

Old Age Security

yesterday by the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau) that they had never heard of the man. I therefore move:

That it is the opinion of this House that if such statements are the truth that the former Solicitor General and the Prime Minister by such ignorance were negligent in performing their duties, or that otherwise they were purposely misleading this House and the Canadian people with false statements, a situation which the government is called upon to clarify immediately.

Mr. Speaker: Such a motion can be presented to the House for discussion only with unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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[Translation]

VETERANS AFFAIRS

SUGGESTION GOVERNMENT INCREASE BASIC DISABILITY PENSION—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Eudore Allard (Rimouski): Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, I ask for the unanimous consent of the House to introduce a motion dealing with an important matter of pressing necessity.

Considering that veterans were willing to face dangers and sacrifice their lives if necessary; considering that they had to give up most normal activities and that at the present time there is a serious difference between the rates of disability pensions and average wages of non-specialized workers, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Richmond (Mr. Beaudoin):

That the House immediately ask the Minister of Veterans Affairs to implement the recommendations of the National Council of Veterans Associations in Canada providing that necessary steps be taken to correct the gap now existing between disability pensions for veterans and the wages of non-specialized manpower representing five groups of workers now on the labour market.

Mr. Speaker: Order. The House has heard the motion of the hon. member. Under the provisions of Standing Order 43, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there such consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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[English]

OLD AGE SECURITY ACT

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO REPLACE SPOUSE'S ALLOWANCE WITH ONE FOR ALL PERSONS BETWEEN 60 AND 65 YEARS OF AGE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, because of the increasing urgency of the matter covered in this motion, I hope that the new Minister of National Health and Welfare (Miss Bégin) will be more sympathetic to it than

[Mr. Cossitt.]

was her predecessor. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Oshawa-Whitby (Mr. Broadbent):

That this House urges the government to introduce without delay an amendment to the Old Age Security Act to provide for the spouse's allowance to be replaced by an equivalent allowance to be paid to all persons between the ages of 60 and 65, including widows, spinsters, widowers and bachelors as well as spouses, provided they are out of the labour market.

Mr. Speaker: Such a motion can be presented for discussion at this time only with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Paproski: Mr. Speaker, Pinard said no.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

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[Translation]

INCOME TAX

PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF ACT TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY OF TAX RETURN—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Léonel Beaudoin (Richmond): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to move a motion of urgent and pressing necessity.

In view of the disturbing revelations related to disclosures by unauthorized persons in the Department of National Revenue about personal income tax returns, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Abitibi (Mr. Laprise):

That this House direct the government to introduce an amendment to the Income Tax Act to force civil servants to protect Canadian citizens against any irregular disclosure of their income tax return.

Mr. Speaker: Order. The House has heard the hon. member's motion. According to provisions of Standing Order 43, such a motion requires unanimous consent of the House. Is there such consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.