

THE SENATE

Thursday, November 25, 1982

The Senate met at 2 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers.

FARM LOANS INTEREST REBATE BILL (NO. 2)

FIRST READING

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that a message had been received from the House of Commons with Bill C-134, respecting rebates of interest on farm loans made under the Farm Credit Act.

Bill read first time.

Hon. H. A. Olson (Leader of the Government) moved that the bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading on Tuesday next, November 30, 1982.

Motion agreed to.

[Translation]

THE ESTIMATES, 1982-83

REPORT OF NATIONAL FINANCE COMMITTEE ON SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES (B) PRESENTED AND PRINTED AS AN APPENDIX

Hon. Fernand E. Leblanc: Honourable senators, on behalf of Senator Everett, I have the honour to present the report of the Standing Senate Committee on National Finance on supplementary estimates (B) laid before Parliament for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1983. I ask that the report be printed as an appendix to the *Debates of the Senate* and to the *Minutes of the Proceedings of the Senate* of this day and form part of the permanent records of this house.

The Hon. the Speaker: Is it agreed, honourable senators?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

(For text of report see appendix, p. 5060.)

[English]

Hon. Jack Marshall: Honourable senators, I have a question with regard to that report. Does the tabling of that report mean that the vote on the estimates for Veterans Affairs has been disposed of.

Senator Leblanc: Honourable senators, I was away when this matter was discussed. I understand, though, that the tabling of the report does not necessarily dispose of the estimates and that there can be future discussion. Senator Everett intends to speak to the report when he returns some time next week. Unfortunately, I can give you no more information because I was in London when these supplementary estimates were discussed in committee.

Hon. Royce Frith (Deputy Leader of the Government): Honourable senators, I think what Senator Marshall is concerned about is whether the presentation of the report of the Standing Senate Committee on National Finance forecloses his motion to refer that part of those estimates dealing with Veterans Affairs to the Standing Senate Committee on Health, Welfare and Science. My understanding is that it does not, but I think Senator Everett wishes to comment on the relationship between this report and Senator Marshall's motion respecting the Veterans Affairs expenditures.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this report be taken into consideration?

[Translation]

Senator Leblanc: Honourable senators, on behalf of Senator Everett, I move that the report be taken into consideration on Tuesday next, November 30, 1982.

Motion agreed to.

[English]

LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS

CHANGE IN COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Hon. William J. Petten, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 45(1)(i), moved:

That the names of the Honourable Senators Stollery and Cottreau be substituted for those of the Honourable Senators Giguère and Stanbury on the list of senators serving on the Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs.

Motion agreed to.

[Translation]

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Royce Frith (Deputy Leader of the Government): Honourable senators, I move, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 45(1)(g), that when the Senate adjourns today, it do stand adjourned until Tuesday next, November 30, 1982, at eight o'clock in the evening.

The Hon. the Speaker: Is leave granted, honourable senators?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.