

Daily sitting 17

Tuesday, February 9, 2016

1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Following Oral Questions, Mr. Speaker advised Members that the phrase “spending like drunken sailors” was unparliamentary.

Mr. Bertrand LeBlanc, Member for Kent North, laid upon the table of the House a petition in support of the St. Anne Hospital acquiring a dialysis machine for kidney patients. (Petition 13)

Mr. LePage, from the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, presented the Second Report of the Committee for the session which was read and is as follows:

February 9, 2016

To The Honourable
The Legislative Assembly of
The Province of New Brunswick

Mr. Speaker:

Your Standing Committee on Economic Policy begs leave to submit this, their second report.

Your Committee met on February 9, 2016, and had under consideration:

Bill 11, *An Act to Amend the Personal Health Information Privacy and Access Act*;

and have agreed to the same.

Your Committee also had under consideration:

Bill 16, *An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act*;

and have agreed to the same with certain amendments.

And your Committee begs leave to make a further report.

(Sgd. :) Gilles LePage, M.L.A.
Chair

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.

Mr. Fitch gave Notice of Motion 16 that on Thursday, February 18, 2016, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Stewart:

WHEREAS New Brunswick is going through a period of economic uncertainty, low wage growth, and high unemployment;

WHEREAS a number of important projects relating to natural resource development have been stalled, delayed, or cancelled over the last 16 months;

WHEREAS it is essential to send a clear message that New Brunswick supports safe and sustainable natural resource projects;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Assembly:

- (a) recognize the importance of the energy sector to the Canadian economy and support its development in an environmentally sustainable way;
 - (b) agree that pipelines are the safest way to transport oil;
 - (c) acknowledge the desire of the majority of New Brunswickers for the Energy East pipeline to proceed as soon as possible; and
 - (d) ask the Prime Minister of Canada to publicly express his support for the project and guarantee he and his cabinet will approve the project if it receives approval from the National Energy Board.
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Mr. Urquhart gave Notice of Motion 17 that on Thursday, February 18, 2016, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Lynch:

WHEREAS Lyme Disease is a preventable disease;

WHEREAS the Canadian Lyme Disease Foundation said the disease is vastly under-reported in Canada;

WHEREAS Lyme Disease can be debilitating and cause symptoms such as extreme fatigue, cardiac and nervous system disorders and arthritic symptoms, which affect one's quality of life and ability to work;

WHEREAS a conference on the Federal Framework on Lyme Disease is being held in May of 2016 that will include provincial health ministers and other stakeholders;

WHEREAS Lyme Disease in New Brunswick often goes undiagnosed for many months, or even years, before treatment;

WHEREAS New Brunswickers have been travelling to the United States of America in order to receive diagnosis and treatment of Lyme Disease;

WHEREAS New Brunswick needs better public education about Lyme Diseases' symptoms and treatment;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Legislative Assembly urges the current government to work collaboratively with the federal government and other provinces and territories to better educate the public on the spread of Lyme Disease and its symptoms;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Legislative Assembly request the Department of Health also work collaboratively to find solutions to update public health information on prevention and detection of Lyme Disease, protect health professionals who choose to treat Lyme Disease beyond thirty days from suspension by the College of Physicians and Surgeons, recruit health professionals who specialize in the detection and treatment of Lyme Disease, and implement improved professional development for health professionals in the awareness, prevention, treatment and diagnosis of Lyme Disease.

Mr. Albert gave notice that on Wednesday, February 10, 2016, Bill 21 would be called for second reading.

Mr. Albert, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that the House resume the adjourned debate on the Budget.

The Order of the Day for resuming the adjourned debate on the motion (Motion 9),

That this House approves in general the budgetary policy of the government, having been read,

The debate was resumed.

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

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

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

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

And then, 6.05 p.m., the House adjourned.

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

Annual Report 2014-2015
Human Rights Commission

February 4, 2016