

## S.O. 43

## SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

ESTABLISHMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEE—MOTION UNDER  
S.O. 43

**Mr. Ian Deans (Hamilton Mountain):** Madam Speaker, I am sure the urgency of my motion will be recognized by the majority of hon. members in the House. Our society is undergoing rapid change, influenced and led by scientific and technological innovation. We must harness this potential. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Broadview-Greenwood (Mr. Rae), and "thirded", I am sure, by the Minister of Finance (Mr. MacEachen):

That this House unanimously request the government to establish a standing committee on science and technology.

**Madam Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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## HOUSING

MEASURES TO STIMULATE CONSTRUCTION—MOTION UNDER  
S.O. 43

**Mr. Stan Darling (Parry Sound-Muskoka):** Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of some urgency under the provisions of Standing Order 43. The Housing and Urban Development Association of Canada indicated yesterday that hundreds of builders are being forced into bankruptcy by a serious slump in the construction industry, arising from record high mortgage rates. Many builders have gone out of business in the past two years and, lately, hundreds have just disappeared.

In light of the fact that HUDAC has forecast that by the end of this year housing starts in Canada will be 8 per cent below their January forecast of 179,500 units to 165,000 units, and that it estimates 220,000 housing starts per year are needed to satisfy demand, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Simcoe North (Mr. Lewis):

That the minister responsible for Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation recognize the rapidly growing disaster in the housing industry and place strong pressure on his government colleagues either to lower interest rates immediately or to establish mortgage interest as a deductible expense for income tax purposes.

**Madam Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

## THE ECONOMY

PROGRAMS TO OFFSET IMPACT OF HIGH INTEREST RATES—  
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Peter Elzinga (Pembina):** Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In view of the deliberate high interest rate policy of the Liberal government and its drastic effects upon Canadians in all walks of life, and in view of the government's failure to honour its responsibility to the agriculture sector, the small business sector, and home owners, during the present economic crisis, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Red Deer (Mr. Towers):

That this House instruct the Minister of Finance to introduce immediately special programs to cushion the impact of high interest rates, and specifically to extend the small business development bond to December 31, 1982, to include also unincorporated farmers and businessmen, and immediately to implement a mortgage interest and property tax deductibility program.

**Madam Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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## AGRICULTURE

## HOG STABILIZATION PROGRAM—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Vic Althouse (Humboldt-Lake Centre):** Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Whereas the announced hog stabilization payment program has not been made available to producers who have established stabilization programs in collaboration with their provincial governments; whereas no meaningful discussion took place between the federal Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Whelan) and his provincial counterparts; whereas no notice of intent was given to many of the affected provinces, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Prince Albert (Mr. Hovdebo):

That this House reprimand the Minister of Agriculture for his lack of effective communicative skills, and instruct him to reopen meaningful negotiations with his provincial counterparts to provide an equitable and meaningful stabilization program.

**Mr. Hnatyshyn:** Et cetera.

**Madam Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.