



Journals

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Legislative Assembly

Province of New Brunswick

Hon. Herménégilde Chiasson
Lieutenant-Governor

Speaker: Hon. Eugene McGinley

Thursday, June 28, 2007

**First Session of the 56th Legislative Assembly
Fredericton, New Brunswick**

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1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Betts, Member for Moncton Crescent, laid upon the table of the House a petition urging the government to raise and index social assistance rates to the cost of living, to increase the minimum wage, and to pressure the Federal government for real improvements to the Employment Insurance program. (Petition 50)

Hon. Mr. Jamieson laid upon the table of the House a document entitled *The Government's Response to the Final Report of the Commission on Legislative Democracy, An Accountable and Responsible Government, A New Generation of Canadian Leadership...Renewing Democracy in New Brunswick, June 2007*.

During Oral Question Period, Mr. Speaker interrupted the proceedings and requested that Mr. Robichaud, Member for Lamèque-Shippagan-Miscou, withdraw the term "lied," which he did.

Mr. Harrison gave Notice of Motion 72 that on Thursday, July 5, 2007, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. C. LeBlanc:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House a list of all communications staff employed by the Province of New Brunswick as of October 2, 2006, and a list of all communications staff hired in full-time, part-time, casual or term positions or engaged by contract since October 2, 2006, including but not limited to persons holding the following positions:

Communications Directors;
Communications Officers;
Designers assigned to communication units;
Researchers assigned to communications units;
Clerks assigned to communications units; and
Administrative Support employees assigned to communications units.

Ms. Dubé gave Notice of Motion 73 that on Thursday, July 5, 2007, she would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Huntjens:

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 documents, including but not limited to memos, letters, correspondence, electronic mail, minutes of meetings, reports since October 3, 2006, between the Province of New Brunswick, Government of Canada, State of Maine and the Government of the United States regarding existing and potential international border crossings between the Province of New Brunswick and the State of Maine.

Hon. Mr. Jamieson, Government House Leader, announced that with unanimous consent to dispense with the two hours reserved for Private Members' Motion, it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to resume consideration of the estimates of the Departments of Natural Resources, Education, and Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to dispense with the Order for Private Members' Motions.

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

And after some time, Mr. B. LeBlanc took the chair.

And after some further time, Mr. Kenny resumed the chair.

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

7 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed with Mr. Kenny in the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Kenny, 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, had passed several items, 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 was resolved in the affirmative.

The following are the items reported:

MAIN ESTIMATES, 2007 - 2008

ORDINARY ACCOUNT

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$94,852,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2008:

Forest Management	54,590,000
Fish and Wildlife Management.....	10,824,000
Minerals Management.....	6,082,000
Corporate Services	8,280,000
Land Management and Natural Areas.....	4,892,000
Regional Management	9,336,000
First Nation's Wood Harvest.....	887,000
Less amounts authorized by law.....	39,000
Voted	94,852,000

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$2,436,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2008:

Musquash Watershed Infrastructure - Capital Improvements	1,236,000
Sentier NB Trail Infrastructure.....	1,200,000

WORKING CAPITAL - MAXIMUM BALANCES

	2007 - 2008	Voted
PETTY CASH ADVANCES		
Natural Resources.....		30,000
INVENTORIES		
Natural Resources.....		510,000

The said items were concurred in by the House.

And then 10 o'clock p.m. the House adjourned.