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de Corneille	Heap
de Jong	Henderson
Dingwall	Hopkins
Epp	Hovdebo
(Thunder Bay-	Kaplan
Nipigon)	Keeper
Finestone	Killens
Foster	Langdon
Frith	MacLellan
Fulton	Malépart
Garneau	Manly
Gauthier	McCurdy
Grav	Murphy
(Windsor West)	Nicholson
Grondin	(Trinity)
Guilbault	Nunziata
(Saint-Jacques)	Nystrom

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Mr. Deputy Speaker: I declare the motion carried.

When shall the Bill be read the third time? Later this day, pursuant to the Order made on Tuesday, June 16, 1987?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

WAYS AND MEANS

CUSTOMS TARIFF AND DUTIES RELIEF ACT

Hon. Tom Hockin (Minister of State (Finance)) moved that a Ways and Means motion to amend the Customs Tariff and the Duties Relief Act, laid upon the table on Wednesday, February 18, be concurred in.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. Hockin moved that Bill C-69, an Act to amend the Customs Tariff and the Duties Relief Act, be read the first time and be printed.

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

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION ACT, 1986

MEASURE TO ENACT

Hon. John C. Crosbie (Minister of Transport) moved that Bill C-18, an Act respecting national transportation, be read the third time and passed.

He said: Mr. Speaker, of course I regret that I have not been here for the last several days to listen to all the points made by my hon. friends in the Opposition.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Order, please. I am sure all Hon. Members would want to listen with great care to the speech of the Minister of Transport (Mr. Crosbie).

Mr. Crosbie: However, I am happy to say that I have been most capably represented by my Parliamentary Secretary, the

National Transportation Act, 1986

Hon. Member for Lethbridge—Foothills (Mr. Thacker), who has done a first-class job. He is a gentleman upon whom I intend to continue relying heavily because he is a man of great talent and great capacity.

While speaking on third reading of the Bill, I should like to say a special word about the Deputy Prime Minister (Mr. Mazankowski). He deserves special recognition because it was his drive, vision, and comprehension of the national transportation system of Canada which provided the genesis of the reforms that are known collectively as *Freedom to Move*. Much, if not all, of the credit for the work now before the House, which will pass in the next day or two, is due to him.

In addition, I want to thank the Chairman of the Standing Committee on Transport, the Hon. Member for Annapolis Valley—Hants (Mr. Nowlan) for his fine work in this connection. I should also like to thank all members of the committee, including those of the Official Opposition and those of the unofficial opposition or the New Democratic Party. They all attended diligently to their responsibilities and made many worthwhile suggestions.

Of course I also thank the government members of the committee for their hard work. I do not know whether I have the full list of their names, but I want to thank the Hon. Member for Bonaventure—Îles-de-la-Madeleine (Mr. Gray) who was a constant attender. As well I thank the Hon. Member for Bow River (Mr. Taylor) who is an enduring miracle and an expert in the field of transportation. For many years he was the Minister in Alberta. Also, the Hon. Member for St. Catharines (Mr. Reid) was a diligent worker on the committee, as was the Hon. Member for Fraser Valley East (Mr. Belsher). I think I have covered all government members of the committee but in any event—

Mr. Ouellet: London-Middlesex.

Mr. Crosbie: Oh, we mustn't forget Middlesex.

I would like to put on the record as well the names of government officials who I think deserve special mention in connection with the tremendous work put into this Bill over a period of two and a half years. Mr. Keith Thompson was certainly one of the architects of this legislation. Mrs. Margaret Bloodworth, the Acting General Counsel to the CTC, is a very capable woman who did a marvellous amount of work on this legislation. Mr. Nick Mulder, Assistant Deputy Minister for Policy and Co-ordination; Mr. Jim Miller, the Director General of Strategic Policy; Mr. John Pringle, Director of Motor Carrier Policy; and Mr. Jacques Pigeon who was Legal Counsel to Transport Canada and is now with the Treasury Board, all helped out as well. Of course, I would like to thank the Hon. Member for Fraser Valley East who attended committee meetings very diligently on behalf of the Government.

I do not want to take too long because this has been a long process in any event. The White Paper containing the *Freedom*

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