

[English]

PETITIONS

FOOD AND DRUGS

Mrs. Pauline Browes (Scarborough Centre): Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to present a petition pursuant to Standing Order 36. The petitioners who have signed this petition are from Scarborough, Peterborough, Toronto and Lakefield.

The petitioners submit this petition in respect to disclosure of food content in packaged food. This is a very serious issue. I was moved on this particular issue because of the premature death of Robyn Allen, age 15 years, and other young people whose lives have been snuffed out because of a severe allergy reaction.

The petitioners are calling upon this Parliament to amend the food and drug regulations to require manufacturers to list specific food ingredients and additives used in pre-packaged foods.

In addition, in this petition, they request that restaurateurs and food retailers be required to provide, on demand, to customers a list of all food ingredients, including additives in prepared foods.

GANNET ROCK LIGHTHOUSE

Mr. Greg Thompson (Carleton—Charlotte): Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to present a petition from the residents of Grand Manan Island, pursuant to Standing Order 36. The petitioners call upon Parliament to maintain the staffing of the Gannet Rock lighthouse.

I want to take a minute to explain this petition. It is a very important one to the residents of Grand Manan Island. Gannet Rock is a lighthouse in the Bay of Fundy. There is a great deal of commercial traffic in this area, notably tankers on the way to the largest oil refinery in eastern Canada.

This lighthouse has been in service from the 1800s and we do not want to see it automated. We do not want an automated lighthouse there. We believe it is important that the residents of the island continue to have the kind of service they have today, in other words, a manned lighthouse to preserve the environment of that area. It is critical that the lighthouse be maintained the way it is.

The residents of the island have signed this petition and I do present it on their behalf.

Government Orders

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons): Mr. Speaker, I ask that all questions be allowed to stand.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): Shall all questions be allowed to stand?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

PETRO-CANADA PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ACT

ALLOCATION OF TIME TO CONSIDER SECOND READING STAGE OF BILL C-84

Hon. John McDermid (Minister of State (Privatization and Regulatory Affairs)) moved:

That, in relation to Bill C-84, an act respecting the privatization of the national petroleum company of Canada, not more than one additional day shall be allotted to the further consideration of the second reading stage; and

That 15 minutes before the expiry of the time provided for government business on such day, any proceedings before the House shall be interrupted, if required, for the purpose of this order and, in turn, every question necessary to dispose of the second reading stage of the said bill shall be put forthwith and successively, without further debate or amendment.

He said: Mr. Speaker, I would wish to take a few moments to speak briefly to the motion I have introduced.

I think it is fair to say that we have introduced time—

[Translation]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): I regret to interrupt the debate, but I have had precious little experience as Assistant Deputy Chairman and I cannot learn the finer points of procedure overnight. Indeed, first I have to read the motion now before the House.

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The hon. Minister of State for Privatization has the floor.

Mr. McDermid: Mr. Speaker, I think you are doing fine in the Chair. You do not have to apologize to the House at all.