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Friday, May 9, 2014

9 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Hon. Ms. Shephard, Member for Saint John Lancaster, laid upon the table of the House a petition urging the Legislative Assembly to provide tougher sentencing for sex offenders, mandatory registration, a public sex offender registry, and aid to victims. (Petition 11)

Hon. Ms. Blais laid upon the table of the House a document entitled The Linguistic and Cultural Development Policy, A Societal Project for the French Education System.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to permit Hon. Mr. Flemming to make a lengthy Minister's Statement.

Mr. Speaker interrupted Oral Questions and requested that Mr. Melanson withdraw the phrase "the only factual thing you have said", in reference to the Premier, which he did.

The following Bill was introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. Higgs, Bill 89, Loan Act 2014.

Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud gave notice that on Tuesday, May 13, 2014, Bill 89 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 the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Bills 72, 80, 81, 82, 86 and 85.

The following Bills were read a third time:

Bill 29, An Act to Amend the Auditor General Act.Bill 61, An Act to Amend the Education Act.Bill 73, An Act to Amend the Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Commission Act.

Bill 75, An Act to Amend the Parks Act.

Bill 77, An Act to Amend the Financial and Consumer Services Commission 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 11.35 o'clock a.m., Mr. C. Landry declared a recess and left the chair.

11.45 o'clock a.m.

The Committee resumed.

During consideration of Bill 86, Mr. Steeves moved the previous question pursuant to Standing Rule 69 as follows: "That this question be now put".

At 12.28 o'clock p.m., Mr. C. Landry declared a recess and left the chair.

12.39 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed and Mr. C. Landry delivered the following statement:

STATEMENT BY DEPUTY SPEAKER

Honourable Members,

I have reviewed the matter and Standing Rule 69. I have also reviewed the amount of debate that has taken place so far. Given that only a limited amount of time has been spent on the Bill, and only one Member has had the opportunity to question the Member proposing the Bill, I find that this motion is an infringement upon the rights of the minority and cannot be put at this time. We will now resume consideration of Bill 86.

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 the following Bills as agreed to:

Bill 72, Combat Sport Act.

Bill 80, An Act to Amend the Enforcement of Money Judgments Act.

Bill 81, An Act to Amend An Act Respecting the Enforcement of Money Judgments Act.

Bill 82, An Act to Amend the Franchises Act.

Bill 86, An Act Respecting Floor Crossing.

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

Bill 85, Teachers' Pension Plan 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, 2 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:

Annual Report 2012-2013
Regional Development Corporation

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