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Wednesday, June 9, 2021

10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Pursuant to Motion 60, certain Members participated in House proceedings by virtual means.

Mr. K. Chiasson, Member for Tracadie-Sheila, laid upon the table of the House a petition urging government to restore bridge functions in Haut-Rivière-du-Portage and Rivière-du-Portage. (Petition 15)

Mr. Turner, from the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, presented the Twelfth Report of the Committee for the session which was read and is as follows:

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

Mr. Speaker:

Your Standing Committee on Economic Policy begs leave to submit this, their twelfth report.

Your Committee met on June 8, and had under consideration:

Bill 36, *An Act to Amend the Highway Act*;  
Bill 42, *Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act*;  
Bill 43, *An Act Respecting the Executive Council Act and the Legislative Assembly Act*;

and have agreed to the same.

And your Committee begs leave to make a further report.

(Sgd. :) Greg Turner, M.L.A.  
Chair

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.

Mr. Arseneault, Opposition House Leader, gave notice that on Thursday, June 10, 2021, Opposition Members' Business would be considered in the following order: Bill 63; Motion 76 and 73.

With leave of the House, Hon. Mr. Savoie moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier: (Motion 78)

WHEREAS New Brunswick currently has the second highest rate of disability in Canada, and government's vision is to proactively eliminate and prevent barriers to ensure greater opportunities and access to services for persons with disabilities;

WHEREAS government strives to ensure New Brunswickers receive services that are accessible to all, may move freely around public buildings and spaces, have access to all employment opportunities and accessible workplaces, have access to digital content and technologies, and receive barrier free services and spaces;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the House appoint a Select Committee on Accessibility in New Brunswick, that will be charged with conducting consultations with community stakeholders and government departments involved with the disability community, and reporting to the House with recommendations;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in addition to the powers traditionally conferred upon the said committee by the Standing Rules, the committee shall have the following additional powers: to meet during sittings of the House and during the recess after prorogation until the following session, and to retain such personnel and expertise as may be required to assist the committee;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said committee be composed of Ms. Bockus, Mr. Hogan, Hon. Mr. Fitch, Mr. Ames, Mr. Cullins, Ms. S. Wilson, Ms. Thériault, Mr. Bourque, Mr. LePage, Mr. Coon and Ms. Conroy.

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

Hon. Mr. Savoie, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that Bills 55 and 56 be ordered for third reading.

The following Bills were read a third time:

Bill 55, *An Act to Amend the Tobacco and Electronic Cigarette Sales Act*.

Bill 56, *An Act to Amend the Medical Consent of Minors Act*.

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

And then, 11.05 a.m., the House adjourned.