

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW BRUNSWICK First Session, 56<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly

# ORDER AND NOTICE PAPER - Sitting No. 34 Thursday, April 12, 2007

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# ORDERS OF THE DAY

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[In accordance to rotation prescribed by Standing Rules 44(2.4), (2.5), and (2.6)]

# **Debatable Motions**

**Motion 40 by Mr. Northrup,** seconded by Mr. Fitch to propose the following resolution on Thursday, April 12, 2007:

WHEREAS the Government made a clear campaign commitment to keep energy costs in New Brunswick affordable and low; and

WHEREAS the Government stated unequivocally that they would refund the taxpayers the full 8% Harmonized Sales Tax paid for electricity to the consumers of New Brunswick; and

WHEREAS the Charter for Change states that "We will give consumers real control over energy costs and we will put more money back in New Brunswickers' pockets. As energy prices fluctuate worldwide, a Liberal Government will work to protect consumers here at home"; and

WHEREAS the Government was adamant during their time in opposition that any increase power rates would be counter-productive to making housing more affordable to New Brunswick's low income earners; and

WHEREAS the Government House Leader stated on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2006 that "When you see the raise in power rates, nothing affects rural New Brunswickers more than the raise in power rates"; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that this Legislative Assembly call upon the government to protect the consumers of New Brunswick from any massive energy price increases; and that this government reassure the ratepayers and principal shareholders that rate shock is unacceptable and unreasonable from a publicly owned utility.

# Motions for returns [In order of their introduction in the House]

**Motion 37 by Mr. Fitch**, seconded by Mr. D. Graham to propose the following resolution on Tuesday, April 3, 2007:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House all documentation, including correspondence regarding the \$60 million credit union bailout package recently announced by the Minister of Justice.

# [Response filed April 3, 2007]

**Motion 38 by Mr. MacDonald**, seconded by Mr. Holder to propose the following resolution on Thursday, April 12, 2007:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House all documentation, correspondence, minutes of meetings, and all other related material pertaining to the McLeod Hill, Chateau Heights water supply development.

**Motion 39 by Mr. Volpé**, seconded by Mr. MacDonald to propose the following resolution on Thursday, April 12, 2007:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House all information in the possession of the government related to advertising campaigns launched within and outside New Brunswick by the current Liberal government since October 3, 2006, including advertisements about self-sufficiency. The documentation includes: mandates, terms of reference, budgets, a list of advertising agencies and staff, fees, advertising transcripts, the tendering process, a list of biders, their proposals, and copies of the contracts.

# **GOVERNMENT BILLS AND ORDERS**

#### **GOVERNMENT MOTIONS**

#### **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Bill 3, An Act to Amend the Liquor Control Act - Hon. Mr. Foran

Bill 11, An Act to Amend the Elections Act - Mr. Harrison

Bill 12, An Act to Amend the Gasoline and Motive Fuel Tax Act - Hon. Mr. V. Boudreau

Bill 22, An Act to Amend the Forest Products Act - Hon. Mr. Arseneault

Bill 23, An Act to Amend the Members' Conflict of Interest Act - Hon. Mr. Graham

Bill 24, An Act to Amend An Act to Amend the Police Act - Hon. Mr. Foran

Bill 25, An Act to Amend the Police Act - Hon. Mr. Foran

Bill 31, An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act - Hon. Mr. Foran

Bill 42, An Act to Repeal the New Brunswick Advisory Council on Seniors Act - Hon, Mrs. Robichaud

Bill 43, Special Appropriation Act 2007 - Hon. Mr. V. Boudreau

Bill 49, An Act to Amend the Legislative Assembly Act - Hon. Mr. Jamieson

Bill 50. An Act to Amend the Political Process Financing Act - Hon. Mr. Jamieson

Bill 51, An Act Respecting the Transfer of Responsibilities to Service New Brunswick - Hon. Mr. Byrne, Q.C.

Bill 52, An Act to Amend the Provincial Offences Procedure Act - Hon. Mr. Burke, Q.C.

# **COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY**

Main Estimates 2007-2008

(Transmitted by Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor Herménégilde Chiasson March 13, 2007)

Supplementary Estimates 2005-2006 Volume II (Transmitted by Message of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor Herménégilde Chiasson March 21, 2007)

# **ADJOURNED DEBATES**

Resuming the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 7, An Act to Amend the Fiscal Responsibility and Balanced Budget Act [Mr. Volpé] be now read a second time.

Resuming the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 8, *Rural Economic Development Fund Act* [*Mr. Mockler*] be now read a second time.

Resuming the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 9, An Act to Amend the Assessment Act [Mr. Betts] be now read a second time.

Resuming the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 10, *An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act* [*Mr. Steeves*] be now read a second time.

Resuming the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 15, *An Act to Amend the Environmental Trust Fund* Act **[Mr. Holder]** be now read a second time.

Resuming the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 16, *An Act to Amend the Quarriable Substances Act* [Mr. Ashfield] be now read a second time.

Resuming the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 17, *An Act to Amend the Off-Road Vehicle Act* [Hon. Mr. Foran] be now read a second time.

Resuming the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 37, *An Act to Amend the Marriage Act* [Mr. Alward] be now read a second time.

Resuming the adjourned debate on the amendment to the motion that Bill 38, *An Act Respecting Payday Loans* [Mr. Fitch] be now read a second time.

Resuming the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 39, *An Act to Amend the Tuition Tax Cash Back Credit Act* [Hon. Mr. V. Boudreau] be now read a second time.

Resuming the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 40, *An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act* [Hon. Mr. V. Boudreau] be now read a second time.

Resuming the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 41, *An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act* [Hon. Mr. V. Boudreau] be now read a second time.

Resuming the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 44, *An Act to Amend the Credit Unions Act* [Hon. Mr. Burke, Q.C.] be now read a second time.

#### BILLS STANDING REFERRED TO STANDING COMMITTEE ON LAW AMENDMENTS

Bill 32, Franchises Act - Hon. Mr. Burke, Q.C.

#### BILLS STANDING REFERRED TO STANDING COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BILLS

Bill 47, An Act to Incorporate The New Brunswick Registered Barbers' Association - Mr. A. LeBlanc

#### **NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

# **GOVERNMENT MOTIONS**

#### CONCLUDED:

Motion 19 by Hon. Mr. Jamieson. Carried February 9, 2007.

Motion 20 by Hon. Mr. Jamieson. Carried February 9, 2007.

Motion 25 by Hon. Mr. Jamieson. Carried February 20, 2007.

Motion 26 by Hon. Mr. Jamieson. Carried February 20, 2007.

Motion 28 by Hon. Mr. V. Boudreau. Debated March 13, 15, 16, 20, 21 and 22 and carried March 23, 2007.

Motion 31 by Hon. Mr. Jamieson. Carried March 21, 2007.

# PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

#### Debatable Motions

**Motion 41 by Mrs. Blaney,** seconded by Mr. Carr to propose the following resolution on Thursday, April 19, 2007:

WHEREAS the government has said that community colleges have an important role to play in their self-sufficiency vision; and

WHEREAS the government has said that New Brunswick faces a shortage of skilled workers and that every year young people are turned away from the New Brunswick Community College because of a lack of space; and

WHEREAS the government has said that the province needs skilled workers to support new projects in energy generation and conservation and our information and communication technology sectors; and

WHEREAS the government has said that there is going to be a new infusion of investments in our community college system; and

WHEREAS the government said that their promise would cost an additional \$9.1 million a year for instructors and infrastructure improvements; and

WHEREAS the government has promised to create 12,000 new full-time seats in the New Brunswick Community College over five years; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that this Legislative Assembly calls on the government to immediately table its plan to expand the New Brunswick Community College by 12,000 full-time students over the next five years.

# Motions for returns [In order of their introduction in the House]

**Motion 42 by Mr. Williams**, seconded by Mr. Northrup to propose the following resolution on Thursday, April 19, 2007:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House the names and job descriptions of all unionized and non-unionized employees hired, and all persons engaged or retained through contract, by NB Power since October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2006.

**Motion 43 by Mr. Williams**, seconded by Mr. Stiles to propose the following resolution on Thursday, April 19, 2007:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House detailed expense reports for every Minister, Deputy Minister, Assistant Deputy Minister, Executive Assistant and Special Assistant since October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2006.

# **CONCLUDED:**

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Motion 1 by Mr. R. Boudreau. Debated and carried February 27, 2007.
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Motion 2 by Mr. Volpé. Debated and carried as amended February 22, 2007.

Motion 3 by Mr. Carr. Debated and carried as amended February 20, 2007.

Motion 4 by Mr. Carr. Withdrawn March 1, 2007.

Motion 5 by Mr. Carr. Withdrawn March 1, 2007.

Motion 6 by Mr. Betts. Withdrawn March 1, 2007.

Motion 7 by Mr. Steeves. Withdrawn March 1, 2007.

Motion 8 by Mr. Fitch. Withdrawn April 5, 2007.

Motion 9 by Mrs. Poirier. Withdrawn March 1, 2007.

Motion 10 by Mr. Stiles. Withdrawn March 1, 2007.

Motion 11 by Mr. Robichaud. Withdrawn March 1, 2007.

Motion 12 by Mr. Robichaud. Withdrawn April 5, 2007

Motion 13 by Mr. Robichaud. Withdrawn March 1, 2007.

Motion 14 by Mr. Olscamp. Withdrawn March 1, 2007.

Motion 15 by Mr. Robichaud. Withdrawn March 1, 2007.

Motion 16 by Mr. Williams. Withdrawn March 1, 2007.

Motion 17 by Mr. Northrup. Withdrawn March 1, 2007.

Motion 18 by Mrs. Dubé. Withdrawn March 1, 2007.

Motion 21 by Mr. Volpé. Withdrawn April 5, 2007.

Motion 22 by Mrs. Blaney. Withdrawn March 1, 2007

Motion 23 by Mr. Northrup. Withdrawn April 5, 2007.

Motion 24 by Mr. Betts. Debated and carried as amended March 1, 2007.

Motion 27 by Mr. Williams. Withdrawn April 5, 2007.

Motion 29 by Mr. Huntjens. Withdrawn March 20, 2007.

Motion 30 by Mr. Williams. Debated and carried as amended March 22, 2007.

Motion 32 by Dr. Kennedy. Withdrawn April 3, 2007.

Motion 33 by Mr. MacDonald. Withdrawn April 5, 2007.

Motion 34 by Mr. R. Boudreau. Withdrawn April 10, 2007.

Motion 35 by Mr. Volpé. Debated and carried as amended March 27, 2007.

Motion 36 by Mrs. Blaney. Withdrawn April 5, 2007.

# **PETITIONS**

Petition No. 1 by Mr. Brewer presented February 20, 2007.

(Response filed March 7, 2007)

Petition No. 2 by Mr. Steeves presented February 20, 2007.

(Response filed March 9, 2007)

Petition No. 3 by Mr. Steeves presented February 21, 2007.

(Response filed March 20, 2007)

Petition No. 4 by Hon. Mr. Doucet presented February 21, 2007.

(Response filed March 14, 2007)

Petition No. 5 by Mr. A. LeBlanc presented February 21, 2007.

(Response filed March 12, 2007)

Petition No. 6 by Mr. Fraser presented February 22, 2007.

(Response filed March 2, 2007)

Petition No. 7 by Hon. Mr. Jamieson presented February 28, 2007.

(Response filed March 14, 2007)

Petition No. 8 by Hon. Mr. Albert presented March 14, 2007.

(Response filed March 28, 2007)

Petition No. 9 by Mr. Huntjens presented March 20, 2007.

(Response filed March 30, 2007)

Petition No. 10 by Mr. Williams presented March 21, 2007.

(Response filed April 3, 2007)

Petition No. 11 by Hon. Mr. Murphy presented March 27, 2007.

(Response filed April 3, 2007)

Petition No. 12 by Mr. R. Boudreau presented April 3, 2007.

Petition No. 13 by Hon. Mr. Murphy presented April 3, 2007.

Petition No. 14 by Mr. Brewer presented April 4, 2007.

Petition No. 15 by Mr. Steeves presented April 10, 2007.

# **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

The Standing Committee on Private Bills will meet on Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at 9 o'clock a.m. in the Legislative Council Chamber.

Loredana Catalli Sonier Clerk of the Legislative Assembly