Thursday, May 26, 2005.

1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Hon. Mr. Huntjens, Member for Western Charlotte, laid upon the table of the House a petition signed by residents of St. Andrews and the neighbouring communities expressing concern regarding the availability and use of illegal drugs in the community. (Petition 46)

Hon. Ms. Dubé laid upon the table of the House a document entitled *Believing in Achieving 2005* and "Highlights."

Hon. Mr. Mockler welcomed to the Chamber the Ambassador of Burkina Faso to Canada, Her Excellency Juliette Bonkoungou.

Following Oral Questions, Hon. Mr. Green stood on a point of order and submitted that the Standing Rules do not permit a member to stand at the conclusion of Question Period to request an answer to a question previously taken as notice. Mr. Speaker ruled the point of order well taken.

Mr. Albert gave Notice of Motion 95 that on Thursday, June 2, 2005, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Lamrock:

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, e-mails, correspondence and/or reports, between the Department of Health and Wellness, the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, since January 1, 2004.

Hon. Mr. Green, the Government House Leader, announced that following second reading and the two hours reserved for Private Members' Motions, it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to take into consideration the estimates of the Department of Natural Resources.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 47, An Act to Amend the Assessment Act, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended and the question being put that Bill 47 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 47, An Act to Amend the Assessment Act, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to vary the Orders of the Day and proceed to the second reading of Bill 50, *An Act to Amend the Police Act*.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 50, *An Act to Amend the Police Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended and the question being put that Bill 50 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 50, *An Act to Amend the Police 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 48, *Support Enforcement Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended and the question being put that Bill 48 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 48, *Support Enforcement 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 49, *An Act to Amend the Provincial Offences Procedure Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended and the question being put that Bill 49 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 49, An Act to Amend the Provincial Offences Procedure Act, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

At 3.13 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker declared a recess and left the chair. 3.22 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion 86, Ms. Robichaud moved, seconded by Mr. Lamrock:

WHEREAS on March 31, 2005, the Legislative Assembly voted unanimously that Bill 32, *Right to Read Act*, and Bill 33, *Healthy Students Act*, receive second reading;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly refer Bill 32 and Bill 33 to the Standing Committee on Law Amendments;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly instruct the Standing Committee on Law Amendments to schedule public hearings on Bill 32 and Bill 33.

And the question being put, a debate ensued.

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

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

And the debate being ended and the question being put, Motion 86 was negatived.

At the request of Mr. Lamrock, Opposition House Leader, Motions 55, 56, 57, 58, 60, 61, 63, 64, 65, 69, 70, 71, 72, 74, 80, 82, and 87 were, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

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

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

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

The following documents, having been deposited with the Clerk of the House, were deemed laid before the Table of the House, pursuant to Standing Rule 39:

Documents requested in Notice of Motion 80

May 25, 2005