

Government Guaranteed Loans

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimous consent, except negatively; the motion therefore cannot be put.

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[English]

CANADA STUDENT LOANS ACT**AMENDMENT TO WIDEN CATEGORY OF PERSONS ENTITLED TO LOANS**

On the order: Introduction of Bills:

March 14, 1974—Mr. Reynolds—Bill entitled: "An Act to amend the Canada Student Loans Act."

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member for Burnaby-Richmond-Delta has given notice of his intention to move first reading of a bill to amend the Canada Student Loans Act. The Chair has had a preliminary look at the proposed bill and, even with a preliminary look, has very serious doubts whether it is acceptable from a procedural standpoint. The hon. member in his proposal seeks to extend the provisions of the act so as to widen the category of persons who may become the beneficiaries of loans under the act. It seems to the Chair that this provision would create an additional charge upon the treasury. I do not want to be unfair to the hon. member. It may be that he has some argument to submit in support of his bill from a procedural standpoint and perhaps the matter could be allowed to stand today and the hon. member could look at the procedural aspect. As he knows, the difficulty is that he does not have the royal recommendation. If, in the meantime, he could go to His Excellency and receive from him a recommendation, that would assist the Chair considerably and the hon. member also.

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BANK ACT**AMENDMENTS TO PROVIDE FOR INCORPORATION BY LETTERS PATENT AND HOLDING OF CAPITAL STOCK BY PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS**

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Finance) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-13, to amend the Bank Act to enable banks to be incorporated by letters patent and to

enable capital stock of banks to be held and voted by provincial governments.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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FARM IMPROVEMENT, SMALL BUSINESSES AND FISHERIES IMPROVEMENT LOANS ACTS**AMENDMENTS RESPECTING LOANS AND GOVERNMENT LIABILITY**

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Finance) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-14, to amend the Farm Improvement Loans Act, the Small Businesses Loans Act and Fisheries Improvement Loans Act.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

[Text]

OLD AGE SECURITY PENSION AND GUARANTEED INCOME SUPPLEMENT

Question No. 20—Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):

1. How many persons in Canada, and in each province, are in receipt of the Old Age Security pension?
2. Of the recipients of the Old Age Security pension, how many persons in Canada, and in each province, are in receipt of the Guaranteed Income Supplement?
3. Of those receiving the Guaranteed Income Supplement, how many persons in Canada, and in each province, are receiving the full amount?
4. What is the average amount, in Canada, and in each province, being received as a Guaranteed Income Supplement by recipients of the Old Age Security pension?
5. Do the answers to the above questions take into consideration persons living outside of Canada who are in receipt of the Old Age Security pension and, if so, how many of such persons are there, and if they are considered as belonging to the various provinces, what is the number for each province?

Hon. Marc Lalonde (Minister of National Health and Welfare): 1-4. See table; effective December 1973.

5. See table; average number of pensioners paid while outside Canada during the quarter ending December 1973.

Province	(1) OAS Pensioners	(2) GIS Recipients	(3) Maximum GIS Recipients	(4) Average GIS Payment	(5)
					Quarterly Average Number of OAS Pensioners Paid While Outside Canada December 1973
Newfoundland	34,273	28,948	19,978	65.27	106
Prince Edward Island	12,849	9,883	5,262	62.72	77
Nova Scotia	75,655	51,809	26,427	62.45	430
New Brunswick	57,349	39,183	20,926	61.76	404
Quebec	447,404	284,289	148,366	61.91	3,701
Ontario	678,995	339,245	125,372	58.33	5,869
Manitoba	100,533	62,945	25,991	59.79	642
Saskatchewan	98,371	60,286	25,126	58.14	432
Alberta	125,536	76,584	33,353	60.44	740

[Mr. Speaker.]