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HALIFAX, FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 2011

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9:00 A.M.

SPEAKER

Hon. Gordon Gosse

DEPUTY SPEAKERS

Ms. Becky Kent, Mr. Leo Glavine, Mr. Alfie MacLeod

MR. SPEAKER: Order, please. Before we start the daily routine this morning, I would like to say a few words on this historic day, April 29th, in congratulations to William and Kate on their ceremony this morning, and wish them all the best in their future endeavours and life together.

I would also like to thank the supervisor of the Legislative Library staff, Margaret Murphy; the staff - Anne, Heather, Angela, Angie and David; and also my House of Assembly Operations staff - Mike Laffin, Peter Theriault and Peter the Page (Applause) - for putting on such a lovely event this morning in this historic building in the Legislative Library to show and honour Kate and William's marriage today. Again, congratulations to them and also a great big thank you. (Applause) So again, thank you to Margaret Murphy, all of her staff and the staff of House of Assembly Operations for putting on a lovely event this morning in this historic building.

HON. DAVID WILSON: On a point of order, Mr. Speaker. Yesterday during Question Period, in one of my answers, I did indicate that the former Government of the Liberal Party introduced VLTs to the province - I stand corrected. What I did want to say was it was the former Liberal Government that introduced the casino, so I do retract the comments that I made yesterday.

MR. SPEAKER: Thank you.

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INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bill No. 47 - Entitled an Act to Amend Chapter 450 of the Revised Statutes of 1980. The Summary Proceedings Act. (Hon. Ross Landry)

Bill No. 48 - Entitled an Act to Amend Chapter 217 of the Revised Statutes of 1989. The Income Tax Act, respecting Donations by Farmers to Food Banks. (Mr. Allan MacMaster)

Bill No. 49 - Entitled an Act to Require the Government of Nova Scotia to Purchase Agricultural Products from Nova Scotia Producers. (Mr. Chuck Porter)

MR. SPEAKER: Ordered that these bills be read a second time on a future day.

NOTICES OF MOTION

ORDERS OF THE DAY

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

MR. SPEAKER: The honourable Government House Leader.

HON. FRANK CORBETT: Mr. Speaker, would you please call the order of business, Government Motions.

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

MR. SPEAKER: The honourable Government House Leader.

HON. FRANK CORBETT: Mr. Speaker, I move that you do now leave the Chair and that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply unto Her Majesty.

MR. SPEAKER: Would all those in favour of the motion please say Aye. Contrary minded, Nay.

The motion is carried.

We will now take a short recess to set up for Committee of the Whole House on Supply, and let the minister and his staff into the Chamber. Thank you.

[9:10 a.m. The House recessed.]

[9:26 a.m. The House resolved itself into a CWH on Supply with Deputy Speaker Ms. Becky Kent in the Chair.]

[10:02 a.m. CWH on Supply rose and the House reconvened. Mr. Speaker, Hon. Gordon Gosse, resumed the Chair.]

MR. SPEAKER: The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on Supply reports:

THE CLERK: That the Committee of the Whole House on Supply has met and has come to agreement on 47 estimate resolutions, including votes on business plans and on capital. The chairman has been instructed to recommend these estimates to the favourable consideration of the House, each without amendment.

MR. SPEAKER: The motion is that the House concurs on the report of the Committee of the Whole House on Supply.

Would all those in favour of the motion please say Aye. Contrary minded, Nay.

The motion is carried.

The honourable Government House Leader.

HON. FRANK CORBETT: Mr. Speaker, would you please call the order of business, Introduction of Bills.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bill No. 50 - Entitled an Act to Provide for Defraying Certain Charges and Expenses of the Public Service of the Province. (Hon. Graham Steele)

[GOVERNMENT BUSINESS]

[PUBLIC BILLS FOR SECOND READING]

MR. SPEAKER: The honourable Minister of Finance.

HON. GRAHAM STEELE: Mr. Speaker, I move second reading of Bill No. 50, the Appropriations Act, 2011.

MR. SPEAKER: The motion is for second reading of Bill No. 50. Would all those in favour of the motion please say Aye. Contrary minded, Nay.

The motion is carried.

[PUBLIC BILLS FOR THIRD READING]

MR. SPEAKER: The honourable Minister of Finance.

HON. GRAHAM STEELE: Mr. Speaker, I now move third reading of Bill No. 50, the Appropriations Act, 2011.

MR. SPEAKER: The motion is for third reading of Bill No. 50. Would all those in favour of the motion please say Aye. Contrary minded, Nay.

A recorded vote is being called for.

Ring the bells. Call in the members.

[10:05 a.m.]

[The Division bells were rung.]

MR. SPEAKER: Are the Whips satisfied?

[The Clerk calls the roll.]

[10:14 a.m.]

YEAS

Mr. Landry
Ms. More
Mr. Estabrooks
Ms. Peterson-Rafuse
Mr. Corbett
Mr. Dexter
Mr. Steele
Ms. Maureen MacDonald
Mr. Paris
Ms. Jennex
Mr. MacDonell
Mr. Belliveau
Mr. Preyra
Ms. Zann
Ms. Kent
Ms. Conrad
Mr. Wilson
Mr. Parker
Mr. MacKinnon
Ms. Raymond
Mr. Smith
Mr. Epstein
Mr. Prest
Mr. Ramey
Mr. Skabar
Mr. Whynott
Mr. Morton
Ms. Birdsall
Mr. Boudreau
Mr. Burrill

NAYS

Mr. Samson
Mr. Glavine
Ms. Whalen
Mr. McNeil
Mr. d'Entremont
Mr. Baillie
Mr. Bain
Mr. Porter
Mr. MacMaster
Mr. Younger
Ms. Regan
Ms. Casey
Mr. Colwell
Mr. Zinck
Mr. Theriault
Mr. MacLellan
Mr. Churchill

THE CLERK: For, 30. Against, 17.

MR. SPEAKER: The motion is carried. (Applause)

Ordered that this bill do pass. Ordered that the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

The honourable Government House Leader.

HON. FRANK CORBETT: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. That concludes the government's business for today.

Mr. Speaker, we will be meeting here on Monday, from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and on this great day in this great Empire - the Commonwealth - we wish the newlyweds all the best and I thank the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal for correcting me on that grievous error. I wish everyone a very great day. The hours are 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Monday. I do now move that the House rise.

MR. SPEAKER: The motion is that the House rise to meet again on Monday from the hours of 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Would all those in favour of the motion please say Aye. Contrary minded, Nay.

The motion is carried.

[The House rose at 10:18 a.m.]