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MR. SPEAKER:

THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE CONCLUDED ITS REVIEW OF BILL 11-86 (1) SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION ACT, NO. 3, 1985/86 AND BILL 15-86 (1) SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION ACT, NO. 1, 1986/87.

BOTH BILLS HAVE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE WITH RESPECT TO CHANGES IN THEIR WORDING WHICH WILL MORE ACCURATELY REFLECT THE PURPOSE AND CONTENT OF THE LEGISLATION. THE COMMITTEE WAS PLEASED TO SEE THE GOVERNMENT RESPOND FAVOURABLY TO THESE SUGGESTIONS.

HOWEVER, THE COMMITTEE EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER THE LACK OF COMMITMENT FROM OTTAWA ON THE FUNDING NECESSARY FOR THE YOUNG OFFENDERS ACT.

THIS LACK OF COMMITMENT HAS PLACED ENORMOUS PRESSURE ON THE SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES RESERVE FOR 1986/87. UNTIL PROPER FUNDING FOR THIS PROGRAM IS KNOWN, IT WILL NECESSITATE EXTREMELY CAREFUL MANAGEMENT AND DELIVERY OF ALL GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR 1986/87.

AS WELL, MR. SPEAKER, THE COMMITTEE IS CONCERNED OVER THE CONTINUED USE OF SPECIAL WARRANTS BY THE GOVERNMENT. THE AUDITOR GENERAL OF CANADA, IN HIS REPORT TABLED IN THIS HOUSE, HAS INDICATED THAT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION ACT, ONLY URGENT EXPENDITURES WHICH ARE NOT, OR ARE UNSUFFICIENTLY, COVERED BY AN APPROPRIATION SHOULD UTILIZE SPECIAL WARRANTS.

THANK YOU.