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Province of New Brunswick

Hon. Herménégilde Chiasson Lieutenant-Governor

Speaker: Hon. Michael Malley

Thursday, April 27, 2006

Third Session of the 55th Legislative Assembly Fredericton, New Brunswick

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1 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

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Hon. Mr. Harrison, Government House Leader, announced that following third and second reading and the time allotted for 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 Local Government.

The following Bill was read a third time:

Bill 37, An Act to Amend the Elections Act.

Ordered that the said Bill does pass.

TheOrder being read for second reading of Bill 55, *An Act to Amend the Assessment Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 55, *An Act to Amend the Assessment Act*, be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 55, *An Act to Amend the Assessment Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion 52, Mr. S. Graham moved, seconded by Mr. Doherty:

WHEREAS an agreement was signed with the federal government on November 24, 2005, to transfer \$110 million over 5 years to improve the childcare system in New Brunswick; and WHEREAS more than three-quarters of mothers in New Brunswick with preschool children work outside the home; and

WHEREAS New Brunswick parents are among the Canadians most likely to have their children in a nonparental day care situation; and

WHEREAS New Brunswick's system for licensed and regulated childcare is among the worst in the country; and

WHEREAS other provinces are demanding that the federal government honour the Early Learning and Childcare agreement signed in 2005; and

WHEREAS the Early Learning and Childcare Agreement signed with the federal government last year was supported by the majority of New Brunswickers;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick call on the federal minority government to reverse their decision to unilaterally withdraw from the signed Early Learning and Childcare Agreement; and

BE IT THEREFORE FURTHER RESOLVED that all funds negotiated to improve our childcare system are transferred to New Brunswick.

And the question being put, a debate ensued.

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

And after some further time, Mr. Betts took the chair as Acting Speaker.

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

And the debate being ended and the question being put, Motion 52 was negatived on the following recorded division:

YEAS - 25

Mr. McGinley	Mr. Ouellette	Mr. Foran
Mr. Jamieson	Ms. Robichaud	Mr. Kennedy
Mr. Allaby	Mr. Lamrock	Mr. A. LeBlanc
Mr. S. Graham	Mr. Targett	Mr. Paulin
Mr. Haché	Mr. Burke	Mr. Doucet
Mr. Armstrong	Mr. Murphy	Mr. R. Boudreau
Mr. Landry	Mr. Kenny	Mr. Brewer
Mr. Doherty	Mr. Arseneault	Mr. V. Boudreau
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Hon. Ms. MacAlpine-Stiles	Hon. Ms. Fowlie	Hon. Mr. Fitch
Hon. Ms. Poirier	Hon. Mr. Steeves	Mr. Huntjens

Hon. Mr. Williams	Mr. Stiles
Hon. Mr. Ashfield	Mr. Sherwood
Hon. Mr. MacDonald	Mr. Mesheau
Hon. Mr. Carr	Ms. Blaney
Hon. P. Robichaud	Mr. E. Robichaud
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Hon. Mr. Holder	Mr. Betts
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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of Supply with Mr. C. LeBlanc in the chair.

And after some time, 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, had made some progress therein and asked leave to sit again.

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 resolved in the affirmative.

And then, 6 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 Notice of Motion 23

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