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Province of New Brunswick

Hon. Herménégilde Chiasson  
Lieutenant-Governor

Speaker: Hon. Roy Boudreau

Wednesday, December 12, 2007

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

Wednesday, December 12, 2007.  
10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Speaker advised the House of a correction to the Order and Notice Paper: That Bills 3, 4 and 18 should have appeared under the heading "Bills Ordered for Second Reading on Wednesday, December 12, 2007."

Hon. Mr. Murphy rose on a point of privilege to correct a statement he made in the House during the previous sitting day concerning the procedure in place to protect health records.

The following Bill was introduced and read a first time:

By Mr. Volpé

Bill 25, *An Act to Amend the Harmonized Sales Tax Act.*

Pursuant to Standing Rule 44(4), Mr. Harrison, Opposition House Leader, gave notice of the intention of the Opposition to consider Opposition Member's Business in the following order on Thursday, December 13, 2007:

- (1) Motion 29;
- (2) second reading of Bill 25.

Hon. Mr. Murphy, Government House Leader, announced that following third reading of Bills 5, 7, 8, 9, and 10, and second reading of Bills 19, 20, 21, 3 and 4; it was the intention of government, time permitting, to resume the adjourned debate on Bill 2; following which, it was the intention of government that at 4 p.m. the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the estimates of the Department of Transportation.

The following Bills were read a third time:

Bill 5, *An Act to Amend the Natural Products Act.*

Bill 7, *An Act to Amend the Motor Carrier Act.*

Bill 8, *Public Interest Disclosure Act.*

Bill 9, *An Act to Amend the Off-Road Vehicle Act.*

Bill 10, *An Act to Amend the Fire Prevention Act.*

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 19, *An Act to Amend the Electricity Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended and the question being put that Bill 19 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

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Accordingly, Bill 19, *An Act to Amend the Electricity Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

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The Order being read for second reading of Bill 20, *An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended and the question being put that Bill 20 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 20, *An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

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The Order being read for second reading of Bill 3, *An Act to Amend An Act to Amend the Insurance Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended and the question being put that Bill 3 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 3, *An Act to Amend An Act to Amend the Insurance Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

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The Order being read for second reading of Bill 4, *An Act Respecting Payday Loans*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended and the question being put that Bill 4 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 4, *An Act Respecting Payday Loans*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

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The Order being read for second reading of Bill 21, *An Act to Amend the Municipal Elections Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended and the question being put that Bill 21 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 21, *An Act to Amend the Municipal Elections Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

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The Order being read for second reading of Bill 18, *An Act to Amend the Pension Benefits Act*, a debate arose thereon.

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

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

*2 o'clock p.m.*

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Debate continued.

And after some time, the debate being ended and the question being put that Bill 18 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 18, *An Act to Amend the Pension Benefits Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

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The House resumed the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 2, *An Act to Amend the Insurance Act*, be now read a second time.

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

And the debate being ended and the question being put that Bill 2 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 2, *An Act to Amend the Insurance Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

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

And after some time, Mr. Fraser took the chair.

And after some further 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 several items, 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 are the items reported:

CAPITAL ESTIMATES 2008-2009 Voted

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$339,830,000 to defray the expenses of the following programs:

Permanent Bridges .....	52,745,000
Permanent Highways .....	126,085,000
Rural Road Infrastructure.....	44,000,000
Canada-New Brunswick Strategic Infrastructure Program .....	1,200,000
Canada-New Brunswick Border Infrastructure Program .....	27,300,000
Routes 11 and 17.....	21,000,000
Canada-New Brunswick National Highway System Program .....	53,500,000
Vehicle Management Agency .....	14,000,000

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$3,100,000 to defray the expenses of the following programs:

Musquash Watershed Infrastructure - Capital Improvements .....	1,900,000
Sentier NB Trail Infrastructure.....	1,200,000

DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$500,000 to defray the expenses of the following programs:

Local Service Districts .....	500,000
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The said items were concurred in by the House.

And then, 5.17 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.

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

2008-2009 Capital Estimates

Supplementary Estimates 2006-2007 Volume II

Supplementary Estimates 2007-2008 Volume 1    December 11, 2007