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being handled in the way specified by the hon. member for the New Democratic Party.

Furthermore, if small producers also have to conform to these procedures, their costs will go up, although we have no reason to believe they should be more regulated than they already are. And if they use private carriers, they will not be affected.

I therefore fail to see the relevance of the motion presented by the hon. member for Mackenzie. That is why the Bloc Québécois will not support the motion, since all wheat for human consumption is very well regulated and perfectly safe.

• (1330)

[English]

**Mr. Lyle Vanclief (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Agriculture and Agri-food, Lib.):** Mr. Speaker, I will say at the outset that the government does not have any intention of supporting the motion. I will give a few of the reasons for it. There is no question in my mind that what is said in the motion is a bit confusing versus what may or may not be its intent.

It would have a definite impact in the industry of slowing down the movement of grain whether transported by truck, producer car or dealer car. Therefore it would increase the cost to producers, which is certainly not the intention of the government.

At the present time the weight, the grade and the dockage content of grain delivered by a producer or dealer car are immediately determined at the unload. That is the system. To have to do that as the car or truck is being unloaded would certainly slow things up and add a cost. It would also put an additional obligation on the public carriers to have with them at all times the documentation on the grade and dockage. It would shift some of the responsibility to public carriers for having the documentation available at all times.

In practical terms, the motion would mean that when a truckload of grain to be delivered to a local feed mill was loaded by the producer on the farm it would have to be graded. The dockage, the weight and everything would have to be with it to take a load of grain to a local feed mill. That would be absolutely unnecessary. It would be cumbersome. It would slow everything up and be expensive.

We do not intend to support the motion.

[Translation]

**The Deputy Speaker:** Is the House ready for the question?

**Some hon. members:** Question.

**The Deputy Speaker:** Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. members:** No.

**The Deputy Speaker:** All those in favour will please say yea.

**Some hon. members:** Yea.

**The Deputy Speaker:** All those opposed will please say nay.

**Some hon. members:** Nay.

**The Deputy Speaker:** In my opinion the nays have it.

**Some hon. members:** On division.

(Motion negated.)

**The Deputy Speaker:** The House will now proceed to the taking of the deferred division at the report stage of the bill now before the House.

Call in the members.

*And the bells having rung:*

**The Deputy Speaker:** Pursuant to Standing Order 45(5)(a), I have been requested by the chief government whip to defer the division until a later time.

[English]

Accordingly, pursuant to Standing Order 45(5)(a), a recorded division on the motion stands deferred until tomorrow at 5.30, at which time the bells to call in the members will be sounded for not more than 15 minutes.

## SUSPENSION OF SITTING

**Mr. Boudria:** Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. I seek unanimous consent to suspend the sitting of the House until 2 p.m.

[Translation]

**The Deputy Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent to suspend the sitting of the House until 2 p.m.?

**Some hon. members:** Agreed.

(The sitting of the House was suspended at 1.35 p.m.)

## SITTING RESUMED

The House resumed at 2 p.m.

## STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

[English]

## SENIORS

**Mrs. Brenda Chamberlain (Guelph—Wellington, Lib.):** Mr. Speaker, Guelph—Wellington is enriched daily by the contributions of our seniors. We can all learn from their experience and are fortunate to have many seniors as important members of our communities.

Unfortunately as time passes, it becomes more and more difficult for some seniors to care for themselves and each other