

Petitions

For these reasons, your petitioners call upon Parliament to institute mandatory installation of three-point adjustable lap/shoulder seat-belts for rear-seat passengers. As well, petitioners request the mandatory installation of front seat airbags.

● (1110)

[English]

SUPPORT FOR THE RESTORATION OF CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

Mr. Jim Jepson (London East): Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to present on behalf of the citizens of the Province of Ontario and indeed Canadians from all across Canada 2,318 signatures calling upon Parliament to pass a motion favouring the return of capital punishment in Canada. These signatures which now total 8,320 represent the strong will of the Canadian people on this very important issue.

Mr. Girve Fretz (Erie): Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to present on behalf of the citizens of Erie riding in the Province of Ontario 1,980 signatures calling upon Parliament to pass a motion favouring the return of capital punishment. These signatures represent the strong will of the Canadian people on what we believe to be a very important issue.

Mr. Ross Belsher (Fraser Valley East): Mr. Speaker, I rise to present on behalf of 1,971 citizens of Canada, from eastern Canada right through to the West Coast, who feel that Canadians have consistently supported the reinstatement of capital punishment in principle and in practice and they are calling upon all Members of Parliament to vote in favour of the motion that calls for the return of capital punishment.

Mr. Jack Shields (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): Mr. Speaker, it is my duty to present on behalf of the citizens of Alberta and Canadians from all across the country over 2,000 signatures calling on Parliament to pass a motion favouring the return of capital punishment in Canada. These signatures represent the strong will of the Canadian people on this very important issue.

Mr. Bill Domm (Peterborough): Mr. Speaker, through the co-operation of the Ontario Police Association, the Canadian National Police Association and the Coalition for the Return of Capital Punishment in Canada, I am pleased to present 1,913 signatures from people in the Peterborough federal riding and from right across this nation. This brings the total number of signatures as of today to 10,233 and it is the intent to honour these petitions as long as they keep arriving at the House of Commons.

UNIVERSAL ACCESS TO FAIR ORAL HEARINGS BEFORE REFUGEE BOARD

Hon. Lloyd Axworthy (Winnipeg—Fort Garry): Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to present on behalf of over 400 residents of my constituency a petition as follows. Whereas troubles in many parts of the world are causing people to seek safety from persecution by coming to Canada; whereas

Canada has established standards of refugee status determination but our existing procedures have broken down under unexpected strains; whereas the Standing Committee of Parliament has proposed a new procedure for refugee determination which is quicker and fairer than the one now in force; whereas this proposal has support among all Parties in Parliament as well as the Canadian Council of Churches, the Canadian Bar Association, the Canadian Jewish Congress and other groups and individuals; whereas procedures recently adopted are turning away refugee-status claimants from ports of entry and putting real refugees at risk, therefore we the undersigned your petitioners humbly pray and call upon Parliament to ensure that Government and Parliament enact legislation that will embody the principles of fair and quick oral hearings of refugee claimants before a refugee board independent of the Immigration Commission, universal access to such hearings for every claimant in Canada and adequate opportunity to arrive in Canada to make this claim.

REQUEST FOR DOOR-TO-DOOR POSTAL SERVICE

Hon. Lloyd Axworthy (Winnipeg—Fort Garry): Mr. Speaker, I would also like to present on behalf of a number of residents of the southern part of Winnipeg, and this should be of some interest to the Hon. Member for Winnipeg—Assiniboine (Mr. McKenzie) since it includes many of his constituents, this petition. Whereas we the undersigned feel that as taxpaying Canadians and supporters of the postal system, through stamps and other services, it is our right to receive mail delivery to our own door, and whereas we as yet do not have postal delivery to our door, and we do not have any intention of accepting supermailboxes as an alternative to door-to-door delivery, and whereas approximately 80 to 90 per cent of our development has door-to-door delivery, we feel that that courtesy and right should be extended to the rest of us, therefore, we the undersigned your petitioners humbly pray and call upon Parliament to instigate door-to-door postal service to the remaining few homes in the area of Vista South in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

TRANSPORTATION—ECONOMIC REGULATORY REFORM

Hon. Lloyd Axworthy (Winnipeg—Fort Garry): Mr. Speaker, I have a third petition on a different topic. This petition contains the signatures of several hundred employees of the airlines resident in the Winnipeg, Montreal and Toronto areas. The petitioners say that the experience of airline deregulation in the United States has resulted in a diminution of safety standards and practices and an over-all reduction in services to many communities and cheaper fares but these effects are already apparent in Canada in the form of airline mergers and the deterioration of labour relations within the industry. The social fabric of Canada is based on an accessible transport system which is jeopardized by deregulation. Wherefore, the undersigned your petitioners, humbly pray and call upon Parliament to defeat this legislation and as in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray.