

follow the same course so that our committee work can be pursued without interrupting our proceedings here.

Hon. Jacques Flynn: Honourable senators, I merely rise at this time to ask the Leader of the Government what he said concerning Bill S-20, an act to amend the Copyright Act. I think he mentioned that he hoped the debate on this bill could be concluded next week and that the bill would be referred to committee, which suggests to me that the Government is going on with this bill. If so, I suggest that is contrary to what had been indicated by the sponsor of the bill. It appeared to me the last time we discussed this bill that an agreement had been reached between the Government and some of the interested parties that this bill would not be proceeded with. Has there been some new development?

Hon. Mr. Martin: No. I think the Leader of the Opposition has correctly stated the situation. In the light of discussions that were under way, I did not feel that it would be desirable at this time to emphasize that fact. Your interpretation of the situation is correct; I do not believe we will proceed with the bill.

Hon. Mr. Urquhart: Honourable senators, may I add to what the Government Leader has said? It is not the intention of the Government to proceed with the bill, but the bill will stay on the Order Paper until a certain undertaking has been received from the record manufacturers, which they promised to give this week to the Minister of Consumer Affairs.

Motion agreed to.

POVERTY

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Hon. Leopold Langlois moved, with leave:

That the membership of the Special Committee of the Senate appointed to investigate and report upon all aspects of poverty in Canada be increased to eighteen senators; and

That the committee be composed of the honourable Senators Bélisle, Carter, Cook, Croll, Eudes, Everett, Fergusson, Fournier (Madawaska-Restigouche), Hastings, Inman, Lefrançois, McGrand, Nichol, O'Leary (Antigonish-Guysborough), Pearson, Quart, Roebuck and Sparrow.

Motion agreed to.

DIVORCE

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ADOPTED

The Senate proceeded to consideration of reports of the Standing Committee on Divorce Nos. 558 to 590, inclusive, which were presented yesterday.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Croll, for Hon. Mr. Roebuck, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Divorce, reports adopted.

RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED

Leave having been given to revert to presentation of petitions:

Hon. Mr. Croll for Hon. Mr. Roebuck, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Divorce, presented the following resolutions:

Resolution 502, for the relief of Donald John Brunet.

Resolution 503, for the relief of Norman Grant.

Resolution 504, for the relief of Harvey Lloyd Raves.

Resolution 505, for the relief of Ray Alexandra Boa Smith.

Resolution 506, for the relief of Daphne June Knapp McCullough.

Resolution 507, for the relief of Claude Lemire Marsolais.

Resolution 508, for the relief of Jules Trempe.

Resolution 509, for the relief of Mariette Smith Laporte.

Resolution 510, for the relief of Francis John Hayes.

Resolution 511, for the relief of Viola Rachelina Princi Campbell.

Resolution 512, for the relief of Jean Dorothy Bell Neilson.

Resolution 513, for the relief of Sheldon Allan Malley.

Resolution 514, for the relief of Marie Carmella Clairette Ratelle Souliere.

Resolution 515, for the relief of Caser Martin Leutschaff.

Resolution 516, for the relief of Colin John McNeill Bowie.

Resolution 517, for the relief of Janice Partington La Vallette.

Resolution 518, for the relief of Elizabeth Anne Ruta Smith.

Resolution 519, for the relief of Jean Guy Ladouceur.