

RULING BY MR. ACTING SPEAKER

THE ACTING SPEAKER (Mr. Penner): I thank honourable Members for their contributions to this procedural debate; they have been enlightening and even at times entertaining.

I think it is quite correct to point out that the guiding principle with respect to the procedural acceptability of the motions before us is in Beauchesne's fourth edition at page 207. Citation 246(3) points out that the recommendation is in reference to: "...not only the amount of a charge, but also its objects, purposes, conditions and qualifications."

The honourable Member for Dauphin (Mr. Ritchie) made the argument that this was only a cost but I think the citation goes well beyond a charge alone.

The honourable Member for Red Deer (Mr. Towers) argued that there was an omission. I would respectfully point out that this is a point of debate.

The citation makes it clear in these words: "...the royal demand of recommendation...must be treated as laying down *once and for all* (unless withdrawn and replaced) not only..."

If there were an omission it would be the prerogative of a Minister of the Crown to withdraw and replace and that prerogative would rest with him alone.

In the case of Motion numbered 1, it appears clear that a commodity has been added, which goes beyond the terms of the Recommendation and therefore it appears to offend section 3 of citation 246 of Beauchesne's fourth edition to which I referred. I therefore rule that Motion numbered 1 is unacceptable from the procedural point of view.

Motion numbered 2 purports to add a new factor or condition in establishing the base price of an agricultural commodity. Therefore, it does, according to the passage I cited, fall into the prohibited category.

Motion numbered 3 offends, perhaps, one of the most fundamental provisions of the Recommendation, namely, the number of years needed to establish the base price. I therefore rule that Motions numbered 2 and 3 are not acceptable procedurally and cannot be put.

By unanimous consent, further consideration of the report stage was interrupted.

On motion of Mr. Sharp, seconded by Mr. MacEachen, it was ordered,—That the Standing Committee on Indian Affairs and Northern Development be empowered to adjourn from place to place in Quebec and Ontario on two separate occasions on June 8th to 10th, 1975 and on June 15th to 17th, 1975, or during the summer adjournment of

the House, to study economic development on reserves and to inspect some historic sites and parks, and that the necessary supporting staff do accompany the Committee.

The Order being read for the second reading and reference to the Standing Committee on External Affairs and National Defence of Bill S-25, An Act to amend the Privileges and Immunities (International Organizations) Act;

Mr. MacEachen, seconded by Mr. Sharp, moved,—That the Bill be now read a second time and referred to the Standing Committee on External Affairs and National Defence.

After debate thereon, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Bill was read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on External Affairs and National Defence.

The Order being read for the second reading and reference to the Standing Committee on National Resources and Public Works of Bill S-17, An Act to amend the Explosives Act;

Mr. Sharp for Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale), seconded by Mr. MacEachen, moved,—That the Bill be now read a second time and referred to the Standing Committee on National Resources and Public Works.

After debate thereon, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Bill was read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on National Resources and Public Works.

The Order being read for the second reading and reference to the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs of Bill S-15, An Act to amend the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce Act;

Mr. Gillespie, seconded by Mr. Sharp, moved,—That the Bill be now read a second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs.

After debate thereon, the question being put on the motion, it was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Bill was read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs.

A Message was received from the Senate informing this House that the Senate had passed Bill C-5, An Act to establish the Canadian Radio-Television and Tele-