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Legislative Assembly

Province of New Brunswick

Hon. Herménégilde Chiasson  
Lieutenant-Governor

Speaker: Hon. Eugene McGinley

Tuesday, May 15, 2007

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Fredericton, New Brunswick

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2 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Williams, Member for Kent South, laid upon the table of the House a petition signed by residents of southeastern New Brunswick who oppose Bill 17, *An Act to Amend the Off-Road Vehicle Act*. (Petition 34)

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Mr. Kenny, Member for Bathurst, 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 35)

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Hon. Ms. Robichaud, Minister of Family and Community Services, laid upon the table of the House a document entitled: *Early Childhood Initiatives, Program Review, July, 2005, A Joint Initiative of the Departments of Family and Community Services and Health and Wellness*.

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Mr. Harrison rose on a point of order and submitted that Hon. Mr. Burke, Minister of Justice and Consumer Affairs, did not provide the House with a copy of a Minister's statement. Mr. Speaker informed the House that while there is no requirement to provide a copy of a Minister's statement, it may be done as a courtesy.

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The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. Byrne:

Bill 63, *An Act to Amend the Assessment Act*.

By Hon. Mr. Albert:

Bill 64, *An Act Respecting the Members' Pension Act and the Members Superannuation Act*.

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

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Mr. C. LeBlanc gave Notice of Motion 61 that on Thursday, May 24, 2007, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Mockler:

WHEREAS the Moncton Food Depot Alimentaire plays an integral role in supporting food banks in New Brunswick; and

WHEREAS this facility has the unique capability and capacity to safely and properly house large amounts of food and distribute this food efficiently to the districts; and

WHEREAS it is important to support food banks, soup kitchens and food depots to ensure that all New Brunswickers in need are helped, as quick as possible; and

WHEREAS the Moncton Food Depot Alimentaire has been instrumental in storing and transporting over two million pounds of donated food; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that this Legislative Assembly call upon the government to continue to support the Moncton Food Depot Alimentaire and allow the Depot to fulfill its mandate of providing essential support to the food banks of New Brunswick.

Motion 54 was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Hon. Mr. Jamieson, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of the government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Bills 49, 50, 22, 59 and 3.

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

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. R. Boudreau, the Chairman, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported:

That the Committee had directed that he report the following Bills as agreed to:

Bill 3, *An Act to Amend the Liquor Control Act.*

Bill 49, *An Act to Amend the Legislative Assembly Act.*

Bill 50, *An Act to Amend the Political Process Financing Act.*

Bill 59, *An Act to Amend the Natural Products Act.*

And that the Committee had directed that he report the following Bill as agreed to with certain amendments:

Bill 22, *An Act to Amend the Forest Products 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, 5.21 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.

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 46                      May 11, 2007