

sequential amendments. I suggest to honourable Members that this is a most relevant consideration. May I also point out to honourable Members that it would easily give rise to a chaotic situation if amendments or motions under Section (5) of Standing Order 75 could be proposed at any stage or at any point in a Report Stage when legislation is being considered. As honourable Members will notice, the Chair is required under Section 10 of Standing Order 70 to select and combine motions, and it would make the task practically impossible for the Chair if, after making combinations of motions and selecting them, the Chair were faced a few days later with a discussion on another series of similar motions.

The Chair would then be required to un-select and un-combine motions which had been decided upon in agreement with honourable Members prior to that moment. I suggest that the only logical way to interpret the Standing Order is the way I have stated. I recognize the objection raised by the honourable Member for Winnipeg North Centre that this should be made clearer. But that is a consideration that ought to be taken into account by the honourable Members who look at these things in the committee charged with that responsibility. For the moment I regret that I must advise the honourable Member of Kootenay West (Mr. Harding) that his motion cannot be accepted.

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Whereupon, the House resumed debate on the motion of Mrs. MacInnis, seconded by Mr. Harding,—That Bill C-144, An Act to provide for the management of the water resources of Canada including research and the planning and implementation of programs relating to the conservation, development and utilization of water resources be amended by numbering clause 18 to read 18(a) and by adding the following subclauses:

- “(b) After January 1, 1971, no person shall manufacture for use or sale in Canada any cleaning agent or water conditioner that contains any phosphates or other prescribed nutrients.
- (c) After January 1, 1972, no person shall sell in Canada any cleaning agent or water conditioner that contains any phosphates or other prescribed nutrients.”

And debate continuing;

By unanimous consent, the hour for Private Members' Business was suspended.

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