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Daily Sitting 40

Tuesday, April 24, 2001.

1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Richard paid tribute to the memory of the late Harold Terris, Liberal Member of the Legislature for Albert (1987-1991) and WWII Royal Canadian Air Force veteran.

Hon. Mr. Green laid upon the table of the House a certificate of proclamation signed by the Premier Bernard Lord declaring April 21 - 28 Volunteer Week in New Brunswick.

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.
April 24, 2001.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits a Bill entitled *Fiscal Stabilization Fund Act*, and having been informed of the subject matter of the Bill, recommends the same to the House in accordance with the provisions of the *Constitution Act, 1867*.

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

The following Bill was introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. Betts,

Bill 44, *Fiscal Stabilization Fund 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. Huntjens,

Bill 45, *An Act to Repeal An Act to Incorporate the New Brunswick and Canada Railroad Company*.

Ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Private Bills.

The following Bill was introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. Green,

Bill 46, *An Act Respecting Various Property Transactions*.

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

Mr. S. Graham gave Notice of Motion 83 that on Tuesday, May 1, 2001, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Mersereau:

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 documents, including but not limited to, memorandums, letters, correspondence, electronic mail, reports since May 11, 2000, relating to the site selection the River Valley Visitor Information Centre.

Mr. S. Graham gave Notice of Motion 84 that on Tuesday, May 1, 2001, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mrs. Mersereau:

That an address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that she cause to be laid upon the table of the House the report produced by Bill Hicks of the Heritage Branch of the Culture and Sport Secretariat regarding the potential for the former Sussex Public School.

Ms. Weir gave Notice of Motion 85 that on Tuesday, May 1, 2001, she would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. S. Graham:

That an address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that she cause to be laid upon the table of the House by the Minister of Health and Wellness

(1) the names and remuneration of each of the senior executives and all managers of the Atlantic Health Science Corporation for each of the fiscal years 1999, 2000 and 2001;

(2) the expenses incurred by each of the senior executives and managers of the corporation for the fiscal years 1999, 2000 and 20001 to date;

(3) the total amount of bonuses, if any, paid to any or all senior executives and managers in the fiscal years 1999, 2000 and proposed bonuses in fiscal 2001;

(4) the expiration date, if any, of all signed contracts and/or agreements with each senior executive and manager of the corporation;

(5) the terms of any and all signed contracts and/or agreements with senior executives and managers including agreements for total remuneration in the event of retirement and dismissals with or without cause.

(6) the total expenses incurred by the Chairman of the Board for the fiscal years 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001 to date.

Hon. Mr. Green announced that following second reading and Private Members' Motions, it was the intention of the government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the estimates of the Department of Finance.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 43, *An Act to Amend the Gas Distribution Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 43, be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 43, *An Act to Amend the Gas Distribution Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

Debate resumed on the amendment to Motion 19, moved by Mr. Allaby, seconded by Mr. Richard, as follows:

AMENDMENT

THAT Motion 19 be amended by:

In the second whereas clause, strike "eliminate" and replace with "hide", and;

By amending the resolution clause by striking the words "its commitment to eliminating the tolls from" and substituting the words "hiding the tolls on".

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

And after some further time, Mr. Bernard, the Deputy Speaker, assumed the chair as Acting Speaker.

And after some further time, Mr. Ashfield, the Deputy Speaker, resumed the chair as Acting Speaker.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and advised that the time allotted for Private Members' Motions had expired.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of Supply with Mr. Bernard in the chair.

And after some time, the Chairman declared it to be 6 o'clock p.m., and left the chair to resume again at 7 o'clock p.m.

7 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed with Mr. Bernard in the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Ashfield, took the chair.

And after some further time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Ashfield, the Chairman, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported that the Committee had had under consideration the matters referred to them, had made some progress therein and asked leave to sit again.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 78.1, Mr. Speaker then 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.

And then, 10 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned

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

Documents requested in Notices of Motions 44, 49, 55, 64, 67 - April 19, 2001
Documents requested in Notices of Motions 62, 63 and 82 - April 20, 2001
Report Chief Coroner 1999-2000 - April 23, 2001