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# PRAYERS 9:00 A.M. PRIÈRES 9 H

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY

A debate arose on the motion for Second Reading of Bill 99, An Act to amend the Taxation Act, 2007 to implement the children's activity tax credit.

After some time, the House recessed at 10:15 a.m.

#### **ORDRE DU JOUR**

Il s'élève un débat sur la motion portant deuxième lecture du projet de loi 99, Loi modifiant la Loi de 2007 sur les impôts pour mettre en oeuvre le crédit d'impôt pour les activités des enfants.

Après quelque temps, à 10 h 15, l'Assemblée a suspendu la séance.

10:30 A.M.

The Speaker addressed the House as follows:-

Le Président s'adresse à l'Assemblée comme suit:-

Just before we begin Question Period today, I want to take a few minutes to follow up on comments vesterday and address the matter of decorum.

Recognizing that Question Period is by its very nature an intense proceeding of this House and carries with it some latitude of behavior, it should nevertheless be remembered that the public do watch and there is an expectation of good conduct placed upon us.

I am not so naïve as to deny that there may be other ambitions and aspirations involved in Question Period besides that of seeking information and holding the government to account. Nevertheless, that is the primary purpose of this proceeding and there are certain principles that we can follow that would serve to move us in the direction of that outcome. Among those principles is the proper use of language and form of address.

First, it is helpful and serves to mitigate the likelihood of insult if members direct their remarks to the Chair. The talent of speaking in the third person may be one that many of you find difficult, but I ask that rather than hurling accusations directly at your colleagues across the floor, you make the effort to speak to me. I will be reminding members to do so more frequently.

Second, there is a long standing tradition in this House that we refer to each other by title or riding name rather than given name. Doing so raises the level of debate from the personal to the professional and recognizes that we are here in representation of our constituency. In the past, Speakers have exercised some latitude in the enforcement of this traditional guideline. For example, it has for many years been acceptable to make reference to a particular administration by the Premier's last name as in: "the Harris government", "the Eves government", "the Rae government" or "the McGuinty government". I have no issue with that.

Where the use of names becomes problematic is when it is done in a manner that is disrespectful or mean spirited. Used in an insulting, accusatory or mocking tone or context, intended to debase an individual member, it is unparliamentary and unacceptable.

You need only look as far as yesterday's Hansard to understand what I mean. There are examples there from both sides of the House and throughout Question Period. I know that all Honourable Members are astute enough to know the difference between temperate, respectful language and that which is insulting or offensive.

Speaking through the Chair and properly addressing each other serves to enhance the level of discourse and raise the bar on decorum. So, take this as fair warning that I will be demanding a greater observance of this practice as we go forward.

#### **ORAL QUESTIONS**

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The House recessed at 11:40 a.m.

À 11 h 40, l'Assemblée a suspendu la séance.

# 3:00 P.M.

## 15 H

#### REPORTS BY COMMITTEES

Mr. Delaney from the Standing Committee on the Legislative Assembly presented the Committee's Report. Pursuant to Standing Order 111(b), the Report was deemed to be adopted by the House (Sessional Paper No. 231).

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

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

Bill 101, An Act to provide for monitoring the prescribing and dispensing of certain controlled substances. Hon, Ms. Matthews.

Bill 102, An Act to amend the Arthur Wishart Act (Franchise Disclosure), 2000. Ms. Jaczek, Ms. DiNovo and Mr. Miller (Parry Sound–Muskoka).

The following Bill was introduced, read the first time and referred to the Standing Committee on Regulations and Private Bills:-

## RAPPORTS DES COMITÉS

M. Delaney du Comité permanent de l'Assemblée législative a présenté le rapport du comité. Conformément à l'article 111 b) du Règlement, le rapport est réputé adopté par la Chambre (Document parlementaire n° 231).

#### DÉPÔT DES PROJETS DE LOI

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

Projet de loi 101, Loi prévoyant la surveillance des activités liées à la prescription et à la préparation de certaines substances désignées. L'hon. M<sup>me</sup> Matthews.

Projet de loi 102, Loi modifiant la Loi Arthur Wishart de 2000 sur la divulgation relative aux franchises. M<sup>me</sup> Jaczek, M<sup>me</sup> DiNovo and M. Miller (Parry Sound–Muskoka).

Le projet de loi suivant est présenté, lu une première fois et renvoyé au Comité permanent des règlements et des projets de loi d'intérêt privé:-

Bill Pr38, An Act respecting Big Bay Resort Association. Mrs. Munro.

The House expressed its condolence on the death of Jack Johnson, Member for the Electoral Districts of Wellington-Dufferin-Peel and Wellington from September 18, 1975 to September 5, 1990.

The Deputy Speaker addressed the House as follows:-

Le Vice-Président s'adresse à l'Assemblée comme suit:-

I beg to inform the House that, pursuant to Standing Order 98(c), changes have been made to the Order of Precedence on the ballot list for Private Members' Public Business, such that:-

Mr. Ramal assumes ballot item number 36 and Mr. Crozier assumes ballot item number 46.

### PETITIONS PÉTITIONS

Petition relating to a population needs based funding formula for hospitals (Sessional Paper No. P-39) Mr. Martiniuk.

Petition relating to cancelling the scheduled implementation of sales tax harmonization (Sessional Paper No. P-86) Mr. Miller (Hamilton East–Stoney Creek).

Petition relating to reinstating the 2% base funding increase in the Developmental Services sector (Sessional Paper No. P-89) Mrs. Munro.

Petition relating to provincial oversight of the OSPCA (Sessional Paper No. P-113) Mr. Hardeman.

Petition relating to Bill 191, the Far North Act (Sessional Paper No. P-114) Mr. Hampton.

Petition relating to supporting "The Red Box Recycling Initiative" at Lisgar Middle School (Sessional Paper No. P-115) Mr. Delaney.

Petition relating to amending PBA regulations (Sessional Paper No. P-118) Mr. Naqvi and Mr. Sousa.

Petition relating to bio-artificial kidney research funding (Sessional Paper No. P-119) Mr. Leal.

#### **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

A debate arose on the motion for Third Reading of Bill 68, An Act to promote Ontario as open for business by amending or repealing certain Acts.

After some time, the House then adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

#### **ORDRE DU JOUR**

Il s'élève un débat sur la motion portant troisième lecture du projet de loi 68, Loi favorisant un Ontario propice aux affaires en modifiant ou en abrogeant certaines lois.

Après quelque temps, à 18 h, la chambre a ensuite ajourné ses travaux.

le président

STEVE PETERS

Speaker

#### PETITIONS TABLED PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 39(a)

Petition relating to reinstating the 2% base funding increase in the Developmental Services sector (Sessional Paper No. P-89) (Tabled September 15, 2010) Mr. Leal.

Petition relating to provincial oversight of the OSPCA (Sessional Paper No. P-113) (Tabled September 15, 2010) Mr. Craitor.

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#### COMPENDIA:

Bill 101, An Act to provide for monitoring the prescribing and dispensing of certain controlled substances. (Sessional Paper No. 230).