

Immigration

poses in certain countries, such as Spain, China, Yugoslavia, Taiwan or the Soviet Union, much less to determine the qualifications of appropriate medical specialists in those countries, to use the wording of the amendment proposed in committee. In those cases the state concerned designates the local examining medical practitioners and occasionally accedes to request for medical consultations when these are required. Departmental medical officials ordinarily do not have any direct contact with these physicians. They certainly do not have any control with respect to their designation.

● (2140)

Another point worth bearing in mind is the incongruity of the so-called medical specialists in India, Japan, Lebanon, Ghana or Afghanistan, opining for example, on the subject of, and I quote the amendment passed by the committee, "excessive demands on health or social services" in Canada with respect to health impairment discerned in an immigrant applicant in one of those countries, assuming that the requirement for, and I again quote the amendment, "consultation with the appropriate medical specialist", as the amended version reads, applies to Section 19.

The hon. member raised questions as to costs. He went out of his way to point out that the applicant immigrants are paying for the medical specialist consultations. I suspect that what he proposed would end up hurting sick people whom he claims he would want to help. It is estimated that for approximately every 2,000 immigrants there might be as many as 50,000 cases where it would be appropriate to have a consultation with a medical specialist.

Let us assume a consultation fee of about \$100 per immigrant. It immediately adds an additional \$5 million to potential immigrants who will have to bear that particular cost. As the hon. member knows, many of these people come to Canada with relatively small means, especially if they suffer from a particular health impairment.

As to the figure of \$2.5 million about which the hon. member was concerned, it is related essentially to having medical immigration officers from the department and medical specialists appear in litigation procedures and the costs arising therefrom.

[Translation]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Ethier): Order, please. It being 9.45 p.m., pursuant to the order made today, the House will now proceed to the taking of the deferred divisions on Bill C-24, an Act respecting immigration to Canada.

Call in the members.

● (2200)

Mr. Speaker: The question is on motion No. 1 in the name of the hon. member for Montmorency (Mr. Duclos).

The House divided on motion No. 1 (Mr. Duclos) which was negated on the following division:

[Mr. Lalonde.]

(Division No. 94)

YEAS

Messrs.

Brewin
De Bané
Duclos
Gilbert
Joyal

Knowles
(Winnipeg
North Centre)
Lambert
(Bellechasse)
MacDonald
(Egmont)

Nystrom
Orlikow
Peters
Saltsman
Symes—13.

NAYS

Messrs.

Abbott
Alexander
Allmand
Appolloni (Mrs.)
Baker
(Grenville-Carleton)
Beatty
Béchar
Bégin (Miss)
Blais
Blaker
Blouin
Boulanger
Breau
Brisco
Buchanan
Campagnolo (Mrs.)
Caron
Clermont
Coates
Collenette
Comtois
Corbin
Crouse
Cullen
Danson
Darling
Demers
Dinsdale
Douglas
(Bruce-Grey)
Drury
Epp
Ethier
Faulkner
Forrestall
Fox

Francis
Gauthier
(Ottawa-Vanier)
Gendron
Gillespie
Gillies
Goodale
Goyer
Gray
Guay
(St. Boniface)
Haidasz
Herbert
Hnatyshyn
Holt (Mrs.)
Hopkins
Horner
Isabelle
Jamieson
Kaplan
Kempling
Lajoie
Lalonde
Lang
Laniel
La Salle
Lawrence
Leblanc
(Laurier)
Lee
Lefebvre
Loiselle
(Chambly)
Loiselle
(Saint-Henri)
Macdonald
(Rosedale)

MacEachen
MacFarlane
Maine
Malone
Marchand
Martin
McKenzie
McKinley
McRae
Muir
Munro
(Esquimalt-Saanich)
Nicholson (Miss)
O'Connell
Paproski
Parent
Penner
Philbrook
Pigott (Mrs.)
Portelance
Poulin
Prud'homme
Reid
Roberts
Robinson
Rompey
Sauvé (Mrs.)
Sharp
Smith
(Saint-Jean)
Stanbury
Stanfield
Tessier
Turner
Watson
Yewchuk
Young—102.

Mr. Speaker: I therefore declare motion No. 1 lost.

● (2210)

[English]

The question therefore is on motion No. 6 in the name of the hon. member for Provencher (Mr. Epp).

The House divided on motion No. 6 (Mr. Epp) which was negated on the following division:

(Division No. 95)

YEAS

Messrs.

Alexander
Baker
(Grenville-Carleton)
Beatty
Brewin
Brisco
Coates
Crouse
Darling
De Bané
Dinsdale
Epp
Fairweather

Forrestall
Gillies
Hnatyshyn
Kempling
Knowles
(Winnipeg
North Centre)
La Salle
Lawrence
MacDonald
(Egmont)
Malone
McKenzie

McKinley
Muir
Munro
(Esquimalt-Saanich)
Nystrom
Orlikow
Paproski
Peters
Pigott (Mrs.)
Saltsman
Stanfield
Symes
Yewchuk—34.