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ENERGY

PETROLEUM COMPENSATION PROGRAM—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Ian Waddell (Vancouver-Kingsway): Madam Speaker, I rise to move a motion under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In view of the fact that the Canadian taxpayer pays \$3.4 billion a year through the petroleum compensation program to pay for foreign crude oil imported into eastern Canadian markets while at the same time Canadian crude oil is being shut in in Saskatchewan and Alberta for lack of markets, and in view of the fact that we may be able to save up to \$800 million a year if we substituted this domestically produced oil for the foreign oil, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Prince Albert (Mr. Hovdebo):

That this House urge the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources to change the system currently used by the Petroleum Compensation Board—that is the flat rate compensation system—and at this time of decreasing world oil prices the minister use the moneys so saved to give Canadian consumers a break by reducing the next increase in gasoline prices scheduled for July 1, 1982, so we don't have the crazy situation where we are paying more than the Americans.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon, Members: No.

PENITENTIARIES

SECURITY MEASURES AT EDMONTON INSTITUTION—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Peter Elzinga (Pembina): Madam Speaker, I rise to move a motion under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In view of the recent escape of convicted killer Harvey Andres from the maximum security Edmonton institution, and in view of the many allegations that security at the Edmonton institution is not up to standard, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Edmonton South (Mr. Roche):

That this House instructs the Solicitor General to conduct an independent inquiry into security measures at the Edmonton maximum security institution to ensure that security measures are in place to guarantee the safety of residents and prison personnel.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

AGRICULTURE

EFFECTIVENESS OF SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT BOND PROGRAM—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. G. M. Gurbin (Bruce-Grey): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. The farm economy which continues to be seriously threatened by the government's high interest rate policy faces another major crisis as spring planting time approaches. Many farmers face the possibility of not being able to finance their planting needs. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Elgin (Mr. Wise):

That the Minister of Finance take immediate direct action to ensure that the small business bond is effective; immediately institute the agri-bond concept for private agricultural lenders, place a six-month moratorium on farm foreclosures, and work with farm groups to provide short-term financial solutions.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon, Members: No.

LABOUR CONDITIONS

SUGGESTED LAUNCHING OF COMMUNITY JOB-CREATION PROGRAM—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mrs. Margaret Mitchell (Vancouver East): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on an urgent matter. Federal government policies have deliberately increased unemployment in Canada adding greatly to poverty in all regions of our country. In B.C. thousands of laid-off workers have been added to over 46,000 poor families on welfare who receive only 64 per cent of the minimum poverty line income established by the National Council on Welfare. Part time workers and those on minimum income, many of them women heads of families, are often much worse off. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Nanaimo-Alberni (Mr. Miller):

That the federal government launch a major community job-creation program and establish a national income standard to ensure incomes are above the poverty line, and that the government require provincial adherence to this standard as one of the terms for shared funding under the Canada Assistance Plan.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.