Daily sitting 11

Thursday, November 6, 2025 *1 o'clock p.m.*

Prayers.

Following Oral Questions, Ms. M. Johnson rose on a point of order and submitted that Hon. Mr. Hickey used unparliamentary language when he used the terms "henchmen" and "untruths". Madam Speaker ruled the point well taken and further requested that the Opposition refer to Hon. Mr. Hickey by his proper title, and not by the term "junior minister".

Mr. M. LeBlanc rose on a point of order and submitted that Mr. Monahan questioned the ability of Hon. Mr. Gauvin to communicate in French. Madam Speaker ruled the point well taken and requested that Members refrain from questioning the ability of their fellow Members to communicate in either official language.

Hon. Mr. D'Amours laid upon the table of the House documents entitled *Strategic Plan on Accessibility 2025-2030* and *Framework for the Minister's five-year Strategic Plan on Accessibility 2025-2030*.

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

November 6, 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 second report.

Your Committee met on November 5, 2025, and had under consideration:

Bill 3, *An Act to Amend the Securities Act*;

Bill 5, An Act to Amend the Opportunities New Brunswick Act;

Bill 8, An Act to Amend the Order of New Brunswick Act;

Bill 10, An Act to Amend the Gaming Control Act;

Bill 11, *An Act to Amend the Statistics Act*;

and have agreed to the same.

Your Committee also had under consideration:

Bill 7, An Act Respecting the Early Childhood Services Act;

and have made certain progress therein.

And your Committee begs leave to make a further report.

(Sgd.:) Kate Wilcott, M.L.A. Vice-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.

Debate resumed on Motion 11, moved by Ms. S. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Austin, on Thursday, October 30, 2025.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put, Motion 11 was resolved in the negative on the following recorded division:

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Mr. Hogan	Mr. Ames	Ms. S. Wilson
Ms. M. Johnson	Ms. M. Wilson	Mr. Cullins
Mr. Savoie	Mr. Weir	Ms. Bockus
Ms. Scott-Wallace	Ms. Conroy	Mr. Lee
Mr. Austin	Mr. Oliver	
Mr. Monahan	Mr. Russell	

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Hon. Mr. Gauvin	Hon. Mr. K. Chiasson	Mr. Bourque
Mr. M. LeBlanc	Hon. Mr. Finnigan	Mr. J. LeBlanc
Hon. Mr. Legacy	Hon. Mr. Herron	Mr. Doucet
Hon. Ms. C. Johnson	Hon. Mr. Hickey	Ms. Sodhi
Hon. Mr. Dornan	Hon. Mr. Randall	Mr. Johnston
Hon. Ms. Miles	Hon. Mr. Kennedy	Mr. Robichaud
Hon. Mr. LePage	Hon. Ms. Townsend	Mr. Coon
Hon. Ms. Thériault	Ms. Wilcott	Ms. Mitton
Hon. Mr. C. Chiasson	Mr. Mallet	
Hon. Ms. Boudreau	Mr. Arseneault	

Pursuant to Notice of Motion 4, Ms. M. Johnson moved, seconded by Ms. Conroy:

WHEREAS persons suffering from substance use disorders remain at high risk for relapse, even after receiving treatment for addiction;

WHEREAS receiving follow-up supports and lifestyle changes leads to improved outcomes and lower relapse rates after treatment;

WHEREAS stable housing, employment, and mental health support for addiction and co-occurring disorders are critical to maintaining sobriety;

WHEREAS the lack of gender-specific, age-appropriate, and culturally-safe services for women, 2SLGBTQ+ individuals, youth, and Indigenous peoples, who face unique challenges in recovery, has been identified as a barrier to recovery;

WHEREAS careful and rigorous case management is critical to ensuring individuals in recovery are receiving the supports they need to maintain sobriety;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Legislative Assembly urge the government to provide persons in recovery from substance use disorders with integrated care plans comprising mental health support, employment opportunities, assistance finding affordable housing, access to recovery-focused support groups, and access to social services that meet the needs of marginalized groups.

And the question being put, a debate ensued.

And after some time, Hon. Ms. Miles, seconded by Mr. Doucet, moved in amendment:

AMENDMENT

That Motion 4 be amended:

In the fourth whereas clause by striking out the words between "for" and "has" and replacing them with "all marginalized groups";

In the resolution clause by adding "to continue" after "government".

Madam Speaker put the question on the proposed amendment and a debate ensued.

At 4.19 p.m. the House recessed. At 4.25 p.m. the House resumed.

And after some time, Ms. Conroy, seconded by Ms. M. Johnson, moved a sub-amendment:

SUB-AMENDMENT

That the amendment to Motion 4 be amended by striking out "In the resolution clause by adding "to continue" after "government".

Madam Speaker put the question on the proposed sub-amendment and a debate ensued.

At 4.39 p.m. the House recessed. At 4.54 p.m. the House resumed.

Mr. M. LeBlanc rose on a point of order and submitted that the subamendment was out of order as it was not in proper form and it directly negated the intent of the proposed amendment.

At 4.55 p.m. the House recessed. At 5.04 p.m. the House resumed.

Madam Speaker ruled the point well taken and advised the House that the sub-amendment was out of order as it attempted to negate the amendment under consideration.

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.