

Daily sitting 4

Friday, December 4, 2015

9 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. Horsman,

*Bill 6, An Act to Amend the Financial and Consumer Services Commission Act.**Bill 7, An Act to Amend An Act Respecting Payday Loans.*

By Hon. Mr. Doucet,

*Bill 8, An Act to Amend the Marshland Infrastructure Maintenance Act.*

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Mr. Stewart gave Notice of Motion 6 that on Thursday, December 10, 2015, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Lynch:

WHEREAS New Brunswick is Canada's only officially bilingual province;

WHEREAS access to second language training is limited or non-existent in many communities across the province, which impedes mutual understanding and access to opportunities;

WHEREAS access to French immersion education programming is limited or non-existent in many schools across the province;

WHEREAS the government's ability to continue to provide a high quality of services to citizens in both official languages may be affected by a lack of investment in second language training and education;

WHEREAS there are best practices in other jurisdictions, as well as new technology, which could be explored to address the gap in investment in second language training and education;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT this Assembly urges the government to examine the issue of second language education and training, and report back to this Assembly with a plan to enhance opportunities for New Brunswickers to improve their skills in communicating in both official languages.

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Hon. Mr. Fraser gave notice that on Tuesday, December 8, 2015, Bills 6, 7 and 8 would be called for second reading.

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Hon. Mr. Fraser, Acting Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that the House resume the adjourned debate on the motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne.

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The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Ms. LeBlanc, seconded by Mr. Harvey:

THAT the following Address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to offer the humble thanks of this House to Her Honour for the gracious speech which she has been pleased to make to the Legislative Assembly, namely:

Fredericton, N.B.  
December 1, 2015.

To Her Honour,  
The Honourable Jocelyne Roy Vienneau,  
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of New Brunswick.

May It Please Your Honour:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick, now in session, beg leave to extend our humble thanks to Your Honour for the gracious speech which Your Honour has addressed to us, and we assure Your Honour that all matters which may be submitted to us during the session will receive our most careful attention and consideration.

And after some time, due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bernard LeBlanc, the Deputy Speaker, took the chair as Acting Speaker.

And after some further time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker interrupted proceedings and announced that the hour of daily adjournment had arrived.

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And then, 2.10 p.m., the House adjourned.