HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday, April 29, 1982

The House met at 2 p.m.

• (1405)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

CRIMINAL CODE

SUGGESTED REFERRAL OF SUBJECT OF PROSTITUTION TO STANDING COMMITTEE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Miss Pat Carney (Vancouver Centre): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to move a motion which I am sure has the support of the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Justice (Mr. Peterson). In light of the growing problems associated with prostitution in Vancouver's West End and other cities across Canada, and in light of the pressing need to identify solutions to these problems, and bearing in mind that specific details about how to study and report on this issue will be worked out at the committee level, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Simcoe North (Mr. Lewis):

That this House instruct the Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs that, during its consideration of Bill C-53, it take into consideration all legal methods of dealing with street soliciting for the purpose of prostitution, including Sections 195.1 and 171 of the Criminal Code of Canada, as well as the various provincial and municipal laws presently enforced in this regard, and include the hearing and consideration of the views of the interested persons and organizations.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

INDUSTRY

FOOTWEAR—CALL FOR REINSTATEMENT OF LEATHER SHOES IN IMPORT QUOTA—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Girve Fretz (Erie): Madam Speaker, the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce and Minister of Regional Economic Expansion (Mr. Gray) has indicated to this House on several occasions that, following serious thought, he will make an announcement on whether or not leather footwear will be re-integrated within the global quota. In light of the intolerable uncertainty being suffered by thousands of workers in the Canadian footwear industry whose economic survival hangs on the minister's decision to safeguard Canadian jobs, at

a time when the policies of the Minister of Finance (Mr. MacEachen) are costing thousands of jobs, I move, seconded by the hon, member for Scarborough East (Mr. Gilchrist):

That the minister make known immediately his decision to reinstate leather footwear and show concern for the people whose jobs are in serious jeopardy.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

THE PRIME MINISTER

MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Nelson A. Riis (Kamloops-Shuswap): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. Despite the fact that the state of our economy is at its lowest ebb in decades, the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau), during question period in the House yesterday, refused to respond to all questions of an economic nature. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Hamilton Mountain (Mr. Deans):

That the Prime Minister make a statement on motions to present his economic recovery solutions to the people of Canada, or failing that, he admit his disinterest or his incompetency and take the ultimate step toward economic recovery by submitting his resignation post haste.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

CANADA POST

POSTAGE RATES FOR NON-CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS— MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Gordon Taylor (Bow River): Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. I move, seconded by the hon, member for Grey-Simcoe (Mr. Mitges):

That this House instruct the government to take responsibility for and to establish postage free rates for non-profit charitable organizations in Canada as a direct acknowledgement of the services they provide and in recognition of the significant contribution that volunteers make to the community, to the country and to the quality of life.