
Tuesday, June 21, 2005.

10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Speaker informed the House of the decision of the National Council of the Canadian Cancer Society to recognize the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick's significant contribution to cancer control by awarding the Special Recognition Award, in appreciation for enacting the *Smoke-Free Places Act*.

Mr. Paulin, Member for Restigouche West, laid upon the table of the House, a petition signed by residents of his constituency urging the government to sign the bilateral agreement on day care services with the federal government prior to a federal election. (Petition 48)

Mr. MacDonald from the Standing Committee on Estimates presented the First Report of the Committee, which was read and is as follows:

June 21, 2005.

To The Honourable
The Legislative Assembly of
The Province of New Brunswick

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Estimates begs leave to submit this their first report.

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On motion of Hon. P. Robichaud, seconded by Mr. Stiles, Mr. MacDonald was elected Chairman.

On motion of Hon. Mrs. MacAlpine, seconded by Hon. D. Graham, Mr. Williams was elected Vice Chair.

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Your Committee wishes to report that all of the items referred to it were passed, with the exception of the estimates related to Department of Transportation and Service New Brunswick, which estimates have yet to be considered.

Your Committee recommends that the estimates adopted by the Committee and outlined in the attached report be concurred in by the House.

And your Committee begs leave to make a further report.

(Sgd. :) Kirk MacDonald, MLA.
Chairman.

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.

The full Report of the Committee as presented is as follows:

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The following are the items that were passed by the Committee:

MAIN ESTIMATES, 2005-2006
ORDINARY ACCOUNT

Aboriginal Affairs Secretariat	757,000
Advisory Council on the Status of Women	418,000
Council of Atlantic Premiers	772,000
Culture and Sport Secretariat	11,948,000
Department of Education	802,572,000
Department of Energy	1,874,000
Department of the Environment and Local Government	55,434,000
Department of Family and Community Services	735,710,000
Department of Intergovernmental and International Relations	3,131,000
Intergovernmental Conferences	25,000

Legislative Assembly – Leaders of Registered Political Parties	1,617,000
Legislative Assembly – Members Allowances and Committees	2,619,000
Legislative Assembly – Office of the Auditor General	1,711,000
Legislative Assembly – Office of the Chief Electoral Officer	961,000
Legislative Assembly – Office of the Child and Youth Advocate	435,000
Legislative Assembly – Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages	483,000
Legislative Assembly – Office of the Consumer Advocate for Insurance	435,000
Legislative Assembly – Office of the Legislative Assembly	2,827,000
Legislative Assembly – Office of the Ombudsman	704,000
Legislative Assembly – Office of the Supervisor of Political Financing	132,000
Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission	197,666,000

LOANS AND ADVANCES

Department of Education – Student Loan Advances	273,702,000
Department of Family and Community Services – Housing	5,905,000

WORKING CAPITAL – MAXIMUM BALANCES

WORKING CAPITAL ADVANCES

Department of Education – Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority	350,000
Department of the Environment and Local Government	20,000
Department of Family and Community Services	1,900,000

PETTY CASH ADVANCES

Department of Education	120,000
Department of the Environment and Local Government	20,000
Department of Family and Community Services	24,000

INVENTORIES

Department of Education	350,000
Department of Family and Community Services	100,000

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2004-2005 VOLUME II

ORDINARY ACCOUNT

Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Aquaculture	7,750,000
Department of Family and Community Services	4,000,000
Supplementary Funding Provision	10,000,000
Department of Supply and Services	4,400,000

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

Department of Transportation	5,025,000
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And your Committee asks leave to make a further report.

(Sgd. :) Kirk MacDonald, MLA.
Chairman.

Mr. Foran gave Notice of Motion 111 that on Tuesday, June 28, 2005, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. S. Graham:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House all correspondence, including e-mails, faxes, letters, memoranda and briefing notes relating to all discussions that occurred between the Department of Public Safety and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police J-Division between January 1st 2004 until June 21, 2005.

Mr. Arseneault gave Notice of Motion 112 that on Tuesday, June 28, 2005, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Jamieson:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House the number of applicants to the Environmental Trust Fund Program, by provincial riding, for the current fiscal year.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to vary the hours of sitting, to recess at 12.30 o'clock p.m., to resume at 2 o'clock p.m., to recess at 6 o'clock p.m., to resume at 7 o'clock p.m., and to sit no later than 10 o'clock p.m.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Green, seconded by Hon. P. Robichaud, RESOLVED, that the estimates of the Department of Transportation and Service New Brunswick be referred back to the Committee of Supply.

Hon. Mr. Green, the Government House Leader, announced that following Private Members' Motions, it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to take into consideration the estimates of the Department of Transportation and Service New Brunswick.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion 100, Mr. Armstrong, seconded by Mr. Lamrock, moved:

WHEREAS this spring's flood waters have caused much damage to homes and businesses;

WHEREAS the Minister of Public Safety has proposed deductibles of \$5,000 for home owners and \$10,000 for businesses;

WHEREAS many home owners and businesses cannot afford the deductibles described above;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly call upon the government to declare that this spring's flood waters be declared a disaster and that deductibles for flood compensation for home owners and businesses be \$1,000.

And the question being put, a debate ensued.

During the debate, it was agreed by unanimous consent to conclude the time reserved for Private Members' Motions upon the conclusion of the debate on Motion 100.

And the debate being ended and the question being put, Motion 100 was negatived on the following recorded division:

YEAS - 23

Mr. McGinley	Mr. Ouellette	Mr. Kennedy
Mr. Jamieson	Ms. Robichaud	Mr. A. LeBlanc
Mr. Allaby	Mr. Lamrock	Mr. Paulin
Mr. S. Graham	Mr. Targett	Mr. Doucet
Mr. Haché	Mr. Burke	Mr. R. Boudreau
Mr. Armstrong	Mr. Murphy	Mr. Brewer
Mr. Landry	Mr. Arseneault	Mr. V. Boudreau
Mr. Branch	Mr. Foran	

NAYS - 25

Hon. E. Robichaud	Hon. Ms. Dubé	Mr. Betts
Hon. Mr. Mesheau	Hon. Ms. Poirier	Mr. Malley
Hon. Mr. Volpé	Hon. Mr. Ashfield	Mr. Williams
Hon. Mr. Lord	Hon. Mr. Fitch	Mr. Carr
Hon. Mr. Green	Hon. Ms. Fowlie	Mr. MacDonald
Hon. D. Graham	Hon. P. Robichaud	Mr. Stiles
Hon. Ms. MacAlpine	Hon. Mr. Alward	Mr. Holder
Mr. Sherwood	Hon. Mr. Huntjens	Mr. C. LeBlanc
Hon. Mr. Steeves		

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of Supply with Mr. C. LeBlanc in the chair.

At 12.30 o'clock p.m., the Chairman left the chair to resume again at 2 o'clock p.m.

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The Committee resumed with Mr. C. LeBlanc in the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Holder took the chair.

And after some further time, Mr. C. LeBlanc resumed the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Holder resumed the chair.

At 6 o'clock p.m., the Chairman left the chair to resume again at 7 o'clock p.m.

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The Committee resumed with Mr. Holder in the chair.

And after some time, Mr. C. LeBlanc resumed the chair.

And after some further time spent in Committee of Supply, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. C. LeBlanc, the Chairman, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported that the Committee had had under consideration the matters referred to them and had passed all remaining items.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 78.1, Mr. 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.

The following are the items reported:

MAIN ESTIMATES, 2005-2006

ORDINARY ACCOUNT

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Voted, Supply in the following amounts to defray the expenses of the following programs for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2006:

Service New Brunswick – Government Service Delivery	19,525,000
Service New Brunswick – Property Tax Assessment Provision	5,885,000

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$143,404,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2006:

Administration	20,909,000
Policy, Development and Intergovernmental Relations	3,069,000
Maintenance	54,358,000
Winter Maintenance	50,840,000
Bridge and Highway Construction	4,655,000
New Brunswick Highway Corporation	19,769,000
Less amounts authorized by law	10,196,000
Voted	143,404,000

WORKING CAPITAL - MAXIMUM BALANCES		
2005 - 2006		Voted
PETTY CASH ADVANCES		
Transportation		50,000
INVENTORIES		
Transportation		19,000,000

The said items were concurred in by the House.

And then, 10.02 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.