



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW BRUNSWICK
Second Session, 56th Legislative Assembly

ORDER AND NOTICE PAPER - Sitting No. 15
Thursday, December 20, 2007

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

[*order in accordance with notice provided pursuant to S.R. 44(4)*]

Opposition Members' Public Bills for Second Reading

Bill 25, An Act to Amend the Harmonized Sales Tax Act - Mr. Volpé

Debate interrupted by expiration of time.

Debate to resume on Thursday, December 20, 2007.

Bill 28, An Act to Amend the Crown Lands and Forests Act - Mr. Ashfield

Bill 14, An Act to Amend the Environmental Trust Fund Act - Mr. Holder

Bill 15, An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act - Mr. Steeves

Bill 16, An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act - Mr. Steeves

Bill 17, An Act to Amend the Assessment Act - Mr. Betts

Bill 23, Heritage Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Act - Mr. Ashfield

Bill 24, Referendum Act - Mr. Harrison

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Bills Ordered for Second Reading

Bills to be Ordered for Second Reading

Bill 26, An Act to Amend the Judicature Act - Hon. Mr. Burke, Q.C.

Bill 27, Management of Seized and Forfeited Property Act - Hon. Mr. Burke, Q.C.

Bill 30, An Act Respecting the Office of the Attorney General - Hon. Mr. Burke, Q.C.

Bill 31, An Act to Amend the Pension Benefits Act - Hon. Mr. Burke, Q.C.

Bill 32, An Act to Amend the Executive Council Act - Hon. Mr. Graham

ADJOURNED DEBATES

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Bill 2, An Act to Amend the Insurance Act - Hon. Mr. Burke, Q.C.

Bill 4, An Act Respecting Payday Loans - Hon. Mr. Burke, Q.C.

BILLS AWAITING ROYAL ASSENT

- Bill 3, An Act to Amend An Act to Amend the Insurance Act - Hon. Mr. Burke, Q.C.
 Bill 5, An Act to Amend the Natural Products Act - Hon. Mr. Ouellette
 Bill 6, An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act - Hon. Mr. V. Boudreau
 Bill 7, An Act to Amend the Motor Carrier Act - Hon. Mr. Landry
 Bill 8, Public Interest Disclosure Act - Hon. Mr. Stiles
 Bill 9, An Act to Amend the Off-Road Vehicle Act - Hon. Mr. Foran
 Bill 10, An Act to Amend the Fire Prevention Act - Hon. Mr. Foran
 Bill 11, An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act - Hon. Dr. Doherty
 Bill 12, An Act to Amend the Workers' Compensation Act - Hon. Dr. Doherty
 Bill 18, An Act to Amend the Pension Benefits Act - Hon. Mr. Burke, Q.C.
 Bill 19, An Act to Amend the Electricity Act - Hon. Mr. Keir
 Bill 20, An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act
 - Hon. Mr. V. Boudreau
 Bill 21, An Act to Amend the Municipal Elections Act - Hon. Mr. Murphy, Q.C.
 Bill 29, Supplementary Appropriations Act 2007-2008 (1)
 Bill 33, Supplementary Appropriations Act 2006-2007 (2)

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

- 2008-2009 Capital Estimates
 Supplementary Estimates 2006-2007 Volume II (Adopted December 19, 2007)
 Supplementary Estimates 2007-2008 Volume 1 (Adopted December 18, 2007)

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Opposition Members' Motions

Motions for returns

Motion 2 by Mr. Steeves, seconded by Mr. Robichaud to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 information including flight records, final destination, duration of stay, unscheduled stops, and occupants however recorded, stored or archived, by electronic means or otherwise, related to the operation and usage of the provincially leased airplane since February 8th, 2007.

[Documents requested filed December 13, 2007]

Motion 3 by Mr. D. Graham, seconded by Mr. C. Landry to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 any and all information in the possession of the government related to the construction, location, status and projected completion date of the Provincial Trauma Centre and or Trauma Network.

[Documents requested filed December 14, 2007]

Motion 4 by Mr. Huntjens, seconded by Mr. Fitch to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 any and all information in the possession of the government related to the recruitment of nurses, including but not limited to the number of vacancies and their location and area of practice, any documents, email, correspondence, voice or other means of contact dealing with attempts to recruit nurses.

[Documents requested filed December 14, 2007]

Motion 5 by Mr. C. LeBlanc, seconded by Mr. C. Landry to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 a list of doctors and medical specialists (with their area of specialization) hired by New Brunswick health authorities since October 2, 2006, as well as their place of work, the name of the facility, and the regional authority to which these doctors have been assigned.

[Documents requested filed December 19, 2007]

Motion 6 by Ms. Dubé, seconded by Mr. D. Graham to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 a detailed list of all expenses incurred by the Commission on Post-Secondary Education, including expense accounts, wages, commissions paid, and administrative costs—essentially, all disbursements in connection with the work of this commission and the production of its final report that are chargeable to the New Brunswick government.

[Documents requested filed December 14, 2007]

Motion 7 by Ms. Dubé, seconded by Mr. Holder to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 any and all information in the possession of the government related to the science behind the Climate Change Action Plan 2007-2012, including but not limited to studies, reports, consultants, fees paid, staff who provided input, agencies used, costs associated with the action plan, the methodology behind the science and background material relating to the Action Plan's creation.

Motion 8 by Mr. Harrison, seconded by Mr. Volpé to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 any and all information in the possession of the Government related to the Tobacco Lawsuit that the Government has launched, including but not limited to its status, costing, invoices, names of firms and their representatives representing the Government, background material, studies or reports relating to the launch of this lawsuit.

Motion 9 by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Alward to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 any documents in government possession about the Fisheries Renewal Framework for New Brunswick, in particular: mandate, terms of reference, budget, composition, staff, wages, contracts, expense accounts, documentation, backgrounders, studies, or reports connected to the establishment of the Fisheries Renewal Framework, as well as associated e-mails and minutes relating to it.

Motion 10 by Mr. Northrup, seconded by Mr. Urquhart to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 any and all information in the possession of the government related to the Provincial Gaming Policy and any information related to a contract with Deloitte and Touche.

Motion 11 by Mr. Robichaud, seconded by Mr. D. Graham to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 information, including flight records, information, final destination, duration of stay, unscheduled stops, and list of occupants however recorded, stored, or archived, by electronic means or otherwise, related to the operation and usage of any chartered airplane or aircraft utilized by ministers, the Premier, provincial employees, or Members of the Legislative Assembly since February 8, 2007.

[Documents requested filed December 14, 2007]

Motion 12 by Mr. Volpé, seconded by Mr. Olscamp to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 any documents in government possession about the recent study regarding French second language programs and services, in particular: mandate, terms of reference, budget, composition, staff, wages, expense accounts, contracts, documentation, backgrounders, studies, or reports connected to this study, as well as associated e-mails and minutes.

Motion 13 by Mr. Betts, seconded by Mr. MacDonald to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 any and all information in the possession of the government related to the Commissioner on the future of Local Governance, including but not limited to the Commissioner's schedule, term of reference, budget, staffing, staff's background, salaries, background material, briefing notes, and any submissions to the Commissioner.

[Documents requested filed December 13, 2007]

Motion 14 by Mr. Ashfield, seconded by Mr. Harrison to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 copies of all documentation, briefing notes, emails, and correspondence of any kind related to the government efforts to opening up the Smurfit-Stone Mill, in Bathurst, including reports, minutes of meetings related to this issue, date and location of meetings, and people who attended those meetings.

[Documents requested filed December 19, 2007]

Motion 15 by Mr. Mockler, seconded by Mr. C. Landry to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 a list of nurses hired since October 2, 2006, by New Brunswick health authorities, as well as their place of work, the name of the facility and the health authority for which these employees work; this list should only include new employees—nurses who were not employed by a New Brunswick hospital, community health centre, extramural service unit, nursing home, etc., before October 2, 2006.

Motion 16 by Mr. Fitch, seconded by Mr. Northrup to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 any and all information in the possession of the government related to the independent review of the Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Commission (WHSCC) including but not limited to the review's mandate, terms of reference, budget, composition, staffing, salaries, background materials, briefing notes and studies or reports relating to the creation of this Independent Review.

[Documents requested filed December 14, 2007]

Motion 17 by Mrs. Poirier, seconded by Mr. Volpé to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 a detailed list of all expenses incurred by the Premier's Community Non-Profit Task Force, including expense accounts, wages, commissions paid, and administrative costs—essentially, all disbursements in connection with the work of this task force and the production of its final report that are chargeable to the New Brunswick government.

[Documents requested filed December 13, 2007]

Motion 18 by Mrs. Blaney, seconded by Mr. D. Graham to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 any and all information in the possession of the government related to the creation of the additional 12,000 Community College seats including the number of seats created to date, the number of seats to be created over the next year and the projected completion date for the total 12,000 seats.

[Documents requested filed December 14, 2007]

Motion 19 by Mr. Holder, seconded by Mrs. Blaney to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 any and all information in the possession of the government regarding the Department of Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labor and the Post-Secondary Education Working Group including the expenses and documentation related to the final report of the Post-Secondary Education Commission.

Motion 20 by Mr. Olscamp, seconded by Mr. Holder to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 each Minister, Deputy Minister, Assistant Deputy Minister, Executive Assistant and Special Assistant since May 1st, 2007.

Motion 21 by Mr. C. Landry, seconded by Mr. Northrup to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 2007:

That an address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House any and all information in the possession of the government related to its "E-Health Strategy", including but not limited to background material, studies, reports, staff assigned to its development, consultants hired, their fees and expenses paid, their terms of reference, parties that were consulted, definition of E- Health as used by the Minister and the timelines when government began activities in its pursuit of E Health.

Motion 22 by Mr. Alward, seconded by Mr. C. Landry to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 any and all information in the possession of the government related to the Ambulance Service negotiations between the government, Medavie Blue Cross and the present service providers, the status of the negotiations, present costs of these negotiations, the offers made to the providers, direction given to the negotiators, background material, studies or reports related to these negotiations.

Motion 23 by Mr. MacDonald, seconded by Mr. Volpé to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 any and all information in the possession of the government related to the recruitment of physicians, including but not limited to the number of vacancies and their location and area of practice, any documents, email, correspondence, voice or other means of contact dealing with attempts to recruit physicians.

Motion 24 by Mr. Urquhart, seconded by Mr. C. Landry to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 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 any and all information in the possession of the government regarding the status and progress of the Personal Health Information Taskforce.

Motion 28 by Mr. Ashfield, seconded by Mr. Mockler to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 13, 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 any and all information in the possession of the Government related to any inquiries received by the Minister of Business New Brunswick concerning the AbitibiBowater property in Dalhousie.

[Documents requested filed December 14, 2007]

Motion 30 by Mr. Volpé, seconded by Mr. Northrup to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 20, 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 any and all information in the possession of the government, including phone logs, emails, letters and minutes of meetings between the Government of New Brunswick and the Government of Nova Scotia and/or Newfoundland and Labrador concerning the Government of New Brunswick's desire to raise the HST by 1% following a 1% reduction in the HST by the Federal Government.

CONCLUDED:

Motion 26 by Mr. C. Landry. Debated and defeated December 6, 2007.

Motion 29 by Mrs. Blaney. Debated and carried as amended December 13, 2007.

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

CONCLUDED:

Motion 1 by Hon. Mr. Lamrock. Carried November 28, 2007.

Motion 25 by Hon. Mr. Murphy, Q.C.. Carried November 28, 2007.

Motion 27 by Hon. Mr. V. Boudreau. Carried December 11, 2007.

Motion 31 by Hon. Mr. Murphy, Q.C. Carried December 18, 2007.

Motion 32 by Hon. Mr. Murphy, Q.C. Carried December 18, 2007.

PRIVATE BILLS STANDING REFERRED TO STANDING COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BILLS

Bill 22, An Act to Amend the City of Saint John Pension Act - Mr. Kennedy

PETITIONS

Petition No. 1 presented by Mr. Urquhart on November 28, 2007.

Petition No. 2 presented by Mr. Alward on November 28, 2007.

(Response filed December 12, 2007)

Petition No. 3 presented by Mr. Betts on December 18, 2007.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

First Report of the Standing Committee on Procedure presented November 28, 2007.

REPORTS/DOCUMENTS

FILED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE

2006-2007 Annual Report, Post Secondary Education, Training and Labour

(Filed December 19, 2007)

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