

9 o'clock a.m.

Friday, May 27, 2011.

Prayers.

Mr. Boudreau, Member for Shediac—Cap-Pelé, laid upon the table of the House a petition urging the government to reinstate the funding allocated to the New Brunswick Advisory Council on the Status of Women. (Petition 58)

Mr. Arseneault, Member for Dalhousie-Restigouche East, laid upon the table of the House a petition urging the government to reverse the decision to eliminate the Film Tax Credit. (Petition 59)

Following Oral Questions, Mr. Fraser rose on a point of order and submitted that Hon. Ms. Dubé had used the word "misleading". The Member withdrew the remark. Mr. Fraser further submitted that Hon. Ms. Dubé had referred to a Member by name and not by constituency. Mr. Speaker ruled the point well taken.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time.

By Hon. P. Robichaud,

Bill 36, Invest New Brunswick Act.

Bill 37, An Act to Amend the Municipal Elections Act.

Hon. P. Robichaud, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the estimates of the Regional Development Corporation, following which, at 12.30 o'clock p.m., Bills 35, 30, 25 and 33 would be called for second reading.

Hon. P. Robichaud gave notice that on Tuesday, May 31, 2011, Bills 36 and 37 would be called for second reading.

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 Chair, 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. The Order being read for second reading of Bill 35, *Referendum Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And after some time, Mr. Fraser, seconded by Mr. Boudreau, moved in amendment:

AMENDMENT

That the motion for second reading be amended by deleting all the words after the word "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 35, *Referendum Act*, be not now read a second time but that the order for second reading be discharged and the subject matter of the Bill referred to the Standing Committee on Law Amendments.

And the question being put, the amendment was negatived on the following recorded division:

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Mr. Arseneault Mr. Boudreau	Mr. Doucet Mr. Albert	Mr. Bernard LeBlanc Mr. Bertrand LeBlanc
Mr. Fraser	Mr. Kenny	Mr. Melanson
Mr. Haché	Mr. Collins	Mr. D. Landry
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Hon. Mr. Fitch	Hon. Mr. Northrup	Mr. B. MacDonald
Hon. Mr. Higgs	Ms. Shephard	Mr. Tait
Hon. Mr. Alward	Ms. Wilson	Mr. S. Robichaud
Hon. P. Robichaud	Mr. Wetmore	Mr. Savoie
Hon. Ms. Dubé	Mr. McLean	Mr. Bonenfant
Hon. Mr. Holder	Mr. Killen	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Steeves	Mr. Lifford	Mr. Betts
Hon. Mr. Williams	Mr. Riordon	Mr. C. Landry
Hon. Mr. Leonard	Ms. Lynch	Mr. Urquhart
Hon. Ms. Stultz	Mr. Parrott	Mr. Jack Carr

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 35 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 35, *Referendum 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 30, *An Act to Amend the Shortline Railways Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 30 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative. Accordingly, Bill 30, *An Act to Amend the Shortline Railways 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 25, *An Act to Amend the Land Titles Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 25 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 25, *An Act to Amend the Land Titles 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 33, *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 33 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 33, *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

And then, 1.06 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.