

Daily sitting 4

Friday, November 8, 2013

9 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

The following Bills were introduced and read a first time:

By Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud,

Bill 8, *An Act to Amend the Executive Council Act.*

By Hon. Mr. Lifford,

Bill 9, *An Act to Amend the Securities Act.*

Mr. Fraser gave Notice of Motion 3 that on Thursday, November 14, 2013, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Albert:

WHEREAS the province faces significant financial challenges;

WHEREAS Premier David Alward ordered \$90,000 of taxpayers' money to be spent on a television advertisement claiming economic improvement;

WHEREAS the advertisement was clearly aimed at seeking support for the Progressive Conservative Party;

WHEREAS these types of advertisements should be paid for by the political party that chooses to create them and be subject to rules for political advertising;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick urge the Progressive Conservative Party of New Brunswick to reimburse the taxpayers' money that was used, and disallow the future use of taxpayer dollars on party-promoting advertisements.

Mr. Collins gave Notice of Motion 4 that on Thursday, November 14, 2013, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Melanson:

WHEREAS the Progressive Conservative party promised during the 2010 campaign that it would maintain the number of teachers in the province;

WHEREAS on June 4, 2013, the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development, avoided questions in relation to further cuts within his department;

WHEREAS on June 4, 2013, the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development admitted to media that his department cut 40 teaching positions and that his government was unable to keep its campaign promise;

WHEREAS on August 23, 2013, a news story was published in regards to potential cuts to music and physical education specialists;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick urge the provincial government to immediately release a complete list of any and all cuts made to teaching positions as well as other staff positions within all schools in the province's school districts.

Mr. Arseneault gave Notice of Motion 5 that on Thursday, November 14, 2013, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Boudreau:

WHEREAS 12 public consultations were held between September 16 and October 9, leading to a renewal of *Overcoming Poverty Together - The New Brunswick Poverty Reduction Plan*;

WHEREAS the province's Poverty Reduction Plan had the following objective: "*By 2015, New Brunswick will have reduced income poverty by 25% and deep income poverty by 50% and will have made significant progress in achieving sustained economic and social inclusion.*";

WHEREAS the province's Poverty Reduction Plan had established specific priority actions, both immediate and over a five year period;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick urge the provincial government to table in the House within 30 days a detailed progress report on the province's Poverty Reduction Plan that demonstrates goals met and identifies remaining work and a timeline for achieving unmet goals.

Mr. Arseneault gave Notice of Motion 6 that on Thursday, November 14, 2013, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Fraser:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House every position description questionnaire for each senior executive position with Vitalité Health Network, Horizon Health Network and FacilicorpNB, as well as a list of each position description questionnaire that was approved, all between January 1, 2011 and January 1, 2013.

Mr. Arseneault gave Notice of Motion 7 that on Thursday, November 14, 2013, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Fraser:

That an address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause to be laid upon the table of the House every position description questionnaire for each senior executive management position with Vitalité Health Network, Horizon Health Network and FacilicorpNB, as well as the list of each position description questionnaire that was approved, all between January 2, 2013 and the present day.

Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud gave notice that on Tuesday, November 12, 2013, Bills 8 and 9 would be called for second reading.

Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that the House resume the adjourned debate on the motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne.

The Assembly resumed the adjourned debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Tait, seconded by Mr. S. Robichaud:

THAT the following Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to offer the humble thanks of this House to His Honour for the gracious speech which he has been pleased to make to the Legislative Assembly, namely:

Fredericton, N.B.
November 5, 2013.

To His Honour,
The Honourable Graydon Nicholas,
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of New Brunswick.

May It Please Your Honour:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick, now in session, beg leave to extend our humble thanks to Your Honour for the gracious speech which Your Honour has addressed to us, and we assure Your Honour that all matters which may be submitted to us during the session will receive our most careful attention and consideration.

And after some time, due to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Urquhart, the Deputy Speaker, took the chair as Acting Speaker.

And after some further time, Mr. C. Landry took the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Urquhart resumed the chair.

And after some further time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker interrupted proceedings and announced that the hour of daily adjournment had arrived.

And then, 2 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.

The following document, having been deposited with the Clerk of the House, was deemed laid upon the table of the House, pursuant to Standing Rule 39:

Annual Report 2012-2013,
Service New Brunswick

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