

Daily sitting 34

Wednesday, May 6, 2026

10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Ms. M. Wilson offered condolences to the family of the late Max White, former Confederation of Regions MLA for Sunbury (1991-1995).

Ms. Mitton, Member for Tantramar, laid upon the table of the House a petition urging government to maintain funding for post-secondary education institutions. (Petition 16)

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

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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 seventh report.

Your Committee met on May 5, 2026, and had under consideration:

Bill 24, *Pay Transparency Act*;
Bill 25, *An Act to Amend the Midwifery Act*;
Bill 26, *An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act*;

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.

Ms. M. Johnson, Opposition House Leader, gave notice that on Thursday, May 7, 2026, Opposition Members' Business would be considered in the following order: Motion 33 and 13.

Mr. M. LeBlanc, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that Bills 34, 35, 36 and 39 be called for second reading until 2.30 p.m.; at which time the House would adjourn.

The Order being read for second reading of Bill 34, *An Act Respecting the Highway Act and the Salvage Dealers Licensing Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 34 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 34, *An Act Respecting the Highway Act and the Salvage Dealers Licensing 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, *An Act to Amend the Probate Court Act*, a debate arose thereon.

At 12 p.m. the House recessed. At 1 p.m. the House resumed.

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, *An Act to Amend the Probate 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 36, *An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Act*, a debate arose thereon.

And the debate being ended, and the question being put that Bill 36 be now read a second time, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Accordingly, Bill 36, *An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle 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 39, *An Act Respecting the New Brunswick Income Tax Act and the Small Business Investor Tax Credit Act*, a debate arose thereon.

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

And then, 2.30 p.m., the House adjourned.