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No. 36

Tuesday, April 23, 1996.

10:45 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. MacDonald, the Deputy Speaker took the Chair.

Petitions

Mrs. Kingston, Member for New Maryland, laid upon the table of the House, a petition on behalf of people throughout New Brunswick concerning the need for increased awareness of Myalgic Encephalomyelitis or Chronic Fatigue Syndrome. (Petition 10)

Documents Tabled

Hon. Mr. Richard laid upon the table of the House a document entitled *Report on Official Languages 1994-95*.

Leave was granted for Hon. Mr. Blanchard to make a lengthy ministerial statement.

After requesting Mr. Deputy Speaker revert to the order of Tabling of Documents, the Minister of Finance laid upon the table of the House a document entitled Memorandum of Understanding on Sales Tax Harmonization.

Leave was granted for Hon. Mrs. Barry to give an extended statement.

After requesting Mr. Deputy Speaker revert to the order of Tabling of Documents, the Hon. Mrs. Barry laid upon the table of the House the following documents:

Workplace Harassment - Employee Information Guide

Public Security Canada - The Status of Women in Canadian Policing: 1993 No.: 1993-22 by Mrs. S. Gail Walker

Province of New Brunswick Survey of Municipal Police Departments April 15/96.

At the request of Ms. Weir, unanimous consent was granted to extend Question Period by five minutes.

Government Motions re Business of House

Hon. Mr. Frenette rose and announced that following Private Members' Motions, it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider legislation.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to extend the noon hour recess until 2.30 o'clock p.m. to allow Members to attend the meeting of the Standing Committee on Private Bills.

Second Reading

The following Bill was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House:

Bill 91, *Appropriations Act 1996-97*.

Third Reading

The following Bills were read a third time:

Bill 25, *An Act to Amend the Highway Act*.

Bill 33, *Supplementary Appropriations Act 1995-96*.

Bill 34, *Supplementary Capital Appropriations Act 1995-96*.

Bill 35, *Capital Appropriations Act 1996-97*.

Bill 42, *Loan Act 1996*.

Bill 43, *An Act to Amend the Revenue Administration Act*.

Bill 44, *An Act to Amend the Liquor Control Act*.

Bill 45, *An Act to Amend the Lotteries Act*.

Bill 52, *An Act to Amend the Liquor Control Act*.

Bill 55, *An Act to Amend the Provincial Loans Act*.

Bill 61, *An Act to Amend the Highway Act*.

Bill 62, *An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Highway Corporation Act*.

Bill 68, *An Act to Amend the Real Property Tax Act*.

Bill 73, *Agricultural Land Protection and Development Act*.

Bill 87, *Supplementary Capital Appropriations Act 1994-95 (2)*.

Bill 88, *Supplementary Appropriations Act 1994-95 (2)*.

Bill 89, *Supplementary Appropriations Act 1995-96 (2)*.

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

At 12.30 o'clock p.m. Mr. Deputy Speaker left the Chair to resume again at 2.30 o'clock p.m.

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Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

Private Members' Motions

Debate resumed on the amendment proposed to Motion 36, by Hon. Mr. King, seconded by Hon. Mr. Tyler, as follows:

AMENDMENT

THAT Motion 36 be amended by:

Deleting everything after the word "government" in the first line of the resolution clause and inserting the following:

"to consult with relevant stakeholders and to address the question of consideration of appropriate assets used to fund uninsured residential services."

And the debate being ended, and the question being put, the amendment was carried.

Debate resumed on Motion 36 as amended as follows:

WHEREAS research has shown that elderly people live longer and healthier lives when they maintain strong ties to their families and to their communities;

WHEREAS this government should always be mindful of the need for compassion and consideration of the well being of New Brunswickers;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Assembly ask the government to consult with relevant stakeholders and to address the question of consideration of appropriate assets used to fund uninsured residential services.

And the debate being ended and the question being put, Motion 36 as amended was carried.

Motion 19 by Mr. Robichaud was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Motion 21 by Mr. Volpé was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Motion 38 by Hon. Mr. Valcourt was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion 39, Hon. Mr. Valcourt moved the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Sherwood:

WHEREAS New Brunswickers have recently been made aware of troubling facts with regard to our corrections system in New Brunswick;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Assembly ask the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to consider causing a commission to issue under the Great Seal to one or more persons to hold an inquiry into and concerning the treatment of inmates in New Brunswick jails.

And the question being put, a debate ensued.

During the debate, Mr. Mockler tabled a copy of a letter dated February 8, 1995 from Fernand Caron to John E. Oxner, Human Resource Services to which he had referred earlier in his remarks.

And the debate being ended and the question being put, Motion 39 was negatived on the following recorded division:

YEAS - 7

Mr. Sherwood Mr. Mockler Mr. Volpé

Mr. Robichaud Ms. Weir Mr. D. Graham

Hon. Mr. Valcourt

NAYS - 24

Hon. Mr. Frenette Hon. Mrs. Day Mr. Kavanaugh

Hon. Mr. Lee Mr. Allaby Mr. Olmstead

Hon. Mr. King Mr. Steeves Mr. Flynn

Hon. Mr. Blaney Mr. Wilson Mr. O'Donnell

Hon. B. Thériault Mr. LeBlanc Mr. Byrne

Hon. Mrs. Mersereau Mr. Jamieson Mr. D. Landry

Hon. Mr. Savoie Mr. Johnson Mr. Armstrong

Mr. McAdam Ms. de Ste. Croix Mr. Devereux

Committee of the Whole

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole with Mr. O'Donnell in the Chair.

And after some time, the Chairman declared it to be 6 o'clock p.m. and left the Chair to resume again at 8 o'clock p.m.

8 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed.

And after some further time spent in Committee of the Whole, Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. O'Donnell, the Chairman, after requesting that Mr. Deputy Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported that the Committee had directed him to report the following Bills as agreed to:

Bill 27, An Act Respecting the New Brunswick Extra-Mural Hospital /Hôpital extra-mural du Nouveau-Brunswick.

Bill 28, An Act to Amend the Vital Statistics Act.

Bill 49, Intercountry Adoption Act.

Bill 53, An Act to Amend the Public Utilities Act.

Bill 69, An Act to Repeal the Mental Health Commission of New Brunswick Act.

Bill 70, An Act to Amend An Act to Amend the Medical Services Payment Act.

Bill 71, An Act to Amend the Medical Services Payment Act.

Bill 72, An Act to Amend the Clean Environment Act.

Bill 78, An Act to Amend the Apprenticeship and Occupational Certification Act.

Bill 85, An Act to Amend the Hospital Act.

Bill 86, An Act to Repeal the New Brunswick Extra-Mural Hospital / Hôpital extra-mural du Nouveau-Brunswick Act.

And the Committee asked leave to make a further report.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 78.1, Mr. Deputy Speaker then 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, 10.33 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.