

Routine Proceedings

These petitioners call upon Parliament to replace the Young Offenders Act with an updated Juvenile Delinquents Act and to lower the minimum age to 13 years.

JUSTICE

Mr. Robert E. Skelly (Comox—Alberni): Madam Speaker, I have a petition from several hundred people on central Vancouver Island in memory of Dawn Shaw, a little girl who was raped and murdered in my constituency. They note that the present justice system fails to protect children in our communities who are increasingly becoming victims of sexual assault.

They ask that a number of things be done by Parliament: That sentences for sexual assault offenders be lengthened, that the law be changed to permit DNA samples to be taken from suspects of sexual assault, and that those imprints be kept in a national data base. They also call for the names of released sexual offenders to be registered with the police and the community of residents and that those names be distributed to those people having responsibility for children in the community.

This petition from several hundred people in my constituency is submitted to the House of Commons to request that those changes be made.

BILL C-91

Mr. Robert E. Skelly (Comox—Alberni): Madam Speaker, I have a second petition, again from hundreds of people across the country who note that the Conservative government, through Bill C-91, seeks to end the licensing of further no name generic drugs in Canada. This will result in tremendous costs to provincial and private drug programs.

The petitioners call on Parliament not to proceed with Bill C-91 and to repeal Bill C-22 passed in 1987. In this way Canadians would have the benefit of lower priced generic drugs and provincial and private drug plans could serve Canadians without being forced to charge higher fees or to provide less coverage.

[*Translation*]

REQUEST FOR ELIMINATION OF VIOLENCE IN OUR SOCIETY

Mr. Guy Saint-Julien (Abitibi): Mr. Speaker, I would like to table a petition from residents of Val-d'Or,

Sullivan, Senneterre, Saint-Edmond and Rivière-Héva, in the riding of Abitibi, who say that films depicting violence on television are dangerous and therefore unacceptable because they act as a stimulus for violent behaviour.

The petition also says that all toys that incite children to play violent games are unacceptable and their manufacture should be banned. It is also pointed out that the repeated broadcasting of news about acts of violence on television, on all channels, and on radio may act as a stimulus for further identical violent behaviour.

Therefore your petitioners humbly pray and call upon Parliament to pass the appropriate legislation in order to eliminate violence in our society and thus protect our children and give all citizens a better quality of life.

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QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. Charles A. Langlois (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Industry, Science and Technology): Madam Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 427 and 434.

[*Text*]

Question No. 427—**Ms. Coppes:**

Regarding the purchase of new frigates for the Canadian Armed Forces, how much steel is being purchased for the program, and from which companies is it being purchased?

Mr. Patrick Boyer (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Defence): The prime contractor for the Canadian Patrol Frigate Project, Saint John Shipbuilding Ltd. of New Brunswick, will have purchased approximately 30,000 tonnes of steel by the end of the program. The two suppliers are Algoma Steel Corporation Ltd. and Marshall Drummond McCall Inc.

Question No. 434—**Mr. Peterson:**

Regarding television advertising by National Defence for ads aired in Canada (a) between January 1 and September 15, 1992 (b) between September 15 and October 26, 1992 in each case (i) what was the total cost of these ads (ii) of that amount what was paid for out of the National Defence budget?

Mr. Patrick Boyer (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Defence): (a) (i) \$86,334; (ii) all.