	Investment Tax Credit — Newfoundland			
	Individuals		Corporations	
Tax Year	Number	Amount of Credit	Number	Amount of Credit
		\$		\$
1977	89	43,000	*	934,000
1978	228	104,000	91	723,000
1979 (pre- liminary)	†	581,000	129	4,616,000

Notes:

*Not recorded

†Not available yet

(1) Statistics presented are for those years available.

(2) Statistics are accumulated for those individuals who resided in New-foundland at December 31 of the year, and for those corporations that filed a tax return in a Revenue Canada, Taxation office of New-foundland. The credits may not then be in respect of investment in the Province of Newfoundland.

TRANSPORT

NEWFOUNDLAND—ALLOCATION OF MONEY AND PROJECTS UNDER URBAN TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Question No. 62 on the Order Paper—By Hon. Jack Marshall:

Under the Urban Transportation Assistance Program and since its inception in 1978-79 (i) how much money has been allocated to the Province of Newfoundland (ii) what projects were provided for the District of Humber-Port au Port-St. Barbe?

Reply by the Minister of Transport:

	Total Estimated Cost	UTAP Share
Corner Brook:		
New Buses	\$ 615,515	\$ 492,412
Bus Stop Signs	4,400	3,520
Bus Terminal	115,000	92,000
Bus Shelters	35,000	28,000
Transit Study	51,200	40,960
Transit Garage	672.200	537.760

CANADA ELECTIONS ACT

BILL TO AMEND—SECOND READING—DEBATE CONTINUED

The Senate resumed from Thursday, October 23, 1980, the debate on the motion of Senator Austin for second reading of Bill S-11, to amend the Canada Elections Act.

Hon. Lowell Murray: Honourable senators, I regret having to proceed in the absence of the sponsor of the bill, Senator Austin, who, I understand, is out of the country on public business. I had given him an undertaking that I would let him know when I was going to deal with his bill, and when I tried to do that today I discovered that he had already left Canada.

However, I feel I can proceed in good conscience, first of all, because he has been urging me privately for some time to reopen the debate which I adjourned some time ago. Secondly, there is nothing in what I have to say to which he or anybody else, in my opinion, can take serious exception. Thirdly, I think it is appropriate for us to move this bill forward, because we may be nearing an adjournment of Parliament for the summer—at least, that is what one hears in the corridors. Finally, I note from newspaper speculation in the last day or two that Senator Austin is one of two senators from British Columbia—the other being Senator van Roggen—who are being considered for elevation to the cabinet as British Columbia's representative to replace Senator Perrault. I was not aware that Senator Perrault had any plans to go anywhere.

Hon. Royce Frith (Deputy Leader of the Government): There are no such plans. Why don't you stop right there and go on with your speech.

Senator Murray: I also note from the same newspaper article that Senator Frith, who has just intervened, is being groomed to take over the leadership of the government in this place. All of this is right for the mill, and I think it is important to move this bill ahead before Senator Austin joins the cabinet and changes his mind, as Liberals frequently do.

Senator Frith: This is all according to "Prime Minister Douglas Fisher."

Senator Murray: The evil that this bill proposes to eradicate is, I believe, fairly well understood by honourable senators. The sponsor described the terrible sense of inefficacy and alienation that was felt by western Canadians on election night when they turned on their television sets and radios as the polls closed in western Canada only to find that a government had been elected and the issue had been decided even before their own votes had been counted.

There is another problem to which Senator Austin alluded, and which, I believe, is at least equally serious. It happens that broadcasting stations in the United States who, of course, are beyond the reach of the Canada Elections Act, are able to broadcast election results from eastern Canada into western Canada hours before the polls close in that part of the country.

In the last few years, I think recent Parliaments have made very good progress on some aspects of political reform and of