

Daily sitting 29

Tuesday, April 24, 2012

*1 o'clock p.m.*

Prayers.

Due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Urquhart, the Deputy Speaker, took the chair as Acting Speaker.

Hon. Ms. Blais, Member for Moncton North, laid upon the table of the House a petition urging the Legislative Assembly to instruct the New Brunswick Housing Authority to allow and accommodate reasonable pet ownership by people living in their apartments. (Petition 80)

Ms. Shephard, from the Standing Committee on Estimates, presented the First Report of the Committee which was read and is as follows:

April 24, 2012.

To The Honourable  
The Legislative Assembly of  
The Province of New Brunswick.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Standing Committee on Estimates begs leave to submit this their First Report.

Your Committee met in the Legislative Assembly Chamber on April 17, 18, 19 and 20, 2012, to consider the estimates referred to it by resolution of the House adopted April 5, 2012.

Your Committee wishes to report that they have made certain progress therein and have passed several items.

Your Committee recommends that the estimates adopted by the Committee and outlined in the attached report be concurred in by the House.

And your Committee begs leave to make a further report.

(Sgd. :) Dorothy Shephard, M.L.A.  
Chair.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 78.2, Mr. Deputy 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 full report of the Committee as presented follows:

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To The Honourable  
The Legislative Assembly of  
The Province of New Brunswick.

Mr. Speaker:

Your Standing Committee on Estimates begs leave to submit this their First Report.

Your Committee met in the Legislative Assembly Chamber on April 17, 18, 19 and 20, 2012, to consider the estimates referred to it by resolution of the House adopted April 5, 2012. Your Committee took into consideration the estimates of the following offices and departments:

Department of Agriculture, Aquaculture and Fisheries;  
Department of Culture, Tourism and Healthy Living;  
Department of Environment and Local Government;  
Department of Health;  
Department of Justice and Attorney General;  
Department of Natural Resources;  
Department of Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour;  
Department of Public Safety;  
Executive Council Office;  
Office of the Premier;  
Premier's Council on the Status of Disabled Persons.

Your Committee wishes to report that they have made certain progress therein and have passed several items. Pursuant to the resolution of the House adopted April 5, 2012, all estimates not passed by the Committee are referred back to the Committee of Supply for its consideration.

The following are the items that were passed by the Committee:

**MAIN ESTIMATES, 2012-2013  
ORDINARY ACCOUNT**

Office of the Premier	1,576,000
Premier's Council on the Status of Disabled Persons	284,000

And your Committee begs leave to make a further report.

(Sgd. :) Dorothy Shephard, M.L.A.  
Chair.

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With leave of the House, Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier: (Motion 47)

THAT the proceedings of the Standing Committee on Estimates held in the Legislative Assembly Chamber on April 17, 18, 19 and 20, 2012, to consider the estimates referred by resolution of the House adopted April 5, 2012, be included in the *Journal of Debates* for the Second Session of the Fifty-seventh Legislature of the Province of New Brunswick.

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 Bill 21 be called for second reading; following which the House would resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the estimates of the Departments of Justice and Attorney General; Natural Resources; and Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour. At 5.45 o'clock p.m., Royal Assent would take place.

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The following Bills were read a third time:

Bill 23, *An Act to Amend the Loan and Trust Companies Act.*  
Bill 24, *An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act.*  
Bill 26, *An Act to Amend the Electricity Act.*  
Bill 27, *An Act to Amend the Queen's Counsel and Precedence Act.*  
Bill 28, *Species at Risk Act.*

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

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The following Private Bill was read a second time:

Bill 21, *Rothsay Netherwood School Act.*

Pursuant to Standing Rule 121, Mr. Deputy Speaker ordered Private Bill 21 for third reading forthwith.

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Bill 21, *Rothsay Netherwood School Act.*

Ordered that the said Bill does pass.

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

At 3.48 o'clock p.m., Mr. C. Landry declared a recess and left the chair.

3.55 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed.

And after some time, due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Urquhart, the Deputy Speaker, resumed the chair as Acting Speaker, and Mr. C. Landry, the Chair, after requesting that Mr. Deputy 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, had passed several items, and asked leave to sit again.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 78.2, Mr. Deputy 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 following are the items reported:

MAIN ESTIMATES, 2012-2013

ORDINARY ACCOUNT

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND ATTORNEY GENERAL

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$63,033,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2013:

Administration and Planning .....	3,635,000
Attorney General .....	18,088,000
Court Services .....	29,789,000
Justice Services .....	3,700,000
Legal Aid .....	7,874,000
Less amounts authorized by law .....	53,000
Voted .....	63,033,000

WORKING CAPITAL – MAXIMUM BALANCES

2012 - 2013

Voted

## WORKING CAPITAL ADVANCES

Justice and Attorney General .....	15,000
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## PETTY CASH ADVANCES

Justice and Attorney General .....	24,000
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The said items were concurred in by the House.

His Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor, was announced, and having been bidden to enter, took his seat in the chair upon the Throne.

Mr. Deputy Speaker addressed His Honour as follows:

May It Please Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick has passed several Bills at the present sittings of the Legislature to which, in the name and on behalf of the said Legislative Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's assent.

The Clerk Assistant then read the titles of the Bills as follows:

Bill 21, *Rothesay Netherwood School Act*.  
 Bill 23, *An Act to Amend the Loan and Trust Companies Act*.  
 Bill 24, *An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act*.  
 Bill 26, *An Act to Amend the Electricity Act*.  
 Bill 27, *An Act to Amend the Queen's Counsel and Precedence Act*.  
 Bill 28, *Species at Risk Act*.

His Honour signified His Assent as follows:

*It is the Queen's wish. La reine le veut.*

To these Bills, His Honour's assent was announced by the Clerk Assistant of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:

In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor assents to these Bills, enacting the same and ordering them to be enrolled.

His Honour then retired and Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the chair.

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

At 5.55 o'clock p.m., Mr. C. Landry left the chair to resume again at 7 o'clock p.m.

*7 o'clock p.m.*

The Committee resumed.

And after some time, due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Urquhart, the Deputy Speaker, resumed the chair as Acting Speaker, and Mr. C. Landry, the Chair, after requesting that Mr. Deputy 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 78.2, Mr. Deputy 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.

And then, 10.07 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:

Response to Petition 66	April 16, 2012
Response to Petitions 67 and 68	April 17, 2012
Documents requested in Notice of Motion 36	April 12, 2012
Annual Report 2011	
Office of the Consumer Advocate for Insurance	April 13, 2012