
Tuesday, January 28, 2003.

1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Speaker introduced Margaret Woods, Clerk Assistant of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, who is on attachment with the New Brunswick Legislature for a period of two weeks.

The following Bill was introduced and read a first time:

By Mr. S. Graham:

Bill 28, *An Act to Amend the Insurance Act.*

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

Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud announced that, following the time reserved for Private Members' Motions, it was the intention of the government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to continue consideration of the estimates for the Department of the Finance.

Debate resumed on Motion 2, moved by Mr. S. Graham, seconded by Mr. Richard, as follows:

WHEREAS an Act introducing nurse practitioners was adopted during the last session of the Legislative Assembly;

WHEREAS the University of New Brunswick only offers a part-time nurse practitioner program;

WHEREAS there is no Francophone nurse practitioner program at the Université de Moncton;

WHEREAS nurse practitioners are in very high demand across the country;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the New Brunswick government to set up a dedicated fund for a nurse practitioner program at the Université de Moncton and at the University of New Brunswick.

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

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

And with the unanimous consent of the House, the Member for Restigouche West was allowed to speak on Motion 2 for a further ten minutes beyond his allotted time.

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

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

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

And after some further time, 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, 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, 2003-2004
ORDINARY ACCOUNT

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$80,909,000 to defray the expenses of the following programs:

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| Financial Resource Management | 12,534,000 |
| Municipal Finances | 68,410,000 |
| Less amounts authorized by law | 35,000 |
| Voted | 80,909,000 |

SERVICE OF THE PUBLIC DEBT

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$3,657,000 to defray the expenses of the following programs:

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| Interest, Exchange, Amortization and Expenses | 693,143,000 |
| Interest on Capital Leases | 2,338,000 |
| Charges of Management | 1,319,000 |
| Less amounts authorized by law | 693,143,000 |
| Voted | 3,657,000 |

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$5,052,000 to defray the expenses of the following programs:

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| Office of the Comptroller | 5,052,000 |
| Less amounts authorized by law | |
| Voted | 5,052,000 |

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Voted, Supply in the following amounts to defray the expenses of the following programs:

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| Legislated Pension Plans and Benefit | |
| Accruals and Subsidies | 151,664,000 |
| Less amounts authorized by law | 188,000 |
| Voted | 151,476,000 |
| Supplementary Funding Provision | 64,820,000 |
| Provision for Losses | 25,400,000 |

WORKING CAPITAL – MAXIMUM BALANCES
2003-2004

PETTY CASH ADVANCES

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| Finance | 1,000 |
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The said items were concurred in by the House.

And then 8.53 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.