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Wednesday, December 20, 2017 10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Coon, Member for Fredericton South, laid upon the table of the House a petition urging the government to cancel the Extra-Mural and Tele-Health services contract with Medavie. (Petition 10)

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

December 20, 2017

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 sixth report.

Your Committee met on December 15 and 19 and had under consideration:

Bill 12, An Act to Amend the Legislative Assembly Act;

Bill 29, An Act to Amend the Assessment Act;

Bill 32, An Act Respecting Government Reorganization;

and have agreed to the same.

Your Committee also had under consideration:

Bill 38, An Act to Amend the Members' Conflict of Interest Act;

and have agreed to the same with certain amendments.

Your Committee also had under consideration:

Bill 27, An Act to Amend the Financial Administration Act; Bill 34, Healthy Aging and Long-Term Care Act;

and have made certain progress therein.

And your Committee begs leave to make a further report.

(Sgd.:) Chuck Chiasson, 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 30 that on Thursday, February 1, 2018, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Dubé:

WHEREAS the President of the Treasury Board and the Member for Dieppe presented Bill 27, *An Act to Amend the Financial Administration Act*, to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy on December 1, 2017;

WHEREAS the President of the Treasury Board and the Member for Dieppe presented information that New Brunswick and Saskatchewan are leaders in Canada with this form of legislation; however no such legislation in Saskatchewan has been found to exist;

WHEREAS extensive searches done by the staff of the Saskatchewan Legislative Library, the Saskatchewan Department of Financial Services and the Saskatchewan Department of Human Resources were unable to verify the information provided by the Member for Dieppe;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the Legislative Assembly urge the government to table the Saskatchewan legislation referred to in the defense of Bill 27, *An Act to Amend the Financial Administration Act*.

Hon. Mr. Doucet, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that the House take into consideration Motion 29; following which the House would recess; following which certain bills would be called for third reading; following which Royal Assent would take place.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion 29, Mr. Guitard moved, seconded by Mr. Albert:

THAT, notwithstanding the Standing Rules of the Assembly, following the adoption of this motion, there shall be 45 hours allocated for the proceedings at all stages of the passage of Bills 2, 4, 5, 12, 27, 29, 32, 33 and 38, which shall include the hours spent considering said Bills from November 7, 2017, and onward, and at the expiration of the said 45 hours, unless sooner concluded, the Speaker, or the Chair of the Standing Committee on Economic

Policy as the case may be, shall interrupt the proceedings and put every question necessary to dispose of the order for second reading of the said Bills; the order for consideration of the said Bills in committee and report of the Bills to the House; and the order for third reading and passage of the said Bills; and where necessary, the said Bills shall be allowed to advance more than one stage in one day;

THAT, notwithstanding the expiry of the said 45 hours, there shall be, if necessary, 20 minutes allocated at committee stage for the consideration of any of the said Bills, if requested by the Government House Leader.

And the question being put, a debate ensued.

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

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

1 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the chair.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put, Motion 29 was resolved in the affirmative.

At 2.09 p.m., Mr. Deputy Speaker declared a recess and left the chair.

2.20 p.m.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

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

December 20, 2017

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 seventh report.

Your Committee met on December 20 and had under consideration:

Bill 2, An Act to Amend the Public Health Act;

Bill 4, An Act to Amend the Industrial Relations Act;

Bill 5, An Act Respecting Extra-Mural Services;

Bill 27, An Act to Amend the Financial Administration Act;

and have agreed to the same.

And your Committee begs leave to make a further report.

(Sgd.:) Chuck Chiasson, 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.

The following Bills were read a third time:

Bill 2, An Act to Amend the Public Health Act.

Bill 4, An Act to Amend the Industrial Relations Act.

Bill 5, An Act Respecting Extra-Mural Services.

Bill 12, An Act to Amend the Legislative Assembly Act.

Bill 27, An Act to Amend the Financial Administration Act.

Bill 29, An Act to Amend the Assessment Act.

Bill 32, An Act Respecting Government Reorganization.

Bill 33, An Act to Amend the Early Childhood Services Act.

Bill 38, An Act to Amend the Members' Conflict of Interest Act.

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Doucet, seconded by Hon. Ms. Rogers:

RESOLVED, that when the Assembly adjourns at the end of this sitting day, it stand adjourned until Thursday, December 21, 2017 at 9 a.m.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to proceed with statements of condolence and congratulation.

At 2.33 p.m., Mr. Speaker declared a recess and left the chair.

2.44 p.m.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Her Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor, was announced, and having been bidden to enter, took her seat in the chair upon the Throne.

Mr. Speaker addressed Her Honour as follows:

May It Please Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick has passed several Bills at the present sittings of the Legislature to which, in the name and on behalf of the said Legislative Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's assent.

The Acting Clerk Assistant then read the titles of the Bills as follows:

Bill 2, *An Act to Amend the Public Health Act*.

Bill 3, An Act to Amend the Public Service Labour Relations Act.

Bill 4, An Act to Amend the Industrial Relations Act.

Bill 5, An Act Respecting Extra-Mural Services.

Bill 6, An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act.

Bill 7, An Act to Amend the Pension Benefits Act.

Bill 8, An Act Respecting the Financial and Consumer Services Tribunal.

Bill 9, An Act Respecting Canadian Geodetic Vertical Datum.

Bill 12, An Act to Amend the Legislative Assembly Act.

Bill 13, An Act to Repeal the Declaration of Trust of Court House, 1826.

Bill 14, Exotic Animals Act.

Bill 15, An Act Respecting Intimate Partner Violence.

Bill 19, An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act.

Bill 21, An Act Respecting Agricultural Associations.

Bill 22, The Pooled Registered Pension Plans Act.

Bill 23, An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act.

Bill 24, An Act to Amend the Provincial Offences Procedure Act.

Bill 25, An Act to Amend The Residential Tenancies Act.

Bill 26, An Act Respecting the Land Titles Act and the Registry Act.

Bill 27, An Act to Amend the Financial Administration Act.

Bill 29, An Act to Amend the Assessment Act.

Bill 32, An Act Respecting Government Reorganization.

Bill 33, An Act to Amend the Early Childhood Services Act.

Bill 38, An Act to Amend the Members' Conflict of Interest Act.

Her Honour signified Her Assent as follows:

It is the Queen's wish. La reine le veut.

To these Bills, Her Honour's assent was announced by the Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:

In Her Majesty's name, Her Honour the Lieutenant-Governor assents to these Bills, enacting the same and ordering them to be enrolled.

Her Honour then retired and Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

And then, 2.56 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 2016-2017 Department of Health

December 19, 2017