

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

ORDER AND NOTICE PAPER - Sitting No. 6 Wednesday, December 5, 2012

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Prayers

Condolences and Messages of Sympathy (Prior Notice to Speaker)

Introduction of Guests

Messages of Congratulation and Recognition (10 minutes)

Presentations of Petitions

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Statements by Ministers

Statements by Members (10 minutes)

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Introduction of Bills

Notices of Motions

Notice of Opposition Members' Business

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Orders of the Day

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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 interrupted due to expiration of time.

Debate to resume on Wednesday, December 5, 2012.

GOVERNMENT BILLS FOR SECOND READING

Bills Ordered for Second Reading

Bill 4, An Act to Amend the Natural Products Act - Hon. Ms. Blais, Q.C. Bill 6, An Act to Amend the Medical Services Payment Act - Hon. Mr. Flemming, Q.C.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Bill 2, An Act Respecting Property Tax Reform - Hon. Mr. Fitch

Bill 3, An Act Respecting the Regional Service Delivery Act - Hon. Mr. Fitch

Bill 5, An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act - Hon. Mr. Trevors

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

CONCLUDED

Motion 4 by Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud. Carried November 28, 2012.

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS FOR SECOND READING

Bill 7, An Act to Amend the Members' Conflict of Interest Act - Mr. Boudreau Bill 8, Lobbyists' Registration Act - Mr. Fraser

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' MOTIONS

Debatable Motions

Motion 1 by Mr. Kenny, seconded by Mr. Haché to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 2012:

WHEREAS the impending closure of the Xstrata Mine in Bathurst will result in the loss of hundreds of jobs, both directly and indirectly;

WHEREAS the northern economy has suffered numerous blows in recent years with the decline of various industries, and the Xstrata closure will only exacerbate this economic downturn:

WHEREAS the knowledge base, expertise and human resources in the region would provide an excellent training ground for those interested in learning mining skills;

WHEREAS mining companies around the world are looking for thousands of workers skilled in mining trades;

WHEREAS a mining trades program and a mining centre of excellence, and resulting research opportunities, would provide important economic opportunities for northern New Brunswick;

WHEREAS the training facility and centre of excellence would help both northern New Brunswick and mining all across Canada;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislature urge the provincial government to engage the mining industry and the federal government in a partnership to establish a Mining Centre of Excellence and training centre in Bathurst following the mine's shutdown.

Motion 2 by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Doucet to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 2012:

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 of Bernard Lord in 2006, with insufficient protection for such excessive cost overruns by the federal Crown Corporation AECL;

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 cost overruns at Point Lepreau;

WHEREAS the Opposition supports the intention of the Minister of Energy to obtain full compensation;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly call on the government of New Brunswick to define full compensation and explain to the people of New Brunswick how the Minister of Energy will obtain full compensation from the federal government for the full value of the cost overruns at Point Lepreau.

Motions for Returns

Motion 3 by Mr. Arseneault, seconded by Mr. Albert to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 6, 2012:

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 but not limited to correspondence, however recorded, stored or archived, by electronic means or otherwise, related to contracts between all departments, agencies, Crown Corporations, boards or other entities of the provincial government and Alexander Proudfoot, from October 13, 2010 to present.

Motion 5 by Mr. Fraser, seconded by Mr. Arseneault to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 13, 2012:

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 provincial airplane, and any other chartered airplane, since October 13th, 2010.

Motion 6 by Mr. Fraser, seconded by Mr. Bernard LeBlanc to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 13, 2012:

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, however recorded, stored or archived, including but not limited to any correspondence in any form, between the Department of Social Development, any other government department, agency or Crown Corporation, any stakeholder group, and any government employee, including but not limited to Ministers, MLAs and departmental staff, regarding the applicants for social assistance who were rejected due to being without a permanent address, since October 13, 2010.

Motion 7 by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Kenny to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 13, 2012:

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 since October 1, 2010, including correspondence, however recorded, stored or archived, by electronic means or otherwise, between the Department of Energy and Mines, the Premier's Office, the Executive Council Office, the Department of Natural Resources and any other individuals, or corporations with respect to the engagement of consultants, communications companies and/or public relations companies engaged to provide strategic communications advice, public relations advice, marketing advice or other such guidance and/or materials in relation to the public discussion of issues related to shale gas exploration and development, including, but not limited to all correspondence, memos, contracts, directives, proposals, and invoices and detailed information of all costs incurred for such services.

PETITIONS

Petition 1: Mr. Kenny, December 4, 2012.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Legislative Administration Committee will meet on Friday, December 7, 2012, at 11:30 a.m. (or immediately upon the adjournment of the House) in the Speaker's Conference Room in the basement Legislative Assembly Building.

REPORTS/DOCUMENTS

Tabled in the House

Public Accounts for the fiscal year ended 31 March 2012, Volume 2, Supplementary Information

(Tabled by Hon. Mr. Higgs, December 4, 2012)

Unaudited Supplementary Employee and Supplier Lists 2011-2012

(Tabled by Hon. Mr. Higgs, December 4, 2012)

Filed in the Clerk's Office

Annual Report 2011-2012, RPC Science and Engineering

(Filed December 4, 2012)

Report of the Auditor General of New Brunswick, Volume 1, 2012

(Filed December 4, 2012)

Report of the Auditor General of New Brunswick, Volume 2, 2012

(Filed December 4, 2012)

Donald J. Forestell Clerk of the Legislative Assembly