

Daily sitting 47

Wednesday, June 5, 2013

10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. Higgs,
Bill 69, *Loan Act 2013*.
Bill 70, *Appropriations Act 2013-2014*.

Mr. Speaker announced that pursuant to Standing Rule 42.3(1), Bill 70 was ordered for second and third reading forthwith.

The following Bill was read a second time:

Bill 70, *Appropriations Act 2013-2014*.

The following Bill was read a third time:

Bill 70, *Appropriations Act 2013-2014*.

Ordered that the said Bill does pass.

Mr. Melanson rose on a question of privilege and submitted that Mr. Savoie was impolite to him and acted in a disrespectful manner. Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud and Mr. Fraser spoke on the question of privilege. Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 44(4), Mr. Fraser, Opposition House Leader, gave notice that on Thursday, June 6, 2013, Opposition Members' Business would be considered in the following order: Motion 61, 60 and 63.

With leave of the House, Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier: (Motion 64)

THAT the proceedings of the Standing Committee on Estimates, the Standing Committee on Education, and the Standing Committee on Health Care held in the Legislative Assembly Chamber from April 16 to May 31, 2013, inclusive, to consider the estimates referred by resolution of the House adopted April 4, 2013, be included in the *Journal of Debates* for the Third Session of the Fifty-seventh Legislature of the Province of New Brunswick.

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

Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud, Government House Leader, announced that following third reading, it was the intention of government that Bills 58, 57, 46, 47, 48, 55, 49, 59, 51, 52, 68, 54, 66, 44, 53, 56, 65, 63, 64, 67 and 45 be called for second reading; following which Royal Assent would take place.

The following Bill was read a third time:

Bill 28, *An Act Respecting Officers of the Legislative Assembly*.

Ordered that the said Bill does pass.

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

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 Marriage 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 57, *An Act to Amend the Vital Statistics Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 57 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 57, *An Act to Amend the Vital Statistics 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 46, *An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 46 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 46, *An Act to Amend the Employment Standards 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 47, *An Act to Amend the Workers' Compensation Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 47 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 47, *An Act to Amend the Workers' Compensation 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 48, *An Act to Amend the Occupational Health and Safety Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 48 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 48, *An Act to Amend the Occupational Health and Safety 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 55, *An Act to Amend the Seafood Processing 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.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Fraser rose on a question of privilege regarding the incident that occurred on the floor of the House earlier in the day between Mr. Melanson and Mr. Savoie. In accordance with Standing Rule 9(2), Mr. Fraser gave notice of his intention to move the following motion, seconded by Mr. Boudreau:

WHEREAS the Member for Saint John-Fundy by his actions on June 5, 2013, showed a gross contempt for the dignity of the House and the rights and privileges of its members;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the matter be referred to the Standing Committee on Privileges.

Mr. Savoie rose and apologized for his actions. Mr. Speaker advised the House that in accordance with the Standing Rules, he would consider the matter in two hours' time.

Debate resumed on the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 55, *An Act to Amend the Seafood Processing Act*, be now read a second time.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 55 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 55, *An Act to Amend the Seafood Processing 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 49, *An Act to Amend the Beaverbrook Art Gallery Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 49 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 49, *An Act to Amend the Beaverbrook Art Gallery 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 59, *An Act Respecting Unpaid Fines*, 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 Respecting Unpaid Fines*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 51, *An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 51 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 51, *An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax 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 52, *An Act to Amend the Tobacco Tax Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 52 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 52, *An Act to Amend the Tobacco Tax 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 68, *Marshland Infrastructure Maintenance Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 68 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 68, *Marshland Infrastructure Maintenance 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 54, *Artificial Tanning Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And after some time, due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Urquhart, the Deputy Speaker, took the chair as Acting Speaker.

And the debate continuing, after some time, it was on motion of Mr. Macdonald, adjourned over.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 66, *An Act to Amend the Off-Road Vehicle Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 66 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 66, *An Act to Amend the Off-Road Vehicle 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 44, *An Act to Amend the Public Works Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 44 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 44, *An Act to Amend the Public Works 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 53, *An Act to Amend the Municipalities Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 53 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 53, *An Act to Amend the Municipalities 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 56, *Enforcement of Money Judgments Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 56 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 56, *Enforcement of Money Judgments 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 65, *An Act Respecting the Enforcement of Money Judgments Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 65 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 65, *An Act Respecting the Enforcement of Money Judgments Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

Mr. Speaker advised the Assembly that the two hours' notice required by Standing Rule 9(2) had elapsed and recognized Mr. Fraser and Mr. Macdonald to speak on the question of privilege raised earlier in the sitting day. Having heard the arguments, Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

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

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour as follows:

May It Please Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick has passed a Bill 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 title of the Bill as follows:

Bill 28, *An Act Respecting Officers of the Legislative Assembly*.

His Honour signified His Assent as follows:

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

To this Bill, His Honour's assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:

In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor assents to this Bill, enacting the same and ordering it to be enrolled.

Mr. Speaker then addressed His Honour as follows:

May It Please Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly having devoted itself with unremitting diligence to the consideration of the several subjects referred to in the speech His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was pleased to deliver at the opening of the session, and to other matters of interest to the people of the province, humbly begs to present for your Honour's acceptance a Bill intituled *Appropriations Act 2013-2014*. (Bill 70)

His Honour replied:

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

To this Bill, His Honour's assent was announced by the Clerk in the following words:

His Honour thanks Her Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, accepts their benevolence and assents to this Bill.

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

It was agreed by unanimous consent to revert back to Notices of Motions.

With leave of the House, Mr. Riordon moved, seconded by Mr. Macdonald: (Motion 65)

THAT in addition to the existing sitting hours prescribed in Standing Rule 29(1) and by Special Order of the House adopted November 28, 2012, the House shall sit on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.

THAT this Special Order shall come into effect on Tuesday, June 11, 2013, and shall remain in effect for the remainder of the Third Session of the Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly.

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

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