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Daily Sitting 11

Thursday, November 30, 2000.

1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Speaker paid tribute to Mary Bastin, a long serving employee of the Legislative Assembly, on her retirement from the Hansard Office after almost 28 years of dedicated service.

Hon. Mr. Betts, the Minister of Finance, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members standing, and is as follows:

Fredericton, N.B.
November 30, 2000.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits the *Supplementary Estimates 1999-2000 Volume III* of the sums required for the services of the province, not otherwise provided for, for the year ending March 31, 2000, and in accordance with the provisions of the *Constitution Act, 1867*, recommends these estimates to the House.

(Sgd.): Marilyn Trenholme Counsell.
Lieutenant-Governor.

The following Bill was introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. Betts,

Bill 14, *New Brunswick Income Tax Act*.

Ordered that the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting.

The following Private Bill was introduced and read a first time:

By Mr. Holder,

Bill 15, *An Act to Amend An Act to Incorporate the Saint John Foundation*.

Ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Private Bills.

Hon. Mr. Betts gave Notice of Motion 29 that on Wednesday, December 26, 2000, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Hon. Mr. Lord:

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

With leave of the House, Hon. Mr. Green moved, seconded by Hon. Mr. Sherwood:

THAT the order for third reading and passage of Bill 11, *An Act to Amend the All-Terrain Vehicle Act*, be discharged and that the Bill be referred back to the Committee of the Whole House. (Motion 30)

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

Hon. Mr. Green announced that following third reading of Bills 4, 5, 6, 10, and 12, the House would proceed with second reading of Bill 13, where a number of Members had indicated their intention to speak on the principle of Bill 13.

The following Bills were read a third time:

Bill 4, *An Act to Amend the Family Services Act.*

Bill 5, *An Act to Amend the Infirm Persons Act.*

Bill 6, *An Act to Amend the Business Corporations Act.*

Bill 10, *Special Payment to Certain Dependent Spouses of Deceased Workers Act.*

Bill 12, *An Act to Amend the Regional Development Corporation Act.*

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 13, *An Act to Amend the Education Act*, a debate arose thereon.

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

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 13, be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 13, *An Act to Amend the Education Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

Debate resumed on the amendment to Motion 1, moved by Hon. Mr. Furlong, seconded by Hon. Mr. Green, as follows:

AMENDMENT

That Motion 1 be amended by:

Deleting the second, third and fourth WHEREAS clauses, and by

deleting the words "bring forward forthwith" in the resolution clause and replacing them with the following:

"continue with".

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

Debate resumed on Motion 1 as amended, as follows:

WHEREAS health care is of great importance to New Brunswickers;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislature urge the government to continue with its plans for health care renewal and sustainability as a framework within which the new regional health authorities would be expected to operate.

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

And after some further time, Mr. Speaker interrupted proceedings and announced that the time allotted for Private Members' Motions had expired.

And then, 6 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.

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

Documents requested in Notices of Motions 21 and 25 - November 29, 2000