

of this House the government wants to change with almost no debate.

**Mr. Speaker:** The House has certainly expressed its feelings on this issue. So that everybody understands, there is a right under the rules to have the motion read. In the absence of the House's consent to allow me to dispense with reading it all, it will of course be read. The hon. member is correct; it will be read in both official languages of our country.

I shall commence to do that in a few minutes.

I cannot help but point out that, as the afternoon wears on and as fatigue overtakes my efforts and the efforts of others, we might resort to a long-standing tradition of this House that invites hon. members to come forward and take the chair. There is no question about where I will be looking first, if that should become necessary.

[*Translation*]

**Mr. Andre, seconded by Mr. Epp, moved:**

1. That Standing Order 24 be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"24.(1) The House shall meet on Mondays at 11.00 o'clock a.m., on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 10.00 o'clock a.m. and on Wednesdays at 2.00 o'clock p.m. unless otherwise provided by Standing or Special Order of this House.

(2) At 1.00 o'clock p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, the Speaker shall leave the Chair until 2.00 o'clock p.m.

(3) At 6.00 o'clock p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, at 8.00 o'clock p.m. on Wednesdays and at 4.00 o'clock p.m. on Fridays, the Speaker shall adjourn the House until the next sitting day."

2. That section 27(1) of the Standing Orders be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"27.(1) On the tenth sitting day preceding June 23 a motion to extend the hours of sitting to a specific hour during the last ten sitting days may be proposed, without notice, by any Minister during routine proceedings."

3. That section 28(2) of the Standing Orders be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"(2) When the House meets on a day, or sits after the normal meeting hour on a day, set out in column A, and then adjourns, it shall stand adjourned to the day set out in column B.

Column A;

The Friday preceding Thanksgiving Day

Column B:

The Second Monday following that Friday.

*Government Orders*

Column A:

The Friday preceding Remembrance Day.

Column A:

The second Friday preceding Christmas Day.

Column A:

The Friday preceding the week marking the mid-way point between the first Monday in February and the Friday preceding Good Friday.

Column A:

The Friday preceding Good Friday.

Column A:

The Friday preceding the week marking the mid-way point between the Monday following Easter Monday and June 23. (This shall not apply for calendar year 1991.)

Column A;

June 23 or the Friday preceding if June 23 falls on a Saturday, a Sunday or a Monday.

Column B:

The second Monday following that Friday.

Column B:

The first Monday in February.

Column B:

The second Monday following that Friday.

Column B:

The Monday following Easter Monday.

Column B:

The second Monday following that Friday or, if that Monday is the day fixed for the celebration of the birthday of the Sovereign on the Tuesday following that Monday.

Column B:

The second Monday following Labour Day."

4. That section 30(3) of the Standing Orders be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"(3) At 3.00 o'clock p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays, at 10.00 o'clock a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and at 12.00 o'clock noon on Fridays, the House shall proceed to the ordinary daily routine of business, which shall be as follows:

Tabling of Documents (pursuant to Standing Orders 32 or 109)

Statements by Ministers (pursuant to Standing Order 33)

Presenting Reports from Inter-parliamentary Delegations (pursuant to Standing Order 34)