

Canadian Multiculturalism Act

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): Pursuant to Standing Order 114(11), the recorded division on Motion No. 7 stands deferred.

• (1620)

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): The question is on Motion No. 8 standing in the name of the Hon. Member for Thunder Bay—Nipigon (Mr. Epp). Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Some Hon. Members: No.

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): All those in favour of the motion will please say yea.

Some Hon. Members: Yea.

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): All those opposed will please say nay.

Some Hon. Members: Nay.

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): In my opinion, the nays have it.

And more than five Members having risen:

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): Pursuant to Standing Order 114(11), the recorded division on the proposed motion stands deferred.

We will proceed to Motions Nos. 30, 31 and 32. An affirmative vote on Motion No. 30 obviates the necessity for a vote on Motions Nos. 31 and 32. A negative vote on Motion No. 30 necessitates a vote on Motion No. 31. An affirmative vote on Motion No. 31 obviates the need to vote on Motion No. 32. A negative vote on Motion No. 31 will necessitate a vote on No. 32.

The question is on Motion No. 30 standing in the name of the Hon. Member for Thunder Bay—Nipigon (Mr. Epp). Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion No. 30 agreed to.

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): We will proceed to the next grouping.

Mr. Sergio Marchi (York West) moved:

Motion No. 10

That Bill C-93 be amended in Clause 3 by striking out line 32 at page 4 and substituting the following therefor:

"institutions shall, with a view to implementing the policy stated in subsection (1)".

Mr. Ernie Epp (Thunder Bay—Nipigon) moved:

Motion No. 12

That Bill C-93 be amended in Clause 3 by adding immediately after line 32 at page 4 the following:

"(a) develop policies and programs to assist ethnocultural communities to enlarge their contributions to the preservation and enhancement of Canada's multicultural heritage;"

Motion No. 14

That Bill C-93 be amended in Clause 3

(a) by striking out line 37 at page 4 and substituting the following therefor:

(b) implement policies, programs and prac-"

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Mr. Sergio Marchi (York West) moved:

Motion No. 15

That Bill C-93 be amended in Clause 3 by striking out 40 at page 4 and substituting the following therefor:

"to the continuing evolution of Canada, and that remove discriminatory barriers to their full and equal participation in Canadian Society;"

[*Translation*]

Motion No. 17

That Bill C-93 be amended in Clause 3 by adding immediately after line 44 at page 4 the following:

"(d) implement policies, programs and practices with particular emphasis on the youth of Canada, to foster an understanding of the multicultural reality of Canada;"

Motion No. 18

That Bill C-93 be amended in Clause 3 by adding immediately after line 8 at page 5 the following:

"(g) develop annual plans for the implementation of the multiculturalism policy and report on such plans in their annual reports."

[*English*]

Mr. Ernie Epp (Thunder Bay—Nipigon): Madam Speaker, in our continuing consideration of amendments to Bill C-93, this particular group includes some small changes in total bulk but represent very significant attempts to strengthen the Bill.

If it is in order, I would like to recognize the presence in the gallery of the President of the Canadian Ethnocultural Council and the past President. Of course, it is not in order, so I note that, in considering the motions before us here seriatim, Motions Nos. 10 and 11 are provided for in part by changes that were made in the legislative committee. My Motion No. 11 is designed to ensure that Clause 3(2) would read: "It is further declared to be the policy of the Government of Canada that all institutions shall—"

The Bill as reported from the legislative committee was amended to read "shall" rather than "should".

Having mentioned the Canadian Ethnocultural Council a moment ago, may I say that this is one of those very important points that this national organization of ethnocultural communities emphasized was necessary. The Bill initially was encouraging, but an absolute commitment was required by the Government of Canada to take strong action. That was