Introduction of Bills

Mr. Speaker: Is the Hon. Member for Essex—Windsor (Mr. Langdon) rising on a point of order?

Mr. Langdon: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. I would simply like to add my explanation to that of the Hon. Member for Cowichan—Malahat—The Islands (Mr. Manly) and the Hon. Member for Vancouver East (Ms. Mitchell) and indicate my regret that I was not here for the vote and to indicate that I would have very much preferred to vote as my caucus has done with respect to this matter.

Mr. Speaker: I want to thank the Hon. Member for bringing that point to the attention of the House. Are there other Members rising on points of order?

Ms. Mitchell: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order.

Mr. Speaker: The Hon. Member for Vancouver East on a point of order.

Ms. Mitchell: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order which is quite an important piece of information. It is relevant to an issue mentioned earlier during the presentation of petitions. I would like to tell you, Mr. Speaker, and, through you, the House that we have received a telegram—

Mr. Speaker: I realize that the Hon. Member has a matter of importance, but it is difficult for the Chair to see how it is a point of order that is relevant at this time.

Mr. Parry: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order.

Mr. Speaker: The Hon. Member for Kenora-Rainy River (Mr. Parry).

Mr. Parry: Mr. Speaker, I too arrived too late to vote. I would like to ask the indulgence of the House to record that my vote as well would have been with my Party.

Mr. Speaker: It is difficult for the Chair to keep from mentioning that on a day when there are so many votes there is certainly plenty of opportunity for Hon. Members to take part.

The Hon. Minister of Justice (Mr. Hnatyshyn), stand.

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The Hon. Minister of Labour (Mr. Cadieux), stand.

Mr. Benjamin: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order.

Mr. Speaker: The Hon. Member for Regina West (Mr. Benjamin) on a point of order.

Mr. Benjamin: Mr. Speaker, since we are anxious to deal with some Government legislation and since the Minister of Labour (Mr. Cadieux) is here I seek the unanimous consent of the House to proceed with the Bill standing in the name of the Minister of Labour regarding an Act to provide for the maintenance of port operations.

• (1550)

Mr. Speaker: Is there such unanimous consent?

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. Nystrom: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. As you are aware, Mr. Speaker, the Hon. Member for Nickel Belt (Mr. Rodriguez) has not been well. I have had a chance to consult with his office and he has told me that if the House would agree unanimously, I could proceed on his behalf to move his Bill—

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. Nystrom: As I said, the Hon. Member is not well. He has not been well for some time. He said that if he were shown the courtesy of unanimous consent, I could proceed on his behalf with a Bill to amend the Canada Elections Act.

Mr. Speaker: Order. The Hon. Member advises that he is seeking the unanimous consent to proceed with a Bill standing in the name of the Hon. Member for Nickel Belt (Mr. Rodriguez). Is there such unanimous consent?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. Robinson: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. I seek leave on behalf of the Hon. Member for Nickel Belt (Mr. Rodriguez) to introduce another Bill which I believe Your Honour has not yet called. There are a number of Bills standing in the name of the Hon. Member for Nickel Belt and I seek leave to introduce, on behalf of the Hon. Member for Nickel Belt—

Some Hon. Members: No, no.

Mr. Robinson: If I might have the courtesy of concluding-

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. Fennell: The same courtesy you've given us?

Mr. Broadbent: Not that bad, surely.

Mr. Fennell: At least you're honest.

Mr. Robinson: I seek leave to introduce, on behalf of the Hon. Member for Nickel Belt, a Bill entitled an Act to amend the Combines Investigation Act (promotional coupons and savings stamps).

Mr. Speaker: Is there unanimous consent?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. Nystrom: I rise on a point of order, Mr. Speaker. As I said before, I spoke with the office of the Hon. Member for Nickel Belt and his staff asked me to ask the House if there