
Daily sitting 20

Friday, December 5, 2025

9 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Mr. Coon gave Notice of Motion 22 that on Thursday, December 11, 2025, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Mitton:

WHEREAS US President Donald Trump has repeatedly stated his desire to annex Canada to become the 51st state;

WHEREAS there has been an overwhelming response from Canadians to stand up to President Trump, including by avoiding American products and US-based corporations;

WHEREAS the US Department of War has invested \$20.7 million in the Sisson Mine;

WHEREAS ProEnergy, a Missouri-based company, has been given a contract by NB Power to build a new fossil fuel power plant fuelled by diesel and American fracked gas;

WHEREAS VoltaGrid, a Texas-based company, is seeking to build a new fossil fuel power plant powered by American fracked gas to power an AI data centre that is proposed to be built on land owned by the Regional Development Corporation in Lorneville;

WHEREAS VoltaGrid is 20% owned by Halliburton;

WHEREAS these projects will bind our economy to the US even more tightly while Trump batters our softwood lumber sector in his ongoing effort to make Canada the 51st state;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to end its efforts to facilitate investments in New Brunswick by American corporations;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to instead invest in local economic development that will create prosperity here in New Brunswick while strengthening our sovereignty, including energy efficiency, renewable energy, public transportation, and local food production.

Ms. Mitton gave Notice of Motion 23 that on Thursday, December 11, 2025, she would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Coon:

WHEREAS NB Power has announced plans to build a new fossil fuel power plant owned by American company ProEnergy to burn diesel and American fracked gas;

WHEREAS this project would lock us into expensive fossil fuels for at least the next 25 years;

WHEREAS a recent UN report found that solar power now is 41% cheaper and wind power is 53% cheaper globally than the lowest-cost fossil fuel;

WHEREAS a new battery project in Ontario will deliver the same 400MW capacity as this proposed plant and will be online by 2027;

WHEREAS ProEnergy and NB Power have misrepresented an Indigenous equity partnership and excluded key information from their EIA submission, such as the presence of pileated woodpeckers in Centre Village;

WHEREAS this project would put people's well water at risk and harm wildlife and their habitat in this ecologically significant area;

WHEREAS the Premier has repeatedly said she has many questions about the project;

WHEREAS the Environment Minister has suggested that this project will not be required to undergo a rigorous, comprehensive Environmental Impact Assessment;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge NB Power to halt plans to build a fracked gas plant in Tantramar;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge NB Power to instead invest in proven and affordable green options, such as improved energy efficiency, wind and solar energy, and battery storage technology.

Hon. Mr. Legacy, Minister of Finance and Treasury Board, delivered to Madam Speaker a Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and the said Message was read by Madam Speaker, all the Members standing, and is as follows:

Fredericton, New Brunswick.
December 5, 2025.

Her Honour the Lieutenant-Governor transmits the *Supplementary Estimates 2025-2026, Volume 1*, of the sums required for the services of the Province, not otherwise provided for, for the year ending March 31, 2026, and in accordance with the provisions of the *Constitution Act, 1867*, recommends these estimates to the House.

(Sgd. :) Louise Imbeault.
Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. M. LeBlanc, Government House Leader, announced that following third reading, it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the Capital Estimates of the New Brunswick Housing Corporation.

The following Bill was read a third time:

Bill 21, *An Act to Amend the Child and Youth Well-Being Act*.

Ordered that the said Bill does pass.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of Supply with Mr. Arseneault in the chair.

And after some time, Madam Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. Arseneault, the Chair, after requesting that Madam Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported that the Committee had had under consideration the matters referred to them, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 78.2, Madam Speaker put the question on the motion deemed to be before the House, that the report be concurred in, and it was resolved in the affirmative.

And then, 10.34 a.m., the House adjourned.