

Daily sitting 6

Wednesday, December 9, 2015

10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Hon. Mr. Horsman, Member for Fredericton North, laid upon the table of the House a petition urging the government to provide full medicare coverage of prosthetic eye replacement and maintenance costs or adapt a co-pay system that does not discriminate against age or financial status. (Petition 2)

Mr. Bernard LeBlanc gave Notice of Motion 7 that on Tuesday, December 15, 2015, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Bourque:

WHEREAS the following public Acts of the Legislature, or provisions of public Acts of the Legislature, were listed in the 2015 Annual Report, *Statute Repeal Act*, tabled in the Legislative Assembly on February 13, 2015, as public Acts or provisions of public Acts that are to come into force by proclamation, that were assented to nine years or more before December 31, 2014, and that have not come into force on or before that date:

Metric Conversion Act, S.N.B. 1977, c.M-11.1, sections 13, 15 and 25 of Schedule A;

Pension Benefits Act, S.N.B. 1987, c.P-5.1, section 2;

Agricultural Land Protection and Development Act, S.N.B. 1996, c.A-5.11, paragraph 8(c) and sections 10, 21 and 22;

An Act to Amend the Judicature Act, S.N.B. 2001, c.29, sections 1 and 5 and paragraph 2(b);

WHEREAS, as a result of being listed in the Annual Report, these public Acts of the Legislature, or provisions of public Acts of the Legislature, will be repealed on December 31, 2015, pursuant to section 2 of the *Statute Repeal Act*, unless the Legislative Assembly adopts a resolution that these Acts or provisions not be repealed;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that these public Acts of the Legislature, or provisions of public Acts of the Legislature, listed in this resolution, not be repealed.

Ms. Dubé, Opposition House Leader, gave notice that on Thursday, December 10, 2015, Opposition Members' Business would be considered in the following order: Motion 1, 2 and 3.

Mr. Albert, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that Bills 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 be called for second reading; following which the House would resume the adjourned debate on the motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 2, *An Act to Amend the Official Languages Act*, a debate arose thereon.

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 the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 2 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 2, *An Act to Amend the Official Languages Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, as designated by the Government House Leader.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 3, *An Act to Amend the Service New Brunswick Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 3 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 3, *An Act to Amend the Service New Brunswick Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, as designated by the Government House Leader.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 4, *An Act to Amend the Assessment Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 4 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 4, *An Act to Amend the Assessment Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, as designated by the Government House Leader.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 6, *An Act to Amend the Financial and Consumer Services Commission Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 6 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 6, *An Act to Amend the Financial and Consumer Services Commission Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, as designated by the Government House Leader.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 7, *An Act to Amend An Act Respecting Payday Loans*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 7 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 7, *An Act to Amend An Act Respecting Payday Loans*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, as designated by the Government House Leader.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 8, *An Act to Amend the Marshland Infrastructure Maintenance Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 8 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 8, *An Act to Amend the Marshland Infrastructure Maintenance Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, as designated by the Government House Leader.

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.

At 12 o'clock p.m., Mr. Deputy Speaker left the chair to resume again at 1 o'clock p.m.

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Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the chair.

And after some time, Ms. Harris took the chair.

And after some further time, Mr. Bernard LeBlanc resumed the chair.

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

And then, 6.14 p.m., the House adjourned.