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Legislative Assembly

Province of New Brunswick

Hon. Graydon Nicholas  
Lieutenant-Governor

Speaker: Hon. Dale Graham

**Friday, June 3, 2011**

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

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9 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Doucet, Member for Charlotte-The Isles, laid upon the table of the House a petition requesting that Crown lands be sustainable, managed to maintain and increase the allocation levels at the mills, and meet world class environmental certification standards. (Petition 103)

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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 104)

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Mr. Bernard LeBlanc, Member for Memramcook-Lakeville-Dieppe, laid upon the table of the House a petition urging the government to implement a food solidarity program of \$50 per month for all households on social assistance; and to raise the basic social assistance rates to match the average of those in place in Atlantic Canada. (Petition 105)

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Mr. Doucet, Member for Charlotte-The Isles, laid upon the table of the House a petition on behalf of residents of the Grand Manan area in opposition to the proposed closure of the Grand Manan Liquor Store. (Petition 106)

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Hon. Mr. Higgs laid upon the table of the House a document entitled *Government of New Brunswick Workforce Profile 2010*.

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Following Oral Questions, Mr. Speaker requested that Members be more respectful of one another to improve the decorum in the House.

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The following Bill was introduced and read a first time.

By Hon. Ms. Blais,

Bill 46, *An Act to Amend the Pension Benefits Act*.

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Mr. Collins gave Notice of Motion 91 that on Thursday, June 9, 2011, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Melanson:

WHEREAS the Alward government is proposing a two-tiered minimum wage for the province of New Brunswick;

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour has refused to engage in meaningful

consultation with many of the stakeholders who would be directly affected by such a change in the minimum wage system;

AND WHEREAS a two-tiered minimum wage is a direct attack on the most vulnerable wage earners;

AND WHEREAS the Alward government has shown a double standard by creating high paying patronage appointments for people who were on the Tory campaign bus while at the same time trying to cut the wages of the lowest income earners;

AND WHEREAS a two-tiered minimum wage will give rise to discrimination of many members of society including women and youth;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly call on the government of New Brunswick to reject any move to establish a two-tiered minimum wage for New Brunswick.

Hon. P. Robichaud, Government House Leader, announced that following third reading, it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Bills 32, 35 and 36.

Hon. P. Robichaud gave notice that on Tuesday, June 7, 2011, Bills 44 and 45 would be called for second reading.

The following Bills were read a third time:

Bill 25, *An Act to Amend the Land Titles Act.*

Bill 30, *An Act to Amend the Shortline Railways Act.*

Bill 31, *An Act to Amend the Interpretation Act.*

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

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

At 11.04 o'clock a.m. Mr. C. Landry declared a recess and left the chair.

*11.07 o'clock a.m.*

The Committee resumed.

At 12.12 o'clock p.m. Mr. C. Landry declared a recess and left the chair.

*12.19 o'clock p.m.*

The Committee resumed.

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

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And after some further 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 directed that he report the following Bills as agreed to:

Bill 32, *An Act Respecting the Revised Statutes, 2011.*

Bill 35, *Referendum Act.*

That the Committee had directed that he report progress on the following Bill:

Bill 36, *Invest New Brunswick 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.

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And then, 2 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned

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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:

Response to Petitions 50, 53 and 59	June 2, 2011
Documents requested in Notice of Motion 87	June 2, 2011