

Daily sitting 22

Friday, April 17, 2020

*11 o'clock a.m.*

Prayers.

At the request of Hon. Mr. Savoie, it was agreed by unanimous consent to allow all Members the option to speak from a seat other than their own.

At the request of Hon. Mr. Savoie, it was agreed by unanimous consent to dispense with Routine Proceedings, except for Presentations of Petitions and Introduction of Bills, and proceed to Government Motions for the Ordering of the Business of the House.

Mr. Coon, Member for Fredericton South, laid upon the table of the House a petition urging the government to provide year-round ferry service to the Canadian mainland from Campobello Island. (Petition 22)

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. Holder,

Bill 40, *An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act.*

By Hon. Mr. Urquhart,

Bill 41, *An Act to Amend the Emergency Measures Act.*

On motion of Hon. Mr. Savoie, seconded by Hon. Mr. Holder:

RESOLVED, that when the Assembly adjourns at the end of this sitting day, it stand adjourned until Tuesday, May 5, 2020, provided always that if it appears to the satisfaction of Mr. Speaker, after consultation with the Government and Opposition House Leaders, that the public interest requires that the House should meet at an earlier time during the adjournment or that the adjournment should continue beyond Tuesday, May 5, 2020, Mr. Speaker may give notice that he is so satisfied and in such notice may state a time at which the House shall meet, and thereupon the House shall meet at the time so stated and shall transact its business as if it has been duly adjourned to that time, or in such notice may state that the adjournment shall continue until further notice is given by the Speaker, and

THAT in the event of Mr. Speaker being unable to act owing to illness or other cause, either of the Deputy Speakers shall act in his stead for the purpose of this order.

Hon. Mr. Savoie, Government House Leader, announced that, with unanimous consent, it was the intention of government that Bills 40 and 41 be called for second and third reading forthwith and that the

bills not be referred to a committee of the House; following which Royal Assent would take place.

It was agreed by unanimous consent that Bills 40 and 41 be called for second and third reading forthwith, and that the bills not be referred to a committee of the House.

The following Bills were read a second time:

Bill 40, *An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act.*  
Bill 41, *An Act to Amend the Emergency Measures Act.*

The following Bills were read a third time:

Bill 40, *An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act.*  
Bill 41, *An Act to Amend the Emergency Measures Act.*

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

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 Deputy Clerk then read the titles of the Bills as follows:

Bill 40, *An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act.*  
Bill 41, *An Act to Amend the Emergency Measures 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 Deputy 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.

Hon. Mr. Savoie addressed the House to thank the Members for their collaboration in response to the situation with the coronavirus disease (COVID-19). Mr. Speaker joined in this regard.

And then, 11.25 a.m., the House adjourned.