

*Routine Proceedings**[English]*

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

CRIMINAL CODE

MEASURE TO AMEND

Hon. Kim Campbell (Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-30, an act to amend the Criminal Code (mental disorder) and to amend the National Defence Act and the Young Offenders Act in consequence thereof.

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

Mr. Waddell: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. I notice in reading the Order Paper that what you have just tabled is listed as government bill No. 2.

Government bill No. 1 is an act to increase the judges' salaries. I wonder if the ministry is proceeding with that bill today, because it is listed on the order paper.

Would the judges get zero, three and three or would they get big, fat salary increases?

Mr. Speaker: Perhaps that is a matter the hon. member might want to take up with the minister or the judges.

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PETITIONS

THE ENVIRONMENT

Mr. Nelson A. Riis (Kamloops): Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure to present a petition today on behalf of a number of constituents. It draws to the attention of the House that a British Columbia firm has announced its intention to dam the North Thompson River at Vavenby, British Columbia, in an effort to divert water into the San Diego, California zone.

The petitioners remind us of the Nawapa plan, which is the plan to divert Canadian waters into the U.S. and northern Mexico. They are calling upon Parliament to urge the government to state categorically that it will not permit our fresh water rivers to be dammed and diverted into the United States and to state that our Canadian rivers are not for sale.

Mr. Nelson A. Riis (Kamloops): Mr. Speaker, on another matter and again on behalf of a number of constituents from Kamloops, British Columbia, they point out that the federal government has refused to extend to public sector workers their full rights of collective bargaining. They say that the federal government wants to contract out jobs done by the public sector workers in flagrant violation of the law and existing collective agreement with its workers.

The petitioners therefore humbly pray and call upon Parliament to protect the collective bargaining rights of public sector workers and reject the imposition of wage controls and the further contracting out of jobs in the public sector.

GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

Mr. Ray Skelly (North Island—Powell River): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition calling on Parliament to abolish the goods and services tax, which has had a devastating impact on the tourist industry in Vancouver Island.

Entrepreneurs on Vancouver Island feel that this odious tax has had a devastating impact on the local economy and on the tourist business. They humbly pray that the government will remove the goods and services tax as soon as possible in view of the harm it has caused Canadians in this area.

• (1600)

MERCHANT SEAMEN

Mr. Robert E. Skelly (Comox—Alberni): Mr. Speaker, I have a petition from a number of people in Comox and Courtenay, British Columbia who are petitioning that during World War II Canada's merchant seamen made a critically important contribution to the defence of Canada and to the victory of the allied forces, that merchant seamen faced grave risks in carrying out their duties and many lost their lives or were seriously injured, that the risks undertaken and the value of the effort made by merchant seamen were equal to those of other Canadian forces.