

Petitions

ment, and I would urge the Minister to consider the matter in this light.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[*English*]

PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS

PRESENTATION OF SIXTH REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

Mr. Maurice Foster (Algoma): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present the sixth report of the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections.

[*Editor's Note: For above report, see today's Votes and Proceedings.*]

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PETITIONS

MR. YOUNG—ENACTEMENT OF SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT

Mr. Neil Young (Beaches): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition signed by approximately 5,000 residents of the Province of Ontario who ask the House to provide a remedy for the problem of toxic chemicals posing a serious threat to the potable waters of this Province. They indicate that presently there is no legislation to guarantee the safety and healthfulness of those waters and that Canada's neighbour, the United States of America, has legislation entitled, "The Safe Drinking Water Act, 1974".

Wherefore we, the undersigned, humbly pray and call upon Parliament to enact the safe drinking water Act which will protect and enhance drinking water quality in all areas of Canada. This petition was circulated under the auspices of Pollution Probe.

MR. DOMM—INCREASES IN BELL CANADA RATES

Mr. Bill Domm (Peterborough): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition protesting increased Bell Canada rates in townships in the northern part of Peterborough County, namely the Townships of Smith, Dummer, Harvey and Burleigh-Anstruther. These townships now have to effect price increases, in some cases for telephones just across the road, when dealing with municipalities of fewer than 3,000 people.

I humbly request the consideration of both the Minister of Communications (Mr. Fox) and the House in reviewing the petition to see if anything might be done to provide corrective measures for the hundreds of constituents who are petitioning the House in terms of increases in these extremely rural areas of Peterborough County effective November 15.

CANADA SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT

MEASURE TO ESTABLISH

Mr. Neil Young (Beaches) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-697, an Act to protect and enhance the quality of drinking water in Canada.

Some Hon. Members: Explain.

Mr. Young: Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure to introduce Bill C-697, an Act to protect and enhance the quality of drinking water in Canada. This Act would provide opportunities for public involvement in the making of regulations to set maximum permissible levels for contaminants and other substances in drinking water. It would also provide that it would be an offence for the operator of a public water system to provide water which contravenes the regulation or to fail to comply with monitoring and notice requirements.

Motion agreed to, Bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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GARNISHMENT, ATTACHMENT AND PENSION
DIVERSION ACT

MEASURE TO AMEND

Hon. Mark MacGuigan (Minister of Justice) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-171, an Act to amend the Garnishment, Attachment and Pension Diversion Act.

Motion agreed to, Bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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LABOUR ADJUSTMENT BENEFITS ACT

MEASURE TO AMEND

Hon. André Ouellet (Minister of Labour) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-172, an Act to amend the Labour Adjustment Benefits Act and to authorize certain payments in relation thereto.

Motion agreed to, Bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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[*Translation*]

ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES READJUSTMENT ACT

MEASURE TO CHANGE NAME OF ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF HULL

Mr. Gaston Isabelle (Hull) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-698, an Act to change the name of the electoral district of Hull.