

Mr. BROOKS: I do not see how you can carry the sections as we go through the bill and say that the committee voted and decided to approve a certain section, and then later on, after you have approved or disapproved the section, write into the report an item saying that you disapproved.

The CHAIRMAN: You do not disapprove; you recommend a change; that is all we have the power to do.

Mr. BROOKS: I should think that the recommendation would be made on the motion of Mr. Cruickshank, and that it would be either approved or disapproved that an amendment be made. I think that in your final report you would have to make a recommendation on previous resolutions.

The CHAIRMAN: If I understood Mr. Cruickshank's motion and if it should pass at the moment, then in our report we would have to say that with respect to clause so and so, the committee resolved in the following language, and then state the language.

Mr. BROOKS: Yes.

Mr. JUTRAS: That is not the same as we have before us now. I think it is similar to what you did last year. Then you made a report on the bill, and with that report you included a few recommendations as to changes in the Act.

The CHAIRMAN: When we report this bill back, we already have one resolution appended to our report now.

Mr. GREEN: Mr. Cruickshank's amendment would go back too if it was carried?

The CHAIRMAN: Yes.

Mr. JUTRAS: Mr. Cruickshank's motion is not an amendment to a particular section, because if it were it would be out of order. However, it is a recommendation on a particular subject, but it is not definitely related to a particular section, because this committee has no power to amend the bill. That is quite clear.

The CHAIRMAN: That is correct. That is not in question.

Mr. JUTRAS: So if his motion is an amendment to a particular section, it would be definitely out of order.

The CHAIRMAN: But it is not.

Mr. JUTRAS: No. It is just a general recommendation on a particular subject.

The CHAIRMAN: Mr. Jutras is begging the point. Technically, he is quite right, but in effect, the minutes of this meeting and the results of this committee, if this should carry, when we report the bill, would make it perfectly clear to the government that with respect to this particular section the committee felt that the legislation did or did not go far enough. The question is on the resolution of Mr. Cruickshank.

Mr. QUELCH: The only difference would be in Mr. Gillis' eyes on Mr. Cruickshank's resolution, whether or not we should reach a decision today or wait until we make our report.

The CHAIRMAN: Mr. Gillis said he thought we should take it up some other day.

Mr. QUELCH: Mr. Gillis meant that it would more likely carry when we bring in our report than it would today.

The CHAIRMAN: It is not the prerogative of the chairman to read what is in the mind of a member.

Mr. GREEN: If, when we finish the bill, we do not have this recommendation included in our consideration of the bill, we cannot, under the practice, in our general report put in a paragraph dealing with this bill.