



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW BRUNSWICK First Session, 57th Legislative Assembly

ORDER AND NOTICE PAPER - Sitting No. 9
Friday, December 3, 2010

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

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Condolences and Messages of Sympathy (*Prior Notice to Speaker*)
Introduction of Guests
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ORDERS OF THE DAY

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 Hon. Mr. Williams on behalf of Hon. Mr. Alward.
Debate to resume on Friday, December 3, 2010.***

GOVERNMENT BILLS FOR SECOND READING

Bills ordered for Second Reading

Bill 3, An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act - Hon. Mr. Higgs
Bill 5, An Act to Amend the Assessment Act - Hon. Mr. Fitch
Bill 7, An Act to Amend the Real Property Tax Act - Hon. Mr. Higgs
Bill 8, An Act to Amend the Credit Unions Act - Hon. Mrs. Blais, Q.C.
Bill 9, An Act to Amend the Municipal Assistance Act - Hon. Mr. Fitch

Bills to be ordered for Second Reading

Bill 2, An Act to Amend the Executive Council Act - Hon. Mr. Alward
Bill 4, An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act - Hon. Mr. Trevors
Bill 6, An Act to Amend the Assessment Act - Hon. Mr. Fitch

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

CONCLUDED

Motion 9 by Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud. Carried November 30, 2010.

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Debatable Motions

Motion 4 by Mr. D. Landry, seconded by Mr. Albert to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 2, 2010:

WHEREAS the 2010 platform for the Progressive Conservative Party made no mention of the sale of NB Liquor;

WHEREAS the newly appointed CEO of NB Liquor was reported to have been musing about the sale of NB Liquor;

WHEREAS NB Liquor remitted \$161.9 million to the New Brunswick government in 2009-2010;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to clearly inform New Brunswickers about the Conservative government's intention regarding the possible sale of NB Liquor.

Amendment moved by Hon. Mr. Higgs, seconded by Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud that Motion 4 be amended as follows:

By replacing the words

WHEREAS the 2010 platform for the Progressive Conservative Party made no mention of the sale of NB Liquor;

WHEREAS the newly appointed CEO of NB Liquor was reported to have been musing about the sale of NB Liquor;

WITH

WHEREAS the CEO of NB Liquor has the responsibility to seek ways to better serve New Brunswickers;

AND

That the words following “BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to clearly inform” be deleted and replaced with “and continue to consult with New Brunswickers, so that they are clearly informed about and involved in decisions regarding the innovative ways that we may better manage the NB Liquor Corporation for the benefit of all New Brunswickers.”

[Debate interrupted due to expiration of time.]

Motion 5 by Mr. Haché, seconded by Mr. Collins to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 2, 2010:

WHEREAS the new Progressive Conservative government campaigned on a promise to be open and transparent;

WHEREAS the Progressive Conservative Party’s campaign platform vowed “responsible management of our public finances”;

WHEREAS the Premier publicly stated that his party’s campaign platform was his contract with the people of New Brunswick;

WHEREAS the government of New Brunswick has appointed several high-profile Progressive Conservative Party members to high-paying positions with provincial boards, corporations, agencies, and commissions since October 12, 2010;

BE IT RESOLVED that this Legislative Assembly call upon the government to fully disclose the recruitment and hiring process used to appoint members of provincial boards, corporations, agencies, and commissions since October 12, 2010.

Motion 10 by Mr. Kenny, seconded by Mr. Arseneault to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 9, 2010:

WHEREAS the Point Lepreau refurbishment project is three years behind schedule and \$1 billion over budget;

WHEREAS the refurbishment contract was signed by the former Progressive Conservative government in 2006;

WHEREAS the delays in the refurbishment project require the province of New Brunswick to purchase electricity from other jurisdictions at a cost of approximately \$1 million a day;

WHEREAS the Minister of Energy has stated in this House that his government will accept nothing less than full compensation from the government of Canada for the cost of replacement electricity;

WHEREAS the Prime Minister of Canada has stated publicly that the federal government will only honour its contractual obligations in the refurbishment project;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly call on the government of New Brunswick to demand from the federal government full compensation of the cost of replacement power resulting from the delay in the refurbishment project at Point Lepreau, for the good of all New Brunswickers.

Motion 11 by Mr. Melanson, seconded by Mr. Boudreau to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 9, 2010:

WHEREAS economic development is vital to the financial future of our province;

WHEREAS job creation is important for incremental revenues;

WHEREAS the Official Opposition believes government has a very important role to play in helping create jobs;

WHEREAS the majority of the participants in the Future NB Summit in Moncton agreed that government is an integral partner in the economic development process;

WHEREAS government policies can either stimulate job creation or discourage it;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to demonstrate its commitment to economic development by setting a concrete job creation target of at least 15,000 new jobs to be created in New Brunswick over the next four years.

Motions for Returns

Motion 1 by Mr. Doucet, seconded by Mr. Collins to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 2, 2010:

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 the names, job titles, job descriptions and remuneration of all persons hired by the Province on a contract, term, casual, part-time or full-time basis since October 12, 2010, including all parts of the civil service and crown corporations, boards, agencies and commissions.

Motion 2 by Mr. Albert, seconded by Mr. D. Landry to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 2, 2010:

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 the names, job descriptions, job titles, and departments of all persons whose employment was terminated, whose casual positions ended, or whose contracts were not renewed with the province of New Brunswick since October 12, 2010.

Motion 6 by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Fraser to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 9, 2010:

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 all the vehicles in the Department of Transportation's executive fleet purchased or leased for or by Ministers, Deputy Ministers, Special Assistants and Executive Assistants since October 12, 2010, including the year, make, model, purchase or lease price, type of fuel used, and Minister, Deputy Minister, Special Assistant and Executive Assistant's name for each vehicle.

Motion 7 by Mr. Doucet, seconded by Mr. Albert to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 9, 2010:

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, however recorded, stored or archived, by electronic means or otherwise, between federal and

provincial government departments, agencies and/or persons regarding the Saint John Harbour Bridge.

Motion 8 by Mr. Kenny, seconded by Mr. Bertrand LeBlanc to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 9, 2010:

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, however recorded, stored or archived, by electronic means or otherwise, between the Office of the Premier, the Office of the Minister of Energy and any provincial government departments, agencies and/or persons, and the Government of Nova Scotia, the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, Emera Inc. and Nalcor Energy, regarding the Lower Churchill hydroelectric project partnership, since October 12, 2010.

Motion 12 by Mr. Arseneault, seconded by Mr. Fraser to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 9, 2010:

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 invoices for RCMP services issued to municipalities in the province of New Brunswick, along with an accounting of all payments received from municipalities for RCMP services, for the fiscal year 2009-2010, as well as detailed year-by-year invoices and accounts receivable for any municipalities with outstanding balances, dating back to the year of the first underpayment.

Motion 13 by Mr. Arseneault, seconded by Mr. Fraser to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 9, 2010:

THAT an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House documentation regarding the number of personal income tax filers and corporate income tax filers in the province of New Brunswick since the 2003 taxation year.

CONCLUDED

Motion 3 by Mr. Kenny. Debated and carried as amended December 2, 2010.

PETITIONS

Petition 1: Hon. Mrs. Stultz, November 26, 2010.

Loredana Catalli Sonier, Q.C.
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly