

*Government Orders*

**The Deputy Chairman:** On Clause 28, there is an amendment. Is the amendment agreed to?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

**The Deputy Chairman:** Shall Clause 28, as amended, carry?

Clause 28, as amended, agreed to.

On Clause 29

**The Deputy Chairman:** Clause 29 has an amendment. Is the amendment agreed to?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

**The Deputy Chairman:** Shall Clause 29, as amended, carry?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

Clause 29, as amended, agreed to.

On Clause 30

**The Deputy Chairman:** Clause 30 has an amendment. Is it agreed?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

**The Deputy Chairman:** Shall Clause 30, as amended, carry?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

Clause 30, as amended, agreed to.

On Clause 31

**The Deputy Chairman:** Clause 31 has an amendment. Is it agreed?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

**The Deputy Chairman:** Shall Clause 31, as amended, carry?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

Clause 31, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 32 to 64 inclusive agreed to.

On Clause 65

**The Deputy Chairman:** There is an amendment to Clause 65. Is it agreed?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

**The Deputy Chairman:** Shall Clause 65, as amended, carry?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

Clause 65, as amended, agreed to.

On Clause 66

**The Deputy Chairman:** Clause 66 has an amendment. Is it agreed?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

**The Deputy Chairman:** Shall Clause 66, as amended, carry?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

Clause 66, as amended, agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill reported.

**Mr. Merrithew** moved that the bill, as amended, be concurred in.

**Mr. Merrithew** moved that the bill, as amended, be read the third time and passed.

**Mr. Les Benjamin (Regina—Lumsden):** Mr. Speaker, I would like to say that we did a good stroke of business today. I want to assure the minister that the matters we raised earlier this day will not be dropped and he will be hearing about them some more.

I also want to thank the minister. He was kind enough to send me some notes to use for a response to his statement today. He does not know me well enough because no one has ever found me at a loss for words on any subject. It was a nice gesture for him to make. I did not use them, but maybe I will save them for next year.

**Hon. Gerald S. Merrithew (Minister of Veterans Affairs):** Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank the critics, particularly, and members of the House. I agree with the hon. member from Regina—Lumsden and with my critic from the Liberal Party, the member for Hillsborough, in whose riding my department resides. I thank them personally for their co-operation.

The veterans groups across Canada have watched very closely what has happened. I think we have shown them an exercise in consultation and listening. What we have done is good for them and good for their colleagues. I fully agree that, while we have not done everything we can do as yet, the eight new improvements we have announced since June and what is included in Bill C-87 will bode well for the welfare of Veterans.