
Daily sitting 7

Thursday, November 2, 2017

10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Coon, Member for Fredericton South, laid upon the table of the House a petition in support of a ban on the spraying of glyphosate in Crown forest management. (Petition 6)

The following Bill was introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. Gallant,

Bill 15, *An Act Respecting Intimate Partner Violence*.

Hon. Ms. Rogers gave Notice of Motion 13 that on Wednesday, November 8, 2017, she would move the following resolution, seconded by the Honourable the Premier:

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

Hon. Mr. Doucet gave notice that on Tuesday, November 7, 2017, Bill 15 would be called for second reading.

Hon. Mr. Doucet, 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; following which Opposition Members' Business would be considered.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Albert, seconded by Mr. Guitard:

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.
October 24, 2017.

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, Ms. LeBlanc, 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.

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Madam Deputy Speaker resumed the chair.

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

And the debate continuing, after some time it was on motion of Hon. Mr. Bourque, on behalf of the Honourable the Premier, adjourned over.

Mr. Speaker, at the request of Hon. Mr. Bourque, reverted to Government Motions for the Ordering of the Business of the House.

With leave of the House, Hon. Mr. Bourque moved, seconded by Hon. Mr. Ames: (Motion 14)

THAT when the Assembly adjourns on Friday, November 3, 2017, it stand adjourned until Tuesday, November 7, 2017, at 1.30 p.m. to allow for the Address of Her Excellency the Right Honourable Julie Payette, Governor General of Canada, in the Assembly Chamber at 1 p.m.

THAT Her Excellency's speech, together with all introductory remarks, be printed as an Appendix to the Debates of the Legislative Assembly on that day and form part of the records of the House, and be televised according to the House guidelines.

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

Pursuant to Notice of Motion 1, Mr. Wetmore moved, seconded by Mr. Northrup:

WHEREAS there is considerable public concern regarding glyphosate spraying in New Brunswick;

WHEREAS there is conflicting public and scientific information as to the use of glyphosate in our forestry sector;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the Legislative Assembly urge the government to immediately form a working group on glyphosate, comprised of the Departments of Health, Public Safety, Environment, and Energy and Resource Development with stakeholders from outside of government, that would provide a report to the Legislative Assembly with recommendations for government, within nine months;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Legislative Assembly urge the government to suspend the spraying of glyphosate on New Brunswick Crown lands until such time as the working group has tabled their report and recommendations have been submitted to the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick.

And the question being put, a debate ensued.

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

And after some further time, Hon. Mr. Rousselle, seconded by Hon. Mr. Doucet, moved in amendment:

AMENDMENT

That Motion 1 be amended as follows:

In the first resolution clause by deleting all the words after “urge” and replacing them with “the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health to table the report entitled “*Results of the OCMOH Action Plan on Glyphosate*” with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly and to provide an update to the report within one year from the date of tabling the said report with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly”;

In the second resolution clause by deleting all the words after “government” and replacing them with “to continue to monitor any additional information provided by Health Canada and the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health of New Brunswick in

relation to the use of glyphosate, as it becomes available, and if the Chief Medical Officer or Health Canada subsequently advises that the spraying of glyphosate represents an increased risk to human health, that the province immediately suspend the spraying of glyphosate on Crown lands”.

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

And the debate being ended, and the question being put, the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Deputy Speaker put the question on Motion 1 as amended as follows:

WHEREAS there is considerable public concern regarding glyphosate spraying in New Brunswick;

WHEREAS there is conflicting public and scientific information as to the use of glyphosate in our forestry sector;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the Legislative Assembly urge the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health to table the report entitled “*Results of the OCMOH Action Plan on Glyphosate*” with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly and to provide an update to the report within one year from the date of tabling the said report with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Legislative Assembly urge the government to continue to monitor any additional information provided by Health Canada and the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health of New Brunswick in relation to the use of glyphosate, as it becomes available, and if the Chief Medical Officer or Health Canada subsequently advises that the spraying of glyphosate represents an increased risk to human health, that the province immediately suspend the spraying of glyphosate on Crown lands.

And the question being put, Motion 1 as amended was resolved in the affirmative.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion 4, Mr. Urquhart moved, seconded by Mr. Oliver:

WHEREAS the sport of curling has a long history in Canada, introduced in the early 1800s by Scottish immigrants with now more than 1000 curling clubs across Canada, and an official Olympic sport;

WHEREAS curling has physical health benefits, including cardiovascular activity, improved balance and eye-hand coordination;

WHEREAS curling is an inclusive sport, open to men and women of all ages and abilities, it is adaptable to those with physical disabilities with aids such as delivery sticks and chairs;

WHEREAS curling is a social sport, designed to get families out of their homes in the cold of winter for physical and social activity;

WHEREAS curling clubs in New Brunswick are run by not-for-profit groups in all regions of the province, promoting community involvement and participation;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urges the government to declare the third week of January every year as “New Brunswick Curling Week”;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all members of this Legislative Assembly visit the curling clubs in their area during that week, and the rest of winter to promote and encourage the local curling clubs.

And the question being put, a debate ensued

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, 6.10 p.m., the House adjourned.