

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW BRUNSWICK First Session, 58th Legislative Assembly

ORDER AND NOTICE PAPER - Sitting No. 53 Wednesday, May 13, 2015

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

GOVERNMENT BILLS AND ORDERS

GOVERNMENT BILLS FOR SECOND READING

Bills Ordered for Second Reading

- Bill 28, An Act to Amend the Enforcement of Money Judgments Act Hon. Mr. Rousselle, Q.C.
- Bill 29, An Act to Amend the Financial and Consumer Services Commission Act Hon, Mr. Horsman
- Bill 30, Trustees Act Hon. Mr. Rousselle, Q.C.
- Bill 31, An Act Respecting the Trustees Act Hon. Mr. Rousselle, Q.C.
- Bill 32, Debtor Transactions Act Hon. Mr. Rousselle, Q.C.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- Bill 10, An Act to Amend the Elections Act Mr. Coon
- Bill 15, An Act to Amend the Workers' Compensation Act Mr. Wetmore

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC POLICY

- Bill 17, An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act Hon. Mr. Horsman
- Bill 19, An Act to Repeal the Farm Improvement Assistance Loans Act Hon, Mr. Doucet
- Bill 20, An Act to Repeal the Farm Credit Corporation Assistance Act Hon. Mr. Doucet
- Bill 21, An Act to Repeal the Farm Machinery Loans Act Hon. Mr. Doucet
- Bill 22, An Act to Amend the Maritime Provinces Harness Racing Commission Act - Hon. Mr. Melanson
- Bill 25, An Act to Amend the Apprenticeship and Occupational Certification Act Hon. Ms. Landry
- Bill 26, An Act Respecting Leadership Contestants and Nomination Contestants Hon. Mr. Fraser
- Bill 27, Loan Act 2015 Hon. Mr. Melanson

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BILLS

Bill 23, An Act to Amend An Act to Incorporate The New Brunswick Registered Barbers' Association - Ms. Shephard

BILLS AWAITING ROYAL ASSENT

- Bill 18, Engineering and Geoscience Professions Act Mr. LePage
- Bill 24, Supplementary Appropriations Act, 2013-2014 (1) Hon. Mr. Melanson

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

Main Estimates 2015-2016 (not including estimates referred to Standing Committee)
Capital Estimates 2015-2016 (not including estimates referred to Standing Committee)
Supplementary Estimates, Volume I, 2013-2014 (Adopted April 29, 2015)

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES AND FISCAL POLICY

Estimates 2015-2016: Department of Education and Early Childhood Development

Estimates 2015-2016: Department of Finance Estimates 2015-2016: Department of Health Estimates 2015-2016: Department of Justice

Estimates 2015-2016: Department of Tourism, Heritage and Culture

Estimates 2015-2016: Office of the Attorney General

Estimates 2015-2016: Regional Development Corporation

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

CONCLUDED

Motion 4 by Hon. Mr. Fraser. Carried December 4, 2014.

Motion 5 by Hon. Mr. Fraser. Debated and carried December 10, 2014.

Motion 6 by Hon. Mr. Melanson. Debated and carried December 17, 2014.

Motion 7 by Hon. Mr. Fraser. Debated and carried as amended

February 10, 11, 13, 17, 18, and March 10, 2015.

Motion 8 by Hon. Mr. Fraser. Carried December 11, 2014.

Motion 12 by Hon. Mr. Fraser. Carried December 19, 2014.

Motion 15 by Hon. Mr. Fraser. Carried February 12, 2015.

Motion 23 by Hon. Mr. Melanson. Debated March 31, April 2, 7, 8, 9, 10 and carried April 10, 2015.

Motion 24 by Mr. Albert. Carried March 13, 2015.

Motion 25 by Mr. Albert. Carried March 17, 2015.

GOVERNMENT PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

Motion 16 by Mr. Bourque, seconded by Ms. LeBlanc to propose the following resolution on Wednesday, February 18, 2015:

THAT, in addition to the existing sitting hours prescribed in Standing Rule 29(1), the House sit on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.;

THAT this Special Order come into effect immediately upon its adoption and remain in effect for the remainder of the First Session of the Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly.

CONCLUDED

Motion 11 by Mr. Bourque. Debated and carried December 19, 2014.

Motion 18 by Mr. Guitard. Debated and carried February 20, 2015.

Motion 22 by Mr. Ames. Debated and carried March 27, 2015.

Motion 26 by Mr. Guitard. Debated and carried March 26, 2015.

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS FOR SECOND READING

Bill 13, An Act to Return to the Crown Certain Rights Relating to Wood Supply and Forest Management - Mr. Coon

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' MOTIONS

Debatable Motions

Motion 20 by Mr. B. Macdonald, seconded by Mr. Urquhart to propose the following resolution on Thursday, February 26, 2015:

WHEREAS fire, police, ambulance services, and other traditional first responders provide essential emergency services to our province, and their members often do so at great personal risk;

WHEREAS members of the Canadian Armed Forces often respond to crisis, both in Canada and overseas, and put themselves selflessly in harm's way;

WHEREAS many agencies of government, including Public Safety, Natural Resources, Social Development, the Canadian Coast Guard, and the Emergency Measures Organization provide help to our province in times of crisis;

WHEREAS search and rescue, amateur radio operators, lifeguards, and the Life Saving Society, Canadian Ski Patrol, St. John Ambulance, Red Cross, and other groups provide essential services in times of crisis;

WHEREAS soup kitchens, food banks, sexual assault crisis centres, helplines, transition houses, emergency shelters, and many other volunteer organizations provide important front-line services to those in desperate need;

WHEREAS hospitals, clinics, doctors, nurses, and many other health care professionals provide emergency medical care;

WHEREAS many faith-based groups often provide crucial support to individuals in times of personal crisis; and

WHEREAS these members, family, and friends of our first-responder and other emergency services deserve a day to celebrate their successes and to be acknowledged for their service to our community;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the Saturday immediately preceding Police and Peace Officers' National Memorial Day be officially designated Emergency Services Day in New Brunswick.

Motion 21 by Mr. Coon, seconded by Mr. Bernard LeBlanc to propose the following resolution on Thursday, March 12, 2015:

WHEREAS all members of the Legislative Assembly are elected representatives of the people of New Brunswick;

AND WHEREAS it is important that the role and responsibilities of MLAs be well understood by the public;

AND WHEREAS it would be helpful for Members of the Legislative Assembly to have guidelines to aid them in the conduct of their duties;

AND WHEREAS the effectiveness of MLAs, and their accountability to the people of New Brunswick, may be improved if the Legislative Assembly establishes a formal statement of the key roles and responsibilities of MLAs;

AND WHEREAS the Legislative Administration Committee recommended the adoption of a statement on the Roles and Responsibilities of an MLA and a Code of Conduct for MLAs in its report to the Legislative Assembly tabled April 3, 2003;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Standing Rules of the Legislative Assembly be amended by adding after Standing Rule 123:

PART IX

124(1) The Legislative Assembly shall establish a Statement on the Roles and Responsibilities of Members and a Code of Conduct, hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Code".

124(2) The Code shall be printed in the Appendices of the Standing Rules of the Legislative Assembly and in the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick Members' Orientation Manual.

Motion 30 by Mr. Coon, seconded by Mr. Jody Carr to propose the following resolution on Thursday, April 2, 2015:

WHEREAS ensuring the rights and interests of children and youth are protected in our Province is a high priority for all New Brunswickers;

WHEREAS the Office of the Child and Youth Advocate is responsible for ensuring that the rights of children and youth are protected and that the views of children and youth are heard pursuant to section 2 of the *Child and Youth Advocate Act*;

WHEREAS the Child and Youth Advocate currently does not report to a Legislative Committee to ensure his reports and recommendations are acted upon;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly recommend that a Standing Committee on Children and Youth be appointed to which the Child and Youth Advocate would report:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appointed committee would be tasked with the following:

- receive and review annual and special reports from the Child and Youth Advocate;
- meet with the Child and Youth Advocate at least twice a year; and,
- act in conjunction with the Child and Youth Advocate to ensure that the needs of children and youth in New Brunswick are being met.

Motion 31 by Mr. Holder, seconded by Mr. Jody Carr to propose the following resolution on Thursday, April 9, 2015:

WHEREAS investing in an educated, well-trained and skilled work force is an important component of a diversified economic development strategy;

WHEREAS the New Brunswick Tuition Rebate was introduced in 2005 as the New Brunswick Tuition Tax Cash Back program, and was expanded by the former Liberal government during its mandate;

WHEREAS the New Brunswick Tuition Rebate program helps recruit, retain and repatriate an educated, well-trained and skilled work force;

WHEREAS the government announced it will eliminate the New Brunswick Tuition Rebate program;

WHEREAS the elimination of the New Brunswick Tuition Rebate program will make it more difficult for New Brunswickers trying to build careers to make New Brunswick a more prosperous province;

WHEREAS the elimination of the New Brunswick Tuition Rebate program is shortsighted and should be reversed;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to reinstate the New Brunswick Tuition Rebate program.

[Debate interrupted due to expiration of time.]

Motion 34 by Ms. Dubé, seconded by Mr. Steeves to propose the following resolution on Thursday, May 7, 2015:

WHEREAS the Gallant government proposed changes to the Seniors Prescription Drug Program that will increase premiums;

WHEREAS this sudden increase creates financial hardship for seniors in having access to affordable health care:

WHEREAS the extra costs may prevent seniors from getting the medications they need:

WHEREAS the loss of medications could be harmful to the fragile health of seniors; WHEREAS this increase is one of the elements of the Gallant government's attack on seniors;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick urge the government to reverse the premium increase and explore alternate savings through the Seniors Prescription Drug Program.

[Debate interrupted due to expiration of time.]

Motion 36 by Mr. Wetmore, seconded by Mr. Oliver to propose the following resolution on Thursday, May 14, 2015:

WHEREAS New Brunswick's cable ferries are vital transportation links that are as significant as other modes of transportation in the province and as important as other transportation infrastructure;

WHEREAS the value added by New Brunswick's cable ferries to the province's transportation system is only one element of their importance;

WHEREAS New Brunswick's cable ferries assist the province's economy and especially its small and medium sized businesses to transport goods and to access a wider market base;

WHEREAS New Brunswick's cable ferries are an important element of our province's history and culture and are significant heritage assets;

WHEREAS New Brunswick's cable ferries are one of the most successful ways to enable visitors and citizens to access New Brunswick's storied river system, which are one of the four main tourism products promoted by the province;

WHEREAS the former Liberal government in 2009 caused extreme distress and concern with its plans to discontinue permanently several New Brunswick cable ferries;

WHEREAS the former Liberal government was forced, due to public criticism and consternation, to reverse and alter its decision;

WHEREAS the current Liberal government has speculated that it is considering another attempt to discontinue permanently cable ferry service on our rivers;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly recognize the importance of our cable ferry system to New Brunswick's economy, heritage and tourism, and express its desire that the government preserve, protect and promote our cable ferry system:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government not to discontinue any cable ferry service on New Brunswick rivers.

Motions for Returns

Motion 19 by Mr. B. Macdonald, seconded by Ms. Lynch to propose the following resolution on Thursday, February 26, 2015:

THAT an address be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that she cause to be laid upon the table of the House all documentation, however recorded, stored or archived, by electronic means or otherwise, in the custody of or under the control of the Office of the Premier, the Premier, the Department of Finance, the Minister of Finance, the Department of Health, the Horizon Health Network, the Vitalité Health Network, the Dr. Everett Chalmers Hospital, the Minister of Health and any other relevant government employee, department, agency, board or commission, and any correspondence or other communication, whether by electronic means or otherwise, between or amongst those entities and persons or with the federal, other provincial, territorial or municipal governments, relating to capital expenditures and planned capital improvements, including budget figures, tables, projections and planned future budget figures, together with all reports and studies relating to the capital infrastructure of the Horizon Health Network and the Vitalité Health Network, including but not limited to the Dr. Everett Chalmers Hospital, for the years from 2010 to 2020, inclusive.

CONCLUDED

Motion 1 by Mr. Stewart. Debated and carried as amended December 11, 2014.

Motion 2 by Mr. Steeves. Debated and defeated March 12, 2015.

Motion 3 by Mr. Wetmore. Debated and defeated December 18, 2014.

Motion 9 by Mr. Stewart. Debated and carried as amended February 12, 2015.

Motion 10 by Ms. Shephard. Debated and carried as amended December 18, 2014.

Motion 13 by Mr. Jeff Carr. Debated and defeated March 19, 2015.

Motion 14 by Mr. Wetmore. Debated and defeated February 19, 2015.

Motion 17 by Mr. Steeves. Debated and carried as amended March 12, 2015.

Motion 27 by Mr. Northrup. Debated and carried as amended April 30, 2015.

Motion 28 by Mr. Steeves. Debated and carried as amended March 26, 2015.

Motion 29 by Mr. Flemming. Debated and defeated April 9, 2015.

Motion 32 by Mr. Steeves. Debated and carried as amended April 23, 2015.

Motion 33 by Ms. Shephard. Debated and defeated April 30, 2015.

Motion 35 by Mr. Jody Carr. Debated and carried as amended May 7, 2015.

PETITIONS

Petition 1: Mr. Wetmore, December 9, 2014. (Response, January 26, 2015) (Response, December 22, 2014)

Petition 2: Ms. Wilson, December 10, 2014.

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Petition 3: Mr. Wetmore, December 10, 2014.
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Petition 4: Ms. Wilson, December 11, 2014.
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Petition 5: Mr. Wetmore, December 11, 2014.
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Petition 6: Ms. Wilson, December 12, 2014.
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Petition 7: Mr. Wetmore, December 12, 2014.
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Petition 8: Mr. Wetmore, December 17, 2014.
                                                         (Response, January 26, 2015)
Petition 9: Mr. Coon, December 17, 2014.
                                                      (Response, December 22, 2014)
Petition 10: Mr. Wetmore, December 18, 2014.
                                                         (Response, January 26, 2015)
Petition 11: Hon. Mr. Fraser, February 10, 2015.
Petition 12: Mr. Northrup, February 10, 2015.
                                                        (Response, February 27, 2015)
Petition 13: Mr. LePage, February 11, 2015.
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Petition 14: Mr. Northrup, February 11, 2015.
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Petition 15: Mr. Northrup, February 12, 2015.
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Petition 16: Mr. Bernard LeBlanc, February 13, 2015.
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Petition 17: Mr. Northrup, February 13, 2015.
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Petition 18: Mr. Northrup, February 18, 2015.
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Petition 19: Mr. Northrup, February 19, 2015.
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Petition 20: Mr. Northrup, February 20, 2015.
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Petition 21: Mr. Bernard LeBlanc, March 10, 2015.
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Petition 22: Mr. Northrup, March 10, 2015.
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Petition 23: Mr. Oliver, March 10, 2015.
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Petition 24: Mr. Northrup, March 11, 2015.
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Petition 25: Mr. Bernard LeBlanc, March 11, 2015.
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Petition 26: Mr. Oliver, March 11, 2015.
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Petition 27: Mr. Northrup, March 12, 2015.
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Petition 28: Mr. Coon, March 12, 2015.
Petition 29: Mr. Oliver, March 12, 2015.
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Petition 30: Ms. Shephard, March 13, 2015.
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Petition 31: Mr. Oliver, March 13, 2015.
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Petition 32: Mr. Northrup, March 17, 2015.
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Petition 33: Mr. Oliver, March 17, 2015.
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Petition 34: Mr. Northrup, March 18, 2015.
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Petition 35: Mr. Oliver, March 18, 2015.
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Petition 36: Ms. Shephard, March 19, 2015.
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Petition 37: Mr. Oliver, March 19, 2015.
Petition 38: Mr. Northrup, March 20, 2015.
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Petition 39: Mr. Oliver, March 20, 2015.
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Petition 40: Mr. Northrup, March 24, 2015.
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Petition 41: Mr. Oliver, March 24, 2015.
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Petition 42: Mr. Oliver, March 24, 2015.
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Petition 43: Ms. Shephard, March 25, 2015.
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Petition 44: Mr. Oliver, March 25, 2015.
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Petition 45: Mr. Oliver, March 25, 2015.
                                                             (Response, April 8, 2015)
Petition 46: Mr. Northrup, March 26, 2015.
                                                            (Response, April 23, 2015)
Petition 47: Mr. Oliver, March 26, 2015.
                                                             (Response, April 8, 2015)
Petition 48: Mr. Bernard LeBlanc, March 27, 2015.
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Petition 49: Mr. Northrup, March 27, 2015.
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Petition 50: Mr. Oliver, March 27, 2015.
Petition 51: Mr. Roussel, April 1, 2015.
Petition 52: Mr. Crossman, April 1, 2015.
Petition 53: Mr. Oliver, April 7, 2015.
Petition 54: Mr. Oliver, April 7, 2015.
Petition 55: Mr. Coon, April 7, 2015.
Petition 56: Mr. Steeves, April 7, 2015.
Petition 57: Mr. Bernard LeBlanc, April 7, 2015.
Petition 58: Mr. Oliver, April 8, 2015.
Petition 59: Mr. Coon, April 8, 2015.
Petition 60: Mr. Steeves, April 8, 2015.
Petition 61: Mr. Oliver, April 9, 2015.
Petition 62: Mr. Coon, April 9, 2015.
Petition 63: Mr. Steeves, April 9, 2015.
Petition 64: Mr. Holder, April 9, 2015.
Petition 65: Mr. Steeves, April 21, 2015.
Petition 66: Mr. Coon, April 21, 2015.
Petition 67: Mr. Oliver, April 21, 2015.
Petition 68: Mr. Oliver, April 21, 2015.
Petition 69: Mr. Roussel, April 22, 2015.
Petition 70: Ms. Wilson, April 22, 2015.
Petition 71: Mr. Coon, April 22, 2015.
Petition 72: Mr. Oliver, April 22, 2015.
Petition 73: Mr. Oliver, April 23, 2015.
Petition 74: Mr. Coon, April 23, 2015.
Petition 75: Mr. Oliver, April 24, 2015.
Petition 76: Mr. Coon, April 24, 2015.
Petition 77: Mr. Oliver, April 28, 2015.
Petition 78: Mr. Coon, April 28, 2015.
Petition 79: Mr. Steeves, April 28, 2015.
Petition 80: Mr. Oliver, April 29, 2015.
Petition 81: Mr. Coon, April 29, 2015.
Petition 82: Mr. Steeves, April 29, 2015.
Petition 83: Mr. Jeff Carr, April 30, 2015.
Petition 84: Mr. Coon, April 30, 2015.
Petition 85: Mr. Coon, May 1, 2015.
Petition 86: Mr. Coon, May 5, 2015.
Petition 87: Mr. Coon, May 6, 2015.
Petition 88: Mr. Coon, May 7, 2015.
Petition 89: Mr. Coon. May 8, 2015.
Petition 90: Mr. Jody Carr, May 12, 2015.
Petition 91: Mr. Coon, May 12, 2015.
Petition 92: Mr. Crossman, May 12, 2015.
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Standing Committee on Estimates and Fiscal Policy

Standing Committee on Private Bills Standing Committee on Procedure

First Report, May 5, 2015 Second Report, May 12, 2015 First Report, April 7, 2015 First Report, December 10, 2014

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Standing Committee on Estimates and Fiscal Policy will meet in the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly on Wednesday, May 13, 2015, following the adjournment of the House until 6 p.m., and from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

The Standing Committee on Private Bills will meet in the Legislative Council Chamber on Tuesday, May 26, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.

Donald J. Forestell Clerk of the Legislative Assembly