It is always worthy of note when one can say that something that was recommended by a parliamentary task force is now being incorporated into legislation. Indeed, the separating out of post-secondary education transfers from transfers for the purposes of hospital care and medical care was another recommendation of the committee. I would like to take this opportunity to recall that you yourself, Mr. Speaker, sat on that committee that made these recommendations, and I hope that you will be taking equal pleasure in the fact that one of our recommendations which we made some three years ago is being adopted.

Mr. Stan J. Hovdebo (Prince Albert): Mr. Speaker, I would like to comment on this amendment and its relevance to the past amendment. In 1977, the Government made a wrong decision, and it has squirmed underneath that decision ever since. It has been unable to protect, in the eyes of the people of Canada, the universality and accessibility of guaranteed medicare to all of the people of Canada. The provinces have made various interpretations of the decision which was made in 1977, and these interpretations have varied considerably from the one-third two-thirds decision which was made at that time.

Today, Mr. Speaker, we are talking about the accountability of the provinces and to some extent the accountability of the federal Government to let the people of Canada and Parliament particularly know how that money is being spent. This motion asks that there at least be a reporting to Parliament so that Parliament and the people of Canada can make a judgement about how the provinces spend the moneys which are transferred to them under the transfers which are allowed for in this Act.

The previous motion required the spending of the money in a particular way. This motion only requires the reporting of how that money is spent. The dollar-for-dollar suggestion still makes more sense. We said that in 1977 and we say it again now. The Government seems unwilling to back up its continuing suggestion that it is the champion of the universality and accessibility of expanding medicare and of providing job training and university training to the people of Canada. It has been unwilling to back that up with dollars and, consequently, has backed away from the dollar-for-dollar position it took up until 1977.

We support this motion which allows the knowledge of how funds are spent to be given to Parliament and the people of Canada. That in itself might eventually convince the Government that it should perhaps back up its plans with money to the provinces so that the provinces can fulfil the requirements of good medicare and good education as fully as possible with the help of the federal Government.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Herbert): The Chair has had the opportunity to read the motion and has some reservations. In fact, the Chair finds the motion somewhat similar to the motion that has already been ruled out of order. However, there appears to be unanimous consent of the House to accept the motion despite the reservations of the Chair.

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If I get an indication that there is unanimous consent to accept the motion, I shall deem the motion to be in order and put the motion as presented. Is there unanimous consent to accept the motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Herbert): Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion (Mr. Epp) agreed to.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Herbert): The House will proceed to the division on Motion No. 4. The House has already indicated that it is the wish that the bells be rung on this motion. Call in the Members.

The House divided on the motion (Ms. Jewett), which was negatived on the following division:

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| Bockstael | Deniger | Gingras |
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