

S.O. 43

Because this government claims to be committed to reducing the amount of paper work inflicted on small businessmen by the federal government, since this government in its April 21 mini-budget introduced provisions which shift the responsibility for the collection of federal sales and excise taxes from multinational oil companies to small, independent oil dealers, and due to the fact that this responsibility placed upon the backs of small, independent distributors causes undue hardships on small businessmen as they are forced to become licensed collectors of federal sales and excise taxes, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Etobicoke Centre (Mr. Wilson):

That this government regain its sanity and return the responsibility for collecting federal sales and excise taxes to the large oil companies, which have the resources to handle this paper work, rather than placing the burden on small, independent distributors.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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WORLD BANK

REPORTED CANDIDACY OF HON. JOHN TURNER FOR
PRESIDENCY—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Dan McKenzie (Winnipeg-Assiniboine): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. A recent press article reports that former finance minister John Turner is a candidate for the position of president of the World Bank. Given Mr. Turner's record of fiscal mismanagement when he was finance minister, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Yukon (Mr. Nielsen):

That the Canadian government protest in the strongest possible terms Mr. Turner's possible appointment as head of the World Bank, which would give him the opportunity to do to the world what he did to Canada during his disastrous tenure as finance minister.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

FUNDING OF DREE PROJECTS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Rod Murphy (Churchill): In light of the fact that the Deputy Minister of Regional Economic Development today provided information to the Standing Committee on Regional Development which proved that Canadian taxpayers are not receiving their money's worth from DREE incentives to large

multinational corporations—money which is often given only because the companies threaten to locate elsewhere—and since the figures provided today indicate that the \$21.5 million given to small businesses provided 4,680 jobs in 1979-80, since the \$72.3 million given to large corporations provided 4,690 jobs—a mere ten jobs more for the extra \$50 million given to large corporations—and since, in addition, the deputy minister also confirmed that the \$23 million in federal funds was provided in the last four years to assist the now closed ITT plant in Port Cartier, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg-Birds Hill (Mr. Blaikie):

That this House instruct the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion to fund only those operations with less than \$2 million in approved capital costs, in order that Canadian taxpayers receive the best number of jobs per dollar spent on regional development projects; and, further, that the government reopen the ITT plant in Port Cartier as a Crown corporation to provide jobs for this hard-pressed region, and ensure that the \$23 million spent in the last four years on this new plant not be wasted as another offering to the gods of multinationals.

Madam Speaker: This motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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SMALL LOANS ACT

REQUEST LEGISLATION BE REPEALED—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Don Blenkarn (Mississauga South): Madam Speaker, I should like to move a motion under Standing Order 43. The Small Loans Act in totally irrelevant. It is causing persons wishing to borrow from credit unions and finance companies to borrow in excess of what they really need because of the strictures on interest rates.

The government has indicated that the act is no longer required nor, indeed, appropriate for today's times. This party has agreed with the government that it would, with limited debate, abolish this unnecessary statute if a bill were introduced to that effect. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Brampton-Georgetown (Mr. McDermid):

That this House direct the government to forthwith introduce a bill to abolish the Small Loans Act, and forthwith bring the bill on for debate and immediate passage; and this House agrees to pass the said bill through all stages without delay.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.