Daily sitting 13

Tuesday, November 21, 2023 1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Ms. Conroy, from the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, presented the Second Report of the Committee for the session which was read and is as follows:

November 21, 2023

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 second report.

Your Committee met on November 1, 14, 15, 16 and 17, 2023, and had under consideration:

Bill 2, An Act to Repeal the Beverage Containers Act;
Bill 6, An Act to Amend the Clean Environment Act;
Bill 7, An Act to Amend the Trespass Act;
Bill 8, An Act to Amend the Private Investigators and Security Services Act;
Bill 9, An Act Respecting Child and Youth Well-Being;
Bill 10, An Act to Amend the Electricity Act;
Bill 11, An Act to Amend the Fish and Wildlife Act;
Bill 12, An Act Respecting Trespass on Agricultural Lands;

and have agreed to the same.

And your Committee begs leave to make a further report.

(Sgd.:) Michelle Conroy, 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.

Hon. Mr. Steeves gave Notice of Motion 24 that on Tuesday, November 28, 2023, he would move the following resolution, seconded by the Honourable the Premier:

THAT this House approves in general the capital budgetary policy of the government.

Mr. Arseneau gave Notice of Motion 25 that on Thursday, November 30, 2023, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Mitton:

WHEREAS New Brunswick only produces 3% of the food that New Brunswickers eat;

WHEREAS, according to the 2021 census, New Brunswick lost 20% of its farms between 2016 and 2021;

WHEREAS, according to the 2021 census, only 6.7% of New Brunswick farmers are under 35 years old;

WHEREAS local agriculture encourages dynamic land use;

WHEREAS agriculture is a structure-based sector that is resistant to delocalization;

WHEREAS encouraging local non-industrial agriculture constitutes a way to fight climate change;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to immediately set ambitious local purchasing targets for public establishments in New Brunswick;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to see to the creation of a farm school in New Brunswick in partnership with NBCC and CCNB in an RSC that does not have a postsecondary institution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to undertake an agricultural reform that focuses on diversification rather than intensification, which includes completely stopping the destruction of the Tracadie shooting range.

Hon. Mr. G. Savoie, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that Bills 15 and 13 be called for second reading.

With leave of the House, Hon. Mr. G. Savoie moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier: (Motion 26)

THAT the membership of the Standing Committee on Estimates and Fiscal Policy be amended by substituting Mr. Carr for Hon. Mr. Turner and Ms. Shephard for Ms. Conroy;

THAT the membership of the Standing Committee on Law Amendments be amended by substituting Mr. Holder for Hon. Ms. S. Wilson, Mr. Allain for Hon. Ms. Bockus and Mr. Carr for Mr. Cullins;

THAT the membership of the Standing Committee on Private Bills be amended by substituting Ms. Anderson-Mason for Hon. Mr. Turner;

THAT the membership of the Standing Committee on Procedure, Privileges and Legislative Officers be amended by substituting Mr. Wetmore for Hon. Mr. G. Savoie and Ms. Shephard for Mr. Dawson;

THAT the membership of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be amended by substituting Ms. Shephard for Mr. Dawson;

THAT the membership of the Select Committee on Accessibility in New Brunswick be amended by substituting Mr. Carr for Mr. Cullins; and

THAT the membership of the Select Committee on Public Universities be amended by substituting Mr. Carr for Hon. Ms. S. Wilson, Mr. Wetmore for Mr. Cullins and Ms. Anderson-Mason for Ms. Conroy.

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

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 15, An Act to Amend the Assessment Act, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 15 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 15, *An Act to Amend the Assessment Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, as designated by the Government House Leader.

Debate resumed on the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 13, *An Act to Amend the Executive Council Act*, be now read a second time.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker interrupted proceedings and announced that the hour of daily adjournment had arrived.

And then, 6 p.m., the House adjourned.

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

Rapport annuel 2022-2023	
Collège communautaire du	
Nouveau-Brunswick	November 8, 2023
Response to Petitions 3, 4	November 9, 2023
Annual Report 2022-2023	
New Brunswick Research and	
Productivity Council	November 10, 2023