

well as actually or potentially the whole range of matters dealt with by the provinces and municipalities.

Having said that, I want to say that when there are no others who wish to speak on the issue of whether or not this Bill is of an acceptable or improper omnibus nature, I will be ready to raise for your attention and consideration other points which I believe touch on whether or not Bill C-130 is acceptable in its present form.

**Mr. Speaker:** I am conscious of what the Hon. Member for Windsor West (Mr. Gray) has just mentioned, and it is consistent with some remarks made earlier today that there may be other points to raise. I think the debate we have had until now is of considerable help to the Chair and I would like to leave the matter at that while I reflect upon it. I just want to make the commitment to the Minister of State (Mr. Lewis) and to the House Leaders that I will not come back into the House with this without giving ample indication of when I would like to rule.

It might also be helpful if the Hon. Member for Windsor West and perhaps the Hon. Minister and the Hon. Member for Kamloops—Shuswap (Mr. Riis) could meet with the Chair at our earliest convenience, just to discuss what other matters might properly be debated further. As I have indicated, if it is a matter of constitutionality, I have some very grave doubts as to whether as Speaker I am even authorized to hear those arguments. I wonder if I could ask the Minister and House Leaders to arrange with my office for a quiet discussion some time soon, perhaps first thing in the morning.

**Mr. Lewis:** Mr. Speaker, I welcome that initiative on behalf of the Chair. I believe I indicated earlier that we are prepared to discuss all aspects of the admissibility of the Bill today, and we naturally spotted the two areas within which an omnibus Bill was acceptable, and, second, whether it should be divided in principle. It was our reading of the rules, although I do not want to foreclose argument on the part of my friend, that the constitutionality of the Bill was something which the Chair, on previous occasions, had refused to deal with, and I also mentioned in my remarks that the question as to whether or not a reference to the Supreme Court was in order was, in our opinion, not appropriate because we have no final law to refer to the Supreme Court and it does not want to deal with hypotheticals just as we do not.

I think we should compliment all Hon. Members who took part today. Their debate on the admissibility of the Bill was very complete, and obviously they have done a lot of preparation. I welcome your comments indicating that we should get together, since I think the subject has been exhausted as to whether or not there are procedural arguments.

As I indicated to you, I think it is in the best interests of those on either side of the question that we commence the debate on substance as soon as possible. Without speaking for my friend from Kamloops—Shuswap, I think he and I discussed it earlier and he had a feeling that perhaps we had

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exhausted the admissibility arguments, although I do not want to prejudge his comments. I would welcome such a meeting as soon as possible in order that we could deal with this matter and get on with the debate on the substance of the Bill.

**Mr. Speaker:** I appreciate the remarks of the Hon. Minister of State. Without elaborating, I want to thank all Hon. Members for their contributions today. I also want to thank Hon. Members for obviously having exercised a considerable amount of hard work and self-discipline in directing their remarks to those issues which I, as your Speaker, have the obligation to resolve.

Just on a procedural point let me say that it is nearly five o'clock. I am in the hands of Hon. Members.

**Mr. Lewis:** Mr. Speaker, we had indicated our intention to call Bill C-129, the Air Canada privatization Bill, but in view of the time, I suggest that we suspend the sitting until five o'clock.

**Mr. Gray (Windsor West):** Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. Could the Deputy House Leader confirm the business he intends to call tomorrow?

**Mr. Lewis:** Mr. Speaker, I will be looking into that right away and I will get back to the House immediately.

**Mr. Speaker:** I think it might be appropriate to call it five o'clock.

It being 5 p.m., the House will now proceed to the consideration of Private Members' Business as listed on today's Order Paper.

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## PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS—BILLS

[English]

### NON-SMOKERS' HEALTH ACT

#### MEASURE TO ENACT

The House resumed from Friday, April 22, consideration of Bill C-204, an Act to regulate smoking in the federal workplace and on common carriers and to amend the Hazardous Products Act in relation to cigarette advertising, as reported (with amendments) from a legislative committee; and the motions of Ms. McDonald

Motion No. 1.

That Bill C-204 be amended in Clause 2 by striking out lines 16 to 18 at page 1 and substituting the following therefor:

“(a) for an office building or other enclosed work space constructed prior to January 1, 1990 an enclosed space, and

(b) for an office building or other enclosed work space constructed on or”.

Motion No. 2.

That Bill C-204 be amended in Clause 4 by striking out line 33 at page 3 and substituting the following therefor:

“other enclosed work space provided by an employer.”.