

S.O. 43

ENERGY

CONDEMNATION OF TAXES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Gordon Taylor (Bow River): Madam Speaker, taxes under the national energy policy are sucking the lifeblood out of the oil and gas industry: excise taxes, incremental oil revenue taxes, petroleum and gas revenue taxes, Canadian ownership taxes, natural gas taxes, natural gas liquid taxes, taxes on ethane, butane, etc. It is no wonder the industry is drying up, leaving hundreds of unemployed, and scores leaving the country. There have already been more than 3,800 bankruptcies of businesses in 1982.

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The Alberta and Saskatchewan governments are cancelling some taxes and cutting back on royalties to help, but the insatiable desire of this Liberal government for more and more money just cannot seem to be satisfied. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Fraser Valley East (Mr. Patterson):

That this House demand that the cabinet ministers and the Liberal government and the Liberal Members of Parliament come out of their ivory tower and into the real world and start cutting back on taxes and royalties, or else throw in the sponge.

No government has a right to live in luxury while its subjects exist on relief and unemployment insurance.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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THE ADMINISTRATION

DEMAND FOR RESIGNATION—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Vince Dantzer (Okanagan North): Madam Speaker, in preparing for the Versailles conference, the government has been forced to give statistical evidence of its complete failure. We now learn that for the first time in 18 years the Canadian economy will decline rather than grow. The gross national product will fall .5 per cent rather than rise 2.2 per cent as forecast by the Minister of Finance (Mr. MacEachen). This government has now admitted its complete bankruptcy. It is bankrupt of programs. It is bankrupt of ideas. It is bankrupt of capable people. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for St. John's East (Mr. McGrath):

That this House demand that the incompetent Minister of Finance, the incompetent Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, the incompetent Minister of Justice, in fact, the whole incompetent cabinet, and the incompetent and irrelevant Prime Minister resign, call an election, and let the Canadian people get the monkeys in this government off their backs.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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PROVINCIAL AFFAIRS

IMPACT OF QUEBEC TAXES ON MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Doug Anguish (The Battlefords-Meadow Lake): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Yesterday the National Assembly in Quebec tabled Bill C-74. As the 74 Liberal members opposite from Quebec know, Bill C-74 is aimed at them since many among them have established residences in the province of Ontario where provincial taxes are lower and can save them as much as \$4,000 or \$5,000 a year. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Nunatsiak (Mr. Ittinuar):

That this House ask all Liberal Members of Parliament, especially cabinet ministers, from Quebec to pay their taxes in Quebec as every one of their constituents must, and not try to evade their responsibility to their provincial government.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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FISHERIES

DELAY IN KIRBY TASK FORCE REPORT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Hon. John A. Fraser (Vancouver South): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Given the fact that the Atlantic fishery is plagued with plant closings, threatened bankruptcies, high interest rates, exchange rate disadvantages, low prices, unemployment, and now, to the shame of the government, harassment from the Department of National Revenue, and given the fact that all of this was obvious to the government as long ago as last summer, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Central Nova (Mr. MacKay):

That this House condemn the government for its lack of action, and especially that this House deplore the fact that the Kirby task force, established to come up with answers to the present and continuing crisis, will not report until, at the soonest, September, leaving the fishing industry and those dependent upon it in confusion and uncertainty.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.