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Province of New Brunswick

Hon. Herménégilde Chiasson  
Lieutenant-Governor

Speaker: Hon. Eugene McGinley

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Fredericton, New Brunswick

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10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Hon. Ms. Robichaud, Minister of Family and Community Services, laid upon the table of the House a petition on behalf of citizens of forest dependant communities in support of retaining the Saint-Laurent Department of Natural Resources Office. (Petition 29)

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Mr. Betts, Member for Moncton Crescent, laid upon the table of the House a petition urging the government to raise and index social assistance rates to the cost of living, to increase the minimum wage, and to pressure the Federal government for real improvements to the Employment Insurance program. (Petition 30)

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Ms. Dubé, Member for Edmundston—Saint-Basile, laid upon the table of the House a petition signed by citizens of the Edmundston area who petition the Minister of Health to assign a full-time child psychiatrist to deal with the needs of children in northwestern New Brunswick. (Petition 31)

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The Honourable the Premier laid upon the table of the House a document entitled *Access to Information and Privacy Review, Discussion Paper, 2007, Right to Information and Protection of Personal Information Review Task Force*.

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Hon. Mr. Jamieson, Government House Leader, announced that following second and third reading of Private Bill 47, it was the intention of government that the House resume the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bill 44, following which, the House would resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the estimates of the Department of Family and Community Services.

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The following Private Bill was read a second time:

Bill 47, *An Act to Incorporate the New Brunswick Registered Barbers' Association*.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 121, Mr. Speaker ordered Private Bill 47 for third reading forthwith.

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The following Private Bill was read a third time:

Bill 47, *An Act to Incorporate the New Brunswick Registered Barbers' Association.*

Ordered that the said Bill does pass.

The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 44, *An Act to Amend the Credit Unions Act*, be now read a second time.

And after some time, Mr. Harrison rose on a point of order and submitted that Hon. Mr. Murphy had relinquished the floor during the previous sitting day's debate of Bill 44. Mr. Speaker ruled that debate on second reading of Bill 44 had ended the previous sitting day due to the daily hour of adjournment and, accordingly, Hon. Mr. Murphy retained the floor to debate the bill.

And after some further time, Mr. Harrison rose on a point of order and submitted that Hon. Mr. Murphy was not debating the principle of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker ruled the point of order well taken and advised all Members that debate should center on, or at least relate to, the subject matter at hand. Mr. Speaker noted that the valuable time of the Legislature was being lost during the debate on Second Reading, as Members repeatedly strayed in their comments from the principle of the Bill. Mr. Speaker stated that it would be his intention to enforce the Standing Rules of the House more strictly in the future, particularly as they relate to relevancy in debate.

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

And after some further time, the debate was, on motion of Hon. D. Landry, adjourned over.

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

At 12.30 o'clock p.m., the Chairman left the chair to resume again at 2 o'clock p.m.

*2 o'clock p.m.*

The Committee resumed with Mr. Kenny in the chair.

And after some time Mr. R. Boudreau took the chair.

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

And after some further time spent in Committee of Supply, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kenny, 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.

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

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The following documents, having been deposited with the Clerk of the House since the last sitting of the House, were deemed laid upon the table of the House, pursuant to Standing Rule 39:

Documents requested in

Notice of Motion 43, 48, and 49	May 1, 2007
Responses to Petitions No. 16, 17, and 18	May 1, 2007