

Friday, March 21, 2003.

9 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Ashfield, the Deputy Speaker, took the chair as Acting Speaker.

The following Bill was introduced and read a first time:

By Mr. Allaby,

Bill 45, *An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act.*

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

Hon. Mr. Green announced that following second reading, it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to continue its consideration of Bill 30.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to continue sitting through the noon recess and to adjourn the House at 3 o'clock p.m.

The following Bills were read a second time:

Bill 43, *An Act to Amend the Partnership Act.*

Bill 44, *An Act to Amend the Partnerships and Business Names Registration Act.*

Ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole with Mr. Bernard in the chair.

At 10.19 o'clock a.m., Mr. Bernard, the Chairman declared a recess.

10.41 o'clock a.m.

The Committee resumed with Mr. Bernard in the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Dubé took the chair as Acting Chairman.

And after some further time, Mr. Ashfield took the chair.

And after some further time spent therein, Mr. Allaby moved the following amendment to Bill 30, *Electricity Act*:

AMENDMENT

That Section 11 of Bill be amended by deleting paragraph 11(1)(a), by renumbering 11(1)(b) to 11(1)(a), and by renumbering 11(1)(c) to 11(1)(b).

And the question being put, a debate ensued.

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

YEAS - 5

Mrs. Mersereau	Mr. Haché	Ms. Weir
Mr. Richard	Mr. Allaby	

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Hon. Mr. Green	Mr. Stiles	Mr. Cyr
Hon. Mr. Volpé	Mr. MacDonald	Mr. MacKenzie
Hon. Mr. Weston	Mr. Holder	Ms. Madeleine Dubé
Hon. Mrs. MacAlpine	Mr. Landry	Mr. Alward
Mr. John Betts	Mr. Laforest	Mr. Jean Dubé
Mr. Carr	Ms. Keddy	Mr. Moore
Mr. Malley	Mr. Savoie	Mr. Williams

The Committee continued its consideration of Bill 30, *Electricity Act*, and the debate being ended and the question being put that section 11 stand as presented, it was resolved in the affirmative on the following recorded division:

YEAS - 18

Hon. Mr. Green	Mr. Stiles	Mr. Bernard
Hon. Mr. Graham	Mr. Forbes	Mr. MacKenzie
Hon. Mr. Volpé	Mr. Holder	Ms. Dubé
Hon. Mrs. MacAlpine	Mr. Laforest	Mr. Alward
Mr. Carr	Ms. Keddy	Mr. Jean Dubé
Mr. Malley	Mr. Cyr	Mr. Williams

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Mrs. Mersereau	Mr. Allaby	Ms. Weir
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Due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bernard, the Deputy Speaker took the chair as Acting Speaker and Mr. Ashfield, the Chairman, after requesting that the Deputy Speaker revert to the Order of Presentations of Committee Reports, reported:

That the Committee had directed him to report progress on the following Bill:

Bill 30, *Electricity Act*

And the Committee asked leave to make a further report.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 78.1, Mr. Bernard, the Deputy 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.

Ant then, 2.37 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.