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MANPOWER

FAILURE TO INCLUDE BRITISH COLUMBIA IN CANADA WORKS PROGRAM—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Howard Johnston (Okanagan-Kootenay): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to raise a matter of urgent and pressing necessity arising out of the failure to include any constituency in British Colombia in the list of those eligible for the \$30 per man-hour week allowance for material costs in the new Canada works program. I move, seconded by the hon. member for Vancouver Quadra (Mr. Clarke):

That this House ask the Minister of Manpower and Immigration for an explanation of this failure to extend the supplementary program into the province of British Columbia thus adding one more to the long list of federal programs that do not reach across the Rockies.

Mr. Speaker: Such a motion can be presented to the House pursuant to Standing Order 43 only with its unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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ENERGY

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF HOME INSULATION PROGRAM TO CONSERVE ENERGY—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. John C. Crosbie (St. John's West): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. The matter of urgent and pressing necessity concerns the announcement by the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources (Mr. Gillespie) several weeks ago that special programs of assistance were offered to the province of Prince Edward Island amounting in value to \$11.5 million, and to Nova Scotia amounting in value to \$63 million, to help with home insulation and to help industrial and commercial users conserve power, which offer of federal assistance was made to those provinces only on the basis that these were the provinces most highly dependent on oil-fired steam power for electrical energy production and therefore most requiring special assistance.

Since the net generation of electricity from now on in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador must be by thermal means, since the cost of heating oil in Newfoundland is substantially higher than in Prince Edward Island or Nova Scotia, and since the economic position of Newfoundland residents considering per capita personal income, the cost of living and other factors is at about the same level as that of citizens of Prince Edward Island but considerably lower than that of citizens of Nova Scotia so that their needs are even greater with respect of energy and other costs, I move, second-

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ed by the hon. member for Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe (Mr. Marshall):

That this House urge the government to cease discriminating against eight of the ten provinces of Canada by offering to all the provinces of Canada and the citizens thereof the special programs of assistance with reference to home insulation and assistance to industrial and commercial users to conserve power now offered to Prince Edward Island and to Nova Scotia, so that all citizens of Canada will be treated equally rather than suffering from the present discriminatory policy.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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NATIONAL HOLIDAYS

REQUEST FOR EARLY PASSAGE OF BILL ESTABLISHING NATIONAL HERITAGE DAY—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Brant (Mr. Blackburn):

That this House urges the government House leader to call Bill C-30 for second reading not later than during the week commencing January 31, in order that parliament can reach a decision on this bill in sufficient time so that National Heritage Day can be observed on Monday, February 21, of this year.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Such motion pursuant to Standing Order 43 can be presented to the House for debate only with its unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

ENERGY

SUGGESTED CONSERVATION OF ENERGY BY RECYCLING OF WASTE PAPER—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Bill Clarke (Vancouver Quadra): Mr. Speaker, my motion under Standing Order 43 is prompted by the delivery this week to offices on Parliament Hill and elsewhere in Ottawa of telephone directories of Bell Canada, and of the government service, creating therefore tons of excess waste paper to add to those produced daily. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Okanagan-Kootenay (Mr. Johnston):

That this House take positive measures to urge government departments and industry to take immediate steps to conserve wasting forest and energy resources, by using more recycled waste paper in paper production.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Such motion can be presented to the House for debate only with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?