

Committee Reports

Madam Speaker: Does the House agree to this suggestion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Madam Speaker: There is not unanimous consent.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: It being five o'clock, the House will now proceed to the consideration of private members' business as listed on today's Order Paper.

Mr. Collenette: I rise on a point of order, Mr. Speaker, because I know that today we are dealing with notices of motions for the production of papers as listed on today's Order Paper. As was stated a few minutes ago by me and by the hon. member for Nepean-Carleton, we do have a rather urgent matter to deal with, namely Bill S-16, which is a private member's private bill in the name of the hon. member for Lethbridge-Foothills. If it is the disposition of this House to give consent, we should proceed with that bill at this stage and then we can revert to notices of motions for the production of papers.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Order, please. My information is that Bill S-16 has not been reported from committee.

Mr. Collenette: Mr. Speaker, I am sorry, I was coming to that. The bill has not been presented by the chairman, the hon. member for Ottawa-Vanier, but he is prepared to do so now with the consent of the House so that we can move to the other stages of the bill.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Is there unanimous consent of the House that the hon. member for Ottawa-Vanier shall have leave to present the report of the committee?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[*Translation*]

MISCELLANEOUS PRIVATE BILLS AND STANDING ORDERS

Fifth report of Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills and Standing Orders—Mr. Gauthier.

[*Editor's Note: For text of above report, see today's Votes and Proceedings.*]

PRIVATE BILLS

[*English*]

PRESIDENT OF THE LETHBRIDGE STAKE OF THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Mr. Blaine A. Thacker (Lethbridge-Foothills) moved that Bill S-16, respecting the President of the Lethbridge Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, be concurred in.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: When shall the bill be read the third time? By leave, now?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Thacker moved that the bill be read the third time and do pass.

He said: Mr. Speaker, I want to thank in particular those hon. members who attended the committee yesterday on a rather urgent basis to hear the debate on this bill at the committee stage. I offer my special thanks to the chairman of the committee, the hon. member for Ottawa-Vanier (Mr. Gauthier), for the extraordinary efforts he made on behalf of my parliamentary agent and the members of the church.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

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

Mr. Deputy Speaker: The House will now proceed to private members' business as listed on today's Order Paper, namely, notices of motions (papers), private bills, public bills.

There being no items on the Order Paper under the heading of private bills, the House will proceed to notices of motions (papers).

PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

[*English*]

DECENTRALIZATION OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Mr. Tom Cossitt (Leeds-Grenville) moved:

That an order of the House do issue for copies of all correspondence, notes, minutes of meetings and other communications relating to the decentralization of the Department of Veterans Affairs to the province of Prince Edward Island.

He said: Mr. Speaker, naturally one hesitates to proceed with this subject in view of the untimely death of the former minister to whose riding this institution was moved. Therefore, it is difficult to proceed, but I hope that anything I say will not be taken as criticism of any kind of the former minister or of anything he may have done, because I know that on all sides of the House we regarded him as one of the finest members of this chamber.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!