

Motion No. 5, and then the Parliamentary Secretary to the President of the Privy Council (Mr. Evans) would make a proposal regarding amendment No. 9 which is also by agreement. Then there is a form of amendment which has been screened for drafting by the Department of Justice. It will represent the consensus of the House to increase the number of Parliamentary Secretaries by four but it eliminates any question of appointments in the other place. To that extent we have agreed.

● (1710)

The House will then move to third reading, there will be a few remarks at that stage and then we hope we can see the clock at six o'clock.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for the Hon. Member for Edmonton West (Mr. Lambert) to withdraw Motions Nos. 4 and 6?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion No. 4 and Motion No. 6 (Mr. Lambert) withdrawn.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: The question is on Motion No. 5. All those in favour of the motion, please say yea.

Some Hon. Members: Yea.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: All those opposed to the motion, please say nay.

Some Hon. Members: Nay.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: In my opinion the nays have it.

Mr. Lambert: On division.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: I declare the motion negated on division.

Motion No. 5 (Mr. Lambert) negated.

Mr. John Evans (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council) moved:

That Bill C-152 be amended in Schedule 1 by adding immediately after item 4 thereof, the following item:

"5. Canagrex Act 1980-81-82-83, c. 152

Paragraph 4(3)(c) is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

"(c) one from the Department of External Affairs.""

and by renumbering the subsequent items accordingly.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion (Mr. Evans) agreed to.

Mr. Evans: Mr. Speaker, I am sure that if you sought the unanimous consent of the House you would find that there is a disposition to allow me to waive notice and, at report stage, introduce the following motion:

Government Organization Act, 1983

That clause 25 of Bill C-152 be amended by striking out lines 21 to 40 on page 10 and substituting the following:

1978-79, c. 13, s. 31

"25. Subsection 2(2) of the Parliamentary Secretaries Act is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

Maximum number

"(2) There shall not be appointed more Parliamentary Secretaries than the number of Ministers who hold offices for which salaries are provided in sections 4 and 5 of the Salaries Act.""

The purpose of this, as the Hon. Member for Edmonton West (Mr. Lambert) had indicated, is to allow for the increase in the number of Parliamentary Secretaries, as the Government has asked. It would reflect the view of the House that appointments to the post of Parliamentary Secretary occur only from the ranks of Members of the House of Commons and not from the other place.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Is the House ready for the question?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: All those in favour of the motion, please say yea.

Some Hon. Members: Yea.

Motion (Mr. Evans) agreed to.

Hon. Monique Bégin (for Mr. Trudeau) moved that the Bill be concurred in.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: When shall the Bill be read the third time? Pursuant to Order made Monday, October 24, 1983, now.

Hon. Monique Bégin (for Mr. Trudeau) moved that the Bill be read the third time and do pass.

Mr. Pinard: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. If there is unanimous consent, we would agree that this motion be adopted without debate and that we call it six o'clock.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: It is the understanding of the Chair that two Hon. Members wish to be recognized for brief statements at this point. The Parliamentary Secretary to the President of the Privy Council (Mr. Evans) and the Hon. Member for Edmonton West (Mr. Lambert) wish to be recognized.

Mr. John Evans (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, I had prepared a text for third reading but I think we have heard a great deal today. During report stage comments were made that were really third reading speeches. We heard remarks to the effect that certain Members of the Opposition felt that this was an unnecessary change to Government organization. I would strongly disagree with that. I think the reorganization is very seriously needed.

The Hon. Member for Esquimalt-Saanich (Mr. Munro) referred to certain difficulties, and the Hon. Member for