

Tuesday, February 4, 2003.

1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Speaker introduced Her Excellency Shashi U. Tripathi, High Commissioner of India.

Mr. McGraw, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented the First Report of the Committee which was read and is as follows:

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

Mr. Speaker:

Your Standing Committee on Private Bills begs leave to submit this, their First Report of the session.

Your Committee on Private Bills met on January 23, 2003, in the Legislative Council Chamber and had under consideration:

Bill 17, *An Act to Amend an Act Respecting the Canadian Corps of Commissionaires, N.B. & P.E.I. Division Inc.*

Which it recommends to the favourable consideration of the House.

And your Committee begs leave to make a further report.

I move, seconded by Mr. Huntjens, that the report be concurred in by the House.

(Sgd. :) Louis-Philippe McGraw, M.L.A.
Chairman.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the motion of concurrence in the report of the Committee and it was resolved in the affirmative.

Hon. Mr. E. Robichaud laid upon the table of the House a document entitled "Reporting to New Brunswickers – The New Brunswick Health Care Report Card 2003".

Hon. Mr. Green announced that it was the intention of the government that Bill 29, *An Act to Amend the Human Rights Act*, and Bill 30, *Electricity Act* be read a second time, followed by the time reserved for Private Members' Motions.

The order being read for second reading of Bill 29, *An Act to Amend the Human Rights Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And after some time, due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Bernard, the Deputy Speaker, took the chair as Acting Speaker.

And after some further time, Mr. Kennedy moved in amendment, seconded by Ms. Mersereau:

AMENDMENT

That the motion for second reading of Bill 29 be amended by deleting all the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 29 be not now read a second time but that the order for second reading be discharged and the subject matter of the Bill referred to the Standing Committee on Law Amendments.

And the question being put, and a debate arising, Mr. Ashfield took the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

And after some further time, Mr. Speaker declared it to be 6 o'clock p.m. and left the chair to resume again at 7 o'clock p.m.

7 o'clock p.m.

The House resumed with Mr. Bernard in the chair.

Debate continued.

And after some time, Mr. Ashfield resumed the chair.

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

Debate resumed on the motion that Bill 29, *An Act to Amend the Human Rights Act*, be now read a second time.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

And after some further time, Mr. Speaker interrupted proceedings and advised that the time of adjournment had been reached.

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