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Province of New Brunswick

Hon. Herménégilde Chiasson  
Lieutenant-Governor

Speaker: Hon. Roy Boudreau

**Tuesday, December 11, 2007**

**Second Session of the 56th Legislative Assembly  
Fredericton, New Brunswick**

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*1 o'clock p.m.*

Prayers.

Hon. D. Landry welcomed to the House Cristian Preda, presidential advisor and personal representative of the President of Romania, and Maria-Niara Berteau, Assistant Director for the Francophonie at the Romanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Mr. Mockler joined with the Minister in this regard.

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Mr. Speaker interrupted proceedings and reminded all Members of the time limits prescribed by the Standing Rules regarding Messages of Congratulation and Recognition, Statements by Members and Oral Questions.

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The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. Keir,

Bill 19, *An Act to Amend the Electricity Act.*

By Hon. V. Boudreau,

Bill 20, *An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act.*

By Hon. Mr. Murphy,

Bill 21, *An Act to Amend the Municipal Elections Act.*

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

By Mr. Kennedy,

Bill 22, *An Act to Amend the City of Saint John Pension Act.*

Ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Private Bills.

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The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Mr. Ashfield,

Bill 23, *Heritage Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Act.*

By Mr. Harrison,

Bill 24, *Referendum Act.*

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Mr. Volpé gave Notice of Motion 30 that on Thursday, December 20, 2007, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Northrup:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House any and all information in the possession of the government, including phone logs, e-mails, letters and minutes

of meetings between the Government of New Brunswick and the Governments of Nova Scotia and/or Newfoundland and Labrador concerning the Government of New Brunswick's desire to raise the HST by 1% following a 1% reduction in the HST by the Federal Government.

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Hon. V. Boudreau, the Minister of Finance, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members standing, and is as follows:

Fredericton, N.B.  
December 11, 2007.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits the *Capital Estimates* for the year ending March 31, 2009, the *Supplementary Estimates 2006-2007 Volume II*, and the *Supplementary Estimates 2007-2008 Volume 1*, required for the services of the province, not otherwise provided for, and in accordance with the provisions of the *Constitution Act, 1867*, recommends these estimates to the House.

(Sgd. :) Herménégilde Chiasson.  
Lieutenant-Governor.

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Hon. Mr. Murphy, the Government House Leader, announced that following the introduction of the Capital Budget (Motion 27), third reading of Bills 5, 7, 8, 9 and 10, second reading of Bills 2, 3, 4 and 18, it was the intention of the government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the Capital Estimates; in particular, the estimates of the Department of Tourism and Parks.

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Pursuant to Notice of Motion 27, Hon. V. Boudreau moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier,

THAT this House approves in general the capital budgetary policy of the government.

And the question being put, Hon. V. Boudreau proceeded to deliver the 2008-2009 capital budget speech.

And the debate being ended and the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Hon. Mr. Murphy, Government House Leader, after requesting that the House revert to Government Motions for the Ordering of the Business of the House, gave notice that on Wednesday,

December 12, 2007, it was the intention of government that Bills 19, 20 and 21 be read a second time; following which, Bills 11 and 18 would be considered in Committee of the Whole.

Hon. Mr. Murphy announced that it was the intention of the Government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to be granted to Her Majesty forthwith.

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

And after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. Fraser, the Chairman, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports reported that the Committee proceeding in the matter under consideration, had passed the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

And he was directed to ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Fraser moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier, THAT the House does concur with the Committee of Supply in its report and agrees in its resolution that Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

And the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Hon. Mr. Murphy, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Government Motions for the Ordering of the Business of the House, moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier,

THAT consideration of estimates in Committee of Supply be added to the Orders of the Day until such time as they are dispatched.

And the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to vary the Orders of the Day to take into consideration the estimates in the Committee of Supply, prior to third and second reading of Bills.

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

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Fraser, 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, had passed one item, 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 is the item reported:

CAPITAL ESTIMATES 2008-2009	Voted
DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND PARKS	
Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$5,500,000 to defray the expenses of the following program:	
Capital Improvements .....	5,500,000

The said item was concurred in by the House.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 2, *An Act to Amend the Insurance Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate continuing, 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.

The following document having been deposited with the Clerk of the House, was deemed laid upon the Table of the House, pursuant to Standing Rule 39:

Agriculture and Aquaculture 2006-2007 Annual Report	December 7, 2007
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