

exclusively toward the maintenance, care, training, education or advancement of the children or persons in respect of whom they were paid."

After debate thereon, the question being put on the said motion, it was negatived, on division.

By unanimous consent, motion numbered 5 standing in the name of Mr. Marshall as follows:—That Bill C-170, An Act to provide for the payment of benefits in respect of children, be amended by deleting subclause 6(2), lines 14 to 30 on page 6, and substituting the following:

"(2) The amount of a benefit that is payable in respect of a person referred to in paragraph 3(1)(b) in respect of any benefit year is the amount set out in paragraph (1)(a) or (b), as the case may be."

was dropped.

Mr. Munro, seconded by Mr. Mahoney, moved,—That Bill C-170, An Act to provide for the payment of benefits in respect of children, be amended by striking out lines 18 to 30 of Clause 6 at page 6 and substituting the following:

"(1)(a) or (b), as the case may be."

The text of the Message and recommendation of the Governor General is as follows:

His Excellency the Governor General recommends to the House of Commons that Bill C-170, An Act to provide for the payment of benefits in respect of children, now before the House, be amended by striking out lines 18 to 30 of Clause 6 on page 6 and substituting the following:

"(1)(a) or (b), as the case may be."

After debate thereon, the question being put on the said motion, it was agreed to.

Motion No. 7, as follows:—That Bill C-170, An Act to provide for the payment of benefits in respect of children, be amended by inserting therein, immediately preceding Clause 20 on page 21, the following:

"20. Where an application has been approved in respect of the benefit year commencing September 1, 1972, a benefit is payable, subject to subsection 4(2), for each of the four months immediately preceding that benefit year as if those four months were part of that benefit year."

and by renumbering subsequent clauses accordingly.

RULING BY MR. ACTING SPEAKER

The ACTING SPEAKER (Mr. Laniel): We should now proceed to the consideration of motion No. 7 but, as previously mentioned, the Chair has reservations as to the procedural acceptability of it. If honourable Members will look at the motion and at the bill, they will notice that in clause 2(1) on page 1 of the bill "benefit year" means any period after August, 1972, consisting of 12 consecutive months commencing with the first day of

September. Motion No. 7 proposes to add a new clause No. 20, which would have the effect of suspending the provision relating to a benefit as defined in the bill and provide for payment for a period in advance of the defined benefit year. It is the conclusion of the Chair that this would have the effect of initiating payments in certain cases four months prior to the date which is provided for in the bill and in the recommendation. To my mind this represents a clear financial implication which could not be undertaken without a recommendation. Because of this the motion cannot now be considered.

Mr. Munro, seconded by Mr. Gillespie, moved,—That Bill C-170, An Act to provide for the payment of benefits in respect of children, be amended by striking out lines 10 to 26 of Clause 23 at page 24 and substituting the following:

"(a) the aggregate of

(i) the allowances that would have been paid under the *Youth Allowances Act*, as it read before being repealed by this Act, during that portion of that year that is before the repeal of the *Youth Allowances Act*, and

(ii) the benefits that would have been paid under this Act with respect to persons described in subsection 3(3) during that portion of that year that is after the repeal of the *Youth Allowances Act*,

and during which that province provided for the payment of allowances or benefits described in paragraph 3(3)(a) or (b), if allowances or benefits described in subparagraph (i) or (ii) had been payable to parents resident in that province; or

(b) the aggregate of allowances and benefits described in paragraphs 3(3)(a) and (b) that were provided by that province in that taxation year,

whichever is the lesser.

(2.1) Where for any taxation year, with respect to any province, the amount of the aggregate determined in accordance with paragraph (2)(a) exceeds the amount of the aggregate determined in accordance with paragraph (2)(b), the amount of the excess shall stand to the credit of that province for the purpose of subsection (2.2).

(2.2) Where for any taxation year, with respect to any province, the aggregate determined in accordance with paragraph (2)(b) exceeds the aggregate determined in accordance with paragraph (2)(a), the amount that may otherwise be recovered from the province for the year pursuant to section 6.1 of the *Federal-Provincial Fiscal Revision Act, 1964* shall be reduced by the amount of the excess, except that such reduction shall not exceed the amount standing to the credit of that province for the purpose of this subsection."