

*Routine Proceedings***POINT OF ORDER**

NOTICE OF PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILL

[*Translation*]

Madam Speaker, the purpose of this bill would be to extend the territory of the National Capital as far to the east as the existing territory now extends to the west of Ottawa.

Madam Speaker, this bill enjoys the support of all municipalities concerned.

Madam Deputy Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

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

Madam Deputy Speaker: When will the bill be read the second time? At the next sitting of the House?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

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[*English*]**TRADE ADJUSTMENT BENEFITS ACT**

MEASURE TO ENACT

Hon. Lloyd Axworthy (Winnipeg South Centre) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-318, an act to provide for the payment of benefits to Canadian establishments laying off employees.

Madam Deputy Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the House that the hon. member shall have leave to introduce the bill?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

Mr. Axworthy (Winnipeg South Centre): Madam Speaker, the bill I am introducing is for the establishment of a trade adjustment review board that would have the responsibility of designating those industries or locales that are affected by substantial lay-offs or job dislocation caused by trade matters or other changes in the industrial area. It would then be able to provide or to utilize its powers to apply various benefits to workers under the present programming of the government, and also to provide ways of organizing these. I think it is a proper response to the major and serious industrial changes going on in Canada at the present time.

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

Mr. Peter Milliken (Kingston and the Islands): Madam Speaker, on April 3, 1989, something over a year ago, the hon. member for Kamloops gave notice of a private members' bill to amend the Parliament of Canada Act (estimates).

I must say that I have been sitting on the edge of my seat since April 1989 waiting for the hon. member for Kamloops to introduce this bill. I thought the contents would be most interesting since I presume he is amending the presentation of Estimates to this House. I know his interest in procedure and form, and I wonder if he could indicate when we might see this bill?

Mr. Nelson A. Riis (Kamloops): At the earliest opportunity, Madam Speaker.

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PETITIONS

CRIMINAL CODE

Mr. Len Hopkins (Renfrew—Nipissing—Pembroke): Madam Speaker, it is with pleasure that I present a petition signed by many Canadians on a subject which is extremely important to them.

Canada Post Corporation does not have strict regulations governing the distribution of publications that are deemed by many to be offensive. Those who are trying to bring up their children in a responsible manner with healthy morals deserve to be given the opportunity to do so with the minimum of interference.

The petitioners state that a change in the review standards by Canada Post could prevent the recurrence of incidences of wide-spread outrage and complaint. They petition Parliament in large numbers to change the Criminal Code accordingly.

GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

Mr. Mac Harb (Ottawa Centre): Madam Speaker, I have two sets of petitions, one of which has been signed by over 2,000 Canadians who are opposed to the goods and services tax on books, newspapers, and magazines.