
Thursday, February 13, 2003.

1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Carr welcomed to the House Special Olympians from Oromocto.

Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud advised that it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider legislation, in particular, Bill 30.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed to dispense with Private Members' Motions and to adjourn at 7 o'clock p.m.

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

Debate resumed on the following amendment to Bill 30, *Electricity Act*, moved by Mr. Allaby:

That Bill 30 be amended by repealing section 2 and substituting the following:

2(1) The intent, purpose, and object of this Act is to provide for the continuous supply of energy adequate for the needs and future development of the Province and to promote economy and efficiency in the generation, distribution, supply, sale, and use of power.

2(2) If a conflict exists between a provision of this Act or any regulation made under this Act, and a provision under another Act or any regulation under that Act, the provision under this Act or the regulation made under this Act prevails.

2(3) If a conflict exists between a provision of a transmission tariff and a provision of the market rules, the provision under the transmission tariff prevails.

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

At 4.29 o'clock p.m., the Chairman declared a recess and left the chair.

4.55 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed with Mr. Bernard in the chair.

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

And the debate being ended, and the question being put, the amendment was negatived on the following division:

YEAS – 6

Mrs. Mersereau
Mr. Shawn Graham

Mr. Lee
Mr. Haché

Mr. Allaby
Ms. Weir

NAYS – 24

Hon. Dale Graham
Mr. Sherwood
Hon. Mrs. Jardine
Mr. Volpé
Hon. Mr. Weston
Mr. John Betts
Mr. Cosman
Mr. Carr

Mr. Jordan
Mr. Malley
Mr. MacDonald
Mr. Holder
Mr. Kinney
Mr. McGraw
Mr. Steeves
Mr. Laforest

Ms. Keddy
Mr. Savoie
Mr. Bernard
Ms. Madeleine Dubé
Mr. Alward
Mr. Jean Dubé
Mr. Moore
Mr. Williams

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

And after some further time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Bernard, 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 progress on the following Bill:

Bill 30, *Electricity Act*.

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.

And then, 7.00 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.