

Daily sitting 46

Wednesday, May 30, 2012

10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Soucy, Member for Grand Falls—Drummond—Saint-André, laid upon the table of the House a petition in support of white-tailed deer farming in New Brunswick. (Petition 86)

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The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. Fitch,

Bill 61, *Regional Service Delivery Act*.

By Mr. Bertrand LeBlanc,

Bill 62, *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Act*.

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Mr. Boudreau gave Notice of Motion 64 that on Thursday, June 7, 2012, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Collins:

WHEREAS the New Brunswick economy includes several seasonal industries, such as fishing, forestry, farming, and construction;

WHEREAS there are several workers in the education system, such as teaching assistants, library assistants, and bus drivers, who do not work year-round;

WHEREAS the reforms brought forward by the federal government will make it even more difficult for seasonal workers and educational employees to qualify for employment insurance;

WHEREAS this will cause several workers to leave their communities to seek year-round employment in other communities;

WHEREAS the Premiers of Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward Island have spoken out against these reforms;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the provincial government to speak out against the employment insurance reforms and stand up for the New Brunswick labour force.

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Pursuant to Standing Rule 44(4), Mr. Arseneault, Acting Opposition House Leader, gave notice that on Thursday, May 31, 2012, Opposition Members' Business would be considered in the following order: Bill 38 and 12, Motion 59.

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With leave of the House, Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier: (Motion 65)

THAT the membership of the Select Committee on the Revision of the *Official Languages Act* be amended by adding the name of Mr. Killen.

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

Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud gave notice that on Thursday, May 31, 2012, Bill 61 would be called for second reading.

Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud, Government House Leader, announced that following third reading, it was the intention of government that Bills 58, 59 and 60 be called for second reading; following which the House would resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Bills 57, 43, 45, 46 and 56.

The following Bills were read a third time:

Bill 25, *An Act to Amend the Tuition Tax Cash Back Credit Act*.

Bill 44, *Procurement Act*.

Bill 49, *An Act to Amend the Emergency 911 Act*.

Bill 50, *An Act to Amend the Real Property Transfer Tax Act*.

Bill 51, *An Act to Amend the Real Property Tax Act*.

Bill 52, *An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act*.

Bill 53, *Loan Act 2012*.

Bill 55, *An Act to Amend the Securities Act*.

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 58, *An Act to Amend the Oil and Natural Gas Act*, a debate arose thereon.

At 12.30 o'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker left the chair to resume again at 2 o'clock p.m.

2 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 58 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 58, *An Act to Amend the Oil and Natural Gas Act*, 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 59, *An Act to Amend the Fish and Wildlife Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 59 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 59, *An Act to Amend the Fish and Wildlife Act*, 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 60, *An Act to Repeal the Social Services and Education Tax Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 60 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 60, *An Act to Repeal the Social Services and Education 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. Urquhart in the chair.

And after some time, Mr. C. Landry took the chair.

And after some further time, Mr. Urquhart resumed the chair.

At 3.34 o'clock p.m., Mr. Urquhart declared a recess and left the chair.

3.40 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed.

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 directed that he report the following Bills as agreed to:

Bill 43, *Apprenticeship and Occupational Certification Act*.

Bill 45, *An Act to Amend the Education Act*.

Bill 46, *An Act to Amend the Early Learning and Childcare Act*.

Bill 57, *An Act to Repeal the Income Tax 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.

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

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

Documents requested in Notice of Motion 46

May 25, 2012