

Lotteries

province, be picking up the greater portion of the \$100 million than, let us say, the eastern provinces?

Mr. Jelinek: Mr. Speaker, I always find it amazing that when we do something right we still get questioned and criticized for it. I just want to point out to the Hon. Member that it took the Liberal administration, the previous Government, about nine months to lose 46 million tax dollars on the Canadian Sports Pool Corporation. It took us the same amount of time to raise 100 million non-tax dollars. I just want to put that on the record to make it very clear.

In order to answer the Hon. Member more specifically, there is a formula that the Interprovincial Lottery Corporation has on behalf of the provinces as to what their share is in their contributions to the federal Government. In round figures, the Atlantic Provinces contribute approximately 5 per cent; Ontario contributes 32.7 per cent; Quebec contributes 26.65 per cent; and the western provinces contribute the rest, which is approximately 36 per cent.

Having said that, however, concerning this new agreement it will be up to the provinces and the Interprovincial Lottery Corporation to determine what the split is going to be. I am just guessing that it will be based on the same split by which the regular payments are made to this Government.

As far as the Hon. Member's other question is concerned, he knows full well that we have been working with the private sector and we have been looking at other areas of fund raising. We are convinced that the commemorative coin program, the first issue of which comes down this fall is going to raise at least \$50 million. As well, other matters are not only under review but under actual consideration at the present time. I hope that he will have the same type of confidence in me that he has had in this field and as I have.

Mr. Epp (Thunder Bay-Nipigon): Mr. Speaker, pursuing the matter of the private sector contributions, I would appreciate the Minister's clarifying the matter somewhat. The Calgary organizers are pursuing very actively the support of various sponsors and have in fact had some singular successes, particularly with the ABC Network in a very large payment for the rights, of which \$270 million, I take it, is coming to the organizing committee. What is the federal Government able to hold out to the private sector and how real do the chances seem to be that \$50 million, or possibly more, will have to be raised by that means?

Mr. Jelinek: Mr. Speaker, let me clarify. The fact of the matter is that I never said that the remaining portion was going to be coming from the private sector. What I said and what I repeat is that the private sector is one of the areas being considered as to where these funds could possibly come from. In fact, there is some discussion among some of our parliamentary committees of potentially raising funds from another source. I do not think that it would be prudent at this time to get into that matter just for the sake of trying to make sure that it comes forward.

As far as the private sector is concerned, I want to say what I have said on many occasions publicly, that the program that we hope to have in place before Christmas is one that is not going to compete against the Calgary organizing committee. We are not going to be looking for sponsors to the Olympics. We are going to look at other ways and means that are now being negotiated to raise funds not only for the Olympics but, more important, for future amateur sports programs.

Mr. Shields: I have one last question to the Minister. During the 1988 Winter Olympics in Calgary, will the Minister be commenting on the figure skating competitions?

● (1530)

Mr. Speaker: Order. A short question from the Hon. Member for Thunder Bay-Nipigon (Mr. Epp).

Mr. Epp (Thunder Bay-Nipigon): Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the Minister specifically whether or not the economic impact study which he cited in his statement will be tabled in the House.

Mr. Jelinek: Mr. Speaker, I apologize for not having answered that question. That impact study has perhaps not been tabled in the House, but it has been made public by the Department of Supply and Services. I am not sure whether or not I am in a position to table it. I know that the study has been made public. I would be very happy to make it available to the Hon. Member and if the Hon. Member would persist, my colleague, the Minister of Supply and Services (Mr. Andre), and I would look at the possibility of tabling it. However, it was made public some time ago.

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PETITIONS

LACK OF SAFETY IN SCARBOROUGH

Mrs. Pauline Browes (Scarborough Centre): Mr. Speaker, I would like to present a petition on behalf of a group of Canadian citizens residing in the St. David's Senior Citizens' Village and residents who live on or near Danforth Road and Trudelle Street. They wish to express their concern about the lack of safety on Danforth Road and Trudelle Street in the City of Scarborough.

Mr. Prud'homme: Why would they bring that here?

Mr. Speaker: Order. I do appreciate the Hon. Member's interest in the matter. However, might I suggest that in the future, petitions of that nature would more properly be tabled with the municipal council by the Hon. Member. That process might in fact achieve the purpose that is intended.

KIDS ACTION FOR PEACE

Mr. Barry Turner (Ottawa-Carleton): Mr. Speaker, I was presented a petition in my riding this morning signed by 17