Adjournment Debate

Motion agreed to, bill read the second time and, by unanimous consent, considered in committee, reported and concurred in.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): When shall the bill be read the third time? By unanimous consent, now?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. McLean moved that the bill be read the third time and passed.

Mr. Peter Milliken (Kingston and the Islands): Mr. Speaker, I just want to commend the hon. member for his efforts in bringing this bill before the House.

I know that the petition for the bill was late and it was referred to the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections where the committee recommended to the House that the fees in respect of this bill be waived and that the late petition also be waived so that the bill could proceed.

I know that the member has been diligent in his pursuit of the cause of this church in assisting with this bill. I want to say to Your Honour that we are happy to be able to assist him today by agreeing to have the bill passed through all stages on this occasion.

• (1710)

Mr. Nelson A. Riis (Kamloops): Mr. Speaker, I too want to say that we are pleased to move Bill S-11 through all stages today.

I commend the hon. member on the initiative that he has taken. We had to make special provisions to enable this private bill to proceed. I must say, as a member of the Lutheran Church for my entire life, having been baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran Church, that I am pleased to see this initiative.

I want to say that this process would provide a good model for us to follow on a regular basis. There has been the co-operation of all three political parties in ensuring that this legislation not only would proceed through some very difficult moments but proceed expeditiously with full co-operation. This demonstrates clearly that when members of Parliament work together toward a common cause incredible things can happen in a very short time.

I simply want to say that I am pleased to support this initiative on behalf of my party. I thank the hon. member for the initiative that he has taken to make this possible.

Motion agreed to, bill read the third time and passed.

PROCEEDINGS ON ADJOURNMENT MOTION

[English]

A motion to adjourn the House under Standing Order 38 is deemed to have been moved.

LOW-LEVEL FLIGHTS

Mr. Robert E. Skelly (Comox—Alberni): Mr. Speaker, as you are aware, on March 7, just a few weeks ago, I asked the Prime Minister a question concerning the low-level test flight facility at Goose Bay, Labrador. When I asked the minister the question I indicated that I had read press reports that he had exhibited some skepticism as to whether NATO would approve this low-level test flight base at Goose Bay.

I asked the Prime Minister, rather than leaving the decision up to NATO, whether he would not do the right thing on his own accord and on account of the people of Canada and cancel the low-level test flight base as an initiative of the Canadian government as opposed to waiting passively to have NATO cancel the base.

The Prime Minister at that time gave me a flippant answer, an offhand kind of answer in which he accused me and the NDP of being against the creation of thousands of jobs in Newfoundland and Labrador.

We want to see jobs created in Newfoundland and Labrador. We believe that some of the things that this government has done over the last little while, such as its mismanagement of the fisheries and its elimination of some of the regional development programs that were designed to assist some of the problem areas in Canada, have actually destroyed jobs in some parts of the country including Newfoundland and Labrador. It is really the failure of this government and its policies that have required those jobs to be created.

We in this party, and I believe most Canadians, do not want to see are jobs created in Newfoundland and Labrador at the expense of the Innu people and the