[English]

TRANSPORT

SAFETY OF RAIL OPERATIONS IN FRASER VALLEY—RE-QUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. John L. Skoberg (Moose Jaw): Mr. Speaker, I indicated the urgency of my motion when I spoke earlier and I will not repeat what I said. I now ask leave under Standing Order 43 to present the motion that I read earlier, which is as follows:

That this House call upon the Minister of Transport and the Minister of Labour to initiate an immediate on the spot inquiry into safety of rail operations in the Fraser Valley in British Columbia.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the motion proposed by the hon. member for Moose Jaw. Is there unanimous agreement under Standing Order 43?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimity and therefore the motion cannot be put.

Mr. Rowland: I rise on a point of order, Mr. Speaker. I wonder whether you could perhaps prevail upon the Secretary of State or the Minister without Portfolio who assists him in his duties to make a statement before we leave motions on the Opportunities for Youth program and, specifically, the criteria being employed since there is considerable confusion and this is the last day on which the government can make such an announcement prior to the closing of applications.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. member will appreciate that it might be difficult for the Chair to prevail on a minister for the purpose suggested by the hon. member. I suggest to the hon. member that he might attempt to do his own prevailing.

BROADCASTING ACT

AMENDMENT TO PROHIBIT ADVERTISING ON CHILDREN'S TELEVISION PROGRAMS

Mr. James A. McGrath (St. John's East) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-237, to amend the Broadcasting Act (advertising on children's programs).

Some hon. Members: Explain.

Mr. McGrath: Mr. Speaker, this bill reflects the growing excessive nature and the alarming increase in commercial advertising directed at children on television. It would have the effect of prohibiting such commercial advertising. But the immediate objective would be to have the bill referred to an appropriate committee where the subject matter could be studied by Parliament.

Questions

I know that all hon. members support this bill, including the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Speaker: When shall the said bill be read the second time?

Mr. McGrath: By leave, now?

Mr. Speaker: The bill can be read a second time now only by unanimous consent. The suggestion has been made that second reading take place at the next sitting of the House. Is this agreed?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

THE ROYAL ASSENT

Mr. Speaker: I have the honour to inform the House that a communication has been received which is as

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Sir,

follows:

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I have the honour to inform you that the Right Hon. Gérald Fauteux, P.C., Chief Justice of Canada, in his capacity as Deputy Governor General, will proceed to the Senate Chamber today, the 7th of April, at 5.45 p.m., for the purpose of giving Royal Assent to certain Bills.

> I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant, Louis-Frémont Trudeau Brigadier General

Assistant Secretary to the Governor General.

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

CBC PAYMENTS FOR FOOTBALL BROADCASTING RIGHTS

Question No. 740-Mr. Nowlan:

How much has CBC paid in each of the past five years, up to and including the 1970-71 estimates for (a) American professional football broadcasting rights (b) Canadian Football League broadcasting rights?

[Translation]

Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State): I am informed by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation as follows: (a) There were no rights payments involved. U.S. games were received by network extension through agreement with the originating U.S. network. (b) CBC was not the primary rights holder during the past five years. Arrangements for CBC English and French network coverage of CFL games were negotiated with rights holder, CTV. In two of the five years in question arrangements were made under which the sponsors of the CBC