

3 p.m.

The Senate resumed.

The Honourable Senator McGuire from the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, presented the following Report:—

SATURDAY, 12th August, 1944.

The Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce to whom was referred the Bill (184 from the House of Commons), intituled: "An Act to provide for the payment of War Service Gratuities and for the grant of Re-Establishment Credits to Members of His Majesty's Forces in respect of Service during the present War," have in obedience to the order of reference of 12th August, 1944, examined the said Bill, and now beg leave to report the same with the following amendment, viz:—

Page 7, lines 8 and 9. For clause 25 substitute the following:—

"25. This Act shall come into force on the first day of January, 1945, or on any date between the first day of October, 1944, and the first day of January, 1945, as may be fixed by proclamation of the Governor in Council: Provided that nothing in this section shall be deemed to impair any benefits which would have been enjoyed by the members of the forces or their dependents under the Act if it had come into force on the first day of October, 1944."

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. H. MCGUIRE,
Acting Chairman.

With leave of the Senate, it was—

Ordered, That the said Report be committed to a Committee of the Whole forthwith.

The Senate was, accordingly, adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the Whole on the said Report.

(In the Committee)

The said Report was read and amended by striking out all the words after the words "Governor in Council" to the end of the amendment.

After some time the Senate was resumed, and—

The Honourable Senator Sinclair from the said Committee, reported that they had gone through the said Report, and had directed him to report the same to the Senate with one amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the Senate would be pleased to receive the same.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk.

The said amendment was concurred in, and—

The said Report, as amended, was then concurred in.

The said Bill, as amended, was then read the third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass.

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the House of Commons and acquaint that House that the Senate have passed this Bill with one amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.