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or disposed of at such places in the harbour as may be assigned by the Board.

(3) Every encumbrance, obstruction, nuisance, or possible cause of danger or damage, in contravention of the provisions of this section, may be removed by the Board at the risk and expense of the person who so contravenes such provisions."

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DIRECT AND GUARANTEED DEBT

Question No. 2,582-Mr. Mather:

- 1. What was the total of the federal government's outstanding direct and guaranteed debt at the end of May 1967, May 1968, and May 1969?
- 2. What was the cost in each of those years of interest and other public debt charges?
- 3. If statistics are available indicating the outstanding direct and guaranteed debt of the provinces and the annual cost thereof, what are the totals for the same periods?

Hon. E. J. Benson (Minister of Finance): 1. As published in Bank of Canada Statistical Summary:

| 1967 | \$21,286 | million |
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| 1968 | 21,763 | million |
| 1969 | 23,171 | million |

2. As determined from the government's regular monthly statement of financial operations:

| 1967 | \$ 1,119 | million |
|------|-------------|---------|
| 1968 | 1,339 | million |
| 1969 | 1,507 | million |

3. Gross amount of provincial direct and guaranteed bonds outstanding as at December 31 is published in the Supplement of the Bank of Canada statistical summary. These amounts were as follows:

as at December 31, 1966: \$13,410 million as at December 31, 1967: \$15,484 million as at December 31, 1968: not yet available

The corresponding figures for May 1967, 1968 and 1969 are not published. The annual costs of the direct and guaranteed debt of the provinces are not available.

INFORMATION SERVICE—DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES

Question No. 2,583-Mr. Robinson:

- 1. Does the Department of Fisheries provide an information service and, if so, what was the cost for each of the years 1960-68 inclusive?
- 2. How many publications and/or periodicals and/or information sheets and/or public releases were provided by the Department for each of the

years 1960-68 inclusive, and what was the cost of each publication for each of the years 1960-68 inclusive?

3. How many copies of each publication are provided and to whom are they distributed and how is the distribution effected?

Mr. E. F. Whelan (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Fisheries and Forestry): 1. Yes. Expenditures are as follows: 1960-61, \$188,-659; 1961-62, \$216,412; 1962-63, \$240,703; 1963-64, \$222,667; 1964-65, \$253,738; 1965-66, \$334,-029; 1966-67, \$421,469; 1967-68, \$531,037.

These figures represent total costs for supplies, services and salaries for both head-quarters and regional establishments.

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| 2. Title of Publication | Expenditures | | |
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| | 1966-67 | 1967-68 | |
| Fisheries of Canada and La Pêche (12 issues) | \$12,000 | \$15,000 | |
| Canadian Fish Culturist (2 issues) Canadian Fisheries Reports | 6,000 | 3,500 | |
| (2 issues) | 8,000 | 4,500 | |
| Annual Report | 7,000 | 5,500 | |
| Press Releases | 2,000 | 2,100 | |
| Consumer Publications | 14,000 | 17,000 | |
| Information Sheets | 12,000 | 18,000 | |
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Expenditures for the years 1960-65 are not available.

3. Fisheries of Canada, 6,200 English, 2,300 French copies; Canadian Fish Culturist, 3,500 copies; Canadian Fisheries Reports, 2,000 copies.

Distribution of the above publications is made by mail. They are sent to fisheries research institutions, universities, libraries, officials of fish and game departments, editors and representatives of trade organizations, Canadian embassies and trade commissioners, fishery training institutions, conservation magazines, fishermen, processors, industrial concerns, Members of Parliament and honourable Senators.

Press releases are distributed by hand and by mail to Canadian Press and to all Canadian daily and weekly newspapers, radio and television outlets, fishery magazines, Members of Parliament and other interested parties.

PROVISION OF INCENTIVES TO REHABILITATE PEOPLE ON WELFARE

Question No. 2,584-Mr. Robinson:

Will the federal government consider the feasibility of providing incentives to rehabilitate people from the welfare rolls of municipalities?

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