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Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Transport): Madam Speaker, the responsibility for rigs is that of the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources. The responsibility for ships in the area is that of the Minister of Transport. There is no discussion on that subject. That is why most of the initiative in these matters has been taken by the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources.

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PETITION

MR. KING—PORNOGRAPHIC FILMS ON PAY TV

Madam Speaker: I have the honour to inform the House that the Clerk of the House has laid upon the Table the four hundred and seventh report of the Clerk of Petitions, stating that he has examined the petition presented by the Hon. Member for Okanagan-Similkameen (Mr. King) on Friday, March 4, 1983, and finds that the petition meets the requirements of the Standing Orders as to form.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

Madam Speaker: Presenting Reports from Standing or Special Committees; Tabling of Documents; Statements by Ministers; Petitions; Introduction of Bills; First Reading of Senate Public Bills; Government Notices of Motions; Motions.

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BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

NOTICE OF ALLOCATION OF TIME TO CONSIDER SECOND
READING STAGE OF BILL C-143

Madam Speaker: The Minister of State for Finance.

Hon. Paul J. Cosgrove (Minister of State (Finance)): Madam Speaker, did I understand the Chair to call Government Notices of Motions?

Madam Speaker: I will call it now. We will go back to Government Notices of Motions.

Mr. Nielsen: Only by leave.

Mr. Cosgrove: Madam Speaker, I wish to inform the House that there have been consultations among the representatives of the Parties and it has not been possible—

Some Hon. Members: Order.

Mr. Cosgrove: —to reach an agreement pursuant to Standing Order 80 or 81—

Business of the House

Some Hon. Members: Order.

Mr. Cosgrove: —with regard to the allocation of time for the second reading stage—

Some Hon. Members: Order.

Mr. Cosgrove: —of Bill C-143—

Some Hon. Members: Order.

Mr. Lewis: Madam Speaker, I am rising on a point of order.

Madam Speaker: Order, please. Could I ask the Minister to resume his seat for a minute. The Hon. Member for Simcoe North (Mr. Lewis) is rising on a point of order?

Mr. Lewis: Madam Speaker, you went through Routine Proceedings as you do every day. You are now calling Motions. The Minister missed Government Notices of Motions, and we do not give leave to revert.

Madam Speaker: I wonder under what practice I am not allowed to go back?

Mr. Nielsen: Only by leave.

Madam Speaker: I do it every day. When Hon. Members want to present petitions and I have already called Petitions but they have not heard, we revert in that very flexible way.

Mr. Deans: You do it by leave.

Madam Speaker: It might be that the Speaker did not see the Hon. Minister when he rose. I cannot ascertain that. Perhaps the Minister might tell me if he was rising when I called that item.

Some Hon. Members: No, he was not.

Mr. Cosgrove: Madam Speaker, I did rise at the appropriate time under the appropriate section, but unfortunately the Chair did not recognize me at that point.

Mr. Deans: Madam Speaker, I rise on a point of order.

Madam Speaker: At any rate, I do not think there is any problem. The Hon. Minister, I believe, wants to move a motion. Therefore, I am now presently at Motions and the Hon. Minister may make his motion at that time.

The Hon. Member for Wellington-Dufferin-Simcoe is rising on a point of order?

Mr. Beatty: Madam Speaker, I assume that you have not ruled on this point as yet. It is a very critical issue. The Speaker follows a set procedure every day. After we passed the particular piece of business for which the Minister has responsibility, he sought the consent of the Chair and the House to revert to the previous piece of business. Any time this is done, Madam Speaker, it must be done with the consent of the House. Consent of the House was not requested. Certainly on this side of the House we would not have given consent to