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Wednesday, December 13, 2017 10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

At 10.13 a.m., Mr. Speaker declared a recess and left the chair due to technical difficulties with the sound and interpretation system.

10.21 a.m.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Hon. Ms. Rogers welcomed to the House the family of The Honourable Brenda Robertson, the province's first female MLA and Cabinet Minister, former Progressive Conservative MLA for Albert (1967-1974), Riverview (1974-1984) and Senator for Riverview (1984-2004), in recognition of the fiftieth anniversary of her election. Mr. Higgs and Mr. Coon joined in this regard.

Following Oral Questions, Hon. Mr. Doucet rose on a point of order and submitted that certain unparliamentary language was used to question the honesty of Members. Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. Rousselle, Q.C., Bill 37, An Act to Amend the Municipal Elections Act. Bill 38, An Act to Amend the Members' Conflict of Interest Act.

Ms. Dubé, Opposition House Leader, gave notice that on Thursday, December 14, 2017, Opposition Members' Business would be considered in the following order: Motion 20; Third Party item; Motion 25 and 21.

Mr. Coon gave notice that the Third Party item would be Motion 11.

Hon. Mr. Doucet gave notice that on Thursday, December 14, 2017, Bills 37 and 38 would be called for second reading.

Hon. Mr. Doucet, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that Bill 35 be called for second reading.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 35, *An Act to Amend the Edmundston Act*, 1998, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 35 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 35, *An Act to Amend the Edmundston Act*, 1998, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, as designated by the Government House Leader.

And then, 11.40 a.m., the House adjourned.