

The Senate

[English]

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the suggestion made by the President of the Privy Council. Is it agreed and so ordered?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

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BROADCASTING**ADVERTISING ON CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION**

Mr. James A. McGrath (St. John's East): Mr. Speaker, I should like to move a motion under Standing Order 43. I do so because of the failure of the Canadian Radio-Television Commission to implement the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Broadcasting, Films and Assistance to the Arts, as concurred in by the House of Commons on July 24, 1973, in connection with the examination of the subject matter of Bill C-22, an act to amend the Broadcasting Act, advertising on children's programs, and in view of the commission's position as outlined in a public statement dated October 16, 1973. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Cochrane (Mr. Stewart), the chairman of the broadcasting committee:

That the public announcement by the CRTC dated October 16, 1973, be referred to the Standing Committee on Broadcasting, Films and Assistance to the Arts.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the motion proposed by the hon. member for St. John's East. This motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimity?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimity.

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THE SENATE**PROPOSED ABOLITION—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION**

Mr. Tom Cossitt (Leeds): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to seek unanimous consent of the House to move the following motion, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg South Centre (Mr. McKenzie):

That this House favours abolition of the Senate in place of its recent continued use as a depository for Liberal Party faithfuls.

Mr. Speaker: This is not the first time the hon. member has proposed a motion about which the Chair has had serious doubts. I would hope the House would not feel that this motion should be put at this time under the terms of Standing Order 43.

[Mr. Fortin.]

[Translation]

REGIONAL ECONOMIC EXPANSION**QUEBEC—DESIGNATION OF EASTERN TOWNSHIPS AS SPECIAL AREA—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION**

Mr. Jean-Marie Boisvert (Drummond): Mr. Speaker, I rise under Standing Order 43 to seek unanimous consent of the House to discuss a very urgent matter.

In view of the extreme slowness in the economic development of the Eastern Townships, in Quebec, in view of the fact that in some parts of the Eastern Townships there is a decline in the economy instead of progress, and in view of the fact that some cities like Drummondville, Sherbrooke, Victoriaville and Granby among others do not receive the necessary encouragement from the federal government, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Lotbinière (Mr. Fortin):

That this House consider the economic situation in the Eastern Townships area in order to design it as a special area.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the hon. member's motion. This motion, put forward under the terms of Standing Order 43, requires unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimity; therefore the motion cannot be put.

● (1430)

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

[English]

THE CANADIAN ECONOMY**UNEMPLOYMENT RATE INCREASE—REQUEST FOR NEW BUDGET**

Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Finance. Now that it is clear that we have the worst employment rate, seasonally adjusted—

Mr. Lewis: You mean unemployment rate.

Mr. Stanfield: —the worst rate of unemployment ever associated with a year to year jump of 8½ per cent in the cost of living, is the Minister of Finance now prepared to reconsider the answer he gave yesterday and present a budget to the House?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Finance): No, Mr. Speaker. While the actual unemployment rate in September of 4.6 per cent was virtually unchanged since last month, I say frankly to the House that the seasonally adjusted figures are startling, disconcerting and very difficult to reconcile with the very strong expansion of the economy.

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!