

Introduction of Bills

carefully examined the provisions of the Criminal Code, it does provide inadequate protection to young people in the community.

I have a number of other petitions of a similar import with respect to the deficiencies as viewed by my constituents from different parts of Burnaby in this area of the Criminal Code. My constituents would urge that the Minister of Justice (Mr. MacGuigan) view very seriously their concerns with a view to making the necessary changes in the Criminal Code. And as in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray.

Mr. Speaker: Those are all the petitions of the Hon. Member?

Mr. Robinson (Burnaby): Yes, Sir.

Mr. Speaker: Again, the Chair would like to commend the Hon. Member for the manner in which he presented the petitions.

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NATIONAL ANTHEM ACT

MEASURE TO AMEND

Mr. Howard Crosby (Halifax West) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-247, an Act to amend the National Anthem Act.

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House that the Hon. Member shall have leave to introduce the Bill?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Crosby: Mr. Speaker, may I explain briefly that this amendment to the National Anthem Act makes a change that I consider necessary to conform to the spirit of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the endorsement of equality for men and women. Specifically, the change removes the words "thy sons" from *O Canada* so that the national anthem will now ask for "True patriot love in all of us command!"

Motion agreed to, Bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYMENT ACT

PUBLIC SERVICE STAFF RELATIONS ACT MEASURE TO AMEND

Mr. Les Benjamin (Regina West) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-248, an Act to amend the Public Service Employment Act and the Public Service Staff Relations Act (political rights).

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House that the Hon. Member shall have leave to introduce the Bill?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Benjamin: Mr. Speaker, I feel it necessary today to introduce a Bill which would give the same rights to federal public servants to participate in political activities as are enjoyed by most other Canadians. I do this now at a time when the Public Service Commission is ready to discipline federal employees who register as delegates at the Liberal Convention and after watching the witch-hunt which took place in Saskatchewan after the last election. This Bill would give federal public servants the right to attend and participate fully in the meetings and activities of a political Party or candidate and the right to work for or against a candidate, Party or policy on their own time. I hope our respective House Leaders will agree that this should be dealt with in Private Member's hour before the end of June and before the time of the next federal election.

Motion agreed to, Bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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[Translation]

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. John Evans (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 155, 242, 428, 433, 666, 670, 671 and 845.

[Text]

DND—CODE OF CONDUCT

Question No. 155—**Mr. Crosby:**

1. Does the Department of National Defence have written rules or regulations governing the conduct or standards of behavior for employees of the Department and, if so, are they embodied in a code of conduct or other specific document and is the code or document available to the public?

2. In the five years preceding April 1, 1982, were any employees of the Department disciplined by way of suspension, dismissal or otherwise for violations of any rules or regulations governing the conduct or standards of behaviour for departmental employees and, if so, in each case, what was the name of the employee and the date of the disciplinary action?

Mr. Stanley Hudecki (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Defence): 1. A departmental Standard of Conduct, Civilian Personnel Administrative Order 7.05 to be issued in the spring of 1984 will provide clear instructions on what is expected of employees in terms of conduct and standards of behaviour. This document will be available to the public.

2. The Code of Civilian Discipline, Civilian Personnel Administrative Order 7.06, also available to the public, indicates behaviour which is considered misconduct. This order states that a notice of disciplinary action placed on the personal file of an employee shall be destroyed after two years have elapsed since the disciplinary action was taken providing that no further disciplinary action has been recorded during this period. The following statistics are therefore provided: