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that the hon. member for Gloucester was not on his feet on debate, but I think I would be stretching things a very long way indeed if I should rule today that the House was not seized of the Order of the Day. I do not think I can go that far. I have to accept the notice.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): It is my duty, pursuant to Standing Order 38, to inform the House that questions to be raised tonight at the time of adjournment are as follows: the hon. member for Comox—Alberni, Low-Level Flights; the hon. member for Nanaimo—Cowichan, Fisheries; the hon. member for Markham—Whitchurch—Stouffville, External Affairs.

EXCISE TAX ACT

MEASURE TO AMEND

The House resumed consideration of Bill C-62, an act to amend the Excise Tax Act, the Criminal Code, the Customs Act, the Customs Tariff, the Excise Act, the Income Tax Act, the Statistics Act and the Tax Court of Canada Act, as reported (with amendments) from the Standing Committee on Finance.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): As put by the Speaker today, I have motions 1 to 90. Shall I dispense.

Some Hon. Members: No.

Mr. Douglas Young (Gloucester) moved:

Motion No. 1.

That Bill C-62 be amended by deleting Clause 1.

Motion No. 2.

That Bill C-62 be amended by deleting Clause 2.

Motion No. 3.

That Bill C-62 be amended by deleting Clause 3.

Motion No. 4.

That Bill C-62 be amended by deleting Clause 4.

Motion No. 5.

That Bill C-62 be amended by deleting Clause 5.

Motion No. 6.

That Bill C-62 be amended by deleting Clause 6.

Motion No. 7.

That Bill C-62 be amended by deleting Clause 7. Motion No. 8.

That Bill C-62 be amended by deleting Clause 7.

Mr. Wilson (Etobicoke Centre): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. I wonder if we could ask the House leader for the opposition just what is gained by this, because what is becoming very clear to me is the significance and the wisdom of time allocation. The opposition have put forward all these motions, they force upon you this need to waste the time of the House reading the 90 motions one by one, using up the time that they would normally take to speak to these amendments. Clearly it is never the intention of either the opposition parties to debate this bill. They simply want to waste time.

So I would be interested in understanding what their position is and why they are forcing this upon you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Gauthier: Mr. Speaker, I have to respond because the Minister of Finance seems to be a reasonable man. He will understand that at report stage it is the right of any member to table amendments. We have some 90 amendments before the House. For the sake of understanding what is going on, and for the sake of Canadians watching TV today, we should read those amendments so that they know what we are talking about.

Mr. Douglas Young (Gloucester) moved:

Motion No. 9.

That Bill C-62 be amended by deleting Clause 9.

Motion No. 10.

That Bill C-62 be amended by deleting Clause 10.

Motion No. 11.

That Bill C-62 be amended by deleting Clause 11.

Motion No. 31.

That Bill C-62 be amended by deleting Clause 13.

Motion No. 32.

That Bill C-62 be amended by deleting Clause 14.

Motion No. 33.

That Bill C-62 be amended by deleting Clause 15.

Motion No. 34.

That Bill C-62 be amended by deleting Clause 16.

Motion No. 35.

That Bill C-62 be amended by deleting Clause 17.

Motion No. 36.