

Can we not limit this mandate, particularly if there is a target date, to the health care regulations, whatever they may be? The committee can report by a certain date, and then they will not be under pressure to say that, since they are entitled to go into other aspects of veterans affairs, they cannot report by the specified date.

I would urge Senator Marshall to amend his motion to restrict the special study to veterans health care regulations, and to report by October 31, 1994.

Some Hon. Senators: Agreed.

Senator Marshall: Honourable senators, if it is agreed, I will do it. However, it is obvious, as I have learned over the years, that emergencies arise from time to time, especially with veterans as they are aging. Changes are made in the legislation. This is very flexible wording which gives the committee an

opportunity to look at a current problem without the necessity of going back to the Senate and waiting perhaps three or four weeks before the matter is dealt with. If you wish, I can detail, in a very long list, the things that I want to review and deal with in the committee.

On second thought, perhaps I should withdraw my motion and present a different one at a later date.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, is it agreed that we take a little more time to find an accommodation for everyone?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

Order withdrawn.

The Senate adjourned until Tuesday, February 22, 1994, at 2 p.m.
