The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): All those in favour of the said motion will please say yea.

Some hon. Members: Yea.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): All those opposed will please say nay.

Some hon. Members: Nay.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): In my opinion, the nays have it.

Some hon. Members: On division.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): I declare the motion negatived on division.

Motion (Mr. Riis) negatived.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): The House will now proceed to motion No. 35 standing in the name of the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance (Mr. MacEachen).

[Translation]

Hon. Pierre Bussières (for Mr. MacEachen) moved:

Motion No. 35.

That Bill C-57, an act to amend the Excise Tax Act and the Excise Act and to provide for a revenue tax in respect of petroleum and gas, be amended in Clause 42 by striking out lines 14 to 20 at page 49 and substituting the following therefor:

"fuel-1.0 cents per litre.

2. For the purposes of section 1, "gasoline, premium, no lead" means gasoline Type 1 that has a lead content in mg/l equal to or less than 13 mg/l, a phosphorous content equal to or less than 1.3 mg/l and an anti-knock (Octane) Index of not less than

(i) 90.0 in the case of gasoline in eastern Canada (including all of Ontario) and coastal British Columbia,

(ii) 88.0 in the case of gasoline in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, and

(iii) 87.0 in the case of gasoline in Alberta, interior British Columbia, the Yukon Territory and Northwest Territories,

as determined by the methods referred to in "Standard for: Gasoline, Automotive, Unleaded 3-GP-5Ma" of November 1978 published by the Government of Canada Specifications Board;

"gasoline, grade 1" means gasoline Type 1 that has an anti-knock (Octane) Index of not less than

(i) 94.0 in the case of gasoline in eastern Canada (including all of Ontario) and coastal British Columbia,

(ii) 92.0 in the case of gasoline in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, and

(iii) 90.5 in the case of gasoline in Alberta, interior British Columbia, the Yukon Territory and Northwest Territories,

as determined by the methods referred to in "Standard for: Gasoline, Automotive 3-GP-1M" of November 1977 published by the Government of Canada Specifications Board;

"gasoline, grade 2" means gasoline Type 2 that has an anti-knock (Octane) Index of not less than

(i) 88.0 in the case of gasoline in eastern Canada (including all of Ontario) and coastal British Columbia,

(ii) 86.5 in the case of gasoline in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, and

(iii) 85.5 in the case of gasoline in Alberta, interior British Columbia, the Yukon Territory and Northwest Territories,

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as determined by the methods referred to in "Standard for: Gasoline, Automotive 3-GP-1M" of November 1977 published by the Government of Canada Specifications Board;

"gasoline, no lead" means gasoline Type 2 that has a lead content in mg/l equal to or less than 13 mg/l, a phosphorous content equal to or less than 1.3 mg/l and an anti-knock (Octane) Index of not less than

(i) 87.0 in the case of gasoline in eastern Canada (including all of Ontario) and coastal British Columbia,

(ii) 85.0 in the case of gasoline in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, and

(iii) 84.0 in the case of gasoline in Alberta, interior British Columbia, the Yukon Territory and Northwest Territories,

as determined by the methods referred to in "Standard for: Gasoline, Automotive, Unleaded 3-GP-5Ma" of November 1978 published by the Government of Canada Specifications Board;

"diesel fuel" means fuel oil that is suitable for use in internal combustion engines of the compression-ignition type." "

He said: Mr. Speaker, I shall be very brief. To my mind, this amendment will do away with the need for the various types and grades of gas to be set and defined by an order of the Governor in Council, as was done until now by regulation, by defining and classifying within the act itself the various types and grades of gas. That should satisfy many hon. members who feel existing regulations under our various acts are far too vague and gave far too much leeway. We thus do away with a provision that used to be implemented by regulation.

Hon. Marcel Lambert (Edmonton West): I have no objection to it.

[English]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): I declare the motion carried.

Motion (Mr. Bussières for Mr. MacEachen) agreed to.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): The House may now wish to consider motions Nos. 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42 and 43, which have been grouped by the Speaker for debate with the question to be put on motion No. 36. After that it may become complicated.

Hon. Michael Wilson (Etobicoke Centre) moved:

Motion No. 36.

That Bill C-57, an act to amend the Excise Tax Act and the Excise Act and to provide for a revenue tax in respect of petroleum and gas, be amended by deleting Clause 43.

He said: Mr. Speaker, I have been listening to the debate over the past hour and a half and I think it illustrates very clearly the odious nature of this closure motion brought by the government on this very complex bill.

We have heard a number of very worthwhile proposals for changes in the bill as it has been presented. In looking at the number of motions we have to consider as yet in the next two and a quarter hours, there is no possible way we can give proper consideration to the very important oil and natural gas