



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW BRUNSWICK Third Session, 59th Legislative Assembly

ORDER AND NOTICE PAPER – Sitting No. 4
Friday, November 22, 2019

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GOVERNMENT BILLS AND ORDERS

Resuming the adjourned debate on the motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne.

Debate adjourned by Mr. Coon.

Debate to resume on Friday, November 22, 2019.

GOVERNMENT BILLS FOR SECOND READING

Bills to be Ordered for Second Reading

Bill 2, An Act to Amend the Greater Saint John Regional Facilities Commission Act – Hon. Mr. Carr

Bill 3, An Act to Amend the Days of Rest Act – Hon. Mr. Carr

Bill 4, An Act to Amend the Provincial Offences Procedure Act – Hon. Ms. Anderson-Mason, Q.C.

Bill 5, An Act to Amend the Executive Council Act – Hon. Mr. Steeves

Bill 6, Enduring Powers of Attorney Act – Hon. Ms. Anderson-Mason, Q.C.

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

CONCLUDED

Motion 1 by Mr. Savoie. Carried November 20, 2019.

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS FOR SECOND READING

Bill 7, An Act to Amend the Crown Lands and Forests Act – Mr. Coon

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' MOTIONS

Debatable Motions

Motion 2 by Mr. LePage, seconded by Ms. Harris to propose the following resolution on Thursday, November 28, 2019:

WHEREAS nursing home residents are among our most vulnerable citizens;

WHEREAS the shortage of nursing home workers is negatively impacting the quality of life and quality of care for nursing home residents;

WHEREAS the ongoing labour dispute is negatively impacting the recruitment and retention of nursing home workers;

WHEREAS two levels of court have ruled against the government and found nursing home workers have the right to strike despite the *Essential Services in Nursing Homes Act*;

WHEREAS further appeals are unlikely to succeed and certain to cost taxpayers significant sums of money;

WHEREAS the court has given the government the opportunity to amend the *Essential Services in Nursing Homes Act* before January 2020, when a stay on the right to strike will expire;

WHEREAS, despite the Premier's threats, no election outcome can overturn the court's ruling that nursing home workers have a right to strike;

WHEREAS a strike by nursing home workers would negatively impact nursing home residents and their families;

WHEREAS, this past session, the Legislative Assembly passed a motion in support of unaltered binding arbitration;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT this House urge the government to bring forward amendments to the *Essential Services in Nursing Homes Act* to provide for meaningful binding arbitration to resolve this labour dispute in lieu of strike action.

Motion 3 by Ms. Rogers, seconded by Mr. McKee to propose the following resolution on Thursday, November 28, 2019:

WHEREAS the herbicide glyphosate is used by the forest industry, NB Power, and the agricultural sector for vegetation control;

WHEREAS despite findings by Health Canada and New Brunswick's Chief Medical Officer indicating that glyphosate does not pose a cancer risk to humans at current exposure rates, concerns about the spraying of glyphosate remain;

WHEREAS, prior to taking any decision related to changes to the application of glyphosate in New Brunswick, it is important to hear from stakeholders including the forest and agricultural sectors, subject matter experts, and the general public;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT this House urge the government to refer the issue of glyphosate spraying to a legislative committee in order to hold public hearings, engage stakeholders, invite submissions, and make recommendations to government within six months.

Motion 4 by Mr. D'Amours, seconded by Ms. LeBlanc to propose the following resolution on Thursday, November 28, 2019:

WHEREAS nurse practitioners (NPs) are registered nurses with advanced education and training that prepare them for a broad scope of practice and maximum functionality within the health care system;

WHEREAS there are more than 7,400 licensed NPs in Canada, and over 130 in New Brunswick providing primary, acute and specialty care to patients of all ages and walks of life;

WHEREAS NPs diagnose, treat and prescribe medications and other treatments to patients through a caring, patient-centered, holistic model of care;

WHEREAS New Brunswick citizens have great trust in the high-quality care NPs provide, with over 3 million nationwide receiving care from a NP;

WHEREAS decades of research demonstrate the high quality of care provided by NPs;

WHEREAS New Brunswick continues to work towards ensuring that all NPs are practicing at full scope and barriers to NP care delivery are addressed and removed;

WHEREAS better utilization of NPs will continue to evolve through modernization of legislation and improved system policies that aim to create a more accessible, efficient, cost-effective and higher-quality health care system;

WHEREAS governmental and policy entities recognize the benefits of having NPs practicing at maximum scope within the health care system and vote to support changes to legislation that allow NPs to practice to their full capacity;

WHEREAS New Brunswick is proud to recognize and honour the service of NPs in our province;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT the New Brunswick government, hereby declare the week of November 8 to 14, 2020 and, thereafter, every second week of November as National Nurse Practitioner Week in the province of New Brunswick in recognition of the numerous contributions that NPs have made over the past half century and will continue to make to the health and well-being of Canadians.

Motion 5 by Mr. C. Chiasson, seconded by Mr. D'Amours to propose the following resolution on Thursday, November 28, 2019:

WHEREAS the 10-year education plans were developed with stakeholders from across the province including two representatives of the Progressive Conservative Party;

WHEREAS the 10-year education plans are only in their fourth year of implementation;

WHEREAS the current government promised to continue the implementation of the 10-year education plans and bring stability to the education system;

WHEREAS the current government's green paper on education proposes radical and untested reforms which would completely destabilize the education system;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT this House urge the government to abandon the green paper on education and instead focus on improving the education system by continuing to implement the 10-year education plans.

Motion 6 by Mr. McKee, seconded by Mr. LeBlanc to propose the following resolution on Thursday, November 28, 2019:

WHEREAS the Progressive Conservative Party received only 31.89% of the vote in the 2018 election;

WHEREAS the current government relies on the support of the People's Alliance, which received only 12.58% of the vote in the 2018 election;

WHEREAS 54.68% of New Brunswickers voted for parties in the 2018 election that do not support the current government;

WHEREAS 68.11% of New Brunswick voted against the platform of the Progressive Conservative Party in the 2018 election;

WHEREAS the current government lacks the moral authority to implement major reforms that were not debated in the last provincial election;

WHEREAS the current government recognized its lack of moral authority when it promised in its first throne speech to "invite all party leaders to offer input into legislation and regulations", "share the ability to make decisions", and "build broad coalitions in this house";

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT this House urge the government to refer to legislative committees any major reforms for study and recommendations by all parties and feedback from the general public and outside experts.

PETITIONS

Petition 1: Ms. Landry, November 20, 2019.

Petition 2: Mr. Harvey, November 20, 2019.

Petition 3: Ms. Thériault, November 20, 2019.

Petition 4: Mr. Coon, November 20, 2019.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Standing Committee on Law Amendments

First Report, November 20, 2019
Second Report, November 20, 2019

Donald J. Forestell
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly