
Tuesday, April 6, 2004.

1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Mr. S. Graham, the Member for Kent, laid upon the table of the House a petition signed by citizens of Saint Charles, Kent County, requesting that the government make the necessary repairs to roads in the northern and southern parts of the parish. (Petition 27)

The following Bill was introduced and read a first time:

By Mr. S. Graham,
Bill 39, *Fiscal Transparency Act*.

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

The following Private Bill was introduced and read a first time:

By Mr. Holder,
Bill 40, *An Act to Incorporate the New Brunswick Association of Medical Radiation Technologists*.

Ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. Paulin gave Notice of Motion 75 that on Tuesday, April 13, 2004, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Albert:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House all documents concerning logging and silviculture on Village historique acadien lands, including correspondence, memos, e-mails, reports, forest management plans, analyses, research, notices, recommendations, contracts, cutting allocations, tenders, and minutes of meetings for the period from January 1, 2002, to April 6, 2004.

Mr. Paulin gave Notice of Motion 76 that on Tuesday, April 13, 2004, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Landry:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House all correspondence, e-mails, faxes, and letters sent by residents and groups to the Department of Natural Resources and/or the Minister of Natural Resources about Mount Carleton Provincial Park for the period from January 1, 2002, to April 6, 2004.

Hon. Mr. Alward gave Notice of Motion 77 that on Tuesday, April 13, 2004, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Hon. P. Robichaud:

WHEREAS commercial fisheries are an essential part of the economic and cultural life of coastal New Brunswick;

WHEREAS on March 25th, 2004 the Federal Minister of Fisheries and Oceans announced his intention to stabilize the allocations for over 29 Atlantic fisheries, including Gulf Snow Crab and released a Policy Framework for the Management of Fisheries on Canada's East Coast, a comprehensive blueprint to guide fisheries management;

WHEREAS this Policy Framework states that fisheries management decision-making processes must be, and must be seen to be, fair, transparent and subject to clear and consistent rules and procedures;

WHEREAS in 2003, the Federal Minister of Fisheries and Oceans announced a three-year management plan for Gulf Snow Crab that set fleet and sector allocations and shares for 2003-2005 which recognized New Brunswick's provincial historic shares of the fishery;

WHEREAS on April 1st, 2004, the Federal Minister of Fisheries and Oceans unilaterally altered the three-year crab management plan at the expense of New Brunswick's provincial historic shares and in direct contradiction of the principles of the Atlantic Fisheries Policy Framework, and;

WHEREAS the effect of this decision is the reallocation of 320 tons of New Brunswick Gulf Snow Crab to another jurisdiction with a direct loss of \$2.1 M to New Brunswick fishermen and a loss of nearly \$6M in economic activity for the province for the year 2004 alone.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly express its support for the principle of allocation decision-making processes being fair, transparent and subject to clear and consistent rules and procedures as contained in the Atlantic Fisheries Policy Framework.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the federal government to reaffirm the provincial historic shares enshrined in the 2003-2005 Gulf Snow Crab management plan, respect prior commitments to this province and restore the 2003-2005 New Brunswick allocations so as to be consistent with the Atlantic Fisheries Policy Framework.

Mr. Arseneault gave Notice of Motion 78 that on Tuesday, April 13, 2004, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Boudreau:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House all names and remuneration received by any individuals, who have been employed on a full time, part time, or contract, or who have been appointed to a government board, or commission, since June 10, 2003.

Hon. Mr. Green announced that following second reading, and with the unanimous consent of the House to dispense with the Order of Private Members' Motions, it was the intention of government to resume the budget debate.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to dispense with Private Members' Motions.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 37, *Human Tissue Gift Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 37 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative. Accordingly, Bill 37, *Human Tissue Gift Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 38, *An Act Respecting Sunday Shopping*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 38 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative. Accordingly, Bill 38, *An Act Respecting Sunday Shopping*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

The Order of the Day for resuming the adjourned debate on the motion (Motion 65),

THAT this House approves in general the budgetary policy of the government, having been read,

The debate was resumed.

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

Mr. Steeves rose on a point of order and submitted that Mr. Jamieson, the Member for Saint John Fundy, was referring to the Premier by name rather than by constituency.

Mr. Deputy Speaker cautioned all Members against the use of proper names of Members in the House.

And after some time, Mr. Sherwood took the chair as Acting Speaker.

And after some further time, Mr. C. LeBlanc, the Deputy Speaker, resumed the chair.

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

And after some time, Mr. Speaker interrupted proceedings and advised the House that the hour of daily adjournment had arrived.

And then, 6 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.