

### *Government Orders*

insufficient or otherwise defective, or if the Examiner reports that there is any doubt as to the sufficiency of the notice as published, the petition, together with the report of the Examiner thereon, shall be taken into consideration, without special reference, by the Standing Committee on House Management, which shall report to the House as to the sufficiency or insufficiency of the notice, and where the notice is deemed insufficient or otherwise defective, shall recommend to the House the course to be taken in consequence of such deficiency or other defect.

(3) All private bills from the Senate (not being based on a petition which has already been so reported on) shall be first taken into consideration and reported on by the Examiner of Petitions, and when necessary by the Standing Committee on House Management in like manner, after the first reading of such bills, and before their consideration by any legislative committee.

(4) No petition praying for the incorporation of a railway company, or of a canal company, or for an extension of the line of any existing or authorized railway or canal, or for the construction of branches thereto, shall be considered by the Examiner, or by the Standing Committee on House Management, until there has been filed with the said Examiner a map or plan, showing the proposed location of the works, and each county, township, municipality or district through which the proposed railway or canal, or any branch or extension thereof, is to be constructed."

62. That section 135(1) of the Standing Orders be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"135. (1) All private bills are introduced on petition, and after such petition has been favourably reported upon by the Examiner of Petitions or by the Standing Committee on House Management, such bills shall be laid upon the Table of the House by the Clerk, and shall be deemed to have been read a first time and ordered to be printed, and to have been ordered for a second reading when so laid upon the Table, and so recorded in the *Votes and Proceedings*."

63. That Standing Order 140 be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"140. No motion for the suspension or modification of any provision of the Standing Orders applying to private bills or to petitions for private bills shall be entertained by the House until after reference is made to the Standing Committee on House Management, and a report made thereon by the Committee and, in its report, the Committee shall state the grounds for recommending such suspension or modification."

64. That section 141(4) of the Standing Orders be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

"(4) It is the duty of the committee to which any private bill may be referred by the House, to call the attention of the House specially to any provisions inserted in such bill that do not appear to have been contemplated in the notice or petition for the same, as reported upon by the Examiner of Petitions or by the Standing Committee on

House Management; and any private bill so reported shall not be placed on the *Order Paper* for consideration until a report has been made by the Examiner as to the sufficiency or otherwise of the notice to cover such provisions."

That a message be sent to the Senate to apprise their Honours of the change to Standing Order 108(4);

That the Standing Orders as amended take effect on the first sitting day of the Third Session of the 34th Parliament;

That for the purposes of Standing Order 104(1) and Standing Order 112, the first sitting day of the Third Session of the 34th Parliament shall be deemed to be the commencement of the first session of a Parliament;

That all outstanding Orders of Reference be deemed referred to the new appropriate and corresponding standing committees;

That, where appropriate, budgets of committees be transferred to the new appropriate and corresponding standing committee;

That the Clerk of the House be authorized to renumber the Standing Orders as may be deemed necessary, making such technical and consequential changes to the Standing Orders, as well as such changes to the *Order Paper and Notice Paper*, as may be required; and

That the Clerk of the House be instructed to print a revised edition of the Standing Orders of the House.

[*English*]

**Mr. Nelson A. Riis (Kamloops):** Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order to ask you to rule that the motion before us, No. 30 on the Order Paper, is in whole or in part improperly before the House and is in whole or in part out of order. My concerns are focused on two distinct elements of this motion.

The first is found in paragraph 30, which proposes to amend the right of the Crown to debate supply before it is granted to the Crown.

The second is found in paragraph 20, which is the proposal to introduce a new Standing Order which can override the failure of a minister to obtain unanimous consent from the House.

My arguments, put very concisely, will seek to establish the following points:

First, that these provisions seek to erode the historic authority of the House and the rights of its members and are thus contemptuous of the House as they will tend to diminish its dignity and impede members in the discharge of their functions.