

Business of the House

Yes, I believe in consultations with provincial Governments. I agree with meaningful consultations with the people in the various provinces across Canada. But when it comes to child care, first and foremost, what must be paramount in any legislation is quality, affordable, accessible day care with national standards to make the Government of Canada accountable to the people of Canada and not to a select club of 10 or 11 First Ministers across Canada.

If the Hon. Member had the intestinal fortitude, he would stand in this place and disavow his association with this Bill and with his Party, which he knows is negatively affecting the children across Canada.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): Questions and comments are now completed. On a point of order, the Hon. Member for Kamloops—Shuswap.

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PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS—MOTIONS

Mr. Riis: Mr. Speaker, there have been further discussions this afternoon and there seems to be a willingness to allow the Hon. Member for York Centre (Mr. Kaplan) to exchange his private Member's motion with my own, and we basically switched Thursday's private Member's hours issue with Friday's. It is vice versa. I am seeking unanimous consent to have that accomplished.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): Is there unanimous consent?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

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CANADA CHILD CARE ACT

MEASURE TO ENACT

The House resumed consideration of the motion of Mr. Epp (Provencher) that Bill C-144, an Act to authorize payments by Canada toward the provision of child care services, and to amend the Canada Assistance Plan in consequence thereof, be read the third time and passed; and the amendment of Ms. Mitchell (p. 19454).

Mr. Howard Crosby (Halifax West): Mr. Speaker, I only have two minutes, but I think it would only take me that long to destroy the Hon. Member for Cape Breton—East Richmond (Mr. Dingwall), because his abysmal knowledge of day

care and child care in Nova Scotia has just been demonstrated in this Chamber for all to see.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): On a point of order, the Hon. Member for York South—Weston.

Mr. Nunziata: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for providing me with the opportunity to raise my point of order. I believe when the Hon. Member for Cape Breton—East Richmond (Mr. Dingwall) had made his speech that you indicated that I would have had an opportunity to ask—

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): That is not a point of order. The Hon. Member for Cape Breton—East Richmond had 12 minutes in questions and comments, but I will recognize him the next time that we have questions and comments. The Hon. Member for Halifax West.

Mr. Crosby: The next time that we have amateur hour in this House of Commons, perhaps those Members can come back and speak. In the meantime, I want to finish this one minute of time.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): On a point of order, the Hon. Member for York West.

Mr. Marchi: I am not sure if the Speaker heard it, but I believe that the Member from Halifax used the words that he will destroy the Member. I am just wondering whether the usage of that word is in fact unparliamentary and that he should perhaps withdraw it.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): I do not see any problem with the euphemism used by the Hon. Member. I would like the Hon. Member to carry on with his debate.

Mr. Crosby: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It is not within my power to destroy him in that physical way, but I invite Members to come back for amateur hour, which commences after six o'clock.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): The Hon. Member for Halifax West has 45 seconds.

Mr. Crosby: Mr. Speaker, let me just say, they can give it but they cannot take it. They have to stand up. Just come back tomorrow and I will give you the facts on child care in Nova Scotia and across Canada.

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

[Translation]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): It being 6 p.m., this House stands adjourned until tomorrow at 11 a.m., pursuant to Standing Order 3(1).

The House adjourned at 6 p.m.