

Business of the House

Mr. Deans: Mr. Speaker, I have a somewhat different matter I wish to raise on House business, if I may. The Parliamentary Secretary to the President of the Privy Council will recall that last week and the week before, I raised on one occasion with him and on another occasion with the Government House Leader the question of the disposition of Bill C-653. He will also recall that it has been a matter of considerable concern to this Party for quite some time.

I wonder if the Parliamentary Secretary to the Government House Leader is in a position today to respond to my inquiries in regard to that particular piece of legislation, whether it is the intention of the Government to facilitate its being brought forward and whether we might expect it to be considered along with the business that the Government House Leader indicated earlier today would be considered prior to the projected date of prorogation.

Mr. Evans: Mr. Speaker, the Hon. Member will know that there have been ongoing discussions between the various Parties with regard to the disposition of Bill C-653 and Bill C-12. I cannot tell the Hon. Member at this time precisely what the disposition of those discussions will be, but I would certainly speak to the Minister about the Hon. Member's question and representation.

Mr. Deans: Mr. Speaker, to pursue this issue for a moment, I get the impression that there may be other opportunities for the Parliamentary Secretary to respond to this question. I wonder if he might be able, given that I understand we do not have a great deal of time before prorogation, to check it out and report to me, even though it is out of turn, so to speak. I wonder if he might find it possible to respond to me tomorrow or on Monday at the latest, even though it will not be Thursday.

Mr. Evans: Mr. Speaker, yes, I will do my best to do that.

Mr. Epp: Mr. Speaker, I would like to put a proposal forward on House business to the Parliamentary Secretary to the President of the Privy Council in the capacity of House Leader. In the interests of facilitating the debate and improving Bill C-155, I wonder if the Government would be prepared to consent to allow the following motion to be put before the House:

That Bill C-155 be amended by adding immediately after line 13 at page 34 the following new Clause:

"59.(1) Where pursuant to Sections 55 and 58, the Governor in Council authorizes payments other than payments to the railway companies, or has authorized part of the payments to the railway companies and part to a party or parties other than the railway companies, the Governor in Council, notwithstanding any other provision in this Act, shall prescribe by regulation such measures as will be required to ensure that the aggregate rate per tonne to be paid to the railway companies shall be equal to the aggregate rate per tonne as if all payments were made to the railway companies.

(2) Where regulations have been prescribed pursuant to sections 58(1)(a) and section 59, sections 22 to 28 inclusive apply *mutatis mutandis*." and by renumbering the subsequent clauses accordingly.

I would like to ask, Mr. Speaker, particularly in view of the Parliamentary Secretary's keen interest in this matter, whether you could inquire of the House and the Government if they

would agree to giving unanimous consent to placing this motion on the Order Paper for the report stage of Bill C-155 for purposes of debate.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Is there unanimous consent?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. McKnight: Mr. Speaker, I rise on House business and I would like to ask the Acting House Leader whether, in the interest of facilitating debate and the improvement of Bill C-155, the Government would be prepared to consent to allow the following motion to be put to the House:

That Bill C-155 be amended in Schedule I at page 39 by adding the following:

Beet pulp. Brewers' dried grain. Canary seed. Chopped feed. Dehydrated alfalfa meal or pellets or cubes, round or square. Distillers' dried grain. Faba beans. Field beans. Field peas. Flour in bulk. Flour, pea. Forage seeds. Lentils. Meal, pea. Meal, feed. Mustard seed. Pulse.

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Pulse refers to all those crops described as pulse crops which, Mr. Speaker, are an innovation and very important in western Canada.

Shorts. Sunflowerseed. Sunflowerseed oil. Triticale. Barley. Barley, crushed. Meal. Oil Cake Linseed. Oil Cake, Rapeseed, Canola. Oil Cake, Sunflower Seed. Meal, Rye. Meal, Wheat. Middlings. Oats. Oats, Crushed. Oats, Rolled. Oatcake, Linseed. Oatcake, Rapeseed or Canola. Oilcake, Sunflower Seed. Peas, including splits and screenings. Pea. Pea derivatives (flower, protein, isolates, fibre). Rapeseed or Canola. Rye. Screening or Screenings pellets (applicable only on Screenings from grains specified herein). Seed Grain in Sacks. Wheat. Wheat Germ. Wheat, Rolled. Sunflowers in Bags, paper or jute. Barley, Pearl. Barley, Pot. Barley, Sprouts. Beans, Split. Screenings. Bean derivatives (flour, protein, isolates, fibre). Bran. Breakfast Foods of Cereals (uncooked) in bags, barrels or cases. Manufactured from commodities only as listed in this Schedule or such commodities that may be added by Governor in Council. Corn, Cracked. Corn (not popped). Feed, Animal or Poultry (not medicated or condimental), containing not more than 35 per cent (35%) of ingredients other than commodities as specified in this Schedule, in bags, or barrels or in bulk. Flax Seed. Flour, made from grain or malt in bags or barrel or in bulk. Grain, Feed, in sacks. Groats. Hulls, Oat. Malt, (made from grain only). Meal, Barley. Meal, Corn. Meal, Linseed. Meal, Oat. Meal, Rapeseed or Canola. Beet pulp. Brewers' Dried Grain. Dehydrated Alfalfa, Pellets or Cubes. Distillers' Dried Grain. Faba Beans. Field Peas. Flour in bulk. Flour, pea. Forage seeds. Barley, Crushed. Barley. Triticale. Sunflower Oil. Sunflower Seed. Pulse. Mustard Seed Pulse. Millfeed. Meal, Pea. Lentils. Forage Seeds. Sprouts. Barley. Pearl Barley. Pot Barley. Split Beans. Screenings and derivatives of Beans, derivatives of—

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Is the Hon. Member sure he is not repeating one of the pages of his notes?

Mr. McKnight: I may be, Mr. Speaker. I started reading from the bottom the last time.

Mr. Hnatyshyn: Mr. Speaker, I have been following this with great fascination and I can attest to the fact that the Hon. Member has not repeated one item on that list.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: The Chair has listened with great attention and there certainly is repetition. Would the Hon. Member please read his motion.

Mr. McKnight: I should like to do that, Mr. Speaker. It goes on: