
Thursday, March 13, 2003.

1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Mr. S. Graham laid upon the table of the House additional signatures to Petition 11 tabled in the House by Mr. S. Graham on March 12, 2003.

Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud laid upon the table of the House a document entitled "*Tourism In Focus, A Strategy to Target Future Success 2003-2005 - Tourism and Parks - March 2003*".

Mr. Richard rose on a point of order and submitted that the Minister of Tourism and Parks should not be permitted to comment on the opposition's response to his Minister's Statement as the Standing Rules do not allow for debate during this item of routine proceedings. Mr. Speaker ruled the point well taken.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. McFarlane:

Bill 40, *An Act to Amend the Pension Benefits Act*.

By Hon. Mr. Mesheau:

Bill 41, *Loan Act 2003*.

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

It was agreed by unanimous consent to dispense with the two hours allotted for consideration of Private Members' Motions.

Hon. Mr. Green announced that following second reading it was the intention of the government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to continue consideration of the estimates of Business New Brunswick, Service New Brunswick, and the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Aquaculture.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 36, *An Act to Amend the All-Terrain Vehicle Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 36 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 36, *An Act to Amend the All-Terrain Vehicle Act*, was read a second time and referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

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

Bill 37, *An Act to Amend the Members' Conflict of Interest Act*.

Bill 39, *An Act to Amend the Small Claims Act*.

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

At 5.50 o'clock p.m. the Chairman left the chair to resume again at 7 o'clock p.m.

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The Committee resumed with Mr. Ashfield in the chair.

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

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Jordan, the Acting 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 BUSINESS NEW BRUNSWICK

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$25,030,000 to defray the expenses of the following programs:

Administration	3,252,000
Business and industry Development	16,813,000
Strategic Assistance	5,000,000
Less amounts authorized by law	35,000
Voted	25,030,000

