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Thursday, December 16, 2021

10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Pursuant to Motion 81, certain Members participated in House proceedings by virtual means.

Ms. Mitton, Member for Memramcook-Tantramar, laid upon the table of the House a petition urging government to restore emergency room services and acute care beds in the Sackville Memorial Hospital. (Petition 39)

Mr. Turner, from the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, presented the Nineteenth Report of the Committee for the session which was read and is as follows:

December 16, 2021

To The Honourable
The Legislative Assembly of
The Province of New Brunswick

Mr. Speaker:

Your Standing Committee on Economic Policy begs leave to submit this, their nineteenth report.

Your Committee met on December 14 and 15, and had under consideration:

Bill 82, *An Act Respecting Local Governance Reform*;

and have agreed to the same.

And your Committee begs leave to make a further report.

(Sgd. :) Greg Turner, M.L.A.
Chair

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.

Hon. Mr. Savoie, Government House Leader, announced that following third reading, it was the intention of government that the House take into consideration Motion 94; following which the House would consider an adjournment motion; following which, with leave, Opposition Members' Business would be considered forthwith.

The following Bill was read a third time:

Bill 82, *An Act Respecting Local Governance Reform*.

Ordered that the said Bill does pass.

Pursuant to Notice of Motion 94, Mr. Hogan moved, seconded by Mr. Carr:

WHEREAS the following public Acts of the Legislature, or provisions of public Acts of the Legislature, were listed in the 2021 Annual Report, *Statute Repeal Act*, laid before the Legislative Assembly on March 16, 2021, as public Acts or provisions of public Acts that are to come into force by proclamation, that were assented to nine years or more before December 31, 2020, and that have not come into force on or before that date:

1. *Pension Benefits Act*, S.N.B. 1987, c.P-5.1:
 - section 2
2. *An Act to Amend the Judicature Act*, S.N.B. 2001, c.29:
 - sections 1 and 5 and paragraph 2(b)
3. *An Act to Amend the Clean Environment Act*, S.N.B. 2009, c.40
4. *An Act to Amend the Insurance Act*, S.N.B. 2010, c.24

WHEREAS, as a result of being listed in the Annual Report, these public Acts of the Legislature, or provisions of public Acts of the Legislature, will be repealed on December 31, 2021, pursuant to section 2 of the *Statute Repeal Act*, unless the Legislative Assembly adopts a resolution that these Acts or provisions not be repealed;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that these public Acts of the Legislature, or provisions of public Acts of the Legislature, listed in this resolution, not be repealed.

And the question being put, a debate ensued.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put, Motion 94 was resolved in the affirmative.

Hon. Mr. Savoie moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier:

THAT when the Assembly adjourns on Friday, December 17, 2021, it stand adjourned until Tuesday, March 22, 2022, provided always that if it appears to the satisfaction of Mr. Speaker, after consultation with the Government, that the public interest requires that the House should meet at an earlier time during the adjournment, Mr. Speaker may give notice that he is so satisfied and in such notice shall state a time at which the House shall meet, and thereupon the House shall meet at the time so stated and shall transact its business as if it has been duly adjourned to that time, and

THAT in the event of Mr. Speaker being unable to act owing to illness or other cause, either of the Deputy Speakers shall act in his stead for the purpose of this order.

And the question being put, a debate ensued.

And after some time, Mr. Arseneault, seconded by Mr. Melanson, moved in amendment:

AMENDMENT

That the motion be amended by deleting “March 22, 2022” and substituting “February 8, 2022”.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the proposed amendment and a debate ensued.

At 12 p.m. the House recessed. At 1 p.m. the House resumed.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put, the amendment was defeated.

And the question being put on the motion, it was resolved in the affirmative.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to consider Opposition Members’ Business forthwith.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 85, *An Act to Amend the Emergency Measures Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 85 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the negative on the following recorded division:

YEAS - 20

Mr. Arseneault	Mr. Austin	Ms. Mitton
Ms. Thériault	Mr. LeBlanc	Ms. Conroy
Mr. Melanson	Mr. K. Chiasson	Mr. Legacy
Mr. McKee	Mr. C. Chiasson	Mr. Gauvin
Ms. Landry	Mr. Bourque	Mr. Landry
Mr. Guitard	Mr. LePage	Mr. Arseneau
Mr. Coon	Mr. D'Amours	

NAYS - 22

Hon. Mr. Savoie	Hon. Ms. Dunn	Mr. Cullins
Hon. Ms. Shephard	Hon. Mr. Cardy	Ms. Anderson-Mason
Hon. Mr. Flemming	Hon. Ms. Scott-Wallace	Mr. Hogan
Hon. Mr. Fitch	Hon. Mr. Allain	Mr. Ames
Hon. Ms. M. Wilson	Hon. Ms. Johnson	Mr. Carr
Hon. Mr. Crossman	Mr. Wetmore	Mr. Turner
Hon. Mr. Holland	Ms. S. Wilson	
Hon. Ms. Green	Ms. Bockus	

Debate resumed on Motion 90, moved by Mr. McKee, seconded by Mr. Arseneault, on Thursday, December 9, 2021.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put, Motion 90 was resolved in the negative on the following recorded division:

YEAS - 17

Mr. Arseneault	Mr. LeBlanc	Ms. Mitton
Ms. Thériault	Mr. K. Chiasson	Mr. Legacy
Mr. Melanson	Mr. C. Chiasson	Mr. Gauvin
Mr. McKee	Mr. Bourque	Mr. Landry
Mr. Guitard	Mr. LePage	Mr. Arseneau
Mr. Coon	Mr. D'Amours	

NAYS - 24

Hon. Mr. Savoie	Hon. Ms. Green	Ms. Bockus
Hon. Mr. Steeves	Hon. Ms. Dunn	Mr. Cullins
Hon. Ms. Shephard	Hon. Mr. Cardy	Ms. Anderson-Mason
Hon. Mr. Flemming	Hon. Ms. Scott-Wallace	Mr. Hogan
Hon. Mr. Fitch	Hon. Mr. Allain	Mr. Ames
Hon. Ms. M. Wilson	Hon. Ms. Johnson	Mr. Carr
Hon. Mr. Crossman	Mr. Wetmore	Mr. Turner
Hon. Mr. Holland	Ms. S. Wilson	Mr. Austin

And then, 4.31 p.m., the House adjourned.