



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW BRUNSWICK First Session, 61st Legislative Assembly

ORDER AND NOTICE PAPER – Sitting No. 14
Wednesday, March 19, 2025

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GOVERNMENT BILLS AND ORDERS

Motion 13 by Hon. Mr. Legacy, seconded by Hon. Ms. Holt to propose the following resolution on Tuesday, March 18, 2025:

THAT this House approves in general the budgetary policy of the government.

Debate adjourned by Mr. Monahan.

Debate to resume on Thursday, March 20, 2025.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON LAW AMENDMENTS

Bill 4, An Act Respecting Petroleum Products Pricing – Hon. Mr. Legacy

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

Capital Estimates 2025-2026

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

Motion 1 by Mr. M. LeBlanc, seconded by Hon. Mr. K. Chiasson to propose the following resolution on Tuesday, November 26, 2024:

WHEREAS the Government of New Brunswick is focused on strengthening relationships with First Nations communities that are built on trust and collaboration;

WHEREAS recognizing and paying respect to the First Nations on whose territories we live and work is an important part of the ongoing commitment to truth and reconciliation;

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2024, the Government of New Brunswick invited government employees to use a land acknowledgement at formal meetings, at events, in publications, and in other government venues and settings;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick acknowledge that the Province of New Brunswick is situated on the unceded and unsurrendered territories of the Wolastoqey, Mi'gmaq and Peskotomuhkati peoples and that the Members of the Legislative Assembly seek to repair and rebuild meaningful relationships with Indigenous peoples and honour these lands which hold the hopes of future generations.

CONCLUDED

Motion 2 by Mr. M. LeBlanc. Carried November 20, 2024.

Motion 3 by Hon. Mr. Legacy. Debated and carried December 10, 2024.

Motion 4 by Mr. M. LeBlanc. Carried November 20, 2024.

Motion 9 by Mr. M. LeBlanc. Carried November 28, 2024.

Motion 10 by Mr. M. LeBlanc. Carried November 28, 2024.

Motion 11 by Mr. M. LeBlanc. Carried December 11, 2024.

Motion 12 by Mr. M. LeBlanc. Carried December 11, 2024.

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

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Debatable Motions

Motion 7 by Ms. Scott-Wallace, seconded by Mr. Savoie to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 12, 2024:

WHEREAS farm solid waste is currently not collected and disposed of by all municipal or local garbage collection services;

WHEREAS solid waste disposal represents a cost and logistical burden for farmers;

WHEREAS farmers pay property taxes for access to public services like everyone else;

WHEREAS farmers and their livelihood are essential to our health, well being, and quality of life;

WHEREAS farmers and their businesses are vital to the larger success of our economy;

WHEREAS some local governments provide solid waste collection and disposal services now, including silage wrap, and others had done so previously;

WHEREAS provincial regulations once stipulated the Minister of Local Government must provide collection and disposal service for farm properties in rural communities, regional municipalities and local service districts, including silage wrap;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to conduct a study in consultation with the Ag Alliance, Circular Materials, Plaex as well as any other relevant stakeholders to find a means to determine an appropriate strategy to manage agricultural solid waste.

Amendment moved by Hon. Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Hon. Mr. Finnigan that Motion 7 be amended as follows:

In the resolution clause:

By deleting “to conduct a study, in consultation with the Ag Alliance, Circular Materials, Plaex, as well as any other relevant stakeholders, to find a means to determine an appropriate strategy to manage agricultural solid waste” and replacing it with “to continue working with municipalities, Regional Services Commissions, the Agricultural Alliance, Circular Materials and Plaex, as well as any other relevant stakeholders, to determine opportunities to manage agricultural plastic waste in a sustainable manner”.

[Debate interrupted due to expiration of time.]

Motion 8 by Mr. Austin, seconded by Mr. Ames to propose the following resolution on Thursday, December 12, 2024:

WHEREAS the Premier has openly mused about reviewing the Central NB Correctional Facility Project;

WHEREAS New Brunswick’s current correctional facilities are over capacity, leading to repeat offenders being released on house arrest before they have completed their full sentence;

WHEREAS the Province has already invested over 5 million dollars into the Project, as well as a significant financial contribution from the local municipality;

WHEREAS the people of Grand Lake are relying on the facility for increased public safety and the betterment of their economy;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick urge the government to continue with the Central NB Correctional Facility located in the Minto Industrial Park.

Motion 14 by Ms. M. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Weir to propose the following resolution on Thursday, March 20, 2025:

WHEREAS drug addiction and recovery are critical public health issues that deeply impact individuals, families, and communities across New Brunswick;

WHEREAS privately and not-for-profit owned drug recovery programs operate within the province and play a significant role in offering support to individuals seeking treatment;

WHEREAS concerns have been raised about the potential for harm caused by unregulated or inadequately monitored private and not-for-profit recovery programs, or lack of evidence-based practices;

WHEREAS it is the responsibility of the provincial government to ensure that all drug recovery programs, whether public or private and not-for-profit, adhere to high standards of accountability, safety, and efficacy for the well-being of those they serve;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to move towards a recovery-based model in treating those suffering from addictions and to re-evaluate current harm reduction models.

Motion 15 by Ms. M. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lee to propose the following resolution on Thursday, March 20, 2025:

WHEREAS suicide is one of the leading causes of death among youths, especially adolescents aged 15 to 19;

WHEREAS New Brunswick is grappling with rising rates in mental health challenges, including anxiety, depression, and suicidal ideation;

WHEREAS suicide rates among Indigenous youth in New Brunswick and Canada are notably higher than among non-Indigenous youth;

WHEREAS stigmas around mental health issues often prevent students from seeking help;

WHEREAS educational institutions play a critical role in fostering a supportive environment

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly of New Brunswick urge the government to support the implementation of comprehensive suicide awareness and prevention programs in schools across the province, including mandatory training for educators and staff, the integration of mental health education into the curriculum, and the establishment of supportive resources for students, with the goal of fostering a safe and inclusive environment that encourages open discussions about mental health and provides effective interventions for those in need.

CONCLUDED

Motion 5 by Mr. Ames. Debated and carried as amended December 12, 2024.

Motion 6 by Mr. Hogan. Debated and carried as amended November 28, 2024.

PETITIONS

Petition 1: Mr. Coon, November 26, 2024. (Response, January 10, 2025)

Petition 2: Ms. S. Wilson, December 10, 2024. (Response, January 23, 2025)

Petition 3: Ms. Mitton, December 10, 2024. (Response, December 19, 2024)

Petition 4: Mr. Cullins, December 13, 2024. (Response, December 19, 2024)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Standing Committee on Economic Policy First Report, December 10, 2024

Standing Committee on Procedure, Privileges and Legislative Officers
First Report, December 11, 2024

REPORTS/DOCUMENTS

Tabled in the House

Main Estimates 2025-2026

(Transmitted by Message of Her Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and
Tabled by Hon. Mr. Legacy March 18, 2025)

Budget 2025-2026, Driving Change, Delivering Progress

(Tabled by Hon. Mr. Legacy March 18, 2025)

Economic Outlook 2025-2026

(Tabled by Hon. Mr. Legacy March 18, 2025)

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Clerk of the Legislative Assembly