

*Routine Proceedings*

populations of threatened and endangered species to self-sustain the numbers.

Combined with the Canada Wildlife Act, strengthened by amendments in June of this year, this bill is intended to help ensure the protection of Canada's biodiversity and to enhance the biodiversity convention adopted at the UN Conference on the Environment and Development held in Rio de Janeiro in 1992.

(Motions deemed adopted, bill read the first time and printed.)

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**LESTER B. PEARSON DAY ACT**

**Mr. Janko Peric (Cambridge)** moved for leave to introduce Bill C-276, an act respecting Lester B. Pearson Day.

He said: Mr. Speaker, I have the pleasure of tabling a private member's bill, the purpose of which is to honour the Right Hon. Lester B. Pearson for his contribution to Canada, the international community and world peacekeeping by designating the second Monday in February of each year as Lester B. Pearson Day.

I hope that all members will support this bill which aims to recognize a truly remarkable Canadian.

(Motions deemed adopted, bill read the first time and printed.)

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• (1510)

**COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE**

## PROCEDURE AND HOUSE AFFAIRS

**Mr. Peter Milliken (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons):** Mr. Speaker, if the House gives its consent I intend to move concurrence in the 34th report of the committee. I believe there would also be consent to dispense with the reading of the report.

I move that the 34th report of the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs presented to the House earlier this day, be concurred in.

(Motion agreed to.)

[Translation]

## ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

**Mr. Peter Milliken (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons)** moved:

That the members of the Standing Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development and the required staff be authorized to travel to Toronto, Quebec City, Montreal, Akwesasne, Bathurst, Halifax, Vancouver, Edmonton and Winnipeg between October 17, 1994 and December 2, 1994.

(Motion agreed to.)

[English]

## FISHERIES AND OCEANS

**Mr. Peter Milliken (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons)** moved:

That a subcommittee of the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans be authorized to travel to Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and Northwest Territories during the month of October 1994 to undertake a study of the Freshwater Fish Marketing Corporation and that the necessary staff accompany the sub-committee.

**The Speaker:** Does the parliamentary secretary have the unanimous consent of the House to move the motion?

**Some hon. members:** No.

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**PETITIONS**

## RIGHTS OF THE UNBORN

**Mr. Myron Thompson (Wild Rose):** Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 36, I am proud to present a petition containing 2,600 signatures on behalf of the constituents of Wild Rose.

These petitioners pray that Parliament act immediately to extend protection to the unborn child by amending the Criminal Code to extend the same protection that is enjoyed by born human beings to unborn human beings.

I respectfully submit this petition on this day.

## DANGEROUS OFFENDERS

**Mr. Jim Jordan (Leeds—Grenville):** Mr. Speaker, I have a very extensive petition signed by hundreds of people from all across Ontario, including places like Kemptonville, Vanier, Nepean and so forth.

The petitioners call on Parliament to recognize the public threat of dangerous offenders and to amend the Criminal Code to have such offenders detained indefinitely on warrant expiry, when it is believed they may cause serious physical or psychological harm or death of another person.

It is a pleasure for me to present this petition today.

• (1515)

## HUMAN RIGHTS

**Mr. Garry Breitkreuz (Yorkton—Melville):** Mr. Speaker, I have several petitions I would like to present under Standing Order 36.

Whereas the majority of Canadians believe that the privileges which society accords to heterosexual couples should not be extended to same sex relationships, and whereas societal approval including the extension of societal privileges would be given to same sex relationships if any amendment to the Canadian Human Rights Act were to include the undefined phrase sexual orientation as a ground for discrimination, these people petition Parliament not to amend the Human Rights Act or the Charter of Rights and Freedoms in any way which would