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# **Votes and Proceedings**

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# **Procès-verbaux**

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9:00 A.M.
PRIÈRES
9 H

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY

#### **ORDRE DU JOUR**

Government Notice of Motion Number 29 having been called, a point of order was raised regarding the orderliness of the motion.

The Speaker recessed the House, and upon his return, delivered the following ruling:-

I want to thank the Member from Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke for raising this issue. I would also like to thank the Government House Leader, the Member from Essex and the Member from Beaches-East York for speaking to this issue. This certainly presents a question of semantics on which there is clear disagreement, but beyond that it is really not for the Speaker to parse the meaning behind the words in a motion, nor for the Speaker to be the arbiter over a difference of opinion.

During the arguments made on the point of order, it was clear that both sides of the House can successfully argue the semantics in the motion, but a debate over precise meanings does not negate the procedural orderliness of the motion.

The key to the orderliness of a motion is whether it presents an intelligible question to which the House can resolve. In my opinion, the motion as currently worded does so. However, this is a substantive government motion and is therefore capable of being amended. It is open to any member to propose an amendment to either delete elements of it, or add to it, in such a manner as to try to make it more acceptable to a wider number of members.

The House therefore possesses the means to resolve the alleged factual irregularity, if it agrees such exists, simply in whether or not it chooses to amend the motion, and whether or not it chooses to pass the motion, with or without amendment. I suggest this would be the procedurally correct manner of dealing with what amounts to a disagreement over the precision of the language in the motion.

I find the motion to be in order and will allow the debate to proceed.

Mr. Hoskins moved,

M. Hoskins. propose,

That the Legislative Assembly of Ontario recognizes that Ontario receives, welcomes and benefits from the contributions of nearly half of all new immigrants coming to Canada and calls on the federal government to support the integration of newcomers and the economic recovery in Ontario by investing in services for newcomers and therefore asks the federal government to fulfill their commitment under the recently expired five-year Canada-Ontario Immigration Agreement to spend the outstanding \$207 million promised to Ontario's newcomers and immediately commence negotiations on a comprehensive new agreement that provides the adequate funding, planning, and governance necessary for immigrants to succeed and for Ontario to prosper.

A debate arose and after some time, Mr. Hudak moved,

Il s'élève un débat et après quelque temps, M. Hudak propose,

That the motion be amended by removing the words:-

"and the federal government to support the integration of newcomers and the economic recovery in Ontario by investing in services for newcomers and therefore asks the federal government to fulfill their commitment under the recently expired five-year Canada-Ontario Immigration Agreement to spend the outstanding" and "promised to Ontario's newcomers and immediately"

And substitute the words:-

"[A]nd calls on the Provincial Government to support the integration of newcomers and the economic recovery in Ontario by promoting the investment in services for newcomers through a fully costed plan including accountability and performance measures, which will allow the Federal Government to spend the" and "that was not applied for under the existing Canada-Ontario Immigration Agreement and will aid the province in commencing"

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

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

The House recessed at 11:40 a.m.

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

3:00 P.M.

## REPORTS BY COMMITTEES

## RAPPORTS DES COMITÉS

The Speaker addressed the House as follows:-

I beg to inform the House that today the Clerk received the Report on Intended Appointments dated September 28, 2010 of the Standing Committee on Government Agencies. Pursuant to Standing Order 108(f)(9), the Report is deemed to be adopted by the House (Sessional Paper No. 238).

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

DÉPÔT DES PROJETS DE LOI

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time:-

Bill 109, An Act to amend the Taxation Act, 2007 to implement the Ontario energy and property tax credit and to make consequential amendments. Hon, Mr. Duncan.

Le projet de loi suivant est présenté et lu une première fois:-

Projet de loi 109, Loi modifiant la Loi de 2007 sur les impôts pour mettre en oeuvre le crédit d'impôt de l'Ontario pour les coûts d'énergie et les impôts fonciers et apporter des modifications corrélatives. L'hon. M. Duncan.

# PETITIONS PÉTITIONS

Petition relating to the new 13% sales tax (Sessional Paper No. P-4) Mr. Murdoch.

Petition relating to supporting the Guns and Gangs program (Sessional Paper No. P-27) Mr. Ramal.

Petition relating to rescinding plans to blend federal and provincial sales taxes into a single Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) (Sessional Paper No. P-88) Mr. Wilson.

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

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

Petition relating to diagnosis and treatment of CCSVI (Sessional Paper No. P-123) Mr. Hillier.

Petition relating to venoplasty for people with MS (Sessional Paper No. P-124) Mr. Clark.

Petition relating to Bill 12, British Home Child Day Act (Sessional Paper No. P-125) Mr. Brownell. Petition relating to school bus operators (Sessional Paper No. P-130) Mr. Hillier.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY

#### **ORDRE DU JOUR**

Opposition Day

Jour de l'opposition

Mr. Yakabuski moved,

M. Yakabuski propose,

That the Legislative Assembly of Ontario calls upon the McGuinty government to suspend the Smart Meter time-of-use program until billing problems are fixed and Ontario families are given the option of whether to participate in the time-of-use program.

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 - 21

Arnott	Elliott	Kormos	Savoline
Bailey	Hardeman	MacLeod	Shurman
Barrett	Hillier	Marchese	Wilson
Chudleigh	Hudak	Miller (Parry Sound-Muskoka)	Witmer
Clark	Jones	Murdoch	Yakabuski

Dunlop

#### NAYS / CONTRE - 43

Balkissoon	Duguid	Leal	Pupatello
Best	Duncan	Levac	Qaadri
Bradley	Gerretsen	Mauro	Ramal
Brown	Gravelle	McNeely	Rinaldi
Brownell	Hoskins	Meilleur	Ruprecht
Cansfield	Hoy	Milloy	Sandals
Carroll	Jaczek	Mitchell	Smith
Chiarelli	Jeffrey	Murray	Van Bommel
Crozier	Johnson	Naqvi	Wilkinson
Delaney	Kular	Orazietti	Zimmer
Dickson	Lalonde	Pendergast	

The House then adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

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

le président

STEVE PETERS

Speaker

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## DOCUMENTS PARLEMENTAIRES DÉPOSÉS CONFORMÉMENT À L'ARTICLE 40 DU RÈGLEMENT

### **COMPENDIA**

Bill 109, An Act to amend the Taxation Act, 2007 to implement the Ontario energy and property tax credit and to make consequential amendments (No. 240) (Tabled September 28, 2010).

Ontario Road Safety / Securité routière en Ontario, Annual Report 2007 (No. 239) (Tabled September 28, 2010).