

Routine Proceedings

The purpose of the bill is to ensure that members of Parliament have an opportunity to debate this important issue. This is one that is of great concern to many Canadians. By presenting this bill, we hope to give all members of Parliament an opportunity to clearly represent the views of their constituents and make sure that we have an honest and fair evaluation of how we can maintain and protect the Canadian Football League for Canadians.

Mr. Speaker: Mr. Axworthy (Winnipeg South Centre) moves that the bill be now read the first time and printed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 69(1), the motion is deemed adopted.

Bill read the first time and printed.

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INCOME TAX ACT

MEASURE TO AMEND

Ms. Joy Langan (Mission—Coquitlam) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-387, an act to amend the Income Tax Act (auto mechanics).

Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to Standing Order 68(2), the motion is deemed adopted.

Mr. Langan: Mr. Speaker, the purpose of this bill is to amend the Income Tax Act to allow automobile mechanics to deduct the cost of tools they must provide on the job from their personal income tax.

The Canadian Automotive Repair and Service Council, the Canadian Automotive Repair and Service Institute and automobile technicians from across the country have been requesting the government to make this change for some time.

I think that it is important to note that working men and women in this country are unable to get income tax justice at the same time as two-martini lunches are still deductible. I would surely hope that this House would support this bill.

Mr. Speaker: Ms. Langan moves that the bill be now read the first time and printed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 69(1), the motion is deemed adopted.

Bill read the first time and printed.

CRIMINAL CODE

MEASURE TO AMEND

Mr. John Reimer (Kitchener) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-388, an act to amend the Criminal Code and other acts in consequence thereof (pornography).

Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to Standing Order 68(2), the motion is deemed adopted.

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Mr. Reimer: Mr. Speaker, the purpose of this bill is to strengthen and clarify the current law against obscenity. The bill for the first time would clearly define what is meant by adult material to be kept from those under 18 and pornography. The bill defines pornography in five categories; from violence causing or appearing to inflict direct bodily harm in a sexual context, to degrading sexual acts, to other specific sexual acts.

The bill proposes for the first time in the Criminal Code to protect children and women from exploitation, abuse and violence in pornography. Pornography not only degrades and dehumanizes women, but it leads to acts of aggression and violence against women and children. It is time for all Canadians to attack the personal and social evils of pornography with tough criminal sanctions up to five times more than current sentences, as this bill proposes.

Mr. Speaker: Mr. Reimer moves that the bill be now read the first time and printed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 69(1), the motion is deemed adopted.

Bill read the first time and printed.

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CRIMINAL CODE

MEASURE TO AMEND

Mr. Derek Lee (Scarborough—Rouge River) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-389, an act to amend the Criminal Code (invasion of privacy).

Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to Standing Order 68(2), the motion is deemed adopted.