
Daily sitting 29

Tuesday, May 27, 2025

1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

During Statements by Members, Mr. M. LeBlanc rose on a point of order and submitted that Mr. Weir referred to the Premier by name and not by title. Madam Speaker ruled the point well taken.

Following Statements by Members, Ms. M. Johnson requested clarification on whether a Member's Statement could be interrupted. Madam Speaker ruled that statements could be interrupted for the purpose of raising a point of order.

Mr. Oliver, Member for Kings Centre, laid upon the table of the House a petition urging government to assess the leadership at the Belleisle Regional High School. (Petition 12)

Ms. Mitton, Member for Tantramar, laid upon the table of the House a petition in support of a ban on the spraying of glyphosate in Crown forest management. (Petition 13)

Mr. Doucet, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented the First Report of the Committee for the session which was read and is as follows:

May 27, 2025

To The Honourable
The Legislative Assembly of
The Province of New Brunswick

Madam Speaker:

Your Standing Committee on Private Bills begs leave to submit this, their first report.

Your Committee met on May 20, 2025, and had under consideration:

Bill 18, *An Act to Amend An Act Incorporating the New Brunswick Association of Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists*;
Bill 34, *Massage Therapy Act*;

which it recommends to the favourable consideration of the House.

And your Committee begs leave to make a further report.

I move, seconded by the Member for Shippagan-Les-Îles, that the report be concurred in by the House.

(Sgd. :) Alexandre Cédric Doucet, M.L.A.
Chair

Madam Speaker put the question on the motion of concurrence in the report of the Committee, and it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ms. Vautour, from the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, presented the Eighth Report of the Committee for the session which was read and is as follows:

May 27, 2025

To The Honourable
The Legislative Assembly of
The Province of New Brunswick

Madam Speaker:

Your Standing Committee on Economic Policy begs leave to submit this, their eighth report.

Your Committee met on May 16, 21 and 22, 2025, and had under consideration:

Bill 12, *An Act to Repeal the Pension Plan Sustainability and Transfer Act*;
Bill 21, *An Act to Amend the New Brunswick Income Tax Act*;
Bill 25, *An Act Respecting Subordinate Judicial Officials*;

and have agreed to the same.

And your Committee begs leave to make a further report.

(Sgd. :) Natacha Vautour, M.L.A.
Chair

Pursuant to Standing Rule 78.1, 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.

Mr. Coon gave Notice of Motion 36 that on Thursday, June 5, 2025, he would move the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Mitton:

WHEREAS the World Health Organization deemed glyphosate “probably carcinogenic to humans” in 2015;

WHEREAS this Legislative Assembly has received one of the largest petitions in the history of New Brunswick with over 36,000 signatures asking for the spraying to end;

WHEREAS Québec has banned the use of glyphosate for forestry operations;

WHEREAS there is increasing scientific evidence of the risk glyphosate poses to the health of our forest ecosystems and wildlife;

WHEREAS the Federal Court ruled that Health Canada's renewed approval of a glyphosate product in 2022 failed to consider new science on potential risks;

WHEREAS the Federal Court ordered Health Canada to complete a review of the health risks of glyphosate within six months considering the latest science;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the Minister of Environment to withhold permits for the aerial spraying of glyphosate;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to implement the 2021 recommendations of the Standing Committee on Climate Change and Environmental Stewardship on pesticides.

Mr. M. LeBlanc, Government House Leader, announced that following third reading, it was the intention of government that Bills 20, 23, 26, 27, 29, 33, 35, 22, 24, 28 and 30 be called for second reading.

The following Bills were read a third time:

Bill 10, *An Act Respecting Motorcycle Safety*.

Bill 17, *An Act Respecting Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs*.

Ordered that the said Bills do pass.

On the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 20, *Special Appropriation Act 2025*, be now read a second time, the question was put and resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 20, *Special Appropriation Act 2025*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, as designated by the Government House Leader.

Debate resumed on the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 23, *An Act Respecting the Prescription Monitoring Act*, be now read a second time.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 23 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 23, *An Act Respecting the Prescription Monitoring Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, as designated by the Government House Leader.

Debate resumed on the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 26, *An Act to Amend the Atlantic Provinces Harness Racing Commission Act*, be now read a second time.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 26 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 26, *An Act to Amend the Atlantic Provinces Harness Racing Commission Act*, 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 27, *An Act to Amend the Provincial Court Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 27 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 27, *An Act to Amend the Provincial Court Act*, 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 29, *An Act to Amend the Executive Council Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 29 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 29, *An Act to Amend the Executive Council Act*, was read a second time and ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, as designated by the Government House Leader.

Debate resumed on the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 33, *An Act to Amend the Community Funding Act*, be now read a second time.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 33 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 33, *An Act to Amend the Community Funding Act*, 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 35, *Status of the Artist Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 35 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 35, *Status of the Artist Act* was read a second time and ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Economic Policy, as designated by the Government House Leader.

Debate resumed on the adjourned debate on the motion that Bill 22, *An Act Respecting Property Tax Affordability Measures*, be now read a second time.

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

And then, 6 p.m., the House adjourned.

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

Annual Report 2017-2018	
New Brunswick Highway Corporation	May 16, 2025
Annual Report 2018-2019	
New Brunswick Highway Corporation	May 16, 2025

Annual Report 2019-2020	
New Brunswick Highway Corporation	May 16, 2025
Annual Report 2020-2021	
New Brunswick Highway Corporation	May 16, 2025
Annual Report 2021-2022	
New Brunswick Highway Corporation	May 16, 2025
Annual Report 2022-2023	
New Brunswick Highway Corporation	May 16, 2025
Annual Report 2023-2024	
New Brunswick Human Rights Commission	May 16, 2025
Annual Report 2022	
Supervisor of Political Financing	May 20, 2025
Air Quality Monitoring Results, 2023,	
Department of Environment and	
Local Government	May 22, 2025
Response to Petition 7	May 22, 2025
Annual Report 2023-2024	
New Brunswick Museum	May 23, 2025
Response to Petition 8	May 23, 2025