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39^e législature

PRAYERS
9:00 A.M.

PRIÈRES
9 H

ORDERS OF THE DAY

ORDRE DU JOUR

Debate was resumed on Government Order Number 11, on the amendment to the amendment to the motion by Mr. McGuinty to acknowledge the economic challenges facing the province and continuing to implement an economic plan.

After some time, pursuant to Standing Order 9(b), the motion for the adjournment of the debate was deemed to have been made and carried.

Après quelque temps, conformément à l'article 9 b) du Règlement, la motion d'ajournement du débat est réputée avoir été proposée et adoptée.

Pursuant to Standing Order 9(a), the Acting Speaker (Mr. Arnott) recessed the House at 10:15 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.

Conformément à l'article 9 a), le président par intérim, M. Arnott ordonne une pause à l'Assemblée à 10 h 15 jusqu'à 10 h 30.

10:30 A.M.

10 H 30

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

PRÉSENTATION DES VISITEURS

Pursuant to Standing Order 36, visitors were introduced.

Conformément à l'article 36, les visiteurs sont présentés.

ORAL QUESTIONS

QUESTIONS ORALES

Pursuant to Standing Order 37, the House proceeded to Oral Questions.

Conformément à l'article 37, la Chambre passe aux questions orales.

Pursuant to Standing Order 9(a), the Speaker recessed the House at 11:37 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Conformément à l'article 9 a), le Président ordonne une pause à l'Assemblée à 11 h 37 jusqu'à 15 h.

3:00 P.M.

15 H

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

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With unanimous consent, the following motion was moved without notice:-

On motion by Mr. McMeekin,

Sur la motion de M. McMeekin,

Ordered, That during Introduction of Visitors, Oral Questions and Deferred Votes on Wednesday, October 22, 2008, sign language interpreters may be present on the floor of the Chamber to interpret the proceedings to guests in the galleries.

The Speaker addressed the House as follows:-

I beg to inform the House that I have today laid upon the Table the 2007-2008 Annual Report of the Environmental Commissioner of Ontario. (Sessional Paper No. 297).

MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Pursuant to Standing Order 31, Members made statements.

DÉCLARATIONS DES DÉPUTÉS

Conformément à l'article 31, des députés font des déclarations.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:-

Bill 112, An Act to prohibit the sale of single-use plastic bottles of water in Ontario. Mr. Kular.

Bill 113, An Act to proclaim the month of November Diabetes Awareness Month in Ontario. Mrs. Mangat.

DÉPÔT DES PROJETS DE LOI

Les projets de loi suivants sont présentés et lus une première fois:-

Projet de loi 112, Loi interdisant la vente de bouteilles d'eau en plastique jetables en Ontario. M. Kular.

Projet de loi 113, Loi visant à proclamer le mois de novembre Mois de la sensibilisation au diabète. M^{me} Mangat.

STATEMENTS BY THE MINISTRY AND RESPONSES

Pursuant to Standing Order 35, Ministers made statements and Opposition Members responded.

DÉCLARATIONS MINISTÉRIELLES ET RÉPONSES

Conformément à l'article 35, des ministres font des déclarations et des députés de l'opposition y répondent.

PETITIONS

Petition relating to requesting an amendment to the Children's Law Reform Act (Sessional Paper No. P-95) Mr. Brownell.

Petition relating to gas prices (Sessional Paper No. P-100) Mr. O'Toole.

Petition relating to combining all hospitals in Durham Region under one Durham Region administration (Sessional Paper No. P-122) Mr. Dickson.

Petition relating to not funding sex change operations under OHIP (Sessional Paper No. P-137) Mr. O'Toole and Mr. Wilson.

Petition relating to requesting fairness for Ontarians to the Federal Government (Sessional Paper No. P-138) Mr. Mauro.

Petition relating to ensuring that emergency dispatch services continue to be provided locally by Muskoka Ambulance Communications Service (Sessional Paper No. P-152) Mr. Miller (Parry Sound-Muskoka).

Petition relating to the reduction of tuition fees and to increase funding for post-secondary education (Sessional Paper No. P-154) M^{me} Gélinas.

PÉTITIONS

Petition relating to the people of Restoule and the Nipissing Forest Management Plan (Sessional Paper No. P-155) Mr. Miller (Parry Sound–Muskoka).

Petition relating to making electric Zenn cars and electric bicycles legal on Ontario roads (Sessional Paper No. P-156) Ms. Horwath.

Petition relating to Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (Sessional Paper No. P-157) Mr. Craitor.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

ORDRE DU JOUR

Opposition Day

Jour de l'opposition

Mr. Runciman moved,

M. Runciman propose,

That the Legislative Assembly of Ontario calls upon the Ontario government to establish a Select Committee on the Ontario Economy to consider and report on options to address the challenges faced by Ontario families and businesses in the province's current weakened economy.

The Terms of Reference for this Select Committee shall be as follows:

- The committee shall, among other matters, review the government's current five-point economic plan and the proposals raised by members of this House during debate on the Government Motion on the economy tabled October 7, 2008. It shall make recommendations on specific measures to be undertaken by the government in the short term to address Ontario's most immediate and pressing challenges, as well as recommendations for a long range multi-year economic recovery plan.
- The committee shall be empowered to invite witnesses to appear before it as it deems necessary.
- The committee shall be non-partisan in makeup, being composed of five (5) Government members, three (3) members of the Official Opposition, and two (2) members of the Third Party. It shall be chaired by a Government member, and a member of the Official Opposition shall serve as Vice-Chair. The membership of the committee, including the identification of the Chair and Vice-Chair, shall be filed with the Clerk of the Assembly by the Whips of the recognized parties no later than October 31, 2008.
- The committee shall have the authority to meet concurrently with the House and during any adjournment of the House, notwithstanding prorogation.
- The committee shall have the authority to commission reports relevant to the terms of reference, and to travel within Ontario, if the committee deems travel to be necessary.
- The committee shall present an interim report with recommendations on immediate measures to be undertaken by the government no later than December 11, 2008, and the committee shall present its final report to the Legislative Assembly no later than March 15, 2009. If the House is not sitting, the committee has the authority to release any report by depositing a copy of it with the Clerk of the Assembly, and, upon resumption of the sittings of the House, the Chair of the committee shall present such report to the House in accordance with the Standing Orders.

A debate arising, after some time, the motion was lost on the following division:-

Un débat s'ensuit et après quelque temps, la motion est rejetée par le vote suivant:-

AYES / POUR - 16

Bailey
Barrett
Dunlop
Elliott

Gélinas
Hardeman
Klees
MacLeod

Miller (Parry Sound–Muskoka)
O'Toole
Prue
Runciman

Scott
Sterling
Wilson
Witmer

NAYS / CONTRE - 43

Arthurs	Dickson	Mangat	Qaadri
Balkissoon	Dombrowsky	Matthews	Ramsay
Bartolucci	Duguid	Mauro	Rinaldi
Best	Duncan	McMeekin	Ruprecht
Brown	Flynn	McNeely	Smitherman
Brownell	Fonseca	Meilleur	Sorbara
Cansfield	Gravelle	Mitchell	Takhar
Chan	Hoy	Naqvi	Van Bommel
Colle	Jaczek	Oraziatti	Watson
Craitor	Kwinter	Pendergast	Zimmer
Crozier	Lalonde	Pupatello	

At 6:05 p.m., the question "That this House do now adjourn" was deemed to have been proposed pursuant to Standing Order 38(b).

After one matter was considered, the question was deemed to have been adopted.

The House then adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

À 18 h 05, la motion portant «Que la présente Assemblée ajourne les débats maintenant» est réputée avoir été proposée conformément à l'article 38 b) du Règlement.

Après l'étude d'une question, la motion d'ajournement des débats est réputée avoir été adoptée.

À 18 h 15, la chambre a ensuite ajourné ses travaux.

le président

STEVE PETERS

Speaker

QUESTIONS ANSWERED (SEE SESSIONAL PAPER NO. 5):-

Final Answers to Question Numbers: 86 to 93 inclusive.