

When a question is under debate no motion is received unless to amend it; to postpone it to a certain day; for the previous question.

Rule 44 also states that:

The previous question, until it is decided, shall preclude all amendment of the main question.

What is the object of the previous question? It is to prevent the debate from going any further. The motion before the House is undebatable, and I rule that the previous question is out of order.

Some hon. MEMBERS: Question, question.

Mr. PUGSLEY: Mr. Chairman—

Some hon. MEMBERS: Order, order.

Mr. PUGSLEY: I have to appeal, Sir, from your decision to the House.

Mr. Speaker having resumed the Chair, the Chairman reported:

On the motion made by the Right Hon. Mr. Borden that section 3 be postponed, the Hon. Mr. Pugsley moved the previous question. The Chairman ruled that it was not in order to move the previous question on that motion. Hon. Mr. Pugsley appeals from this decision to the House.

Mr. PUGSLEY: That is not exactly correct; the motion of the Prime Minister was that the discussion on section 3 be postponed, not that the section be postponed.

Mr. BORDEN: My motion was that the further consideration of section 3 be postponed.

The CHAIRMAN: I will make the report read in that form. The report reads:

On the motion made by the Right Hon. Mr. Borden that the further consideration of section 3 be postponed, the Hon. Mr. Pugsley moved the previous question. The Chairman ruled that it was not in order to move the previous question on that motion. Hon. Mr. Pugsley appeals from this decision to the House.

House divided on the question: shall the ruling of the Chair be confirmed:

YEAS:

Messieurs.

Alguire,	McKay,
Ames,	McLean
Armstrong (Lambton),	(Queen's, P.E.I.),
Armstrong (York, O.),	Meighen,
Arthurs,	Merner,
Ball,	Middlebro,
Barker,	Morphy,
Beattie,	Morrison,
Best,	Munson,
Blain,	Nantel,
Borden,	Nicholson,

The CHAIRMAN.

Bowman,	Osler (Sir Edmund),
Boyce,	Paul,
Boys,	Pelletier,
Brabazon,	Porter,
Bradbury,	Rainville,
Burnham,	Reid (Grenville),
Clark (Bruce),	Robidoux,
Clarke (Wellington),	Rogers,
Clements,	Schaffner,
Cochrane,	Seigny,
Crocket,	Sexsmith,
Cromwell,	Sharpe (Lisgar),
Crothers,	Sharpe (Ontario),
Currie,	Shepherd,
Donnelly,	Smith,
Edwards,	Smyth,
Elliot,	Stanfield,
Fisher,	Steele,
Foster (King's, N.S.),	Stevens,
Gauthier (Gaspé),	Stewart (Hamilton),
Girard,	Stewart (Lunenburg),
Green,	Sutherland,
Hazen,	Taylor,
Hepburn,	Thompson (Yukon),
Hughes (Victoria, O.),	Thornton,
Kemp,	Walker,
Lalor,	Wallace,
Lancaster,	Weichel,
Lavallée,	White (Renfrew),
Lesperance,	Wilson (Wentworth),
Lewis,	Wright,—84.
Macdonell,	

NAYS:

Messieurs.

Béland,	Loggie,
Boivin,	MacNutt,
Bourassa,	McCraney,
Brouillard,	McCrea,
Buchanan,	McKenzie,
Bureau,	McMillan,
Cardin,	Marcile (Bagot),
Carroll,	Nesbitt,
Carvell,	Neely,
Delisle,	Oliver,
Ethier,	Pacaud,
Fortier,	Papineau,
Gauthier	Pardee,
(St. Hyacinthe),	Proulx,
Gauvreau,	Pugsley,
German,	Richards,
Graham,	Seguin,
Guthrie,	Sinclair,
Knowles,	Tobin,
Kyte,	Turgeon,
Lanctot,	Verville,
Lapointe	Warnock,
(Kamouraska),	White
Lemieux,	(Victoria, Alta.),—45.

Ruling confirmed.

House again in Committee on the Bill. (Mr. Deputy Speaker in the Chair.)

Mr. BORDEN: I move that the committee rise, report progress and ask leave to sit again.

Motion agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Borden, House adjourned at 1.45 a.m. Thursday.