

Time Allocation

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Order. It is too late for the hon. member to come back to the motion because the time allotted to him has expired. If he wants to ask for unanimous consent, he may do so.

[*English*]

Is there unanimous consent to allow the hon. member to continue his remarks?

Some hon. Members: No.

[*Translation*]

Mr. Deputy Speaker: There is no unanimous consent. The hon. Parliamentary Secretary to the President of the Privy Council.

Mr. David Kilgour (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council): Since there are four minutes left, I would like to begin my speech.

[*English*]

I should like to make a few points in this debate. The Canadian people are overwhelmingly in favour of this measure.

An hon. Member: Twenty-eight per cent!

Mr. Kilgour: A questionnaire sent to every household in my riding produced the following response: in favour, 67 per cent; against, 27 per cent; undecided 4 per cent. What data do any of the pious members opposite have to support any suggestion that the figures are different in any of their ridings—in any apartments, in any group of the Canadian society except for their little band of caucus?

The hon. member for Vancouver Centre (Mr. Phillips) has already been referred to in this debate as being 60 per cent in favour. Members over on the other side who might have visited other parts of the country will know that there are many apartment buildings in Vancouver Centre, more, I suggest, than in any other riding in Canada. Well, 60 per cent of the people in that riding support the measure. I say to members opposite: I suspect when you go back to your constituents and explain why you voted against the bill—those who have the gall to do so—

Mr. Ittinuar: How much do renters get?

Mr. Kilgour: Does any member of this House doubt that this is a popular measure?

Some hon. Members: Four o'clock!

● (1600)

Mr. Baker (Nepean-Carleton): Mr. Speaker, on a point of order, just because the members of the New Democratic Party, who profess such love and respect for Parliament, do not like the motion is no reason for them to interrupt a member who is trying to make a speech.

Mr. Ouellet: Come on, sit down.

[Mr. Corbin.]

Mr. Baker (Nepean-Carleton): I think the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles) ought to admonish his group not to make that kind of noise.

Mr. Ouellet: Who is the new Speaker? Are you now sharing that job? Are you the Speaker too?

Mr. Rose: Mr. Speaker, I rise on the same point of order. Is it really incumbent upon any member of this House at this late hour on a Friday afternoon to be lectured to with unrelieved compositeness by the government House leader? If his backbenchers cannot look after themselves in these situations, they do not belong here. They should get back into their playpens.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Knowles: Four o'clock.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Order, please. It being four o'clock, the House will now proceed to the consideration of private members' business as listed on today's order paper, namely, notices of motions, public bills, and private bills.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

[*Translation*]

Mr. David Kilgour (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, I think it is understood that we will discuss the government member's motion on capital punishment. I do not know the exact number of the motion. Are other notices of motions allowed to stand by unanimous consent of the House?

[*English*]

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Can the parliamentary secretary give the assurance that the movers of motions Nos. 9, 12, 13 and 14 have been contacted, are now ready to proceed, and agree to let motion No. 15 in the name of the hon. member for Grey-Simcoe (Mr. Mitges) proceed today?

Mr. Kilgour: No, Mr. Speaker, I am not able to give that undertaking, but I think Your Honour will be aware of the fact that in every other case in which we have got ourselves in this position, that check has been made. However, I cannot give you that assurance today.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Is there unanimous consent that we proceed with motion No. 15?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.