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Legislative Assembly

Province of New Brunswick

Hon. Graydon Nicholas
Lieutenant-Governor

Speaker: Hon. Roy Boudreau

Wednesday, December 9, 2009

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

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10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Hon. Mr. Arseneault, Member for Dalhousie-Restigouche East, laid upon the table of the House a petition on behalf of citizens of Dalhousie and surrounding areas who express dissatisfaction with draconian measures taken by the former Minister of Education Hon. Kelly Lamrock. (Petition 52)

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Mr. Fitch, Member for Riverview, laid upon the table of the House a petition on behalf of residents of Miramichi, Black River, Napan, Little Branch, Loggieville, Glenwood, Barnaby and surrounding areas who oppose the sale of NB Power to Hydro-Québec. (Petition 54)

Ms. Dubé, Member for Edmundston—Saint-Basile, laid upon the table of the House a petition on behalf of residents of Blair Athol, Charlo, Val d'Amour, St-Arthur, Balmoral, Atholville, St-Maure and surrounding areas who oppose the sale of NB Power to Hydro-Québec. (Petition 55)

Mr. Urquhart, Member for York, laid upon the table of the House a petition on behalf of residents of Miramichi, Napan, Cassilis and surrounding areas who oppose the sale of NB Power to Hydro-Québec. (Petition 56)

Ms. Poirier, Member for Rogersville-Kouchibouguac, laid upon the table of the House a petition on behalf of home support workers at The Harbour Family Support Services urging the government to allocate more funding to the home support industry. (Petition 57)

The following Bill was introduced and read a first time.

By Mr. Robichaud, on behalf of Mr. Alward,
Bill 23, *No One Left Behind Act*.

Mr. Paulin gave Notice of Motion 17 that on Tuesday, December 15, 2009, he would move the following resolution,

seconded by Mr. Kennedy:

WHEREAS the Liberal government has tabled the 2010-2011 budget;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Legislative Assembly support the government expenditure of \$840 million for the capital budget, and call upon the government to ensure that each project listed in the budget is completed.

Mr. Fitch gave Notice of Motion 18 that on Thursday, December 17, 2009, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Steeves:

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 targets, benchmarks, forecasts, time-lines or any other information, however recorded or stored, related to the Government's self-sufficiency initiatives and the current progress of the Government toward eliminating federal transfer payments by the year 2026.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 44(4), Mr. Robichaud, Opposition House Leader, gave notice that on Thursday, December 10, 2009, Opposition Members' business would be considered in the following order: resumption of the debate on the motion for second reading of Bill 11, Motion 15, and second reading of Bill 23.

Hon. Mr. Murphy, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that Bills 21 and 22 be called for second reading; the House would then resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Bills 9, 14, 13, 15, 16 and 19; followed by the resumption of the adjourned debate on Motion 9 (Budget Debate).

The following Bill was read a third time:

Bill 8, *Prescription Monitoring Act*.

Ordered that the said Bill does pass.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 21, *An Act to Amend the Off-Road Vehicle 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 Off-Road Vehicle 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 22, *An Act to Amend the Family Services Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 22 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 22, *An Act to Amend the Family Services Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole with Ms. Robichaud in the chair.

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

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The Committee resumed with Ms. Robichaud in the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Ms. Robichaud, the Chairperson, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported:

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

Bill 9, *An Act to Amend the Personal Health Information Privacy and Access Act*.

Bill 13, *An Act to Amend the Political Process Financing Act*.

Bill 14, *An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act*.

And that the Committee had directed that she report progress on the following Bill:

Bill 15, *An Act to Amend the Municipal Elections 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.

The Order of the Day for resuming the adjourned debate on the motion (Motion 9),

That this House approves in general the budgetary policy of the government, having been read,

The debate was resumed.

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

And after some further time, Ms. Robichaud took the chair.

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

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

The debate was resumed.

And after some time, the debate was, on motion of Mr. Paulin, on behalf of the Honourable the Premier, adjourned over.

And then, 6 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:

Annual Report 2008-2009, Department of Fisheries	December 8, 2009
Annual Report 2008-2009, New Brunswick Human Rights Commission	December 8, 2009
Responses to Petitions 14, 15 and 18	December 8, 2009