

Journals (Unrevised)

Legislative Assembly

Province of New Brunswick

Hon. Herménégilde Chiasson Lieutenant-Governor

Speaker: Hon. Roy Boudreau

Wednesday, April 23, 2008

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10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Williams, Member for Kent South, laid upon the table of the House a petition relating to uranium mining. Mr. Speaker having examined the petition, returned it to the Member later during the sitting day, having found it to be in electronic form and without signatures.

Mr. B. LeBlanc gave Notice of Motion 71 that on Tuesday, April 29, 2008, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. MacIntyre:

WHEREAS, in 2009, the Congrès mondial acadien will be held in Caraquet;

WHEREAS our current Lieutenant-Governor is a recognized Acadian artist, writer, and cultural leader;

WHEREAS the current Lieutenant-Governor's term ends in 2008;

WHEREAS the current Lieutenant-Governor would be an ideal representative for New Brunswick during the year of the congress;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly ask the Prime Minister of Canada to extend the Lieutenant-Governor's term to enable him to represent the Crown and our province at this Acadian congress.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 44(4), Mr. Harrison, Opposition House Leader, gave notice of the intention of the Opposition to consider Opposition Members' Business in the following order on Thursday, April 24, 2008: (1) Motion 66; and (2) second reading of Bill 15.

Hon. Mr. Murphy, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of the government that the House resolve into a Committee of the Whole to consider Bills 42, 32 and 34.

The Government House Leader gave notice that on Thursday, April 24, 2008, it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Bill 34; following which, with the consent of the House, Bill 34 would be called for third reading.

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

And after some time, Mr. Fitch rose on a point of order and submitted that the Minister of Health was not looking at the chair when making his remarks. Mr. Murphy spoke on the point of order. Mr. Chairman ruled that Members are required to direct their comments through the chair; however, they are not required to look directly at the chair when making those comments.

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. 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 directed that he report the following Bills as agreed to:

Bill 32, An Act to Amend the Executive Council Act.

Bill 42, An Act to Amend the Municipal Elections Act.

And that the Committee had directed that he report progress on the following Bill:

Bill 34, An Act to Amend the Regional Health Authorities Act.

And the Committee asked leave to make a further report.

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.

And then, 6 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.