Daily sitting 12 Friday, November 6, 2026

9 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Ms. M. Johnson gave Notice of Motion 8 that on Thursday, November 19, 2026, she would move the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Lee:

WHEREAS New Brunswick's young people and young families are facing increasing costs associated with housing, childcare, transportation, food, and other necessities;

WHEREAS the decision to start or grow a family should not be limited by whether young New Brunswickers can afford the basic costs of raising children;

WHEREAS the cost of essential goods for infants and children, including diapers, children's clothing, footwear, and car seats, represents a significant financial burden for young families;

WHEREAS other Canadian provinces have taken steps to reduce the tax burden on families purchasing essential children's goods, including Ontario, which provides a point-of-sale rebate on the provincial portion of the HST for qualifying children's clothing and diapers;

WHEREAS New Brunswick must remain competitive in attracting and retaining young people by creating an environment where they can establish careers, purchase homes, and build families;

WHEREAS supporting young families today is an investment in the long-term economic, social, and demographic future of New Brunswick;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government of New Brunswick to develop a comprehensive family affordability strategy that reduces the financial barriers facing young families, including examining opportunities to provide provincial tax relief on essential children's goods and measures to make housing, childcare, and other necessities more affordable for New Brunswick families.

Hon. Mr. McKee, Acting Government House Leader, announced that following third reading, it was the intention of government that Bills 12 and 14 be called for second reading until noon; at which time the House would adjourn.

The following Bills were read a third time:

Bill 2, *An Act to Amend the Opioid Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Act*.
Bill 3, *An Act Respecting the Child, Youth, Senior and Mental Health Advocate*.
Bill 4, *An Act to Amend the Provincial Court Act*.
Bill 5, *Non-disclosure Agreements Act*.
Bill 13, *An Act to Amend the Université de Moncton Act*.

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 12, *An Act Respecting Young Persons, Digital Markets and Technology Use*, a debate arose thereon.

And after some time, Mr. Bourque, the Deputy Speaker, took the chair as Acting Speaker.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 12 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 12, *An Act Respecting Young Persons, Digital Markets and Technology Use*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, as designated by the Government House Leader.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 14, *An Act Respecting Property Tax Reform Measures*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 14 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 14, *An Act Respecting Property Tax Reform Measures*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, as designated by the Government House Leader.

And then, 11.23 a.m., the House adjourned.