

include whatever terms and conditions are agreed to by the federal and provincial governments.

We in Nova Scotia hope our oil and gas potential can be developed; not through a process of confrontation, as appears to be the minister's position as outlined in Bill C-48, but rather through a process of consultation, which is the original manner in which the strength of our provinces was achieved and our nation developed. After all, sir, a chain is only as strong as its weakest link. Surely this government must eventually realize that legislation, which strengthens the economic position of our individual provinces, cannot help but strengthen the central government—and the nation. Unfortunately, Bill C-48 falls far short of its required goal. Instead of strengthening the provinces it seeks to take away more of their powers and concentrate that power in Ottawa. I say to you, sir, in conclusion, that this is a bad bill, an unjust bill. It does nothing to strengthen Canada and confederation. If the provinces are robbed of their resources they have nothing—nothing to work with, nothing on which to build. This is why I am opposed to this bill and why I intend to vote against it.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: The hon. member for Gloucester.

Mr. Murphy: On a point of order, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: The hon. member is rising on a point of order?

Mr. Murphy: Yes, Mr. Speaker. It is my concern that if the hon. member for Gloucester wishes to speak he should not have been the last Liberal speaker before the motion on closure.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: The hon. member for Gloucester.

Mr. Herb Breau (Gloucester): Mr. Speaker, I want to make two points in the couple of minutes which I have and then I will leave the rest of the time to the hon. member from the NDP.

The first point I wish to make, Mr. Speaker, is that in this bill we are not dealing with any lands—

Mr. Murphy: You denied us the time, why should you be able to speak?

Mr. Breau:—within a province. Clause 2 clearly says that we are dealing, first of all—

Miss Jewett: One minute!

Mr. Rae: You do not want anyone else to speak. Do not speak yourself.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: The hon. member for Gloucester has the floor.

Mr. Breau: First of all, in the Northwest Territories—

Mr. Murphy: Let other members speak. You wanted closure, do not speak.

Mr. Breau: Secondly, those submarine areas adjacent—

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Mr. Rae: I want to speak, too.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Order, please.

[*Translation*]

Order, please. It being 9.45 p.m., it is my duty to interrupt the proceedings and put forthwith every question to dispose of the motion now before the House.

Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: All those in favour of the motion will please say yea.

Some hon. Members: Yea!

Mr. Deputy Speaker: All those opposed to the motion will please say nay.

Some hon. Members: Nay!

Mr. Deputy Speaker: In my opinion the yeas have it.

And more than five members having risen:

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Call in the members.

The House divided on the motion (Mr. Lalonde) which was agreed to on the following division:

● (2150)

(*Division No. 43*)

YEAS

Messrs.

Allmand	Deniger	Johnston
Appolloni	Desmarais	Joyal
(Mrs.)	Dingwall	Kaplan
Bachand	Dion	Kelly
Bégin (Miss)	Dionne	Killens (Mrs.)
Berger	(Chicoutimi)	Lalonde
Blaker	Dionne	Lamontagne
Bloomfield	(Northumberland-	Lang
Bockstael	Miramichi)	Laniel
Bossy	Duclos	Lapierre
Breau	Dupont	Lapointe
Bussièras	Dupras	(Charlevoix)
Caccia	Ethier	LeBlanc
Campbell	Evans	Lefebvre
(Miss)	Ferguson	Lonsdale
(South West Nova)	Fisher	MacBain
Campbell	Fleming	MacEachen
(LaSalle)	Foster	Mackasey
Chrétien	Fox	MacLaren
Collenette	Frith	MacLellan
Comtois	Garant	Malépart
Corbin	Gauthier	Maltais
Corriveau	Gendron	Marceau
Cosgrove	Gimaiel	Massé
Côté (Mrs.)	Gourd	Masters
Cousineau	Guilbault	McCauley
Cyr	Harquail	McRae
Daudlin	Herbert	Nicholson
Dawson	Hopkins	(Miss)
de Corneille	Hudecki	Olivier
Demers	Irwin	Ostiguy