

Borrowing Authority

during their period of incarceration for crimes committed in Canada.

The number of petitions now presented to the House of Commons is in excess of 44,000.

VIA RAIL SERVICES

Mr. David D. Stupich (Nanaimo—Cowichan): Madam Speaker, I rise, pursuant to Standing Order 36, to present a petition duly certified by the Clerk.

The petitioners humbly pray and call upon Parliament to maintain and improve VIA Rail service. It is very important to rural areas of Canada in particular and all across Canada. I join with these petitioners in urging the Government to continue and to improve the service.

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QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Government House Leader): Madam Speaker, I ask that all questions be allowed to stand.

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): Shall all questions be allowed to stand?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

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MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

Mr. Albert Cooper (Parliamentary Secretary to Government House Leader): Madam Speaker, I ask that all Notices of Motions for the Production of Papers be allowed to stand.

The Acting Speaker (Mrs. Champagne): Shall all motions stand?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[*English*]

BORROWING AUTHORITY, 1989-90

MEASURE TO ENACT

The House resumed from Monday, June 12, consideration of the motion of Mr. Wilson (Etobicoke Centre)

that Bill C-11, an Act to provide borrowing authority, be read the third time and passed.

Mrs. Coline Campbell (South West Nova): Madam Speaker, I rise to resume the debate I began on Monday on Bill C-11, a Bill to provide borrowing authority. On that day I spent quite some time discussing the plight of the coalition of fishermen and plant workers from the West Coast. It is a situation that could easily apply to many areas in Canada, particularly to the East Coast.

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The people on the East Coast in the fishery should be a 100 per cent behind this coalition because what has happened out there could easily happen on the East Coast in the fishery.

Just to review it very quickly, under GATT the Canadian Government apparently brought in a regulation which said that our fish must be processed here in Canada. It prohibited the export of unprocessed salmon and herring. The United States then petitioned GATT and it was found to be offensive.

It was raised in this House. I feel very strongly that when it comes down to dealing with a natural resource, a renewable resource which so many jobs are dependent on, this Government, any Government in Canada, should forcefully stand up and take the consequences. It should stand up to the United States.

When it came to the hogs, the United States did not think of Canada. It did not think of GATT reviewing the agricultural process and the agricultural subsidies. It did not think of the new Free Trade Agreement. It went directly under the omnibus trade Bill and slapped a countervail on the Canadian hog industry.

I say to the Hon. Members that unless Canadians stand up and make our natural resources of prime concern to Canadians first, we are going to be in very sore trouble, particularly in the eastern, western and rural areas of Canada where so many people are dependent on those jobs being created by our natural resources.

This Government does not listen to those people. Those people have come up here and spent a week trying to bring home that point. The Government does not listen to the native people who are outside and have been outside. It does not listen to the people who are going to be hurt by the cut-backs in health and education because of the financing program. I do not think this