of Rights, they hereby petition this House to have property rights entrenched in the Canadian Constitution.

REINSTATEMENT OF CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

Mr. Bill Domm (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs): Mr. Speaker, I would like to present a petition from the residents of southwestern Ontario and principally the area surrounding Ingersoll following the death of police officer Jack Ross. These petitioners humbly beseech that the Parliament of Canada either hold a free vote of its Members on the issue of the reinstating of capital punishment or hold a public referendum on the issue so that the will of the majority of Canadians may be clearly expressed. I have several thousand signatures to present at this time.

RISING COSTS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

Mrs. Pauline Browes (Scarborough Centre): Mr. Speaker, I am presenting this petition on behalf of residents of 3015 Lawrence Avenue East in Scarborough and other citizens of Scarborough. Their concern is that senior citizens are finding it increasingly difficult to deal with rising costs of living and that any increase in pension benefits is negated by increases in rent and other necessary living expenses.

[*Translation*]

CANADIAN WILDLIFE SERVICE

Mr. Fernand Robichaud (Westmorland-Kent): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present another petition on behalf of the people of Sackville, censoring the cuts in the Canadian Wildlife Service. These cuts will mean the end of a number of programs and undermine the effectiveness of the Canadian Wildlife Service. The people of Sackville humbly pray that you consider their concerns.

[*English*]

SYRIA—EMIGRATION OF JEWISH CITIZENS

Mr. Gus Mitges (Grey-Simcoe): Mr. Speaker, today on the occasion of Hanukkah, I have the honour of presenting a petition from the Jewish Students Association of the University of Manitoba and the University of Winnipeg. Their concern is for the repressive regulations which the Government of Syria is enforcing on those Jewish citizens attempting to leave the country. They ask that Parliament urge the Government of Syria to lift these regulations and permit the Jewish citizens to emigrate freely.

CANADA ELECTIONS ACT

MEASURE TO AMEND

Mr. Reg Stackhouse (Scarborough West) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-219, an Act to amend the Canada Elections Act (leave of absence).

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House that the Hon. Member shall have leave to introduce the Bill?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Stackhouse: Mr. Speaker, the intent of this Bill is to provide job security to employed persons seeking election to Parliament and will guarantee them leave of absence without pay during the campaign and for one full term of Parliament. As well, it will ensure job security on their return after that one full term.

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

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CRIMINAL LAW AMENDMENT ACT, 1984

MEASURE TO ENACT

Hon. John C. Crosbie (Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-18, an Act to amend the Criminal Code, to amend an Act to amend the Criminal Code and to amend the Combines Investigation Act, the Customs Act, the Excise Act, the Food and Drugs Act, the Narcotic Control Act, the Parole Act and the Weights and Measures Act, to repeal other Acts and to make other consequential amendments.

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House that The Hon. Minister shall have leave to introduce the Bill?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

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

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QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. Paul Dick (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of State (Government House Leader)): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 10 and 62.

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CANADA HOME RENOVATION PLAN

Question No. 10—**Ms. Copps:**

1. Since the inception of the Canada Home Renovation Plan, how many (a) homeowners applied for assistance by (i) province (ii) city (iii) type of dwelling (b) applications were accepted?