

(Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands) on the Special Joint Committee on Consumer Credit and Cost of Living; and

That a Message be sent to the Senate to acquaint Their Honours thereof.

On motion of Mr. Pilon, seconded by Mr. McNulty, it was ordered,—That the name of Mr. Fulton be substituted for that of Mr. Hees on the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs.

Mr. Stanbury, seconded by Mr. Orange, by leave of the House, introduced Bill C-236, An Act to amend the British North America Act, 1867 (Appointment of Judges), which was read the first time and ordered for a second reading at the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to Standing Order 39(4), the following Question was made an Order of the House for a Return, namely:

No. 1,498—*Mr. Macquarrie*

1. Have any individuals and/or organizations protested the increase in fare on the C.N.R. ferries on the Borden-Tormentine run and, if so, who are they?

2. Was a resolution on this subject received from the Legislature of Prince Edward Island and, if so (a) on what date (b) was a reply sent and, if so (i) when (ii) what was the nature of this reply?

3. On what date was Premier Shaw advised of this suspension of the increase in ferry rates?

4. Will hearings be held in Prince Edward Island and, if so, on what date?

5. Have any individuals and/or organizations in Prince Edward Island sent representations favouring the increase?

6. Have the fares on any ferries in the Atlantic Provinces been increased in the past three years and, if so, on what ferries and what were the amounts of the increase?

7. Have the fares on any ferries in the Atlantic Provinces been reduced in the past three years and, if so, on what ferries and what were the amounts of the decrease?

Mr. Stewart, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Public Works, presented,—Return to the foregoing Order.

Mr. Nugent, from his place in the House, asked leave to move the adjournment of the House under Standing Order 26 to discuss a matter of urgent public importance and stated the subject to be:

“The charge that the Minister of National Defence has breached the privileges of this House by tampering with a witness and that charge has been made public and has not been dealt with by the House resulting in injustice to the Minister until it has been cleared.”

And debate arising on the question of urgency of debate;