



# House of Assembly Newfoundland and Labrador

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Wednesday, May 21, 2025

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## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

1. Address in Reply.

### **Third Reading Bills**

2. Minister of Justice and Public Safety –

“An Act to Amend the United Church of Canada Act” (Bill 99).

## **Committee of the Whole**

3. Government House Leader –

“An Act to Amend the Management of Information Act and the House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act” (Bill 22).  
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## **Second Reading Bills**

4. Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board –

“Balanced Budget Act” (Bill 4).

5. Minister Responsible for Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Office –

“An Act to Amend the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015” (Bill 45).

6. Minister of Environment and Climate Change –

“An Act to Amend the Water Resources Act” (Bill 46).

7. Minister of Justice and Public Safety –

“An Act to Amend the Proceedings Against the Crown Act” (Bill 81).

8. Government House Leader –

“An Act to Amend the House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act No. 2” (Bill 103).

9. Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board –

“An Act to Amend the Revenue Administration Act No. 8” (Bill 108).

10. Minister of Health and Community and Service –

“An Act to Amend the Provincial Health Authority Act” (Bill 109).

11. Minister of Environment and Climate Change –

“An Act to Amend the Fishing Industry Collective Bargaining Act No. 3” (Bill 111).

12. Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board –

“An Act to Amend the Revenue Administration Act No. 9” (Bill 112).

13. Minister of Industry, Energy and Technology –

“An Act Respecting Renewable Energy Resources in the Province” (Bill 113).

14. Minister of Health and Community Services –

“An Act Respecting Human Organ and Tissue Donation” (Bill 114).

## MOTIONS

### Government Motions

1. Government House Leader – To move:

Be it resolved by the House of Assembly as follows:

**WHEREAS** subsection 3(2) of the *Citizens' Representative Act* provides that the Citizens' Representative is to be appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council on a resolution of the House of Assembly;

**AND WHEREAS** section 5 of the Act states that a commissioner may be reappointed;

**AND WHEREAS** the appointment of the current commissioner, Bradley Moss expires on April 30;

**AND WHEREAS** it is proposed that Bradley Moss be reappointed as the commissioner for a term of 6 years;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Bradley Moss be appointed as the Citizens' Representative for a term of 6 years.

## Private Members' Motions

2. Member for Harbour Main – To move:

**WHEREAS** persons who have disabilities far too often face barriers in the community;

**AND WHEREAS** persons who have disabilities have a right to equal access to services and community spaces, including healthcare, employment, transportation, housing, and education, and a standalone statutory office of the Advocate for Persons with Disabilities would play a vital role in ensuring the rights of persons with disabilities throughout Newfoundland and Labrador are properly respected;

**AND WHEREAS** according to Statistics Canada, over 30% of the residents of this province live with a disability;

**AND WHEREAS** people, both those who have a disability and those who do not, have consistently been calling for a disability advocate for many years;

**AND WHEREAS** the 2021 mandate letter for the then Minister of Children, Seniors, and Social Development reads: "Please continue work to establish an Advocate for Persons with Disabilities in Newfoundland and Labrador.";

**AND WHEREAS** the Coalition of Persons with Disabilities, Newfoundland and Labrador, has said that they are "very much opposed" to adding the role and responsibilities of an advocate for persons with disabilities to the role of the Seniors' Advocate;

**AND WHEREAS** the Seniors' Advocate has publicly stated that her statutory office does not have the resources to take on the role and responsibilities of an Advocate for Persons with Disabilities and represent the disabilities community well;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that this Honourable House calls on the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador to immediately create a dedicated Advocate for Persons with Disabilities who, as a standalone statutory Officer of this Honourable House, will investigate and make recommendations based on the principle of "nothing about us without us".

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