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[English]

The Chair (Hon. Diane Marleau (Sudbury, Lib.)): I'll call the meeting to order.

I'm going to give you a little bit of history about these estimates. These were the estimates that we studied last spring or last June. We had one study on June 11, when they came to explain the estimates process. Public Works came before our committee at the beginning of June and Treasury Board was before our committee on June 20.

I'll go quickly. We had the estimates process of June 11, Public Works came before us on June 8, and Treasury Board came before us on June 20. We passed the interim supply on May 3. We're now going to basically pass those original estimates, less whatever amount was passed under interim supply.

As far as I know, we cannot increase these amounts if we don't like them. They've already been decreased, as my friend Ray said. If you want to decrease them more, I'm not sure about that.

I have a couple of things to ask you. Do you want me to read through all of the votes? There are about five of them. I won't do them one by one. I'll do them by group.

CANADIAN HERITAGE

Public Service Commission

Vote 95-Program expenditures......\$92,949,000

Public Service Labour Relations Board

Vote 100—Program expenditures......17,073,000

Public Service Staffing Tribunal

Vote 105—Program expenditures......\$4,710,000

(Votes 95, 100, and 105 agreed to on division)

[Translation]

Mr. Richard Nadeau (Gatineau, BQ): Why "on division"?

The Chair: Because we don't want them to think we like them and are prepared to give them everything they want. We're saying that we disagree, but that they have won.

[English]

Mr. Raymond Bonin (Nickel Belt, Lib.): Reporting doesn't have to be on division.

[Translation]

The Chair: It makes no difference. It's not unanimous, but it doesn't matter.

[English]

GOVERNOR GENERAL

Governor General

Vote 1—Program expenditures......\$16,654,000

(Vote 1 agreed to on division)

PARLIAMENT

The Senate

Vote 1-Program expenditures......\$53,905,150

(Vote 1 agreed to on division)

PRIVY COUNCIL

Privy Council Department

Vote 1-Program expenditures......\$130,714,000

Canadian Intergovernmental Conference Secretariat

Vote 5-Program expenditures.....\$5,978,000

Canadian Transportation Accident Investigation and Safety Board

Vote 10-Program expenditures.....\$25,486,000

(Votes 1, 5, and 10 agreed to on division)

PUBLIC WORKS AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES

Public Works and Government Services

Vote 1—Operating expenditures......\$2,154,809,000

Vote 5—Capital expenditures......\$342,634,000

Vote 10—Grants and contributions......\$3,632,000

(Votes 1, 5, and 10 agreed to on division)

TREASURY BOARD

Treasury Board Secretariat

Vote 1—Program expenditures......\$150,649,000

Vote 5—Government Contingencies......\$750,000,000

Vote 10—Government-Wide Initiatives......\$13,000,000

Vote 20—Public Service Insurance......\$1,663,800,000

Canada School of Public Service

Vote 25—Program expenditures......\$84,641,000

Public Service Human Resources Management Agency of Canada

Vote 30—Program expenditures......\$97,675,000

(Votes 1, 5, 10, 20, 25, and 30 agreed to on division)

The Chair: Are there any other items that you wish to discuss?

Thank you. We're adjourned.

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