HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday, March 22, 1990

The House met at 11 a.m.

Prayers

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

PETITIONS

GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Government House Leader): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 36(8) I have the honour to table, in both official languages, the government's response to four petitions.

[Editor's note: See today's Votes and Proceedings.]

COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE

BILL C-40-REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. Brian White (Dauphin—Swan River): Mr. Speaker, I wish to retable, in both official languages, the report of the legislative committee on Bill C-40, an act respecting broadcasting and to amend certain acts in relation thereto and in relation to radio communication.

This retabling corrects clerical errors in the version of the report tabled Tuesday, March 20, 1990. I want to assure the House that the bill as ordered reprinted by the committee is correct.

Mr. Jean-Robert Gauthier (Ottawa—Vanier): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. I have been here for some time and I have not heard of retabling a report. I am wondering if the member who just spoke wants the other report to be withdrawn and this one put on the record instead. If that is what he is doing, we agree with that.

Mr. White: Just to clarify, Mr. Speaker, when the report was originally tabled on Tuesday, March 20, I was

informed afterwards that there were some mistakes in the translation of some of the amendments so I would wish the original report to be withdrawn and this to replace it.

[Editor's Note: See today's Votes and Proceedings.]

[Translation]

BILL C-61

TABLING OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Fernand Robichaud (Beauséjour): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present, in both official languages, the report of the Legislative Committee on Bill C-61, an Act to amend the Divorce Act, with amendments.

[Editor's Note: See today's Votes and Proceedings.]

[English]

PETITIONS

GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

Mr. Iain Angus (Thunder Bay—Atikokan): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour and privilege to present petitions in this House today. They have been certified correct as to form and content under Standing Order 36. They are signed by 281 residents of the city of Thunder Bay and surrounding areas.

The petitioners reject the government's proposed goods and services tax and call upon the government instead to reform the taxation system so there is an effective minimum tax on wealthy individuals and corporations.

• (1110)

VIA RAIL

Mr. Stan J. Hovdebo (Saskatoon—Humboldt): Mr. Speaker, it is my honour and duty to present a petition on behalf of a number of citizens from all across Canada. In fact, there are a few names here from as far away as Australia and the United States. The petition is with regard to VIA Rail.