

Hon. Robert K. Andras (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): The Unemployment Insurance Commission does not maintain individual statistics for (a) Kapuskasing (b) Hearst (c) Smooth Rock Falls. Geographically they are included in the Timmins District Office Statistics.

UIC—CONTRIBUTIONS

Question No. 3,353—**Mr. Coates:**

1. What is the estimated shortfall between contributions to the UIC fund and the pay-out of benefits that will occur by the end of the present fiscal year based on present projections?

2. What are the projections for the period October 31, 1975 to March 31, 1976?

3. What was the loss to the fund for the fiscal year 1974-75?

4. (a) What was the position of the fund for the years (i) 1960 (ii) 1965 (iii) 1970 (b) was there a shortfall between funds available and benefits paid in any of the years and, if so, what was the amount?

5. Was there a surplus in the fund in (a) 1960 (b) 1965 (c) 1970 and, if so, what was the amount?

Hon. Robert K. Andras (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): In so far as the Unemployment Insurance Commission is concerned: 1. It is forecast that at the end of this year, there will be a current year surplus of \$295 million which would have the effect of reducing the cumulative deficit to \$123 million.

2. Bill C-69, Amendments to the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1975, is currently before Parliament, and costs for the period October 31, 1975 to March 31, 1976 will be affected by the outcome of that Bill.

3. Nil. There was a surplus of \$85 million in 1974.

4 and 5. The operations for 1960, 1965, and 1970 were as follows:

	Balance in Account (\$ Million)	
	Surplus/(Deficit) Current Year	Cumulative
1960	(150)	321
1965	81	162
1970	(73)	473

NOTE: Under the present Act, the UIC Financial year corresponds to the calendar year.

LIP PROJECT BB 1200-9

Question No. 3,354—**Mr. Coates:**

1. What was the decision of LIP application BB 1200-9 for the Constituency of Cumberland-Colchester North, submitted by the Commercial Association of Downtown Amherst, that had as an objective a traffic and parking survey of the Town of Amherst?

2. At what level of consideration did the rejection of the application take place and for what reason?

3. Were any objections to the application directed to anyone associated with the consideration of LIP applications and, if so (a) to whom (b) by whom (c) were such objections oral or written?

Hon. Robert K. Andras (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): 1. The application was not approved.

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2. In the absence of a Constituency Advisory Group, Departmental officials of the Job Creation Branch regional office in Halifax consulted with local representatives from Information Canada, the Department of Recreation, the Municipal Council, the Social Services Department and the Canada Manpower Centre in the consideration of 85 applications submitted from the constituency of Cumberland-Colchester North. Although the application met the basic Program criteria, other applications in the Amherst area were assessed to be of higher priority in that they more closely met the needs of the community. Consequently, due to lack of funds, the project was not recommended for funding. The final decision, however, rested with the Minister of Manpower and Immigration, who subsequently concurred with the recommendation not to fund the project.

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[English]

QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER FOR RETURN

Mr. J.-J. Blais (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, if question No. 3,124 could be made an order for return, this return would be tabled immediately. I ask, Mr. Speaker, that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

[Text]

SUPPLY AND SERVICES—PERSONNEL AND SALARIES

Question No. 3,124—**Mr. Cossitt:**

1. As of January 1, 1974, how many persons employed by the Department of Supply and Services were in positions earning (a) \$30,000 or more (b) \$20,000 to \$30,000 and, in each case, what were their names and job designations?

2. For the same period, how many additional persons in the Department are earning (a) \$30,000 or more (b) \$20,000 to \$30,000 and, in each case, what are their names and job designations?

Return tabled.

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BILINGUALISM

REPORT OF SECOND BILINGUAL DISTRICTS ADVISORY BOARD—QUESTIONS ON MINISTER'S STATEMENT

Mr. Baker (Grenville-Carleton): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the hon. gentleman to deal with the matter in terms of the review, having regard to the public servants who would be providing services in these areas. In view of the obvious principle that it involves in the provision of services in both languages by the federal government in these districts, has the government come to any conclusion as to what level of capability would be required in that area, or how the process of designation would be operated? Would there be any requirement for units working in French in those areas that would be bilingual districts? That is my first question.