Government Orders

[English]

PRESENCE IN GALLERY

Mr. Speaker: I wish to draw the attention of members to the presence in the gallery of the Hon. Gerry Ducharme, Minister of Government Services and Minister responsible for Seniors from the province of Manitoba.

Some hon. members: Hear, hear.

Mr. Speaker: I also wish to draw the attention of members to the presence in the gallery of the Hon. Bernhard Wiens, Minister of Agriculture from the province of Saskatchewan.

Some hon. members: Hear, hear.

[Translation]

ROYAL ASSENT

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): I have the honour to inform the House that a communication has been received as follows:

Rideau Hall Ottawa

November 26, 1991

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Hon. Claire L'Heureux-Dubé, Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Canada, in her capacity as Deputy Governor General, will proceed to the Senate Chamber today, November 26, 1991, at 3.30 p.m., for the purpose of giving Royal Assent to certain bills.

Yours sincerely, Anthony P. Smith Deputy Secretary Policy, Program and Protocol

[English]

POINT OF ORDER

BILL C-35 - PROCEDURAL ARGUMENTS

Mr. David Dingwall (Cape Breton—East Richmond): Mr. Speaker, on Friday, while debating Bill C-35, we had suspended the debate pending a ruling by the Chair with regard to certain procedural arguments that I had raised on that particular occasion.

I am wondering if the Chair could indicate to the House as to when we might expect a ruling. We are proceeding with debate this afternoon on some of the legislation which had been referred to in the procedural arguments that I had raised. I am wondering if the Chair could see its way clear to inform the House as to an approximation of when this decision will be made.

[Translation]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): At this time I have no indication from the Chair regarding the question raised by the hon. member. That said, I think that the hon. member's interest has been duly noted and the Chair will provide an answer as soon as possible.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

BANK ACT

MEASURE TO ENACT

The House resumed consideration of Bill C-19, an act respecting banks and banking, as reported (with amendments) from the Standing Committee on Finance; and the motion of Mr. Rodriguez (p. 5340).

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): Is the House ready for the question?

Some hon. members: Ouestion.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): The question is on Motion No. 2 standing in the name of the hon. member for Nickel Belt. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

Some hon. members: No.

• (1510)

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

Some hon, members: Yea.

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

Some hon. members: Nay.

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