

## Motions

## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

## BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

**Hon. Doug Lewis (Minister of State and Minister of State (Treasury Board)):** Mr. Speaker, there have been discussions among the Parties with a view to the rest of today's business. As the House will know, we were able to dispose of Bill C-22, the debate on the motion to send the matter back to the Senate. We have also given third reading to Bill C-71. This is due to the co-operation of all three Parties. We have therefore decided that, having made that progress, the following draft order would be appropriate:

That, notwithstanding any Standing Order of this House, upon the completion of Routine Proceedings this day, the House shall proceed to the consideration of Private Members' Business as listed on this day's Order Paper for a period not to exceed one hour;

That upon the completion of Private Members' Hour the Speaker shall suspend the sitting to the call of the Chair; and

That, following the giving of Royal Assent to certain Bills, later this day, the Speaker shall adjourn the House until 11.00 o'clock a.m., Monday, August 31, 1987.

**Mr. Speaker:** The House has heard the terms of the motion. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

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● (1230)

[Translation]

## PETITIONS

## HIGHWAY SAFETY

**Mrs. Thérèse Killens (Saint-Michel—Ahuntsic):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present two petitions signed by residents of Vancouver, Halifax, Toronto, Rouyn-Noranda and Ottawa. The petitioners are asking for changes in highway safety regulations. They believe that current rear-seat car safety belts are inadequate and that the sufferings of car accident victims can be reduced or avoided. They believe as well that medical care costs can be reduced or eliminated.

For all these reasons, Mr. Speaker, they urge Parliament to make a commitment with respect to the mandatory installation of adjustable shoulder safety belts for all rear-seat car passengers, and the installation of air bags for front-seat passengers.

## OPPOSITION TO SALES TAX ON FOOD PRODUCTS

**Mr. Jean-Robert Gauthier (Ottawa—Vanier):** Madam Speaker, I am pleased to present again today a petition urging this Government to listen to the people, to listen to the many

representations of Liberal Members, to listen to the remarks of its own Quebec Conservative Members asking that a vital commodity such as food not be taxed.

The petition reads as follows, Madam Speaker:

Whereas since September, 1984, the federal Government has imposed upon Canadian taxpayers 25 new taxes or tax increases, in particular on medical and dental supplies, snack food, candies and soft drinks; whereas the federal Government in its tax reform proposal is studying the possibility of imposing a general tax on goods and services, including food; whereas food constitutes a vital element of everyday life, and whereas the imposition of this tax would have the effect of penalizing such categories of taxpayers as the aged, families, the unemployed, low income taxpayers, and youth;

Therefore, the petitioners humbly pray and call upon Parliament to reject all measures that would have the effect of imposing a sales tax on food products.

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## QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER FOR RETURN

**Hon. Doug Lewis (Minister of State and Minister of State (Treasury Board)):** Madam Speaker, if Question No. 162 could be made an order for return, this return would be tabled immediately.

**The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne):** The questions enumerated by the Parliamentary Secretary have been answered. Is it the pleasure of the House that Question No. 162 be deemed to have been made an order for return?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

[Text]

## GRANTS UNDER CULTURAL INITIATIVES PROGRAM

Question No. 162—**Ms. McDonald:**

Between January 1, 1986 and June 26, 1987, did the Department of Communications receive any requests from organizations and/or individuals for grants under the Cultural Initiatives Program and, if so, in each case (a) what was the name of the organization and/or individual (b) what was the amount requested (c) on what date was the application received (d) on what date was the organization or individual notified of the Department's decision (e) what was the amount granted?

Return tabled.

[Translation]

**Mr. Lewis:** I ask, Madam Speaker, that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

**The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne):** Shall the remaining questions stand?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.