calling quorum on Friday. It deliberately did not show up.

Mr. Cooper: And you did, in great hordes.

Mr. Barrett: Well, Mr. Speaker, can you imagine explaining this to anybody outside? The government is prepared to govern but it is not prepared. I think I have made my point.

Mr. Speaker: I think trying to explain this to anybody outside will be somewhat difficult. I accept the hon. member's admonishment.

I have listened to argument. We have one precedent. That is the only one I have been able to find in listening to the arguments. During this afternoon I am going to have to look at it. I think I can return with a ruling on all these points by tomorrow morning, but it is going to take a little time. Accordingly, I will reserve.

Mr. Barrett: I rise on a point of order, Mr. Speaker. On the basis of your reservation, you would not entertain a motion of supply, would you, until you have made your decision?

Mr. Speaker: We are going to proceed to Routine Proceedings. I will see what will happen at that time.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

• (1620)

[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 responses to 84 petitions.

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

HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS ACT

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MEASURE TO AMEND

Mr. Nelson A. Riis (Kamloops) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-293, an act to amend the Hazardous Products Act (expanded polystyrene container).

Routine Proceedings

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House that the hon. member shall have leave to introduce the bill?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Riis: Mr. Speaker, first of all I want to thank one of the parliamentary interns, Mr. Denis St. Martin, for his assistance in preparing this private members' bill.

The purpose of the bill is to prohibit in any building of the Government of Canada the use of containers made in whole or in part of expanded polystyrene, which I guess is the fancy name for foam cups or foam eating utensils and so on.

The reason for this is twofold: One, of course, is the CFCs and their relationship to global warming and the ozone shield, but perhaps more important is the matter of waste disposal. You are well aware, Mr. Speaker, that Canada is one of the world's most wasteful countries when it comes to municipal waste and the treatment of that waste. I believe this would go a long way in terms of a model where the Government of Canada would take the initiative and prohibit the use of foam cups as one way to keep down the voluminous landfills that we are struggling with in almost every municipality in the country.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES READJUSTMENT ACT

MEASURE TO CHANGE NAME OF CONSTITUENCY

Mr. Harry Chadwick (Brampton—Malton) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-294, an act to change the name of the Electoral District of Brampton—Malton.

Mr. Speaker: Shall the hon. member have leave to introduce the said bill?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Chadwick: Mr. Speaker, I rise in this House today to introduce a private members' bill. The purpose of this bill is to change the name of the electoral district of Brampton—Malton to better reflect the communities that make up that district. Should the bill pass, the name of Brampton—Malton would become Bramalea— Gore—Malton. Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.