Order Paper Questions

• (1540)

Madam Speaker: The motion is carried.

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

Madam Speaker: When shall the said Bill be read the second time, at the next sitting of the House?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

[Translation]

Madam Speaker: The Hon. President of the Privy Council (Mr. Pinard), on a point of order.

Mr. Pinard: Yes, Madam Speaker. When you put the question, namely, when Bill C-155 would be read the second time, you gave the customary answer. I would like to make it clear to the House that we shall start consideration of the second reading stage of this Bill on Thursday morning at eleven o'clock.

[English]

OUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. David Smith (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Madam Speaker, the following question will be answered today: No. 4,745.

[Text]

NUMBER OF INCOME TAX RETURNS IN VARIOUS CATEGORIES

Question No. 4,745—Mr. Lewis:

- 1. How many individual income tax returns were filed for the (a) 1979 (b) 1980 (c) 1981 taxation year by taxfilers in the net income category of (i) under \$20,000 (ii) \$20,000 to \$29,999 (iii) \$30,000 to \$39,999 (iv) \$40,000 to \$49,999 (v) \$50,000 and over?
- 2. For the same years and in the same net income categories, how many returns were (a) assessed as submitted by the taxfiler (b) revised by the Income Tax Department and assessed (c) prepared by someone other than the taxfiler?

Hon. Pierre Bussières (Minister of National Revenue): 1. No statistics are produced by "net" income category. The following are comparable statistics by "total" category, which is defined as net income from self-employment plus the total of all income from all other sources, as indicated on page one of the tax return.

Total	1979	1980	1981*
Income	Tax	Tax	Tax
Category	Year	Year	Year
under \$20,000	12,059,247	11,346,417	10,796,727
20,000–29,999	1,842,067	2,269,389	2,584,292
30,000–39,999	474,724	674,784	1,008,650
40,000–49,999	143,694	227,638	340,396
50,000 and over	162,423	246,650	336,170
Total	14,682,155	14,764,878	15,066,235

^{*} These are preliminary figures, representing approximately 97.5 per cent of the total number of returns expected for the 1981 taxation year.

Source: Taxation Statistics—1981 and 1982 editions Preliminary Taxation Statistics—1983 edition 2. We do not produce figures by income range on changes or unchanged returns. The totals are as follows:

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	1979 Tax Year	1980 Tax Year	1981* Tax Year
(a) Assessed as submitted	8,367,822	8,067,040	8,112,023
(b) Revised by the Income Tax Department	6,314,333	6,697,838	6,954,212

^{*} These are preliminary figures, representing approximately 97.5 per cent of the total number of returns expected for the 1981 taxation year.

Source: Unpublished Statistics—"Counts and Amounts".

(c) Since the introduction of the T1 special return it has not been possible to produce statistics on the types of tax return preparers as the T1 Special does not provide a space for completion by the preparer.

[English]

Mr. Smith: I would ask, Madam Speaker, that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

[Translation]

Madam Speaker: The question mentioned by the parliamentary secretary has been answered. Shall the remaining questions be allowed to stand?

Some Hon. Members: Agreed.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

SUPPLEMENTARY BORROWING AUTHORITY ACT, 1983-84 (NO. 2)

MEASURE TO ESTABLISH

The House resumed consideration of the motion of Mr. Cosgrove that Bill C-151, an Act to provide supplementary borrowing authority, be read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs.

Mr. Lyle S. Kristiansen (Kootenay West): Mr. Speaker, prior to the recess I was pointing out that the Government has been borrowing money during this session of Parliament at the