

Order of Business

Some hon. Members: Nay.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Turner): In my opinion the nays have it.

And more than five members having risen:

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Turner): Pursuant to Section 11 of the Standing Order 75 the recorded division on the proposed motion stands adjourned.

Mr. Forrestall: I rise on a point of order, Mr. Speaker. Since it is not quite one minute to four o'clock I wonder, in light of the serious reservations the Chair might have in respect of the next amendment, and since the government has no further amendments, whether it might facilitate the business of the House if that amendment could be dealt with and disposed of now.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Turner): The Chair has strong reservations about the procedural acceptability of motion No. 8. This motion seeks to amend a statute which is not presently before the House, namely, the Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act. It seems to the Chair that motion No. 8 goes beyond the scope of Bill C-61 as adopted by the House at the second reading stage, and therefore it cannot be put to the House. I would refer hon. members to Citation 406 in Beauchesne.

Mr. Forrestall: Very briefly on the point of order, Mr. Speaker, we recognize that this objection was raised in committee. That is the reason we accept the ruling. It is unfortunate that I did not personally have the opportunity further to commend to members of the House the necessity of closing our Arctic waters to foreign ships and retaining them for Canadian ships with Canadian crews, operating within the parameters of Canadian law.

● (1600)

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Turner): It seems to the Chair that motion No. 8 goes beyond the scope of Bill C-61 as adopted by the House on second reading stage and therefore cannot be put to the House.

Order discharged and Motion No. 8 withdrawn.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Turner): It being four o'clock, the House will now proceed to the consideration of private members' business as listed on today's order paper, namely, notices of motions, public bills, private bills.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

[English]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Turner): Shall notice of motion No. 2 stand?

Some hon. Members: Stand.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Turner): Shall notice of motion No. 15 stand?

[The Acting Speaker.]

Some hon. Members: Stand.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Turner): Shall notice of motion No. 19 stand?

Some hon. Members: Stand.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Turner): Shall notice of motion No. 34 stand?

Some hon. Members: Stand.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Turner): Shall notice of motion No. 37 stand?

Some hon. Members: Stand.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Turner): The House will now proceed to the consideration of motion No. 5.

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ENVIRONMENT

SUGGESTED INSTITUTE OF HUMAN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

The House resumed from Friday, October 18, 1974, consideration of the motion of Mr. MacLean:

That, in the opinion of this House, the government should consider setting up, in co-operation with the provinces, an Institute of Human Environmental Studies to determine, among other matters (a) the degree of air, soil, water and noise pollution the human species can tolerate without serious effects on physical and mental health (b) the type of environment which stimulates the most desirable qualities of physical and mental health in the human species (c) the type of national development which would give satisfactory environment to the greatest possible number of Canadians (d) the minimum of modifications to the present day indiscriminate and largely unplanned growth of our metropolitan areas necessary to put within reach of the inhabitants of these areas a quality of environment which would provide (i) adequate housing (ii) adequate recreational facilities including parkland (iii) adequate social infrastructure, such as transportation, education, hospital and recreation facilities.

Mr. Arnold Malone (Battle River): Mr. Speaker, I take real pleasure in resuming debate on this motion which was put forward by the hon. member for Malpeque (Mr. MacLean). It is a sad fact that this motion is not in the form of a government bill so that we could give it the due consideration which it deserves.

This motion refers to the setting up of an institute of human environmental studies in co-operation with the provinces. The whole motion, when viewed in clear perspective, shows that it is a positive motion which refers to the analyzing of human behaviour and forces which affect the behaviour of human beings both positively and negatively.

I think it would be of interest for the House to note at this time that we are about to enter into a debate on Bills C-83 and C-84, both of which deal with how and why we should punish human beings. Bill C-83 recommends a minimum 25 year prison sentence and Bill C-84 discusses whether or not this country should apply capital punishment. Both these bills are punitively orientated. For far too long our society has been hooked on the notion of cure rather than prevention. That is true so far as the Department of National Health and Welfare is concerned, and also it is true of the whole of our legal system. To deal with