

Daily sitting 33

Tuesday, May 1, 2012

1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

The Honourable the Premier offered condolences to the family of the late Mr. Clarence Cormier, former Progressive Conservative MLA for Memramcook (1982-1987).

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Ms. Blais, Q.C.,

Bill 30, *An Act to Amend the Interpretation Act*.

Bill 31, *Law Reform (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act, 2012*.

Mr. Arseneault gave Notice of Motion 53 that on Thursday, May 10, 2012, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Bertrand 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 all documentation, including correspondence, however recorded, stored or archived, by electronic means or otherwise, regarding the total number of applicants to the Property Tax Deferral Program for Seniors from April 1, 2012 to present.

Mr. Doucet gave Notice of Motion 54 that on Thursday, May 10, 2012, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Arseneault:

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 documentation, including but not limited to correspondence, however recorded, stored or archived, by electronic means or otherwise, related to the emergency response capacity program in Charlotte County, including the qualifications of staff, the hiring process, targets and objectives, timelines, budgets, and expenses incurred in wages, travel, office space rentals and consultation with stakeholders.

Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the estimates of the Regional Development Corporation; the Department of Economic Development; and Invest New Brunswick.

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

At 5.28 o'clock p.m., Mr. C. Landry declared a recess and left the chair.

5.35 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed.

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

7 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed.

At 8.01 o'clock p.m., Mr. C. Landry declared a recess and left the chair.

8.05 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed.

And after some time, due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Urquhart, the Deputy Speaker, took the chair as Acting Speaker and Mr. C. Landry, the Chair, after requesting that Mr. Deputy 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 78.2, Mr. Deputy 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 following are the items reported:

MAIN ESTIMATES, 2012-2013

ORDINARY ACCOUNT

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$104,598,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2013:

Administration	2,433,000
Business and Industry Development	12,695,000
Strategic Assistance	14,500,000
Regional Development Corporation	75,023,000
Less amount authorized by law	53,000
Voted	104,598,000

INVEST NEW BRUNSWICK

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$14,637,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2013:

Invest NB	4,637,000
Strategic Assistance	10,000,000
Less amounts authorized by law	0
Voted	14,637,000

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$6,085,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2013:

Regional Development Corporation:

Canada - New Brunswick Building Canada Fund - Communities Component	4,585,000
Economic Development and Innovation	1,500,000
Voted	6,085,000

LOANS AND ADVANCES

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$65,000,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2013:

Financial Assistance to Industry	60,000,000
Regional Development Corporation:	
Financial assistance under the Northern New Brunswick Economic Development and Innovation Fund Loan Program	4,000,000
Financial assistance under the Miramichi Regional Economic Development and Innovation Fund Loan Program	1,000,000
Voted	65,000,000

INVEST NEW BRUNSWICK

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$30,000,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocation for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2013:

Financial Assistance to Industry	30,000,000
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The said items were concurred in by the House.

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

The following document, having been deposited with the Clerk of the House, was deemed laid upon the table of the House pursuant to Standing Rule 39:

Annual Report 2010-2011

Efficiency NB

April 27, 2012