

Daily sitting 30

Wednesday, May 18, 2016

10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Wetmore requested the unanimous consent of the House to recess for ten minutes, and unanimous consent was denied.

Mr. Roussel, Member for Shippagan-Lamèque-Miscou, laid upon the table of the House a petition urging the government to stop blueberry crop development on Miscou Island until the environmental impact is assessed. (Petition 38)

Mr. Coon gave Notice of Motion 23 that on Thursday, May 26, 2016, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Keirstead:

THAT an address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that she cause to be laid upon the table of the House all briefing memos or studies documenting concerns regarding the enforceability of the water classification regulation (2002-13) under the *Clean Water Act* from when it received Royal Assent in 2002.

Ms. Dubé, Opposition House Leader, gave notice that on Thursday, May 19, 2016, Opposition Members' Business would be considered in the following order: Motion 13 and 12.

Mr. Albert gave notice that on Thursday, May 19, 2016, Bills 17 and 38 would be called for second reading.

Mr. Albert, Government House Leader, announced that following third reading, it was the intention of government that Bills 31, 32, 40, 24, 42, 43, 44, 45 and 41 be called for second reading.

The following Bills were read a third time:

Bill 15, *Regulatory Accountability and Reporting Act*.

Bill 18, *An Act Respecting Fiscal Measures*.

Bill 19, *An Act to Amend the Pension Benefits Act*.

Bill 20, *An Act to Amend the Statute Revision Act*.

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

The Order being read for third reading of Bill 21, *An Act to Amend the Judicature Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And after some time, Mr. Coon, seconded by Mr. Keirstead, moved in amendment:

AMENDMENT

THAT the motion for third reading be amended by deleting all the words after the word “that” and substituting the following:

“Bill 21, *An Act to Amend the Judicature Act*, be not now read a third time because, as per the decision made in *Mackin v. New Brunswick* in 2002, this bill represents a clear violation of the separation between the executive and judicial branches of government and is therefore unconstitutional.”

Mr. Speaker put the question on the proposed amendment and a debate ensued.

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

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

1 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Bernard LeBlanc, the Deputy Speaker, took the chair as Acting Speaker.

The Honourable the Premier welcomed to the House His Excellency Cornelis Johannes Kole, the Ambassador of the Netherlands to Canada. Mr. Fitch joined in this regard.

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

And after some further time, Mr. Albert moved the adjournment of the debate.

And the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative on the following recorded division:

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Hon. Mr. Boudreau	Hon. Ms. Rogers	Mr. Bernard LeBlanc
Hon. Mr. Melanson	Hon. Mr. Fraser	Mr. Bourque
Mr. Albert	Hon. Ms. Landry	Mr. Harvey
Hon. Mr. Horsman	Hon. Mr. Kenny	Mr. Guitard
Hon. Mr. Arseneault	Hon. Mr. Rousselle	Mr. Roussel
Hon. Mr. Doucet	Mr. Bertrand LeBlanc	Mr. Ames
Hon. Mr. Doherty	Mr. Chiasson	Ms. Harris
Hon. Mr. Landry	Ms. LeBlanc	Mr. LePage

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Mr. Holder	Ms. Lynch	Mr. Keirstead
Mr. Jody Carr	Mr. Stewart	Mr. Steeves
Mr. Fitch	Mr. Savoie	Mr. Jeff Carr
Ms. Dubé	Ms. Wilson	Mr. Oliver
Mr. MacDonald	Mr. Fairgrieve	Mr. Urquhart
Ms. Shephard	Mr. Wetmore	
Mr. Coon	Mr. Crossman	

The Order being read for third reading of Bill 22, *Seafood Industry Improvement Fund Act*, a debate arose thereon.

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

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 22 be now read a third time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 22, *Seafood Industry Improvement Fund Act*, was read a third time and passed.

The following Bills were read a third time:

Bill 23, *An Act to Amend the Tobacco Tax Act*.

Bill 25, *Volunteer Emergency Aid Act*.

Bill 28, *An Act to Amend the Securities Act*.

Bill 29, *An Act to Amend the Commissioners for Taking Affidavits Act*.

Bill 30, *An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act*.

Bill 35, *Health Quality and Patient Safety Act*.

Bill 36, *An Act to Amend the Provincial Court Act*.

Bill 37, *An Act to Amend the Off-Road Vehicle Act*.

Bill 39, *An Act to Amend the Workers' Compensation Act*.

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

Debate resumed on the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 31, *An Act to Amend the Harmonized Sales Tax Act*, be now read a second time.

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

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.

And then, 6.12 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:

Annual Report 2012-2013	
Forest Protection Limited	May 16, 2016
Annual Report 2013-2014	
Forest Protection Limited	May 16, 2016