

Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008

The House met at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

By leave the Honourable the Premier made a Statement to inform the House of Government's intention to introduce the Bill entitled "An Act To Return To The Crown Certain Rights Relating To Timber And Water Use Vested In Abitibi-Consolidated And To Expropriate Assets And Lands Association With The Generation Of Electricity Enabled By Those Water Use Rights" (Bill No. 75).

The House agreed to forgo Statements by Members and Statements by Ministers.

The Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Ms. Dunderdale) gave notice that she would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Act To Return To The Crown Certain Rights Relating To Timber And Water Use Vested In Abitibi-Consolidated And To Expropriate Assets And Lands Association With The Generation Of Electricity Enabled By Those Water Use Rights" (Bill No. 75).

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued on the Address in Reply and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

By leave pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act To Return To The Crown Certain Rights Relating To Timber And Water Use Vested In Abitibi-Consolidated And To Expropriate Assets And Lands Association With The Generation Of Electricity Enabled By Those Water Use Rights" (Bill No. 75) was introduced and read a first time.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be now read a second time.

By leave pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced and concluded on Second Reading of a Bill entitled "An Act To Return To The Crown Certain Rights Relating To Timber And Water Use Vested In Abitibi-Consolidated And To Expropriate Assets And Lands Association With The Generation Of Electricity Enabled By Those Water Use Rights" (Bill No. 75) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 75 be now read a second time.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act To Return To The Crown Certain Rights Relating To Timber And Water Use Vested In Abitibi-Consolidated And To Expropriate Assets And Lands Association With The Generation Of Electricity Enabled By Those Water Use Rights" (Bill No. 75) was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 75 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House now.

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On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Ms. Burke) the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House.

Before leaving the Chair the Speaker *ex abundante cautela*, asked that the House confirm that there was consent to move from Notice to Royal Assent in one day. The House confirmed that consent had been given to expedite passage of the Bill.

The Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Collins took the Chair of Committee of the Whole House.

The Chair ruled on a point of order raised by the Opposition House Leader on December 15<sup>th</sup>. The Chair ruled that there was no point of order.

The Committee of the Whole House considered and passed without amendment a Bill entitled "An Act To Return To The Crown Certain Rights Relating To Timber And Water Use Vested In Abitibi-Consolidated And To Expropriate Assets And Lands Association With The Generation Of Electricity Enabled By Those Water Use Rights" (Bill No. 75).

On motion the Committee rose.

The Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole House (Mr. Collins) reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the matters to them referred, and had passed a Bill entitled "An Act To Return To The Crown Certain Rights Relating To Timber And Water Use Vested In Abitibi-Consolidated And To Expropriate Assets And Lands Association With The Generation Of Electricity Enabled By Those Water Use Rights" (Bill No. 75) without amendment.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted.

By leave and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 75 be read a third time.

By leave, pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act To Return To The Crown Certain Rights Relating To Timber And Water Use Vested In Abitibi-Consolidated And To Expropriate Assets And Lands Association With The Generation Of Electricity Enabled By Those Water Use Rights" (Bill No. 75) was read a third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be printed being entitled as above and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor for his Assent.

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It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

**William MacKenzie,**  
Clerk of the House of Assembly.