

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski):** All those opposed please say nay.

**Some Hon. Members:** Nay.

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski):** In my opinion the yeas have it.

*And more than five Members having risen:*

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski):** Call in the Members.

The House divided on the motion (Mr. Hnatyshyn, for the Minister of Finance) which was agreed to on the following division:

(Division No. 181)

YEAS

Members

Andre	Gormley	Mitges
Beatty	Graham	Murta
Bernier	Grisé	Nickerson
Binns	Guilbault	Nielsen
Bissonnette	(Drummond)	Nowlan
Blais	Gurbin	Oberle
Blenkarn	Gustafson	O'Neil
Bouchard	Halliday	Ostrom
Bradley	Hamelin	Paproski
Brightwell	Hardey	Pennock
Brisco	Hawkes	Peterson
Browes	Hees	Plamondon
Cadieux	Hicks	Plourde
Caldwell	Hnatyshyn	Porter
Cardiff	Holtmann	Price
Carney	Horner	Ravis
Champagne	Howie	Redway
(Saint-Hyacinthe-Bagot)	Hudon	Reid
Champagne	Jacques	Reimer
(Champlain)	James	Ricard
Charest	Jelinek	St. Germain
Clark	Jepson	Schellenberger
(Brandon-Souris)	Johnson	(Wetaskiwin)
Clinch	(Bonavista-Trinity- Conception)	Scott
Coates		(Hamilton-Wentworth)
Collins	Kelleher	Scowen
Comeau	Kempling	Siddon
Cook	Kilgour	Sparrow
Cooper	Kindy	Speyer
Corbett	Ladouceur	Stackhouse
Cossitt	Landry	Stevens
Côté	Lanther	Stewart
(Lac-Saint-Jean)	La Salle	Tardif
Crosbie	Layton	(Charlesbourg)
(St. John's West)	Lesick	Taylor
Crouse	Lewis	Thacker
Darling	Lopez	Towers
Daubney	MacDonald	Tremblay
Della Noce	(Kingston and the Islands)	(Québec-Est)
Desjardins	MacDougall	Tremblay
Dick	(Timiskaming)	(Lotbinière)
Domm	MacKay	Tupper
Duguay	Martin	Valcourt
Epp	Mayer	Vankoughnet
(Provencher)	Mazankowski	Vincent
Fennell	McCain	Weiner
Ferland	McDermid	Wenman
Fontaine	McDougall	Wilson
Forrestall	(St. Paul's)	(Swift Current- Maple Creek)
Fraleigh	McGrath	Wilson
Fretz	McInnes	(Etobicoke Centre)
Friesen	McKinnon	Winegard
Gagnon	McKnight	Wise
Gass	McLean	Witer—146.
Gervais	Minaker	
Girard		

Canada Elections Act

NAYS

Members

Allmand	Frith	Mitchell
Althouse	Fulton	Nicholson
Angus	Gagliano	(Trinity)
Axworthy	Garneau	Nunziata
Berger	Gauthier	Nystrom
Blackburn	Guilbault	Orlikow
(Brant)	(Saint-Jacques)	Penner
Blaikie	Heap	Pépin
Boudria	Henderson	Prud'homme
Broadbent	Hopkins	Riis
Caccia	Hovdebo	Robichaud
Cassidy	Jewett	Robinson
Copps	Johnston	Rodriguez
Deans	(Saint-Henri-Westmount)	Rompkey
de Corneille	Kaplan	Rossi
de Jong	MacLellan	Waddell
Finestone	Marchi	Young—47.

**Mr. Speaker:** I declare the motion carried.

Bill read the third time and passed.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS—PUBLIC BILLS

[English]

CANADA ELECTIONS ACT

MEASURE TO AMEND

**Mr. John R. Rodriguez (Nickel Belt)** moved that Bill C-246, an Act to amend the Canada Elections Act (leave of absence), be read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections.

He said: Mr. Speaker, the purpose of Bill C-246 is to amend the Canada Elections Act to allow employees covered by Part III of the Canada Labour Code to have extended leave of absence provisions if they are candidates running in a federal election campaign and are successfully elected as a Member of the House of Commons.

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski):** Order, please. This is your Private Members' Hour.

**Mr. Rodriguez:** Mr. Speaker, there is a reason why I brought this particular Bill to the attention of the House for debate. I would hope that Members of the government side would not engage in their usual practice of talking out private Members' Bills. I believe that this Bill involves a very serious principle. The Bill goes to the very core of a democratic society which is open, free and egalitarian in most respects. We have the kind of society in which the citizens elect those who will govern them. The freedom of citizens to elect those who shall govern them is the very hub of a democratic society. There-