Inflation

urgent necessity arising from the plebiscite recently announced by the minister responsible for the Canadian Wheat Board on how rapeseed should be marketed. In view of the fact this plebiscite is stacked against the proponents of orderly marketing, I would move, seconded by the hon. member for Saskatoon-Biggar (Mr. Gleave):

That the plebiscite on rapeseed marketing be amended to include the following:

- (a) Every Wheat Board permit holder should have the right to vote or failing this any producer who grew rape at least once in the last five years;
- (b) That a simple majority will carry rather than the present 60 per cent;
- (c) That the ballot will simply carry a "yes" and "no" category and the "undecided" category will be dropped.

Mr. Speaker: Is there unanimous consent to the motion proposed by the hon. member for Meadow Lake?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimous consent.

[Translation]

ENERGY

INCREASE IN PETROLEUM PRODUCT PRICES—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. René Matte (Champlain): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 43, I request the unanimous consent of the House to discuss a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

In view of the excessive increase in the price of oil products, mainly gas and heating fuel, and of the fact that Canadian consumers, especially those with a low income, soon will not be able to face this increase, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Lotbinière (Mr. Fortin):

That the House urge the government to consider within the next 30 days the possibility of granting a discount to consumers through gas and heating fuel retailers.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the motion of the hon. member. Pursuant to Standing Order 43, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there such unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not and the motion cannot therefore be put.

[English]

THE CANADIAN ECONOMY

GOVERNMENT STATEMENT RESPECTING INFLATION—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. G. W. Baldwin (Peace River): Mr. Speaker, I should like to move a motion under Standing Order 43, the rea[Mr. Nesdoly.]

sons for which are quite apparent in the motion that I ask the House to agree to have put. My motion is:

This House urges the government to take steps to ensure that the false statement which appears on the literature accompanying the OAS cheques just issued and which states "although inflation is a worldwide problem... the government are taking all reasonable steps to keep it under control and to minimize its effect" be corrected by the inclusion at the time the next cheques are issued of the true facts to indicate that the government has failed to take reasonable steps in this regard.

Mr. Speaker: Is there unanimity?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimity. The hon. member for Rimouski.

Mr. Baldwin: I rise on a question of privilege.

[Translation]

Mr. Allard: Mr. Speaker-

Mr. Speaker: I apologize to the hon. member for Rimouski, but I think that the hon. member for Peace River is rising on a point of order.

[English]

Is the hon. member rising on a point of order?

Mr. Baldwin: On a question of privilege, Mr. Speaker. Because the literature in question states that the Canadian parliament and the government are taking all reasonable steps to keep inflation under control, as a member of the Canadian parliament I wish to take this opportunity, as I think I am entitled to do, to disassociate myself from this cruel hoax the government is trying to perpetrate on the old people of this country.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Lalonde: I rise on a question of privilege, Mr. Speaker, as my name has been associated with this matter. I can give the hon. member the assurance that at the next opportunity I will try and see to it that any such message will exclude him from those who are trying to do everything they can to control inflation.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

[Translation]

ENERGY

SUGGESTED RETURN TO DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME TO REDUCE CONSUMPTION OF ELECTRICITY AND OIL—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Eudore Allard (Rimouski): Mr. Speaker, under Standing Order 43, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.