

which now exists as to the interpretation of this section. It is contended that the fish containers cannot be inspected before they are used, so we are asking that the act be amended in order that the officials will have the right to inspect containers before the actual packing is done.

Section agreed to.

On section 2—Extension of application of act.

Mr. CARDIN: This section provides that similar provision be extended to fish oils and their containers. Previously, the inspection of fish oils was carried on under the Inspection and Sale Act, which is administered by the Department of Agriculture, and it is intended to bring this inspection under the Fish Inspection Act.

Section agreed to.

Section 3 agreed to.

On the title.

Mr. ERNST: Mr. Chairman, I did not catch the purport of the explanation given by the minister regarding section 1. I realize that this section has been agreed to, but as I read the section, where a container is found to be faulty before being used, prosecution would follow. I doubt very much whether the proposed wording would meet the situation. I believe I had the honour of trying the case which brought about the change in the section.

Mr. CARDIN: The matter was submitted to the Department of Justice and we were told that this provision would meet the situation.

Mr. ERNST: I have no doubt that the section was submitted to the Department of Justice. If a package is inspected before use and found to be faulty, I doubt very much if successful prosecution could be carried out under this section.

Mr. CARDIN: The word "intended" could be added.

Mr. ERNST: I make that suggestion to the minister, because, as I say, I have had experience in this regard.

Mr. CARDIN: I would be quite agreeable to meet that suggestion.

Mr. ERNST: I think the words "or intended to be used" should be added.

Mr. CARDIN: I shall be glad to do that. I move, Mr. Chairman:

That this section be amended by adding after the word "used" in the sixth line of section 1 the words:

"or intended to be used."

The CHAIRMAN: There should be a motion to reconsider the section.

Mr. STEWART (Edmonton): I move that section 1 be reconsidered.

Motion agreed to.

Amendment agreed to.

Section 1 as amended agreed to.

Title agreed to.

Bill reported, read the third time and passed.

### BIOLOGICAL BOARD ACT

#### INCREASE OF MEMBERSHIP FROM FIVE TO SEVEN

Hon. P. J. A. CARDIN (Minister of Marine and Fisheries) moved that the house go into committee to consider the following proposed resolution:

That it is expedient to provide that the number of members who may be appointed by the minister to the Biological Board of Canada, under the provisions of the Biological Board Act, be increased from five to seven.

Motion agreed to and the house went into committee, Mr. Johnston in the chair.

Mr. CARDIN: Mr. Chairman, the present membership of the biological board is five, which includes one representative from British Columbia and one from the Atlantic coast. It has been suggested that two representatives from each of the coasts should be on this board.

Mr. SHORT: One of the added members will be from Nova Scotia and one from British Columbia, is that it?

Mr. CARDIN: Yes, that is the idea.

Resolution reported, read the second time and concurred in. Mr. Cardin thereupon moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 137 to amend the Biological Board Act.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first and second times, and the house went into committee thereon, Mr. Johnston in the chair.

On section 1—Constitution of the board.

Mr. STEVENS: Will the Chairman read the section?