

RAILWAY ACT

EXTENSION OF STATUTORY GRAIN RATES TO TRITICALE

Hon. John M. Reid (Kenora-Rainy River) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-634, to amend the Railway Act (rates on triticale).

Some hon. Members: Explain.

Mr. Reid: Madam Speaker, the purpose of this bill is to add triticale and triticale flour to the list of cereal grains which have the benefit of the Crow rate. Triticale and triticale flour do not have that status at the present time and are unable to compete with other grains that do have it.

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

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Mr. Jack Murta (Lisgar) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-635, to amend the Railway Act (rates on triticale).

Some hon. Members: Explain.

Mr. Murta: Madam Speaker, my bill is virtually identical to the previous one. The purpose is to include triticale, which is a bread and feed grain of a very high yield, in the Crowsnest Pass rate so that it may be sold in our export markets under the same competitive conditions as wheat.

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

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NORTH-SOUTH RELATIONS

REPORT OF PARLIAMENTARY TASK FORCE

On the Order: Government Notices of Motions:

June 11, 1981—The Secretary of State for External Affairs:

That this House take note of the present state and future prospects of Canada's international relations and endorse the broad thrust of the report of the Parliamentary Task Force on North-South Relations.

Madam Speaker: Pursuant to Section (2) of Standing Order 21, this notice of motion is transferred to and ordered for consideration under Government Orders later this day.

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[Translation]

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Order Paper Questions

Mr. D. M. Collenette (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Madam Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 70, 2,217, 2,245, 2,312, 2,424, 2,472, 2,555 and 2,557.

[Text]

POST OFFICE CONTRACTS—MR. GERALD MCKEE

Question No. 70—**Mr. Cossitt:**

1. In each of the past five calendar years, what were the amounts of all contracts received from the Post Office Department by RPR Associates Ltd. or by anyone associated therewith and, in each case (a) what was the amount of the contract (b) what was the purpose of the contract (c) what are the names of all persons who signed the contract on behalf of the government?

2. Was Mr. Gerald McKee a senior employee of the Post Office Department at any time that RPR Associates Ltd. received such contracts?

3. Did Mr. McKee terminate his services with the department or were his services terminated by the department and, if so (a) on what date (b) for what reason?

4. To the knowledge of the government, was Mr. McKee an employee of RPR Associates Ltd.?

5. Was any branch of government approached, directly or indirectly, for business for Gerald McKee Enterprises or for Gerald McKee and, if so, what are all the details?

6. Is it the intention of the government to appoint Gerald McKee to the Public Service and, if so, to which position and department?

7. Has Mr. McKee applied for a position in the Public Service?

8. Will any government decision in regard to Gerald McKee or Gerald McKee Enterprises be in any way based on the fact he was a Liberal Party candidate in Leeds-Grenville in the general elections in 1979 and 1980?

Mr. D. M. Collenette (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): 1. In so far as Canada Post is concerned:

Date of Contract	(a) Expenditure	(b) Purpose	(c) Signed by
18/05/79	\$ 26,570.64	Departmental advertising Fiscal Year 1979-80*	C. P. Parent
09/06/78	568,438.00	Departmental advertising Fiscal Year 1978-79*	R. G. McKee
01/07/77	810,602.00	Departmental advertising Fiscal Year 1977-78*	R. G. McKee
28/09/76	1,678,336.00	Departmental advertising*	R. G. McKee
04/08/76	2,126,940.00	Advertising and sales promotion of Olympic Gold Coin program	Austin Page
04/11/76	17,000.00	Consulting services related to the Olympic Metal Stamp program	B. J. Veinot
17/05/76 Amended 04/11/75 Amended 30/6/81 Original	1,803,243.00	Departmental advertising* and advertising and sales promotion of Olympic Stamp program	J. E. Uberig

* Advertising of postal products and services, including philatelic advertising, etc.