

Public Service

JUSTICE AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

CALLING OF COMMITTEE TO DEAL WITH WIRETAPPING
BILL—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE
MOTION

Mr. Ron Atkey (St. Paul's): Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43 I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity relating to continued delays in the calling of the Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs to deal with the wiretapping bill.

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My motion has been made necessary as a result of the refusal since October 15 of the committee chairman and vice-chairman to call a meeting of the committee despite requests from the opposition parties. This delay has been brought about apparently with the concurrence of the government, which may now have reservations about proceeding—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. member was recognized for the purpose of indicating which motion he would like considered by unanimous consent. He is not allowed to submit argument in support of the motion.

Mr. Atkey: In view of recent unfortunate events involving unauthorized illegal electronic surveillance, I move seconded by the hon. member for Halton (Mr. O'Connor):

That this House request the chairman or vice-chairman of the Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs to call a meeting of that committee at the earliest opportunity to complete consideration of Bill C-176 as a matter of urgency.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member proposes a motion under the terms of Standing Order 43. It requires unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimity. The motion, therefore, cannot be put.

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PUBLIC SERVICE

SALARY OFFER TO CLERKS—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS
CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Roland Godin (Portneuf): Mr. Speaker, under Standing Order 43, I ask the unanimous consent of the House to discuss an urgent situation, namely the ridiculous wage offers made by Treasury Board to clerical employees of the Public Service of Canada who earn about \$5,000 a year and, consequently, cannot make both ends meet.

I move therefore, seconded by the hon. member for Champlain (Mr. Matte):

That the House request of the government, through Treasury Board, an order that the senior officials involved show judgment and realism in the division of the CR group wages so as to grant

[Mr. Speaker.]

increases similar to those received by most civil servants and thus consistent with cost of living increases.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimous consent. The motion of the hon. member cannot therefore be put.

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[English]

ENERGY

PROPOSED MOVEMENT OF ALASKAN OIL THROUGH JUAN
DE FUCA STRAIT—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT
TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Stuart Leggatt (New Westminster): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity pursuant to Standing Order 43. In view of the announcement yesterday by the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources (Mr. Macdonald) of the establishment of a Canada-United States joint committee to exchange information on national energy and planning and the co-ordination of energy resources, and in view of the present government's failure to obtain any agreement which would avoid movement of tanker traffic through the Strait of Juan de Fuca to Cherry Point, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Fraser Valley West (Mr. Rose):

That the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources withdraw from negotiations on all matters of energy planning with the United States until we receive assurance and agreement that Alaskan oil will not be transported through the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member's motion requires unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimous consent. The motion cannot be put.

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RAILWAY ACT

PROVISION FOR APPLICATIONS RESPECTING COMMUTER
TRAIN SERVICES

Mr. A. D. Hales (Wellington) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-225, to amend the Railway Act.

Some hon. Members: Explain.

Mr. Hales: Mr. Speaker, the purpose of this bill is to permit applications in accordance with subsections 2 to 7