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Province of New Brunswick

Hon. Graydon Nicholas
Lieutenant-Governor

Speaker: Hon. Dale Graham

Tuesday, December 14, 2010

**First Session of the 57th Legislative Assembly
Fredericton, New Brunswick**

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1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Fraser, Member for Miramichi-Bay du Vin, laid upon the table of the House a petition calling for a public inquiry into the 1981 death of Paul Henderson in Miramichi. Mr. Speaker ruled the petition out of order as it did not contain original signatures as required by the Standing Rules.

With leave of the House to dispense with Notice, Hon. Mr. Alward, seconded by Mr. Boudreau, moved: (Motion 17)

WHEREAS, pursuant to the *Right to Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, Anne Elizabeth Bertrand Q.C. was appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council as New Brunswick's first Access to Information and Privacy Commissioner on September 1, 2010;

WHEREAS subsection 57(2) of the *Right to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* provides that the appointment of the Access to Information and Privacy Commissioner requires confirmation by the Legislative Assembly within thirty days after the commencement of the first session following the appointment;

WHEREAS Anne Elizabeth Bertrand Q.C. possesses the proper qualifications and experience to successfully discharge the duties of the Access to Information and Privacy Commissioner;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly confirm the appointment of Anne Elizabeth Bertrand Q.C. as New Brunswick's first Access to Information and Privacy Commissioner for a term of five years.

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

Hon. Mr. Higgs, 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:

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His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor transmits the *Capital Estimates 2011-2012*, which include the estimates of the sums required for the services of the province, for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2012, and, in accordance with the provisions of the *Constitution Act, 1867*, recommends these estimates to the House.

(Sgd. :) Graydon Nicholas.
Lieutenant-Governor.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion 14, Hon. Mr. Higgs moved, seconded by Hon. Mr. Alward:

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

And the question being put, Hon. Mr. Higgs proceeded to deliver the capital budget speech.

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

Hon. Ms. Blais, Acting Government House Leader, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Government Motions for the Ordering of the Business of the House, moved, seconded by Hon. Mr. Alward:

THAT consideration of capital 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.

Hon. Ms. Blais announced that following third reading, it was the intention of government that Bill 11 be called for second reading, following which, the House would resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole and, with leave, consider Bill 11.

The following Bills were read a third time.

Bill 4, *An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act*.

Bill 10, *An Act to Amend the Potato Disease Eradication Act*.

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 11, *An Act Respecting the Saint John Harbour Bridge Authority*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 11 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 11, *An Act Respecting the Saint John Harbour Bridge Authority*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

It was agreed by unanimous consent that Bill 11 be considered in Committee of the Whole forthwith.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole with Mr. C. Landry in the chair.

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

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

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

Bill 11, *An Act Respecting the Saint John Harbour Bridge Authority.*

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.

Hon. P. Robichaud, Government House Leader, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Government Motions for the Ordering of the Business of the House, announced that it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the Supplementary Estimates 2010-2011 Volume I.

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

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Urquhart, 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.

And then, 6.02 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.

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

Annual Report 2009-2010,
RPC Science and Engineering

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