Speaker, I ask that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

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MEASURE TO AMEND CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ACT

The House resumed consideration of the motion of Mr. Lang (for Mr. Gillespie) that Bill C-4, to amend the Canada Lands Surveys Act, be read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on National Resources and Public Works.

Mr. Maurice Dupras (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): Mr. Speaker, when the House rose for lunch at one o'clock today I was trying to indicate some of the feelings of my compatriots across the country with regard to the nomenclature of some of the Crown corporations and agencies, and I indicated that there was no sinister intention in calling the new bill the Canada Lands Surveys Act. In fact, this has been the name of the act since 1952, by amendment.

[Translation]

The title of this law is not new; since 1952, through an amendment, it has been changed to Canada Lands Surveys Act. My colleague from Bellechasse (Mr. Lambert) recalled the valuable services rendered by land surveyors who obtained their certificate through a period of apprenticeship while on the job. The great contribution of these men has been to complete the documents on surveying in Canada. My colleague from Timiskaming (Mr. Peters) was wondering if there had not been any violation of Indian territories by giving a favourable presumption to the Canada Lands Surveyor, that is, by allowing him, under the law, to pass through their territory to conduct his work. Indians have expressed very little resistance to this type of activity and I do not believe this new legislation will create any problems.

I would not want to extend the debate on this bill. Therefore, without minimizing its scope, I understand an agreement has been made among party leaders so that the three stages of the bill will take place in the House and consideration in committee could take place in committee of the whole. My colleagues might accept this arrangement and proceed to consideration of the bill in committee of the whole.

[English]

Mr. Paproski: It is so agreed, Mr. Speaker.

[Mr. Fleming.]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Ethier): Perhaps the House would allow me to read the questions to be raised on the adjournment motion.

PROCEEDINGS ON ADJOURNMENT MOTION

[English]

SUBJECT MATTER OF QUESTIONS TO BE DEBATED

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Ethier): Order. It is my duty, pursuant to Standing Order 40, to inform the House that the questions to be raised tonight at the time of adjournment are as follows: the hon. member for Winnipeg South Centre (Mr. McKenzie)—Veterans Affairs—Deer Lodge Hospital—Request for report and negotiations with Manitoba for transfer; the hon. member for Grenville-Carleton (Mr. Baker)—Public Service—Request for investigation of dismissal of Jirvan Shah; the hon. member for Cape Breton-East Richmond (Mr. Hogan)—Transport—Rail service in Atlantic region—Extension of subsidy to all recommended passenger services.

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The Acting Speaker (Mr. Ethier): Hon. members have heard the proposal made by the hon. member for Labelle (Mr. Dupras). Is the House agreed that the bill be referred to committee of the whole rather than to the Standing Committee on National Resources and Public Works?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to, bill read the second time and the House went into committee thereon, Mr. Ethier in the chair.

Clauses 1 to 42 inclusive agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill reported.