

[English]

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt motion No. 1 moved by Mr. Chrétien?

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, I rise on another point of order—it is not the pleasantest point of order to raise and I raise it with the greatest respect for the hon. member for Ottawa West (Mr. Francis), the Parliamentary Secretary to the President of the Treasury Board. This bill is a very important, heavy in some aspects, and a very contentious matter. The bill is in the name of the President of the Treasury Board (Mr. Chrétien) but he did not speak on it at second reading, he did not appear once before the special joint committee, and he is not here today.

Some hon. Members: Shame!

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): As I say, I have great respect for the job that the hon. member for Ottawa West did, but surely the President of the Treasury Board ought to be here.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Speaker: In any case, the question before the House at this time is on motion No. 1 standing in the name of the President of the Treasury Board. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion No. 1 (Mr. Chrétien) agreed to.

Mr. Speaker: The question is therefore on motion No. 2.

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (for the President of Treasury Board) moved:

Motion No. 2

That Bill C-52, to amend the Public Service Superannuation Act, the Canadian Forces Superannuation Act, the Defence Services Pension Continuation Act, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Superannuation Act, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Pension Continuation Act, the Diplomatic Service (Special) Superannuation Act, the Members of Parliament Retiring Allowances Act, the Governor General's Retiring Annuity Act, the Judges Act, the Tax Review Board Act and the Supplementary Retirement Benefits Act, be amended in Clause 21 by striking out line 31 at page 17 and substituting the following therefor:

"have received during that absence;

(b.2) deeming, for the purposes of the definition "salary" in subsection 2(1), the amount in respect of allowances, special remuneration, payment for overtime or other compensation or annual gratuity, if any, that is to be or to have been included in the basic rate of pay of a person;"

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion No. 2 (Mr. Chrétien) agreed to.

Mr. Speaker: Motion No. 3 is also in the name of Mr. Chrétien. May I presume that hon. members have before them the text of the motion and that they are familiar with it because it is rather lengthy and complicated. Is it necessary to read the details of the motion or shall I dispense?

State Pensions

Mr. Forrestall: On a point of order, Mr. Speaker, I wish to make a brief observation. Perhaps Your Honour had better put motion No. 3. I wanted to speak briefly on motion No. 3 and I do not know whether you have put it or not.

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (for the President of Treasury Board) moved:

Motion No. 3.

That Bill C-52, to amend the Public Service Superannuation Act, the Canadian Forces Superannuation Act, the Defence Services Pension Continuation Act, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Superannuation Act, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Pension Continuation Act, the Diplomatic Service (Special) Superannuation Act, the Members of Parliament Retiring Allowances Act, the Governor General's Retiring Annuity Act, the Judges Act, the Tax Review Board Act and the Supplementary Retirement Benefits Act, be amended in Clause 28 by striking out lines 43 to 50 at page 22 and lines 1 to 4 at page 23 and substituting the following therefor:

"service of Canada.

(3) the Governor in Council may add to Part II of Schedule A to the *Public Service Superannuation Act* the members of the staff of the Parliamentary Centre for Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade—Le Centre Parlementaire pour les Affaires étrangères et le Commerce extérieur (hereinafter called "the Centre") and forthwith upon the addition thereof

(a) the Centre shall be deemed to be a Public Service Corporation for the purposes of section 25 of the *Public Service Superannuation Act*;

(b) the *Government Employees Compensation Act* shall apply to the members of the staff of the Centre and, for the purposes of that Act, such persons shall be deemed to be employees in the service of Her Majesty; and

(c) for the purposes of any regulation made pursuant to section 7 of the *Aeronautics Act*, the members of the staff of the Centre shall be deemed to be employees in the public service of Canada.

(4) The Governor in Council may, by regulation, provide that the service of an employee of the Institute, the Society or the Centre in respect of which contributions have been made in anticipation of the addition to Part II of Schedule A to the *Public Service Superannuation Act* of the Institute, the Society or the Centre may, to such extent, at such level of remuneration and subject to such conditions as the regulations may prescribe, be counted by that employee as pensionable service for the purposes of Part I of that Act. "

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Mr. J. M. Forrestall (Dartmouth-Halifax East): Mr. Speaker, may I speak briefly on motion No. 3? It incorporates the parliamentary centre as a public service corporation. Members of this House and of the other place have used the services of the centre for the last eight or ten years. I want to pay tribute to the centre, and motion No. 3 recognizes the wonderful service it has rendered to members of both Houses.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt motion No. 3?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion No. 3 (Mr. Chrétien) agreed to.

Mr. Speaker: The question is now on motion No. 4. May I again be assured that hon. members have before them the text of the motion and are familiar with its terms.

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (for the President of Treasury Board) moved: