

Daily sitting 12

Tuesday, December 13, 2011

1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Fraser, Member for Miramichi-Bay du Vin, laid upon the table of the House a petition urging that acute care beds at the Miramichi Regional Hospital remain as such, and that the hospital maintain its level 3 trauma designation. (Petition 50)

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Mr. Boudreau gave Notice of Motion 23 that on Thursday, December 22, 2011, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. D. Landry:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House all documentation, including correspondence, however recorded, stored or archived, by electronic means or otherwise, provided by shale gas exploration companies regarding the lists of all chemicals used by all shale gas exploration companies working in New Brunswick to the Department of Natural Resources, Department of Environment and Department of Health, since October 13, 2010.

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Mr. Fraser gave Notice of Motion 24 that on Thursday, December 22, 2011, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Bernard Leblanc:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House all documentation, including correspondence, however recorded, stored or archived, by electronic means or otherwise, between the province of New Brunswick, Department of Public Safety, Department of Social Development, the Premier's Office and any other government department or agency, the Mount Saint Joseph Nursing Home or any other corporations or third parties it may have solicited or received information, concerns or advice, regarding all aspects of the infrastructure, facilities, evacuation plans, and safety of the residents and staff at Mount Saint Joseph Nursing Home in Miramichi, including, but not limited to all engineering reports and architectural plans, budgets, and all correspondence since October 13, 2010.

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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:

Fredericton, New Brunswick.  
December 13, 2011.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor transmits the *Capital Estimates 2012-2013*, which include the estimates of the sums required for the services of the province, for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2013, and in accordance with the provisions of the *Constitution Act, 1867*, recommends these estimates to the House.

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

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Pursuant to Notice of Motion 19, Hon. Mr. Higgs moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier:

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 2012-2013 capital budget speech.

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

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Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to be granted to Her Majesty forthwith.

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

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. C. Landry, the Chair, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported that the Committee proceeding in the matter under consideration, had passed the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

And he was directed to ask leave to sit again.

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Mr. C. Landry moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier:

THAT the House does concur with the Committee of Supply in its report and agrees in its resolution that Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

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

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Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Government Motions for the Ordering of the Business of the House, moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier:

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.

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Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud, Government House Leader, announced that following third reading, it was the intention of government that Bills 18 and 19 be called for second reading; following which the House would resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Bills 17, 9, 13, 8, 15, 16 and 11.

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The following Bill was read a third time:

Bill 2, *An Act to Amend the Securities Act*.

Ordered that the said Bill does pass.

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The Order being read for second reading of Bill 18, *An Act to Amend the Gas Distribution Act, 1999*, a debate arose thereon.

And 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 Gas Distribution Act, 1999*, 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 19, *An Act to Amend the Real Property Tax 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 on the following recorded division:

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Hon. Mr. Fitch	Hon. Ms. Stultz	Mr. Malloch
Hon. Mr. Higgs	Hon. Mr. Northrup	Mr. Parrott
Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud	Hon. Mr. Trevors	Mr. Macdonald
Hon. Ms. Dubé	Mr. MacDonald	Mr. Tait
Hon. Mr. Jody Carr	Ms. Shephard	Mr. S. Robichaud
Hon. Mr. Holder	Ms. Wilson	Mr. Savoie
Hon. Ms. Blaney	Mr. Wetmore	Mr. Bonenfant
Mr. Steeves	Mr. McLean	Mr. Stewart
Mr. Harrison	Mr. Killen	Mr. Betts
Hon. Mr. Williams	Mr. Soucy	Mr. C. Landry
Hon. Ms. Blais	Mr. Lifford	Mr. Urquhart
Hon. Mr. Leonard	Mr. Riordon	Mr. Jack Carr
Hon. Ms. Coulombe	Ms. Lynch	Mr. Davis

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Mr. Arseneault	Mr. Doucet	Mr. Bernard LeBlanc
Mr. Boudreau	Mr. Albert	Mr. Bertrand LeBlanc
Mr. Fraser	Mr. Kenny	Mr. Melanson
Mr. Haché	Mr. Collins	Mr. D. Landry

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

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

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. C. Landry, the Chair, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported:

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

Bill 17, *An Act Respecting Regional Health Authorities*.

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, 6 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.