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Friday, December 21, 2001.

10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

During Introduction of Guests and Congratulatory Messages, Mr. Richard stood on a point of order and submitted that the remarks of Hon. Mr. Volpé went beyond the scope of this item of routine business.

Mr. Speaker advised Members to ensure that the order of routine proceedings known as "Introduction of Guests and Congratulatory Messages" is used for that purpose only and not for extended statements on other matters.

Mr. Speaker advised the House that there had been far too many points of order as of late, most of which were without merit. Mr. Speaker further advised that Members have a right to speak without interruption and that he would be more strict in recognizing Members to speak on point of order in the future.

Hon. Mr. Green, the Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of the government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the *Supplementary Estimates 2001-2002 Volume 1*, followed by the *Supplementary Estimates 2000-2001 Volume IV*; following that, the House would resolve into a Committee of the Whole House to consider legislation; namely, Bills 6, 20, 22, 8, 16 and 13; following consideration of legislation and with unanimous consent, the House would proceed with third reading and Royal Assent.

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

And after some time, it was agreed by unanimous consent to continue sitting through the noon recess.

And after some time further spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Bernard, 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 and had passed all remaining items.

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.

The following are the items reported:

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SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES, 2001-2002 VOLUME I Voted ORDINARY ACCOUNT

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS NEW BRUNSWICK Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$21,310,000 to defray the expenses of the following programs: Business and Industry Development
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding (\$5,595,000) to defray the expenses of the following program:
Financial and Human Resource Management
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$16,533,000 to defray the expenses of the following program: Public Health and Medical Services
DEPARTMENT OF INVESTMENT AND EXPORT Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding (\$43,290,000) to defray the expenses of the following programs:
(\$43,290,000) to deflay the expenses of the following programs.Executive AdministrationInvestment and Export Development(17,457,000)Strategic Assistance(25,300,000)
Less amount authorized by (34,000)
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENERGYResolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding\$2,500,000 to defray the expenses of the following program:Forest Management2,500,000
OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$5,595,000 to defray the expenses of the following program: Human Resource Management
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$2,730,000 to defray the expenses of the following program: Safety Services
DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY AND SERVICES Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$250,000 to defray the expenses of the following program: Buildings Group 250,000

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DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND PARKS

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not e	exceeding
\$21,980,000 to defray the expenses of the following program	ns:
Administration	567,000
Business and Tourism Infrastructure	21,447,000
Less amounts authorized by law	34,000

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

BUSINESS NEW BRUNSWICK	
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not ex	xceeding
(\$500,000) to defray the expenses of the following program:	(500.000)
Parks - Capital Improvements DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS	(500,000)
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not e	vcooding
\$813,000 to defray the expenses of the following program:	aceeuing
Public Hospitals - Capital Equipment	813,000
DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY AND SERVICES	
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not e	xceeding
(\$813,000) to defray the expenses of the following program:	
Capital Improvements / Health and Wellness	(813,000)
DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND PARKS	
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not ex	xceeding
\$500,000 to defray the expenses of the following program: Parks - Capital Improvements	500,000
LOANS AND ADVANCES	,
DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES	
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not ex	xceeding
\$2,097,000 to defray the expenses of the following program:	leeeuing
Loans to Nursing Homes	2,097,000
SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES, 2000-2001 VOLUME IV	Voted
ORDINARY ACCOUNT	
DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT	
AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT	
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not e	xceeding
\$27,970.82 to defray the expenses of the following program:	000 000 00
Corporate Services	\$27,970.82
GENERAL GOVERNMENT Voted, Supply in the following amounts to defray the expen	sos of
the following program:	553 01

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not \$4,580,991.43 to defray the expenses of the following progr Public Health and Medical Services Institutional Services	
DEPARTMENT OF INVESTMENT AND EXPORTS	
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not	
\$4,522,166.28 to defray the expenses of the following progr	
Executive Administration	96,709.58
Investment and Export Development	689,417.63
Strategic Assistance	3,736,039.07
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not	
\$22,252.18 to defray the expenses of the following program	
Court Services	22,252.18
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY	
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not	exceeding
\$13,916.68 to defray the expenses of the following program	1:
Supervisor of Political Financing	13,916.68
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY	
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not	exceeding
\$3,799,483.40 to defray the expenses of the following progr	
Community and Correctional Services	
Law Enforcement	2,987,738.48
SUPPLY AND SERVICES	
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Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not \$1,741,980.55 to defray the expenses of the following progr	exceeding
	am: 1,741,980.55
Buildings Group	1,741,960.33
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not	
\$285,035.13 to defray the expenses of the following program	
Winter Maintenance	285,035.13
CAPITAL ACCOUNT	
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS	
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not	
\$1,874,215.03 to defray the expenses of the following progr	
Public Hospitals - Capital Equipment	1,874,215.03
LOANS AND ADVANCES	
DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICE	
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not	
\$2,862,000 to defray the expenses of the following program	
Loans to Nursing Homes	\$2,862,000

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The said items were concurred in by the House.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to revert to the order of Introduction of Bills.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. Mesheau,

Bill 28, Supplementary Appropriations Act 2001-02 (1). Bill 29, Supplementary Appropriations Act 2000-01(3).

It was agreed by unanimous consent that Bills 28 and 29 be read a second time forthwith.

Accordingly, the following Bills were read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House:

Bill 28, Supplementary Appropriations Act 2001-02 (1). Bill 29, Supplementary Appropriations Act 2000-01(3).

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole with Mr. Ashfield in the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Steeves, took the chair as Acting Chairman.

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

And after some time, Mr. MacDonald took the chair as Acting Chairman.

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

And after some further time spent in Committee of the Whole, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. Ashfield, the Chairman, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to the Order of Presentations of Committee Reports, reported:

That the Committee had directed him to report the following Bill agreed to:

Bill 6, An Act to Amend the Municipal Assistance Act.

Bill 8, An Act to Amend the Transportation of Primary Forest Products Act.

Bill 13, An Act to Amend the Executive Council Act.

Bill 16, An Act to Amend the Fisheries Bargaining Act.

Bill 20, An Act to Amend the Tobacco Tax Act.

Bill 22, Capital Appropriations Act 2002-03.

And the Committee asked leave to make a further report.

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.

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It was agreed by unanimous consent that Bills 6, 8, 13, 16, 20 and 22 be read a third time forthwith.

Accordingly, the following Bills were read a third time:

Bill 6, An Act to Amend the Municipal Assistance Act.

Bill 8, An Act to Amend the Transportation of Primary Forest Products Act.

Bill 13, An Act to Amend the Executive Council Act.

Bill 16, An Act to Amend the Fisheries Bargaining Act.

Bill 20, An Act to Amend the Tobacco Tax Act.

Bill 22, Capital Appropriations Act 2002-03.

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

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

On motion of Hon. Mr. Green, seconded by Hon. P. Robichaud:

RESOLVED, That when the Assembly adjourns at the end of this sitting day, it stand adjourned until Wednesday, January 2, 2002.

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

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole with Mr. Ashfield in the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. Ashfield, the Chairman, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to the Order of Presentations of Committee Reports, reported:

That the Committee had directed him to report the following Bills as agreed to:

Bill 28, Supplementary Appropriations Act 2001-02 (1). Bill 29, Supplementary Appropriations Act 2000-01(3).

And the Committee asked leave to make a further report.

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.

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Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

At the request of Hon. Mr. Green, Mr. Speaker reverted to Government Motions for the Ordering of the Business of the House. Hon. Mr. Green advised that it was the intention of the government to recess the House until 2.30 o'clock p.m. at which time the Royal Assent ceremony would take place.

Mr. Speaker declared a recess at 1.56 o'clock p.m.

2.26 o'clock 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 Clerk Assistant then read the titles of the Bills as follows:

- Bill 2, An Act to Amend the Occupational Health and Safety Act.
- Bill 3, An Act to Amend the Workers' Compensation Act.
- Bill 4, An Act to Amend the Assessment and Planning Appeal Board Act.
- Bill 6, An Act to Amend the Municipal Assistance Act.
- Bill 8, An Act to Amend the Transportation of Primary Forest Products Act.
- Bill 10, An Act to Amend the Crown Lands and Forests Act.
- Bill 13, An Act to Amend the Executive Council Act.
- Bill 14, An Act to Amend the Legislative Assembly Act.
- Bill 15, An Act to Amend the Executive Council Act.
- Bill 16, An Act to Amend the Fisheries Bargaining Act.
- Bill 20, An Act to Amend the Tobacco Tax Act.
- Bill 22, Capital Appropriations Act 2002-03.
- Bill 28, Supplementary Appropriations Act 2001-02 (1).
- Bill 29, Supplementary Appropriations Act 2000-01(3).

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 Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:

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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.

Mr. Speaker thanked all Members, staff, pages and commissionaires for their tremendous effort during the year and wished them the very best for the Christmas season and the coming New Year.

And then, 2.45 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.