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Daily sitting 22

Wednesday, December 13, 2017

10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

At 10.13 a.m., Mr. Speaker declared a recess and left the chair due to technical difficulties with the sound and interpretation system.

10.21 a.m.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

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Hon. Ms. Rogers welcomed to the House the family of The Honourable Brenda Robertson, the province's first female MLA and Cabinet Minister, former Progressive Conservative MLA for Albert (1967-1974), Riverview (1974-1984) and Senator for Riverview (1984-2004), in recognition of the fiftieth anniversary of her election. Mr. Higgs and Mr. Coon joined in this regard.

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Following Oral Questions, Hon. Mr. Doucet rose on a point of order and submitted that certain unparliamentary language was used to question the honesty of Members. Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

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The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. Rousselle, Q.C.,

Bill 37, *An Act to Amend the Municipal Elections Act.*

Bill 38, *An Act to Amend the Members' Conflict of Interest Act.*

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Ms. Dubé, Opposition House Leader, gave notice that on Thursday, December 14, 2017, Opposition Members' Business would be considered in the following order: Motion 20; Third Party item; Motion 25 and 21.

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Mr. Coon gave notice that the Third Party item would be Motion 11.

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Hon. Mr. Doucet gave notice that on Thursday, December 14, 2017, Bills 37 and 38 would be called for second reading.

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Hon. Mr. Doucet, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that Bill 35 be called for second reading.

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The Order being read for second reading of Bill 35, *An Act to Amend the Edmundston Act, 1998*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 35 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 35, *An Act to Amend the Edmundston Act, 1998*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, as designated by the Government House Leader.

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And then, 11.40 a.m., the House adjourned.