
Friday, May 3, 2002.

10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Speaker welcomed to the House Julian Varty, son of Ian Varty and Wendy Nielsen, a Grade 5 student from Cambridge Narrows who attends Harold Peterson Middle School and is researching the history of the Progressive Conservative Party in Canada.

Hon. Mr. Green announced that 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 Transportation.

The following Bill was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

Bill 42, *Common Business Identifier Act*.

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

It was agreed by unanimous consent to continue sitting though the noon recess and to adjourn not later than 4 o'clock p.m.

At 11.32 o'clock a.m., the chairman declared a recess and left the chair.

11.39 o'clock a.m.

The Committee resumed 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 resumed the chair.

And after some time, Hon. P. Robichaud rose on a point of order and submitted that Mr. S. Graham, the Member for Kent, had not asked a question for some period of time and was making speeches that were not relevant to the estimates of the Department of Transportation.

Mr. Ashfield, the Chairman, advised that there were no restrictions in the Committee of the Whole House or in the Committee of Supply limiting the number of times a member could speak or the length of speeches but that speeches or questions must be strictly relevant to the item under consideration. The Chairman advised the Member for Kent to keep his remarks relevant to the estimates of the Department of Transportation.

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 passed several items 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.

The following are the items reported:

MAIN ESTIMATES, 2002 - 2003
ORDINARY ACCOUNT

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$139,158,000 to defray the expenses of the following programs:

Administration	20,440,000
Transportation Policy	2,872,000
Maintenance	57,688,000
Winter Maintenance	52,533,000
Bridge and Highway Construction	4,469,000
New Brunswick Highway Corporation.....	10,250,000
Payroll Distribution	0
Less amounts authorized by law	9,094,000
Voted	139,158,000

CAPITAL ACCOUNT 2002-2003
AMENDED 2002-2003 CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS

2002-2003 Capital Appropriations Act	172,000,000
Amendment to 2002-2003 Capital Appropriations	
Permanent Bridges	(300,000)
Permanent Highways	(1,200,000)
Canada-New Brunswick Highway	
Improvement Program	(2,400,000)
Total Amendment to Capital Appropriations Act	(3,900,000)
Amended 2002-2003 Capital Appropriations Act	168,100,000
Voted	(3,900,000)

WORKING CAPITAL - MAXIMUM BALANCES
2002 - 2003

WORKING CAPITAL ADVANCES

PETTY CASH ADVANCES

Transportation.....	50,000
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INVENTORIES

Transportation.....	19,000,000
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The said items were concurred in by the House.

And then, 2.23 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.