

Official Languages Act

Mr. Speaker: Is there unanimous consent to the request?

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: I regret there is no unanimous consent.

The next question is on Motion No. 25.

Mr. Ron Stewart (Simcoe South) moved:

Motion No. 25.

That Bill C-72 be amended in Clause 28 by striking out line 2 at page 14 and substituting the following therefor:

"public and this section shall take precedence over Province of Quebec Bill 101."

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: All those in favour of the motion will please say yea.

Some Hon. Members: Yea.

Mr. Speaker: All those opposed will please say nay.

Some Hon. Members: Nay.

Mr. Speaker: In my opinion the nays have it.

Some Hon. Members: On division.

Mr. Speaker: I declare the motion lost.

Motion No. 25 negatived.

Mr. Speaker: The next question is on Motion No. 26.

Mr. Alex Kindy (Calgary East) moved:

Motion No. 26.

That Bill C-72 be amended by deleting Clause 31.

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: All those in favour of the motion will please say yea.

Some Hon. Members: Yea.

Mr. Speaker: All those opposed will please say nay.

Some Hon. Members: Nay.

Mr. Speaker: In my opinion the nays have it. I declare the motion lost.

Motion No. 26 negatived.

Mr. Speaker: The next question is on Motion No. 27.

Mr. Bob Corbett (Fundy—Royal) moved:

Motion No. 27.

That Bill C-72 be amended in Clause 32 by striking out line 21 at page 14 and substituting the following therefor:

"32.(1) The Governor in Council may, subject to affirmative resolution of the House of Commons,"

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: All those in favour of the motion will please say yea.

Some Hon. Members: Yea.

Mr. Speaker: All those opposed will please say nay.

Some Hon. Members: Nay.

Mr. Speaker: In my opinion the nays have it. I declare the motion lost.

Motion No. 27 negatived.

Mr. Speaker: The next question is on Motion No. 28.

Mr. Ron Stewart (Simcoe South) moved:

Motion No. 28.

That Bill C-72 be amended in Clause 32

(a) by striking out line 23 at page 14 and substituting the following therefor:

"(a) subject to subsection (1.1) and (1.2), prescribing the circumstances in"

(b) by adding immediately after line 44 at page 14 the following:

"(1.1) An area in which there is significant demand may be established if

(a) both of the official languages are spoken as a mother tongue by persons residing in the area; and

(b) the number of persons who are in the linguistic minority in the area in respect of an official language spoken as a mother tongue is at least fifteen per cent of the total number of persons residing in the area.

(1.2) Notwithstanding subsection (1.1) where the number of persons in the linguistic minority in an area described in subsection (1) is less than the percentage required under subsection (1.1), the area may be established as a bilingual district if before the coming into force of this Act the services of departments and agencies of the Government of Canada were customarily made available to residents of the area in both official languages."

(c) by striking out line 2 at page 15 and substituting the following therefor: paragraph (1)(b), the Governor in".

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: All those in favour of the motion will please say yea.