

Daily sitting 10

Wednesday, December 17, 2014

10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Wetmore, Member for Gagetown-Petitcodiac, laid upon the table of the House a petition on behalf of residents of Coles Island urging the District Education Council to not close the Coles Island School. (Petition 8)

Mr. Coon, Member for Fredericton South, laid upon the table of the House a petition in opposition to the proposed development of a 750-site campground in Shediac. (Petition 9)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the table of the House a *Report to the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick of the Investigation by the Hon. Alfred R. Landry, Q.C., Conflict of Interest Commissioner, into Allegations by Mr. Dominic Cardy, Leader of the New Brunswick New Democratic Party of Violations of the Members' Conflict of Interest Act by Mr. Greg Davis, MLA for Campbellton-Restigouche Centre.*

Mr. Bourque gave Notice of Motion 11 that on Tuesday, December 23, 2014, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Harris:

THAT, notwithstanding the Standing Rules of the Assembly, following the adoption of this motion, there shall be two days of debate remaining for the proceedings at all stages of the passage of Bills 2, 3 and 5, which shall include the days spent considering said Bills from December 17, 2014, and onward, and, at the expiration of the said two days, unless sooner concluded, the Speaker, or the Chair of the Committee of the Whole House, shall interrupt the proceedings and put every question necessary to dispose of the order for consideration of the said Bills in the Committee of the Whole House and report of the Bills to the House; and the order for third reading and passage of the said Bills, and, where necessary, the said Bills shall be allowed to advance more than one stage in one day.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 44(4), Ms. Dubé, Opposition House Leader, gave notice that on Thursday, December 18, 2014, Opposition Members' Business would be considered in the following order: Motion 3, 10 and 9.

Hon. Mr. Melanson, Minister of Finance, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members standing, and is as follows:

Fredericton, New Brunswick.
December 17, 2014.

Her Honour the Lieutenant-Governor transmits the *Capital Estimates* for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016, and the *Supplementary Estimates 2013-2014, Volume I*, required for the services of the province, not otherwise provided for, and in accordance with the provisions of the *Constitution Act, 1867*, recommends these estimates to the House.

(Sgd. :) Jocelyne Roy Vienneau.
Lieutenant-Governor.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion 6, Hon. Mr. Melanson moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier:

THAT this House approves in general the capital budgetary policy of the government.

And the question being put, Hon. Mr. Melanson proceeded to deliver the 2015-2016 capital budget speech.

And the debate being ended and the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Hon. Mr. Fraser, Acting Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to be granted to Her Majesty forthwith.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of Supply with Ms. Harris in the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Ms. Harris, the Chair, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported that the Committee proceeding in the matter under consideration, had passed the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

And she was directed to ask leave to sit again.

Ms. Harris moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier:

THAT the House does concur with the Committee of Supply in its report and agrees in its resolution that Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

And the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Hon. Mr. Fraser, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Government Motions for the Ordering of the Business of the House, moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier:

THAT consideration of estimates in Committee of Supply be added to the Orders of the Day until such time as they are dispatched.

And the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Hon. Mr. Fraser gave notice that on Friday, December 19, 2014, Bills 7 and 8 would be called for second reading.

Hon. Mr. Fraser, Acting Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Bills 3, 2 and 5; following which Bills 4 and 6 would be called for second reading; following which the House would consider Motion 7.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole with Ms. Harris in the chair.

At 12.30 p.m., Ms. Harris left the chair to resume again at 2 o'clock p.m.

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The Committee resumed with Mr. Bernard LeBlanc in the chair.

At 4.29 p.m., Mr. Bernard LeBlanc declared a recess and left the chair.

4.37 p.m.

The Committee resumed.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Bernard LeBlanc, the Chair, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported:

That the Committee had directed that he report progress on the following Bills:

Bill 2, *An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act.*

Bill 3, *An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act.*

And the Committee asked leave to make a further report.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 78.1, Mr. Speaker put the question on the motion deemed to be before the House, that the report be concurred in, and it was resolved in the affirmative.

And then, 6 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.

The following documents, having been deposited with the Clerk of the House, were deemed laid upon the table of the House pursuant to Standing Rule 39:

Public Accounts for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2014, Volume 2, Supplementary Information	December 15, 2014
Unaudited Supplementary Employee and Supplier Lists	December 15, 2014