Government Orders

Presenting Reports from Committees (pursuant to Standing Order 35)

Introduction of Government Bills

Introduction of Private Members' Bills

First Reading of Senate Public Bills

Motions

Presenting Petitions (pursuant to Standing Order 36(6))

Questions on Order Paper."

5. That section 30(6) of the Standing Orders be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"(6) Except as otherwise provided in these Standing Orders, the order of business shall be as follows:

(Monday)

(Before the daily routine of business)

Private Members' Business-from 11.00 o'clock a.m. to 12.00 o'clock noon:

Public Bills, Private Bills, Notices of Motions and Notices of Motions (Papers).

Government Orders.

(After the daily routine of business)

Government Orders.

(Tuesday and Thursday)

(After the daily routine of business)

Government Orders.

Private Members' Business-from 5.00 to 6.00 o'clock p.m.:

Public Bills, Private Bills, Notices of Motions and Notices of Motions (Papers).

(Wednesday)

(After the daily routine of business)

Notices of Motions for the Production of Papers.

Government Orders.

Private Members' Business-from 7.00 to 8.00 o'clock p.m.:

Public Bills, Private Bills, Notices of Motions and Notices of Motions (Papers).

(Friday)

(Before the daily routine of business)

Government Orders.

(After the daily routine of business)

Government Orders.

Private Members' Business-from 3.00 to 4.00 o'clock p.m.:

Public Bills, Private Bills, Notices of Motions and Notices of Motions (Papers).

(7) Notwithstanding Standing Order 24(3), if Private Members' Business is to be taken up on a day, other than a Monday, appointed for the consideration of the business of supply, the time provided therefor shall be delayed by one hour; provided that it shall be further delayed by the time required for the completion of any division arising out of the business of supply or any deferred division set down for that day. Upon the completion of Private Members' Business, the Speaker shall adjourn the House until the next sitting day."

• (1520)

[English]

Mr. Riis: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. I know how seriously you are approaching this.

It seems to me that while it has always been tradition for a Speaker to stand when reading the motion being considered by the House, I think you will find that there will be unanimous consent to at least permit you to sit down and read the motion.

Mr. Speaker: I may take the hon. member's suggestion.

I certainly appreciate the concern that is being expressed for the Speaker. I must say that the point of order taken by the hon. member for Kamloops has caused me to lose my place.

Some hon. members: Oh, oh.

Mr. Speaker: I may start over again.

Mr. Soetens: Mr. Speaker, I think it very commendable for the opposition to make that suggestion.

In light of the fact that it is costing about \$500,000 every hour for you to do this, and your suggestion that you were going to call on members of the House to relieve you when you become fatigued—I know you have indicated that you are going to call on those members opposite who object to it being tabled—I would prefer that you become fatigued very quickly so that you can call on the opposition members who will continue to stand to read the particular motion that is in front of the House.

I would prefer you to continue standing so that we can then encourage them to stand and waste taxpayers' money at the rate of \$500,000 per hour.

Mr. Dingwall: Mr. Speaker, on a brief point of order, I listened to the comments of members opposite as to