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are under way. I guess the Canadian Hereford Association waffled somewhat because first it banned Perfection and then allowed its progeny back into the Canadian registry pending the outcome of the U.S. lawsuits. They will be reinstated once the ban is clarified.

Clause 59(g) is also of concern to horse breeders. The Appaloosa Horse Club of Canada, in a letter to the Minister of Agriculture, interpreted it to mean that commercial livestock breeders would not be able to identify, promote, advertise and sell livestock not registered to a specific breed. If that is so, breeders could lose a great deal of money. I guess the question we must ask is how the amendments will quell the fears of both horse and cattle producers. That will obviously have to be answered once the Bill goes to committee.

The Minister should also explain the effect, if any, it could have on horses which have dual registration in both the U.S. and Canada. The owners of Appaloosa, Arabian, quarterhorses and other recreation-type horses are extremely dissatisfied with the Act and have voiced this concern in phone calls and letters to the office of our agriculture critic. Mr. King of the Appaloosa Horse Club believes it would force his association to close its books because it would not allow outcrosses and quarterhorses and thoroughbreds routinely crossed to improve the quality of this fledgling breed. Of course, the Appaloosa breed has been developing significantly throughout the country and these concerns have to be met by the committee studying this legislation.

Certificates would have to specify the exact percentage of other breed in the crossings, and the horse clubs fear their opportunities for international sales would be squashed because the animals would not be considered pure-bred by American buyers.

One could go on at some length on all of the concerns about this Bill, but since we are simply dealing with the principle of the Bill, and we have outlined a number of concerns today and will outline more in committee, we should move the Bill into committee as soon as possible.

We have waited a long time for these amendments and we are pleased to see that we can now proceed.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Is the House ready for the question?

**Some Hon. Members:** Question.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

Motion agreed to, Bill read the second time and referred to a legislative committee.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent to call it one o'clock?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** One o'clock it is. I do now leave the chair until two o'clock.

At 1.45 p.m. the House took recess.

**AFTER RECESS**

The House resumed at 2 p.m.

**STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO S. O. 21**

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**EMPLOYMENT****SITUATION IN EAST MONTREAL—URGENT NEED FOR GOVERNMENT TO ACT**

**Mr. Alfonso Gagliano (Saint-Léonard—Anjou):** Yesterday, Mr. Speaker, several hundred Vickers workers from Montreal East came to demonstrate on Parliament Hill. These workers did not ask for unemployment insurance, they did not ask for social welfare benefits, they asked for jobs. These people want to work.

We in Montreal East have about 22,000 unemployed workers, we have about 10,000 people on welfare rolls, we have an unemployment rate of 12.4 per cent as compared with 9.6 per cent in 1981, and we are facing the possible loss of 3,000 more jobs. Mr. Speaker, the Conservative Government has been making studies for three years and reports are piling up. Now is the time to take action. Now is the time to award repair contracts for the ships *Simcoe* and *Tracy*. Now is the time to designate Montreal East under the Program for Older Worker Adjustment. Now is the time to open an office to help restructure and upgrade major concerns. Now is the time to set up a special manpower training fund for companies undergoing restructuring.

Mr. Speaker, since August 1986 the Conservative Government has done away with the early retirement programs which enabled textile and footwear workers to retire early as a result of plant shutdowns, and we have been waiting patiently for over a year. These people now have neither unemployment insurance benefits nor jobs, and they have to sell their houses to be eligible for welfare payments. It is unbelievable how this Government is neglecting workers.

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**WILDLIFE****PRESERVATION OF FALCONS—CALL FOR LAUNCHING OF INVESTIGATION**

**Mr. Svend J. Robinson (Burnaby):** Mr. Speaker, this past week in Kingston *The Whig-Standard* published a series of