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Daily Sitting 56

Thursday, June 1, 2000.

1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:

By Hon. Mr. Green,

Bill 40, *An Act to Amend the Trustees Act.*

Bill 41, *An Act to Amend the Interprovincial Subpoena Act.*

Bill 42, *An Act to Amend The Residential Tenancies Act.*

Ordered that the said Bills be read the second time at the next sitting.

Hon. Mr. Green announced that it was the intention of government that following Private Members' Motions, the House would resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the estimates of the Department of Natural Resources and Energy.

At the request of Mrs. Mersereau, it was agreed by unanimous consent that Motion 142 be amended by:

adding the words "in the Program Review" after the word "eliminated."

Debate on Motion 142 as amended was, by leave of the House, stood over until Tuesday, June 13, 2000.

Motion 78 by Mr. Allaby was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Motion 86 by Mr. Richard was, by leave of the House, stood over to Tuesday, June 6, 2000.

Motion 102 by Mrs. Mersereau was, by leave of the House, stood over to Thursday, June 8, 2000.

Motion 103 by Mr. Richard was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Motion 106 by Mr. S. Graham was, by leave of the House, stood over to Tuesday, June 6, 2000.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion 144, Ms. Weir moved, seconded by Mr. Richard:

WHEREAS Alberta's Bill 11 legislation that will permit the contracting out of publicly-funded surgeries to private sector hospitals will set the stage for two-tier American-style health care by establishing access to health services based on whether you can pay, not what services you need and

WHEREAS Bill 11 erodes the fundamental principles of Medicare by allowing richer patients to receive care before those who can't pay the price, and

WHEREAS trade experts have raised concerns that Bill 11 will trigger NAFTA, opening our Canadian health care system to U.S. for-profit corporations

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT all Members of this House join in urging the Prime Minister to refer Bill 11 to the Supreme Court of Canada, and further call on the Federal Government to institute a ban on private for-profit hospitals.

And the question being put, a debate ensued.

And after some time, due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Ashfield took the chair as Acting Speaker.

And after some time, the Acting Speaker interrupted proceedings and advised that the time allotted for Private Members' Motions had expired.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee of Supply with Mr. Bernard in the chair.

At 4.38 o'clock p.m. the Chairman declared a recess.

4.47 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed.

And after some time, the Chairman declared it to be 6 o'clock p.m., and left the chair to resume again at 7 o'clock p.m.

7 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed.

And after some time, Mr. Ashfield, the Acting Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Bernard, the Chairman, after requesting that the Acting Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported that the Committee had had under consideration the matters referred to them, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 78.1, the Acting 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, 10 o'clock 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:

Documents requested in Notices of Motions 103 and 149 - May 30, 2000