

Supply

[English]

Ms. McDonald: Madam Speaker, briefly, in the time that is left, I want to respond to the comments that are being continually made by the Parliamentary Secretary indicating that somehow my reaction is personal. The head of the NFB has the notion that he can do whatever he wants and he has chosen—

Mr. Hicks: Madam Speaker, the point made in the point of order which is on the floor is that no one is allowed to begin questioning and commenting on the remarks of a questioner. Under the provisions of the Standing Orders, I believe Hon. Members are only allowed to question and comment on the remarks of the Hon. Member who has just spoken on debate.

Ms. McDonald: I am making a comment. If I may continue with my comment—

Mrs. Maily: On my speech, not his.

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): I will allow the Hon. Member for Broadview—Greenwood (Ms. McDonald) to continue with her comment but I will warn her that it would be better for her to keep her comments related to the speech made by the Hon. Member for Kamloops—Shuswap (Mr. Riis).

Ms. McDonald: Madam Speaker, in the one minute left, my comment is that the President of the NFB went to committee, made an explicit promise about Studio D and did not fulfil that promise. The Estimates very clearly show that.

Other comments that have been made throughout refer to sub-categories of the Estimates, project money in effect. Looking at the total amounts available, which is what I am referring to in the Estimates, it is very clear that there has been a decrease, contrary to the promise made by the head of the National Film Board to a Parliamentary Committee. I think that is a very serious matter to be fooling around with sub-categories where there is a different kind of trend when the general trend is such an unfavourable one and when I explicitly asked the head of the NFB if he would then grant an increase and he said no.

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): I am sorry, but the time allowed has now elapsed. Is the House ready for the question.

Some Hon. Members: Question.

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): The question is on the amendment of the Hon. Member for Broadview—Greenwood (Ms. McDonald). Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the amendment?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Some Hon. Members: No.

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): All those in favour please say yea.

Some Hon. Members: Yea.

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): All those opposed please say nay.

Some Hon. Members: Nay.

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): In my opinion the nays have it.

And more than five Members having risen:

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): Call in the Members.

The House divided on the amendment (Ms. McDonald) which was negated on the following division:

• (1630)

(Division No. 141)

YEAS

Members

Althouse
Benjamin
Blaikie
Heap
Keeper
Manly

McDonald
(Broadview—
Greenwood)
Mitchell
Murphy
Nystrom

Riis
Rodriguez
Skelly—13

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Members

Andre
Attewell
Belsher
Bertrand
Blais
Blouin
Boudria
Boyer
Brightwell
Brisco
Browes
Cadieux
Caldwell
Cardiff
Chartrand
Comeau
Coppes
Corbett
Crombie
Darling
Daubney
de Cotret
Della Noce
Desjardins
Dorin
Epp
(Provencher)
Fennell
Finestone
Fontaine
Forrestall
Foster
Fretz
Gagliano

Gagnon
Garneau
Gass
Gauthier
Gérin
Gervais
Girard
Graham
Gray
(Windsor West)
Greenaway
Grondin
Guilbault
(Saint-Jacques)
Hamilton
Hicks
Hopkins
Howie
Hudon
James
Jepson
Jourdenais
Kempling
King
Lapierre
Lawrence
Leblanc
Lewis
MacDougall
(Timiskaming)
MacLellan
Maily
Mantha

Marchi
Martin
Mazankowski
McCain
McInnes
McKenzie
McKinnon
McMillan
Merrithew
Nicholson
(Trinity)
Nicholson
(Niagara Falls)
Nickerson
Nowlan
Oberle
O'Neil
Paproski
Penner
Peterson
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Scott
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Scowen
Suluk
Tardif
(Charlesbourg)