

*Labour Adjustment Benefits*

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

Motion No. 13 (Mr. Caccia) agreed to.

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Ethier):** The question before the House is on Motion No. 14 standing in the name of the hon. member for Kootenay West (Mr. Kristiansen).

Is the House ready for the question?

**Some hon. Members:** Question.

• (1520)

**Mr. Caccia:** Mr. Speaker, on motion No. 14—

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Ethier):** Order. If I may interrupt, these two motions, Nos. 13 and 14, were grouped for debate. The debate has taken place, and the only matter remaining is for the question to be put to the House. Shall Motion No. 14 carry? All those in favour please say yea.

**Some hon. Members:** Yea.

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Ethier):** All those opposed, please say nay.

**Some hon. Members:** Nay.

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Ethier):** I declare the motion negated on division.

**An hon. Member:** No, five!

*And more than five members having risen:*

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Ethier):** Pursuant to Section (11) of Standing Order 75, the recorded division on the proposed motion stands deferred.

**Hon. Chas. L. Caccia (Minister of Labour):** moved:

Motion No. 15

That Bill C-78, an act to provide for the payment of benefits to laid-off employees and to amend the Canada Labour Code, be amended in Clause 16

(a) by striking out lines 20 to 24 at page 12 and substituting the following therefor:

"gratuities but excluding any worker compensation benefits or other disability payments, in respect of any office or employment continued or commenced after the commencement of such benefit, or

(ii) income from any business carried on by him, either alone or with others, that is continued or commenced";

(b) by striking out line 33 at page 12 and substituting the following therefor:

"sion or disability pension, under the *Canada Pension Plan* or";

(c) by striking out lines 1 to 5 at page 13 and substituting the following therefor:

"gratuities but excluding any worker compensation benefits or other disability payments, in respect of any office or employment terminated prior to the commencement of such benefit, or

(vi) income from any business carried on by him, either alone or with others, that is terminated"; and

(d) by striking out line 40 at page 13 of the French version and substituting the following therefor:

"d'un employé admissible, suspendre ou modifier, si elle".

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Ethier):** Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

Motion No. 15 (Mr. Caccia) agreed to.

**Hon. Chas. L. Caccia (Minister of Labour)** moved:

Motion No. 16

That Bill C-78, an Act to provide for the payment of benefits to laid-off employees and to amend the Canada Labour Code, be amended in Clause 18 of the French version by striking out line 43 at page 14 and substituting the following therefor:

[*Translation*]

"l'objet un employé, doit, par écrit, aviser ce dernier et".

Motion agreed to.

**Hon. Chas. L. Caccia (Minister of Labour)** moved:

Motion No. 17

That Bill C-78, An Act to provide for the payment of benefits to laid-off employees and to amend the Canada Labour Code, be amended in Clause 25 by striking out line 12 at page 19 and substituting the following therefor:

"section 13(2) or (3), is communicated to him, or".

Motion agreed to.

[*English*]

**Hon. Chas. L. Caccia (Minister of Labour)** moved:

Motion No. 18

That Bill C-78, an act to provide for the payment of benefits to laid-off employees and to amend the Canada Labour Code, be amended in Clause 29 by striking out lines 35 to 42 at page 20 and substituting the following therefor:

"29.(1) The Minister shall, as soon as possible after March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 each year, prepare a report on the administration of this act during the preceding three months, including a statement showing the number, during the three months, of applications under Sections 10 and 12 and of persons to whom labour adjustment benefits were paid and the"

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Ethier):** Shall Motion No. 18 carry?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

Motion No. 18 (Mr. Caccia) agreed to.

**Mr. Lyle S. Kristiansen (Kootenay West)** moved:

Motion No. 19

That Bill C-78, an act to provide for the payment of benefits to laid-off employees and to amend the Canada Labour Code, be amended in Clause 30

(a) by striking out line 23 at page 21 and substituting the following therefor:

"of a group of twenty employees or 10 per cent of the work force, whichever is the lesser"; and

(b) by striking out line 32 at page 21 and substituting the following therefor:

"do so at least twenty-six weeks for 50 or less employees, or fifty-two weeks for more than 50 employees before the date".

**Mr. Sid Parker (Kootenay East-Revelstoke):** Mr. Speaker, we have proposed this amendment because we find that the clause is too restrictive. What we are addressing in the amendment is the problem occurring when there are larger lay-offs for longer periods of time. We feel that when the amount reaches as many as 50, there should be an extra length of time in which the bill could take effect and provide benefits. That is the provision in this amendment and is why we put it forward. We would ask for support of this amendment.