Proposed Legislation

PROCEDURE AND ORGANIZATION

WITHDRAWAL OF MOTION FOR CONCURRENCE IN COM-MITTEE REPORT

On the order: Motions:

June 17, 1971-Mr. McCleave:

That the eighth Report of the Standing Committee on Procedure and Organization, presented to the House on Friday, June 11, 1971, be concurred in.

Mr. McCleave: Mr. Speaker, perhaps this motion could be withdrawn since it now becomes academic.

Mr. Speaker: Does the House give leave to the hon. member to withdraw his academic motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Order discharged and motion withdrawn.

ECONOMIC COUNCIL OF CANADA

STATEMENT BY DEPUTY MINISTER OF FINANCE RESPECT-ING EFFECTIVENESS—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CON-SENT TO MOVE MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Hon. Marcel Lambert (Edmonton West): Mr. Speaker, I ask the unanimous consent of the House under Standing Order 43 to move a motion on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

This matter concerns the confidence of the government in the Economic Council of Canada, whether the Deputy Minister of Finance, Mr. Simon Reisman, was authorized by his minister, who was then present, to state yesterday before the Senate Committee on National Finance that "after seven years the Economic Council of Canada has run out of steam, is repeating itself and should be revitalized," and whether the government shares these views that its chief economic advisers are out of tune with the times and must be replaced. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Halifax-East Hants (Mr. McCleave):

That the testimony of the Deputy Minister of Finance before the Senate Committee on National Finance relative to the Economic Council of Canada, its views and operations, and any related question be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs for examination and report, and that the Minister of Finance and his Deputy Minister, Mr. Simon Reisman, be invited to appear to testify on the said matters.

[Translation]

Mr. Speaker: The motion moved by the hon. member for Edmonton West (Mr. Lambert) requires the unanimous consent of the House, under the terms of Standing Order 43. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is no unanimous consent. Therefore, the motion cannot be moved.

[Mr. Speaker.]

[English]

BRITISH NORTH AMERICA ACTS, 1867 TO 1965

AMENDMENT RESPECTING READJUSTMENT OF REPRE-SENTATION IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (President of the Privy Council) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-257, to amend the British North America Acts, 1867 to 1965, with respect to the readjustment of representation in the House of Commons.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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[Translation]

[English]

BANK OF CANADA ACT

AMENDMENT RESPECTING PRINTING OF BRAILLE SYMBOLS ON BANK NOTES

Hon. Théogène Ricard (Saint-Hyacinthe) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-258 intituled: "An act to amend the Bank of Canada Act (Braille denomination)".

Some hon. Members: Explain.

Mr. Ricard: Mr. Speaker, this bill aims at printing banknote denominations in Braille. The government, through this bill, will be in a position to avail itself of modern printing processes in order to assist the blind.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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COPYRIGHT ACT

AMENDMENT RESPECTING RECORDS, PERFORATED ROLLS OR OTHER CONTRIVANCES FOR MECHANICALLY RE-PRODUCING SOUND

Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs) moved the first reading of Bill S-9 (from the Senate), to amend the Copyright Act.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

*RESULTS OF INQUIRY INTO LEAK OF LE DAIN COMMISSION REPORT

Question No. 40-Mr. Howard (Skeena):

What are the results of the inquiry undertaken by the Minister of National Health and Welfare into the news leak of the report of the Le Dain Commission on the Non-Medical Use of Drugs?

[Translation]

Mr. Gaston Isabelle (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Health and Welfare): Mr. Speaker, I