



## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW BRUNSWICK Fourth Session, 57<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly

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ORDER AND NOTICE PAPER - Sitting No. 12  
Friday, November 22, 2013

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### ORDERS OF THE DAY

### GOVERNMENT BILLS AND ORDERS

## GOVERNMENT BILLS FOR SECOND READING

### *Adjourned Debates*

Bill 11, An Act Respecting Pensions under the *Public Service Superannuation Act*  
- Hon. Mr. Higgs

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Bill 2, Lobbyists' Registration Act - Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud  
 Bill 3, An Act to Amend the Crown Lands and Forests Act - Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud  
 Bill 4, An Act to Amend the Fish and Wildlife Act - Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud  
 Bill 5, An Act to Amend the Tobacco Tax Act - Hon. Mr. Higgs  
 Bill 6, An Act to Amend the Early Childhood Services Act - Hon. Ms. Blais, Q.C.  
 Bill 8, An Act to Amend the Executive Council Act - Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud  
 Bill 9, An Act to Amend the Securities Act - Hon. Mr. Lifford

## GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

### CONCLUDED

**Motion 1 by Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud.** Carried November 6, 2013.

**Motion 2 by Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud.** Carried November 6, 2013.

## OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

### OPPOSITION MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS FOR SECOND READING

Bill 7, An Act to Amend the Environmental Trust Fund Act - Mr. Bernard LeBlanc  
 Bill 10, An Act to Amend the Environmental Trust Fund Act - Mr. Bernard LeBlanc  
 Bill 12, An Act to Amend the Members' Conflict of Interest Act - Mr. Gallant  
 Bill 13, An Act to Amend the Political Process Financing Act - Mr. Gallant  
 Bill 14, An Act to Amend the Legislative Assembly Act - Mr. Gallant

## OPPOSITION MEMBERS' MOTIONS

### *Debatable Motions*

**Motion 5 by Mr. Arseneault**, seconded by Mr. Boudreau to propose the following resolution on Thursday, November 14, 2013:

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.

**Amendment moved by Hon. Ms. Shephard, seconded by Hon. Mr. P. Robichaud that Motion 5 be amended as follows:**

**By deleting the resolution clause and substituting the following:**

**“BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick accepts as the most recent progress report, which was tabled in the House on June 14, 2013, and which identified the action items that have been completed to-date and identifies the work remaining.”**

*[Debate interrupted due to expiration of time]*

**Motion 8 by Mr. Doucet**, seconded by Mr. Collins to propose the following resolution on Thursday, November 21, 2013:

WHEREAS all Canadians owe a debt of gratitude to our armed forces for their sacrifices on our behalf; and

WHEREAS armed forces personnel have been injured in the line of duty on behalf of our country; and

WHEREAS federal government policy requires armed forces personnel to be ready to be deployed overseas for the entire ten years of their service to qualify for a pension; and

WHEREAS injuries prevent many of these armed forces personnel from being ready to be deployed overseas thereby disqualifying these brave men and women from a pension; and

WHEREAS successive Ministers of National Defense have recognized that this policy is unfair and have pledged to address the problem; and

WHEREAS the problem has still not been addressed;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislature of New Brunswick unanimously condemn that current policy and urge the federal government to make provision for armed forces personnel injured in the line of duty to be allowed to remain in the service for their full ten years to qualify for their pensions.

**Motion 12 by Mr. Albert**, seconded by Mr. Doucet to propose the following resolution on Thursday, November 28, 2013:

WHEREAS the Alward government has failed in its efforts to address the economic challenges facing the province;

WHEREAS the Alward government has failed to stimulate job creation and tackle the problem of unemployment;

WHEREAS thousands of New Brunswickers have been forced to leave the province in search of employment elsewhere;

WHEREAS the Premier has not brought forward a comprehensive economic development strategy for the province;

WHEREAS Statistics Canada figures reveal that nearly all New Brunswick economic indicators are well below the national average;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly condemn this government for its lack of results in growing the economy, tackling unemployment, and creating jobs.

**Motion 13 by Mr. Fraser**, seconded by Mr. D. Landry to propose the following resolution on Thursday, November 28, 2013:

WHEREAS, in 2008, the then Department of Transportation—DOT—implemented a new Asset Management Business Framework to better manage the long-term investment requirements of the province's aging highway infrastructure; and

WHEREAS the Asset Management Business Framework—AMBF—was implemented to make the most efficient use of highway capital repair dollars and take the politics out of paving; and

WHEREAS the Auditor General observed that, in the first three years after adopting the Asset Management Business Framework with optimal funding in place, the department noted positive results; and

WHEREAS the Auditor General has noted that the asset management methodology is sound; and

WHEREAS the Auditor General has concluded that, although the department has the appropriate tools in place to identify and prioritize required highway maintenance projects, current funding levels do not allow for completion of an appropriate level of highway maintenance on a timely basis; and

WHEREAS the Auditor General has expressed concern that this will result in deferring required maintenance to future periods at a greater overall cost to the province; and

WHEREAS it is reported in the Auditor General's report that 40% of capital maintenance projects chosen for completion are not recommended through the asset management capital planning process, and it was suggested that some of these are chosen for political reasons;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislature urge the government to return to the principles of asset management that have been implemented since 2008 to restore optimum long-term value to New Brunswick highway capital repairs.

### ***Motions for Returns***

**Motion 6 by Mr. Arseneault**, seconded by Mr. Fraser to propose the following resolution on Thursday, November 14, 2013:

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.

**[Documents requested filed November 20, 2013]**

**Motion 7 by Mr. Arseneault**, seconded by Mr. Fraser to propose the following resolution on Thursday, November 14, 2013:

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.

**[Documents requested filed November 20, 2013]**

**Motion 9 by Mr. Bertrand LeBlanc**, seconded by Mr. Boudreau to propose the following resolution on Thursday, November 21, 2013:

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 Department of Public Safety, the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development, the Anglophone North School District, the Francophone sud school district, and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police regarding school closures in Kent County because of concerns about student safety following recent shale gas protests in the Rexton area.

**[Documents requested filed November 21, 2013]**

**Motion 11 by Mr. Collins**, seconded by Mr. Doucet to propose the following resolution on Thursday, November 21, 2013:

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 documentation, however stored, recorded or archived, by electronic means or otherwise, between the Department of Justice, the Office of the Attorney General, the Premier's Office, and Paul D'Astous in relation to auto insurance rates in New Brunswick between October 12, 2010 and the present day.

## **CONCLUDED**

**Motion 3 by Mr. Fraser.** Debated and defeated November 14, 2013.

**Motion 4 by Mr. Collins.** Debated and defeated November 21, 2013.

**Motion 10 by Mr. Melanson.** Debated and defeated November 21, 2013.

## **PETITIONS**

Petition 1: Mr. Doucet, November 6, 2013.

Petition 2: Mr. Gallant, November 14, 2013.

Petition 3: Ms. Wilson, November 21, 2013.

Donald J. Forestell  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly