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FEDERAL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT BANK

Question No. 633—**Mr. Mazankowski:**

Does the Federal Business Development Bank perform a merchant-banking role and, if so, in 1983 (a) how many (i) small businesses utilized the bank's services (ii) financial packages did the bank arrange and what was the dollar value of those packages (b) what amount, if any, did the bank collect in fees for its services and what was the cost of providing those services (c) in how many companies did the bank participate as an equity partner or short-term holder of stock options and what was the net profit or loss on these equity transactions?

Hon. David Smith (Minister of State (Small Businesses and Tourism)): Yes, the Federal Business Development Bank (FBDB) does perform a merchant banking role, pursuant to its new mandate and, in 1983:

(a) (i) 51 small businesses utilized its services. (ii) 18 financial packages were arranged and the dollar value of these packages was \$6,165,000; 19 were under consideration; 14 were abandoned after investigation found that financing was not required or the bank was not able to arrange financing.

(b) \$70,055 in fees was collected and the cost of providing those services was \$55,958.

(c) The bank participated in 10 companies as an equity partner or short-term holder of stock options. No net profit or loss can be reported because none of these equity transactions were sold during the year.

ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Question No. 639—**Mr. Stewart:**

In the fiscal year 1983-84, what amount was budgeted for the Enterprise Development Program (EDP)—Part 1?

Hon. Ed Lumley (Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion): For the fiscal year 1983-84, an amount of \$85,103,000 was budgeted. However, since the Enterprise Development Program (EDP) is one of the programs which has been subsumed by the new Industrial and Regional Development Program (IRD), project applications could no longer be accepted under the Enterprise Development Program (EDP) as of September 15, 1983.

LAWYERS EMPLOYED BY DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Question No. 648—**Mr. Howie:**

In each of the last two preceding fiscal years, were any lawyers employed by the Department of Justice and, if so, how many and in each case what was the total expenditure related to their remuneration?

Financial Administration Act

Hon. Mark MacGuigan (Minister of Justice): The number of lawyers employed by the Department of Justice in fiscal years 1981-82 and 1982-83 and their total remuneration were as follows:

	Number of Lawyers	Total Salary
1981-82	538	\$22,005,000
1982-83	577	\$25,380,000

[English]

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

Mr. Speaker: The questions as enumerated by the Parliamentary Secretary have been answered. Shall the remaining questions be allowed to stand?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[Translation]

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION ACT

MEASURE TO AMEND

Hon. André Ouellet (for the President of the Treasury Board) moved that Bill C-24, An Act to amend the Financial Administration Act in relation to Crown corporations and to amend other Acts in consequence thereof, be read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Estimates.

He said: Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to have this opportunity to introduce on behalf of the President of the Treasury Board (Mr. Gray), a Bill which, needless to say, is an important piece of legislation. We hope that this Bill will provide the new and comprehensive framework we need to provide for authority, control and accountability with respect to federal Crown corporations.

As the House is aware, the need for such a framework was mentioned in 1977 in the Blue Book of the Privy Council Office, which, at the time, suggested a number of legislative measures, as did the Bill on Crown corporations tabled in 1979 by the Government then in power, and finally, the policy statement and Bill presented by our Government in 1982, and again in 1983 in Bill C-153.

In establishing the formula provided in the present Bill, the Government was able to use to good advantage the views expressed by all Hon. Members on the subject, and especially the reports presented by the Public Accounts Committee, by the Auditor General and by the Lambert Commission, the