

# HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday, April 21, 1986

The House met at 11 a.m.

## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[Translation]

### PETITIONS

#### GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

**Mr. Doug Lewis (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 106(8), I have the honour to table, in both official languages, the Government's response to petitions numbers 331-44 and 331-195.

[English]

#### PRICE OF GASOLINE

**Mr. Vince Dantzer (Okanagan North):** Mr. Speaker, I have two petitions. The first petition is from constituents of my riding of Okanagan North who request that the federal Government withdraw the separate excise taxes on gasoline and to call a federal-provincial First Ministers' Conference at an early date to discuss ways and means by which taxes on fuel may be reduced.

#### FULL INDEXATION OF FAMILY ALLOWANCES

**Mr. Vince Dantzer (Okanagan North):** My second petition is also from residents of Okanagan North who request that the full indexation of universal family allowance be reinstated.

[Translation]

#### PENITENTIARY EMPLOYEES—RETIREMENT AFTER 25 YEARS SERVICE

**Mr. Vincent Della Noce (Duvernay):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour and the privilege of presenting a petition, duly signed by federal penitentiary employees in the riding of Duvernay, who humbly pray Parliament to intervene in obtaining their request for early retirement after twenty-five years continuous employment with Correctional Service Canada.

[English]

#### REQUEST TO RESCIND BUDGETARY TAX INCREASES

**Mr. Ian Deans (Hamilton Mountain):** Mr. Speaker, I have a petition signed by a number of people from the Hamilton area who lament the Government continuing to increase income taxes, sales taxes and excise taxes, particularly as they affect lower and middle-income families. The petitioners ask that Parliament rescind these budgetary tax changes.

#### CONTINUATION OF MAIL SERVICE—STE. ROSE DU LAC

**Mr. Brian White (Dauphin-Swan River):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present to the House two petitions from my constituents. The first petition is from 97 residents of Ste. Rose du Lac who request that the mail services on Rural Route No. 1 of Ste. Rose du Lac be continued and that no changes be made to the present service.

#### REQUEST FOR BAN ON PORNOGRAPHY

**Mr. Brian White (Dauphin-Swan River):** The second petition is from 66 citizens of the Swan River Valley and Roblin, Manitoba, who are concerned with the many problems created by pornography. They ask that the Government ban all pornography from Canada.

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[Translation]

### QUESTION ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

**Mr. Doug Lewis (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** Mr. Speaker, the following question will be answered today: No. 538.

[Text]

#### ST. CLAIR RIVER POLLUTION INVESTIGATION REPORT

Question No. 538—**Mr. Caccia:**

1. With reference to the "St. Clair River Pollution Investigation (Sarnia Area) Report", which recommendations listed on pages 25 to 29, will the Department of the Environment be acting on independently and which recommendations will the Department be acting on in concert with the Ontario Ministry of the Environment?

2. How long will it take to implement each recommendation that the Department is acting on, either independently or jointly?

**Hon. Tom McMillan (Minister of the Environment):** 1. The recommendations listed in the "St. Clair River Pollution Investigation Report" are divided into three categories: General Direction, Ambient Conditions and Pollution Sources. They are being acted upon as follows:

Recommendation  
Number

General Direction

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| 1. | Upper Great Lakes Connecting Channels Study; a Canada-U.S. Study which includes the Department of the Environment and the Ontario Ministry of the Environment |
| 2. | Ontario Ministry of the Environment with some input from the Department of the Environment  |