

would like to recognize the Hon. President of the Privy Council (Mr. Hnatyshyn), the Government House Leader.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

CANADA SHIPPING ACT, ARCTIC WATERS POLLUTION PREVENTION ACT, MARITIME CODE ACT, AND THE OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION ACT

MEASURE TO AMEND

Hon. Ray Hnatyshyn (President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, I will be very brief. Earlier this day under Routine Proceedings, a Bill was introduced in the name of the Minister of Transport (Mr. Mazankowski) intitled an Act to amend the Canada Shipping Act and to amend the Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act and the Maritime Code Act in consequence thereof. The Bill as introduced contained an error. It has been redrafted and a new royal recommendation has been obtained.

I have had discussions with my colleagues, the other House Leaders, and I believe if you sought the unanimous consent of the House, Mr. Speaker, you would find that such consent would be forthcoming to have the records show that the Bill introduced earlier this day is actually the new redrafted Bill now in the possession of the Clerk, intitled an Act to amend the Canada Shipping Act and to amend the Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act, the Maritime Code Act and the Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act in consequence thereof.

Mr. Angus: Mr. Speaker, I just wanted to indicate to the Government House Leader that we do, as always, try to assist the Government in correcting its errors and we will be most pleased to give unanimous consent.

[Translation]

Mr. Gauthier: We also agree, Mr. Speaker, but are we still talking about Bill C-75?

[English]

Is it Bill C-75 we are talking about?

[Translation]

Mr. Hnatyshyn: I think that the Bill introduced today by my colleague the Minister of Transport—

[English]

It is a small area in the title with respect to the Acts which will be amended, but we corrected that and a new royal recommendation is obtained. But it is, indeed, the Bill only for first reading and it will be published in proper form so that all Hon. Members have the correct Bill before them tomorrow morning at the latest.

Income Tax Act

Mr. Gauthier: Mr. Speaker, just to follow up—I want to make sure—the reason I asked, and the Minister will understand this—is that the striking committee is meeting tomorrow as it does when we have Bills for first reading. I just wanted to make sure that we have the right number, that we are talking about Bill C-75, and if we are, that is fine.

[Translation]

Mr. Hnatyshyn: The Hon. Member is right.

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

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS— MOTIONS

[English]

INCOME TAX ACT

SUGGESTED AMENDMENT RESPECTING WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BENEFITS

The House resumed consideration of the motion of Mr. Dingwall:

That, in the opinion of this House, the Government should consider the advisability of amending the Income Tax Act, in order to eliminate the hardships brought about by previous amendments, which now make Workmen's Compensation reportable as "income" for Guaranteed Income Supplement purposes.

Mr. Doug Lewis (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State): Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the opportunity to rise and address the motion which my colleague, the Hon. Member for Cape Breton-East Richmond (Mr. Dingwall) has moved, and did so last February. I want to make some remarks, if I may, to the general matter of detailed study which was addressed by the previous speaker. I believe it is indicated in *Hansard* that this matter first came up on February 14. At that time, it seemed to me to be a reasonable motion. We have now had an opportunity to hear the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Finance (Mr. Lanthier) indicate that there will be a further detailed study. I would like to say through you, Mr. Speaker, to the bureaucrats who are doing the study that we all think it is about time the detailed study became a little more imminent so that when we discuss matters such as the Private Member's Motion put forward by my colleague, we can have the benefit of the detailed study on which the bureaucrats somewhere in the Department of Finance or in the Department of Health and Welfare, or whatever, are progressing, we hope.

We, as elected representatives, when we debate this type of motion, put our comments on the record. We are, therefore, prepared to say where we stand as individuals in the course of this Private Members' hour. Sometimes it is easy to support a