An hon. Member: What about an older common-law wife?

**Mr. Lambert (Edmonton West)**: There are far more of them. I will wager with the hon. member and meet him afterwards. I will say that there are far more veterans of his age and mine who, unfortunately, have cast aside their wives and picked up, shall we say, with someone else. There will be far more in that category than in the hypothetical category put forward by the hon. member for Skeena. That is the case I make. How does this happen?

What do you do with the woman who has been cast aside? Do you tell her to collect social welfare? That would be the solution, shall we say, that some would put forward.

Mrs. Campagnolo: Madam Chairman-

The Assistant Deputy Chairman: Order, please. The hon. member is raising a point of debate. If she wants to participate, she will be recognized afterwards.

Mr. Lambert (Edmonton West): Madam Chairman, I have finished.

Mrs. Campagnolo: Madam Chairman, I rise on a question of privilege. The hon. member for Edmonton West has imputed that somehow I fabricated the case to which I drew the attention of this House. That is not so. The person in question lives with five small children, and I think the possibility that five young children may be put on the scrap heap is far more serious than the matter the hon. member brought forward. I ask the hon. member not to forget this and allow us to get on with the business so that we can pass this bill.

• (2040)

The Assistant Deputy Chairman: Shall clause 1 carry?

Some hon. Members: On division.

Clause agreed to.

The Assistant Deputy Chairman: Shall the title carry?

Some hon. Members: On division.

Title agreed to.

Bill reported, read the third time and passed.

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### MARITIME CODE ACT

#### MEASURE TO PROVIDE A MARITIME CODE FOR CANADA

The House proceeded to the consideration of Bill C-61, to provide a maritime code for Canada, to amend the Canada Shipping Act and other Acts in consequence thereof and to enact other consequential or related provisions, as reported (with amendments) from the Standing Committee on Transport and Communications.

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Morin): Does the House agree to grouping motions Nos. 1, 2 and 3 for debate, with a separate vote being taken on each motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

#### Maritime Code

# [Translation]

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Environment and Minister of Fisheries) (for Mr. Lang) moved motion No. 1:

That Bill C-61, An Act to provide a maritime code for Canada, to amend the Canada Shipping Act and other Acts in consequence thereof and to enact other consequential or related provisions, be amended in Clause 8 of the French version by striking out lines 16 to 18 at page 12 and substituting the following therefor:

"a) le transport par eau, ou par eau et par voie de surface, des marchandises ou des passagers, ainsi que le remorquage, directement ou avec escale à l'étranger."

#### [English]

Mr. J. M. Forrestall (Dartmouth-Halifax East) moved motion No. 2:

That Bill C-61, to provide a maritime code for Canada, to amend the Canada Shipping Act and other Acts in consequence thereof and to enact other consequential or related provisions, be amended in Clause 8 by deleting line 20 at page 12 and substituting the following therefor:

"Canada: and, for better ensuring the attainment of the said purposes, any port or place in the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon shall be deemed to be a port or place in Canada, and the Governor in Council may, by order, provide that any other port or place not in Canada shall be deemed to be in Canada,".

Mr. Donald W. Munro (Esquimalt-Saanich) moved motion No. 3:

That Bill C-61, to provide a maritime code for Canada, to amend the Canada Shipping Act and other Acts in consequence thereof and to enact other consequential or related provisions, be amended in Clause 8 by deleting line 30 at page 12 and substituting the following therefor:

"whether directly or by way of a foreign port or place and when carrying passengers whether or not the passengers leave the ship at a port or place in Canada and if the passengers leave the ship at a port or place in Canada whether they do so definitely or merely for a temporary period;".

Mr. Ralph E. Goodale (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): Madam Speaker, the first of the amendments, which you have just read, is in the name of the Minister of Transport (Mr. Lang) and relates to Clause 8 of Bill C-61. The other two motions stand in the names of hon. members opposite. I propose in my initial remarks to direct my attention exclusively to motion No. 1 proposed by the Minister of Transport.

May I say in a general way that certainly we on this side of the House, and I think I speak for members in this Chamber generally, are very pleased to see the progress of Bill C-61 to date. We are glad to see that on this occasion we are back before the House of Commons at the report stage considering a relatively small number of further amendments to the legislation. I hope this indicates the House may very shortly give this additional degree of approval to Bill C-61.

There is some work to be done yet, but I think it is fair to say that very good progress has been made, particularly the work done before and since Christmas in the Standing Committee on Transport and Communication.

I want to express a word of thanks to the members of that committee who worked very hard and conscientiously on this legislation in an effort to give it fair consideration and, in the final analysis, to improve certain aspects of it. I want to thank members opposite for their co-operation and, in particular, members on this side of the House for their constant attendance at the committee and the good work they did on this particular bill.