

*Routine Proceedings*

23. Even if we were to accept the minister's argument, which I totally refute anyhow, it does not even make sense using his own criteria.

Notwithstanding any of that, this bill, if it has not passed both Houses of Parliament and been proclaimed, is not yet an act. If it is not act of Parliament, no one has any right to pretend that it is. You, Mr. Speaker, have indicated that to all of us before.

I am sorry to say that this government has not understood in the past the very worthwhile advice that Mr. Speaker gave. Not only that, the government still fails to do that even today.

**Mr. Speaker:** I have looked carefully at the document complained of. I have listened to the argument. I will consider the matter and report back to the House very quickly.

additional burden of a tax on services, as proposed in the goods and services tax. They call upon Parliament to reject this unfair and discriminatory tax.

**Mr. Jack Whittaker (Okanagan—Similkameen—Merritt):** Mr. Speaker, it is a pleasure to rise, pursuant to Standing Order 36, to present another petition containing some 86 names, which I add to the thousands of names that I have brought before the House against this goods and services tax.

These people are from Hope, British Columbia, and from various places in the riding of Okanagan—Similkameen—Merritt. They call on the government to bring in a fair tax and do away with this particular tax that the government is now proposing.

They not have given up hope that this government will see the sense of ending this tax and bring in fair tax.

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## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

### PETITIONS

#### GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

**Mr. Peter Milliken (Kingston and the Islands):** Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition signed by numerous residents of various cities in British Columbia who are opposed to the goods and services tax.

This petition was sent to the right hon. member for Vancouver Quadra. I am pleased to table it on his behalf and on behalf of the numerous Canadians who have signed it.

They indicate that having had the present manufacturers' sales tax increased from 9 per cent to 13.5 per cent under the Draconian tax policies of this government, they feel it is unfair that Canadians be saddled with the

### QUESTION ON THE ORDER PAPER

—Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk—

**Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons):** Mr. Speaker, Question No. 287 will be answered today.

[Text]

#### ADVERTISING MAIL

Question No. 287—**Mr. Caccia:**

For each of the last ten years for which figures are available (a) were pieces of (i) unaddressed (ii) addressed advertising mail delivered by Canada Post and, if so, what number (b) were there revenues from each type of mail and, if so (i) what were they (ii) what percentage of total corporate revenue did each constitute (c) what was the cost of (i) a stamp for a piece of advertising mail (ii) a first-class stamp?

**Hon. Harvie Andre (Minister of State and Leader of the Government in the House of Commons):** Please see attached.

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ADDRESSED	842	729	661	643	629	655	741	889	1017	
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