

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

WAYS AND MEANS

INCOME TAX

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance): Madam Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 61, I am now tabling a notice of ways and means motion to amend the Income Tax Act. I would ask you to designate the required order of the day for consideration thereof.

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[Translation]

LAND TITLES ACT

MEASURE TO REPEAL AND TO VALIDATE CERTAIN ORDINANCES RESPECTING YUKON AND NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

Hon. Jean Chrétien (for Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-52, to provide for the repeal of the Land Titles Act and to validate certain ordinances of the Yukon Territory and the Northwest Territories.

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

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CRIMINAL CODE

AMENDMENTS WITH RESPECT TO SEXUAL OFFENCES AND THE PROTECTION OF YOUNG PERSONS

Hon. Jean Chrétien (Minister of Justice and Minister of State for Social Development) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-53, to amend the Criminal Code in relation to sexual offences and the protection of young persons and to amend certain other acts in relation thereto or in consequence thereof.

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

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[English]

POINT OF ORDER

MR. CLARK—STATEMENT BY SOLICITOR GENERAL DURING QUESTION PERIOD

Right Hon. Joe Clark (Leader of the Opposition): Madam Speaker, the Solicitor General (Mr. Kaplan), in response to a question from my colleague, the hon. member for Surrey-White Rock-North Delta (Mr. Friesen), gave an answer which I believe misstated the practices of this House in relation to the release of security information and the detail of security matters. I think that misstatement was probably inadvertent

Economic Conditions

and that the minister will want to review past practices, but I would not want our silence to be interpreted as acquiescence in the promulgation of a new precedent.

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● (1510)

THE ECONOMY

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa): Madam Speaker, I rise to present a motion. Before the House recessed for the Christmas period we had a record 23-hour debate in the chamber which recognized the existence of an economic crisis, a view supported by both opposition parties and confirmed by a public opinion poll conducted across Canada between Christmas and the resumption of business today.

In the House today the Minister of Finance (Mr. MacEachen) has turned down specific proposals for a fair prices commission, and the restoration of the community services program, and has completely refused to do anything about housing, which is essential to providing homes and jobs. In short, the Minister of Finance does not admit that a crisis exists, a fact which is acknowledged by everyone else in the country.

I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles):

That the House do now adjourn.

Madam Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Madam Speaker: All those in favour of the motion will please say yea.

Some hon. Members: Yea!

Madam Speaker: All those opposed will please say nay.

Some hon. Members: Nay!

Madam Speaker: In my opinion the nays have it.

And more than five members having risen:

Madam Speaker: Call in the members.

The House divided on the motion (Mr. Broadbent) which was negatived on the following division:

● (1520)

*(Division No. 41)*YEAS
Messrs.Althouse
Anguish
BenjaminBlackburn
Blaikie
BroadbentDeans
Fulton
Hovdebo