

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF SASKATCHEWAN
Second Session – Twelfth Legislature
30th Day

Tuesday, March 24, 1954

The House met at three o'clock p.m.

SECOND READING

Bill No. 86 – An Act to provide for Allowance to Disabled Persons.

Hon. J. H. Sturdy (Minister of Social Welfare): — Mr. Speaker, this Bill has reference to allowances to be paid to permanently disabled people, and it has been discussed at the Dominion-Provincial conference held in Ottawa on January 26 of this year.

All the conditions of this Act will be set forth in the Federal legislation, and the allowance will be administered according to regulations which are drawn up under the Federal Act.

Such an Act has not been prepared as yet, and has not been submitted to Parliament, so we have to anticipate along the lines that the national Federal Act might be presented. We have done so, and we have had Ottawa check on this enabling legislation, and with the exception of one or two House amendments which I will submit in due course, they have given approval to the Bill.

This Act will provide for the payment of an allowance of, we presume, \$40 a month, commencing, we presume, January 1st, 1955. It is payable – we do not know yet the ages to which this Act will apply; but there are indications that it will follow the blind persons Act and the conditions under which the allowance is paid to blind persons.

I think that the balance of the Act can be better discussed in Committee. Therefore, I move Second Reading of this Bill.

The question being put, it was agreed to and the Bill referred to a Committee of the whole at the next sitting.

The Assembly adjourned at 6.00 o'clock p.m., without question put.