THE SENATE

Monday, June 17, 1985

The Senate met at 8 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair.

Prayers.

[Translation]

INCOME TAX CONVENTIONS BILL

MESSAGE FROM COMMONS

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that a message had been received from the House of Commons with Bill S-3, an Act to implement conventions between Canada and the Republic of Zambia, Canada and the Kingdom of Thailand, Canada and the Republic of Cyprus and Canada and the Federative Republic of Brazil for the avoidance of double taxation with respect to income tax, that the bill was passed without amendment.

[English]

APPROPRIATION BILL NO. 2, 1985-86

FIRST READING

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that a message had been received from the House of Commons with Bill C-54, for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money for the Government of Canada for the financial year ending the 31st March, 1986.

Bill read first time.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the second time?

On motion of Senator Doody, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 44(1)(f), bill placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading later this day.

PRAIRIE FARM ASSISTANCE ACT

BILL TO REPEAL—FIRST READING

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that a message had been received from the House of Commons with Bill C-41, to repeal The Prairie Farm Assistance Act and to amend the Crop Insurance Act in consequence thereof.

Bill read first time.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the second time?

On motion of Senator Doody, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 44(1)(f), bill placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading at the next sitting of the Senate.

[Translation]

SPORTS POOL AND LOTO CANADA WINDING-UP BILL

FIRST READING

The Hon. the Speaker informed the Senate that a message had been received from the House of Commons with Bill C-2, respecting the winding-up of the Canadian Sports Pool Corporation and Loto Canada Inc.

Bill read first time.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the second time?

On motion of Senator Doody, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 44(1)(f), bill placed on the Orders of the Day for second reading later today.

[English]

OLD AGE SECURITY

DE-INDEXATION OF PENSIONS—PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Hon. Earl A. Hastings: Honourable senators, I have the honour to present the petition of 105 senior citizens residing at West Park Nursing Home, 5715-41st Crescent, Red Deer and other residents of: Red Deer, Blackfalds, Lacombe, Penhold, Innisfail, Edmonton, Delbourne, Didsbury, Ponoka, Olds, in the province of Alberta, availing themselves of their ancient and undoubted right to petition the Senate of Canada, praying that the Prime Minister of Canada, the Right Honourable Brian Mulroney, respect his commitment of the 1984 election campaign to maintain full indexation of old age pensions.

Honourable senators, I have the honour to present the petition of 10 senior citizens residing at Canterbury Court, 8403-142 Street, in the city of Edmonton, in the province of Alberta, availing themselves of their ancient and undoubted right to petition the Senate of Canada, praying that the Prime Minister of Canada, the Right Honourable Brian Mulroney, respect his commitment of the 1984 election campaign to maintain full indexation of old age pensions.

Honourable senators, I have the honour to present the petition of 36 senior citizens, residents of Bow Centre Place, 7915-43 Avenue N.W., in the city of Calgary, in the province of Alberta, availing themselves of their ancient and undoubted right to petition the Senate of Canada, protesting the de-indexing of old age security payments and praying for the withdrawal thereof.

Honourable senators, I have the honour to present the petition of 80 citizens of the city of Calgary, in the province of Alberta, availing themselves of their ancient and undoubted right to petition the Senate of Canada, praying that the Prime