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Legislative Assembly

Province of New Brunswick

Hon. Herménégilde Chiasson
Lieutenant-Governor

Speaker: Hon. Roy Boudreau

Wednesday, December 10, 2008

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

Wednesday, December 10, 2008.
10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Hon. Mr. Foran welcomed to the House Ms. Godelieve Van den Bergh, the Consul General of Belgium in Montréal.

Ms. Dubé, Member for Edmundston, laid upon the table of the House a petition on behalf of parents from School District 3 in the Boucher Office area who are dissatisfied with the school transportation services and are concerned for their children's safety. (Petition 16)

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time.

By Mr. Alward, on behalf of Mr. Fitch,
Bill 18, *An Act to Amend the Taxpayer Protection Act*.

By Hon. Mr. Arseneault,
Bill 19, *An Act to Amend the Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Commission Act*.
Bill 20, *An Act to Amend the Workers' Compensation Act*.

By Hon. Mr. Byrne, Q.C.
Bill 21, *An Act to Amend the Assessment Act*.

By Hon. Mr. Foran,
Bill 22, *An Act to Amend the Liquor Control Act*.

Hon. Mr. Burke gave Notice of Motion 24 that on Tuesday, December 16, 2008, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Harrison:

WHEREAS between 1869 and 1948 approximately 100,000 British Home Children were brought to Canada to work on farms and as domestic helpers;

WHEREAS many of these children came to New Brunswick;

WHEREAS these children lived through separation from their families and country and many experienced difficult conditions and hardship in their new homes;

WHEREAS it is estimated that 12 percent of the Canadian population is descended from the British Home Children;

WHEREAS the story of the British Home children is a significant piece of our history and heritage;

WHEREAS in 2009 the surviving British Home Children and descendants will be commemorating the 140th anniversary of the first arrival of these children in Canada;

BE IT RESOLVED that this Legislature recognize 2009 as the Year of the British Home Child.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 44(4), Mr. Robichaud, Opposition House Leader, gave notice that on Thursday, December 11, 2008, it was the intention of the Opposition to consider Opposition Members' Business in the following order: resumption of debate on second reading of Bill 17; second reading of Bill 18; and Motion 21.

Hon. Mr. Murphy, Government House Leader, gave notice that on Friday, December 12, 2008, it was the intention of government that Bills 19, 20, 21, 22 be called for second reading.

Hon. Mr. Murphy, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that following third reading, the House would resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Bills 16, 14 and 15; following which, the House would resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the Capital Estimates of the Department of Transportation, Department of Finance, Regional Development Corporation, Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission, and the Department of Agriculture and Aquaculture.

The following Bills were read a third time.

Bill 10, *An Act to Amend the Political Process Financing Act.*

Bill 12, *An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act.*

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole with Ms. Robichaud in the chair.

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

2 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed with Ms. Robichaud in the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Ms. Robichaud, the Chair, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported:

That the Committee had directed that she report the following Bill as agreed to:

Bill 16, *An Act to Amend the Municipal Assistance Act.*

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

Bill 14, *An Act to Amend the Public Works 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.

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

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Fraser, 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.

The following are the items reported:

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES, 2008-2009 VOLUME I

ORDINARY ACCOUNT

Voted

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$10,655,000 to defray the expenses of the following program:

Elementary and Secondary Education	10,655,000
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$483,000 to defray the expenses of the following program:

Energy Policy Management and Business Development ...	483,000
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GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Voted, Supply in the following amounts to defray the expenses of the following programs for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009:

Employee Benefit Plans	11,000,000
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Legislated Pension Plans, Benefit Accruals,

Subsidies, and Supplementary Allowances	122,000,000
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Voted, Supply in the following amounts to defray the expenses of the following programs for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009:

Corporate and Other Health Services	7,000,000
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Regional Health Authorities	\$33,000,000
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS

Voted, Supply in the following amounts to defray the expenses of the following programs for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009:

Court Services	1,335,000
Legal Aid	162,000

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Voted, Supply in the following amounts to defray the expenses of the following programs for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009:

Members' Allowances, Committees and Operations	405,000
Office of the Auditor General	400,000
Elections New Brunswick	1,029,000

DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Voted, Supply in the following amounts to defray the expenses of the following programs for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009:

Corporate Services	400,000
Corporate and Community Finances	917,000

MARITIME PROVINCES HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$3,106,000 to defray the expenses of the following program:

Assistance to Universities	3,106,000
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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Voted, Supply in the following amounts to defray the expenses of the following programs for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009:

Forest Management	1,450,000
Minerals Management	450,000

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$1,203,000 to defray the expenses of the following program:

Attorney General	1,203,000
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$28,500,000 to defray the expenses of the following program:

Safety Services	28,500,000
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REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$17,300,000 to defray the expenses of the following program:

Development Projects and Operations	17,300,000
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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Voted, Supply in the following amounts to defray the expenses of the following programs for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009:

Child Protection and Child Development	3,800,000
Long Term Care	10,431,000
Income Security	661,000
Housing Services	4,657,000

DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY AND SERVICES

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$500,000 to defray the expenses of the following program:

Buildings Group	500,000
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$2,183,000 to defray the expenses of the following program:

Maintenance	2,183,000
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CAPITAL ACCOUNT

DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND PARKS

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$600,000 to defray the expenses of the following program:

Capital Improvements	600,000
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LOANS AND ADVANCES

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS NEW BRUNSWICK

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$35,000,000 to defray the expenses of the following program:

<i>Economic Development Act, Agricultural Development Act and Fisheries Development Act</i>	35,000,000
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SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES, 2007-2008

VOLUME III

ORDINARY ACCOUNT

Voted

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS NEW BRUNSWICK

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$1,558,618.09 to defray the expenses of the following program:

Business and Industry Development	1,558,618.09
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GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Voted, Supply in the following amounts to defray the expenses of the following programs for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2008:

Employee Benefit Plans	3,964,142.51
Legislated Pension Plans, Benefit Accruals, Subsidies, and Supplementary Allowances	34,959,364.00
Provision for Losses	40,032,487.39

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$1,695,869.18 to defray the expenses of the following program:

Institutional Services	1,695,869.18
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REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$4,255,408.99 to defray the expenses of the following program:

Development Projects and Operations 4,255,408.99

DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY AND SERVICES

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$56,420.48 to defray the expenses of the following program:

General Services 56,420.48

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Voted, Supply in the following amounts to defray the expenses of the following programs for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2008:

Administration 148,027.13

Maintenance 1,189,893.31

Winter Maintenance 7,847,413.35

CAPITAL ACCOUNT**REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$724,804.00 to defray the expenses of the following program:

Capital Development Projects 724,804.00

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$2,204,589.62 to defray the expenses of the following program:

Permanent Highways 2,204,589.62

The said items were concurred in by the House.

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.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to revert to the Order of Introduction of Bills.

The following Bills was introduced and read a first time.

By Hon. Victor Boudreau,

Bill 23, *Supplementary Appropriations Act 2008-2009 (1)*

Bill 24, *Supplementary Appropriations Act 2007-2008 (3)*.

Mr. Speaker announced that pursuant to Standing Rule 42.3(1), Bills 23 and 24 were ordered for second and third reading forthwith.

The following Bills were read a second time:

Bill 23, *Supplementary Appropriations Act 2008-2009* (1).

Bill 24, *Supplementary Appropriations Act 2007-2008* (3).

The following Bills were read a third time and passed:

Bill 23, *Supplementary Appropriations Act 2008-2009* (1).

Bill 24, *Supplementary Appropriations Act 2007-2008* (3).

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

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Fraser, 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.

The following are the items reported:

CAPITAL ESTIMATES 2009-2010		Voted
REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION		
Voted, Supply in the following amounts to defray the expenses of the following programs for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2010:		
Capital Development Projects		0
Provincial Gas Tax Transfer Top-Up Fund.....	12,400,000	
Canada-New Brunswick		
Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund.....	4,984,000	
Canada-New Brunswick Building Canada Fund -		
Communities Agreement.....	5,000,000	

The said items were concurred in by the House.

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