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# **Votes and Proceedings**

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# **Procès-verbaux**

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1<sup>st</sup> Session, 40<sup>th</sup> Parliament 1<sup>re</sup> session 40<sup>e</sup> législature PRAYERS
9:00 A.M.
PRIÈRES
9 H

### ORDERS OF THE DAY

Second Reading of Bill 34, An Act to repeal the Public Works Protection Act, amend the Police Services Act with respect to court security and enact the Security for Electricity Generating Facilities and Nuclear Facilities Act, 2012.

Debate resumed and after some time the House recessed at 10:15 a.m.

## **ORDRE DU JOUR**

Deuxième lecture du projet de loi 34, Loi abrogeant la Loi sur la protection des ouvrages publics, modifiant la Loi sur les services policiers en ce qui concerne la sécurité des tribunaux et édictant la Loi de 2012 sur la sécurité des centrales électriques et des installations nucléaires.

Le débat reprend et après quelque temps, à 10 h 15, l'Assemblée a suspendu la séance.

10:30 A.M.

ORAL QUESTIONS

**QUESTIONS ORALES** 

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The House recessed at 11:37 a.m.

À 11 h 37, l'Assemblée a suspendu la séance.

1:00 P.M.

PETITIONS PÉTITIONS

Rural school policy (Sessional Paper No. P-2) Mr. Wilson.

PET scans (Sessional Paper No. P-8) M<sup>me</sup> Gélinas.

Moratorium on industrial wind development (Sessional Paper No. P-12) Mr. McDonell and Mr. O'Toole.

Banning solar farms on agricultural land (Sessional Paper No. P-31) Mr. Jackson, Mr. O'Toole and Mr. Yurek.

Funding research for bio-artificial kidney (Sessional Paper No. P-43) Mr. Leal.

Repeal breed-specific legislation (Sessional Paper No. P-52) Ms. DiNovo.

The Deputy Speaker delivered the following ruling:-

Le Vice-Président a rendu la décision suivante:-

The Member for Willowdale has given notice of his intention to raise a point of privilege concerning statements he claims were made by the Members for Newmarket-Aurora and Nickel Belt at a press conference in the Legislature's Media Studio earlier today.

I am prepared to rule on the point of privilege without hearing further from the Member for Willowdale, as Standing Order 21(d) permits me to do.

The member alleges that certain statements made during the press conference could serve to raise doubt and uncertainty in the minds of potential witnesses before legislative committees, resulting in a possible unwillingness of witnesses to offer their testimony and thereby undermining the full effectiveness of our committee system.

While there may exist a difference of opinion between him and other members about the nature and extent of protections available to witnesses of parliamentary committees, I cannot find a head of privilege that has been offended. The member's disagreement with the statements of certain other members does not rise to the level of a prima facie case of privilege or contempt.

What the member raises is in fact a good subject of debate which, coincidentally, is set down for a segment of this afternoon's consideration of Private Members' Public Business, and I suggest that will be a better and appropriate forum for the Member for Willowdale to make his case to the House at that time.

# PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BUSINESS

# AFFAIRES D'INTÉRÊT PUBLIC ÉMANANT DES DÉPUTÉS

Ms. Jones moved,

M<sup>me</sup> Jones propose,

Private Members' Notice of Motion No. 11:-

Avis de motion émanant des députées nº 11:-

That, in the opinion of this House, the Standing Committee on the Legislative Assembly should, as part of the Standing Order study, consider the necessity of amendments to the Standing Orders or Legislative Assembly Act that would extend the protections, immunities, rights, and remedies of witnesses and participants in public inquiries to witnesses and participants in committee hearings, including any witness or participant subject to a confidentiality agreement who has information that is in the public interest for the committee to receive.

Debate arose.	Il s'élève un débat.
Carried.	Adoptée.

Mr. Vanthof moved,

M. Vanthof propose,

Il s'élève un débat.

Private Members' Notice of Motion No. 9:-

Avis de motion émanant des députés nº 9:-

That, in the opinion of this House, a committee of the Legislative Assembly, with authority to meet at the call of the Chair, should be established as follows;

That the membership of the committee be comprised of every member of the Legislative Assembly whose electoral district lies north of the French River; and

That the committee be empowered to consider and report to the House its observations, opinions and recommendations on all policies and legislation of the province that directly impact Northern Ontario; and

To which any bills whose principal focus and impact affect Northern Ontario may be referred.

Carried.

Adoptée.

Mr. Zimmer moved,

M. Zimmer propose,

Second Reading of Bill 28, An Act respecting the Human Resources Professionals Association.

Debate arose.

Adoptée.

Deuxième propose,

Concernant l'Association des professionnels en ressources humaines.

Il s'élève un débat.

Carried.

Debate arose.

Adoptée.

Referred to the Standing Committee on General Government.

Renvoyé au Comité permanent des affaires gouvernementales.

### ORDERS OF THE DAY

Second Reading of Bill 11, An Act respecting the continuation and establishment of development funds in order to promote regional economic development in eastern and southwestern Ontario.

Debate resumed.

Vote deferred on request of the Chief Government Whip.

On motion by Mr. Bradley, it was Ordered that the House adjourn.

The House adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

## **ORDRE DU JOUR**

Deuxième lecture du projet de loi 11, Loi concernant la prorogation et la création de fonds de développement pour promouvoir le développement économique régional dans l'Est el le Sud-Ouest de l'Ontario.

Le débat reprend.

Le vote est différé par requête du Whip en chef du gouvernement.

Sur la motion de M. Bradley, il est ordonné que la chambre ajourne ses travaux.

À 16 h 45, la chambre a ajourné ses travaux.

le président

DAVE LEVAC

Speaker