

January 9, 1985

PRESIDENT: The vote, therefore, is inconclusive and we will have to ballot again. The Clerk will make ballots available to the members and members will cast their ballot either for Senator Labedz or Senator Nichol, or you have the right to vote as you choose and those ballots will be collected and we will tally it again with the same Teller Committee. The Teller Committee will report to the Clerk the result of the election. The Clerk will report the result of the election for Speaker.

CLERK: Mr. President, there once again is a nonwinner. Senator Labedz has received 24 votes, Senator Nichol 24 votes, 1 abstention.

PRESIDENT: So there is no election at this time for a Speaker, no nominee having received the required 25 votes. That was the fourth ballot. The Chair knows no other procedure than to continue with balloting. The matter of the Presiding Officer breaking a tie, the Chair does not choose to break a tie in this matter, believing that the Legislature should choose its own Speaker, so that the balloting will continue for the fifth ballot. Sixth? Very well, I stand corrected. The Clerk will announce the Teller vote on the Speaker election.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Labedz has received 24 votes, Senator Nichol 22 votes. There were two abstentions and a vote for a candidate who has not been nominated for Speaker.

PRESIDENT: The vote then remains inconclusive and we will ballot again. I have number seven coming up, if I am not mistaken. The Teller Committee is in the process of tabulating the results of this ballot. The Clerk will announce the result of the election.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Nichol has received 24 votes, Senator Labedz has received 24 votes. There has been one abstention.

PRESIDENT: The Chair congratulates each of the members but there has been no conclusive result. The winner must receive 25 votes. So we will reballot and the Chair would ask that members stay in their seats while the Clerk collects the ballots this time. Please enter your vote on a new ballot and the Clerk and the Assistant Clerk will