

# **RULES AND PRACTICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW BRUNSWICK**

The attention of parties intending to seek legislation at the next session of the Legislative Assembly is directed to the following Rules:

## **Private and Local Bills**

77. A typewritten copy or printed copy of every Private Bill or Local Bill introduced into this House shall be filed with the Clerk of the House within ten days after the opening of the Session, and in case of failure to comply with this provision, the fee on the introduction of any such Private Bill shall be double the fee provided for in Rule 84, applicable to such Bill, and Local Bills introduced after ten days of the opening of the Session shall pay the same fee as a Private Bill.

78. No Private Bill, or Bill making an amendment of a like nature to a former act shall be received by the House unless a notice specifying clearly and distinctly the nature and objects thereof, has been published four successive weeks previous to the meeting of the Legislature, or to the introduction of the Bill, in some one of the newspapers published in the County, interested in or to be affected by the measure, or in the locality where the parties affected, or the majority of them, reside; and when no newspaper is published in such county or locality, then in some newspaper having general circulation in such County or locality and also in the Royal Gazette. When the City or County interested in the measure, or the locality in which the parties affected reside, is largely composed of a French population, then such notice shall also be

published in a French newspaper, if any be published in the Province.

79. In any County where no newspaper may be published, the Bill, in lieu of other local publications, may be read at any Circuit or County Court in the presence of the Grand Jury, or before the Municipal Council of the County interested in or affected by the Bill and a certificate of such reading shall be indorsed thereon, or attached to the said Bill, by the Clerk of the Court, or the Town Clerk, or the Secretary-Treasurer, as the case may be, verified by the Seal (if any) of the Court, Town Council or Municipal Council, as the case may be; and a petition must be presented to the House setting forth in detail the object of the measure and the reasons that may be urged for its adoption.

80. When any Bill affects Civil or Municipal interests, a notice distinctly specifying the purposes and objects of the Bill shall, at least one week before the introduction of such Bill into the House, be delivered to the Secretary-Treasurer of the County or to the Clerk of the City or Town which may be affected, and due proof of such notice shall be made by affidavit.

81. It shall be the duty of all parties seeking the interference of the Legislature in any Private Bill, to file with the Clerk of this House the evidence of their having complied with the Rules and Standing Orders thereof.

82. In default of such proof or evidence being so furnished, it shall be the duty of the Clerk to report to Mr. Speaker, or the House, and to indorse upon the Bill that the Rules and Standing Orders have not been complied with.

84. No Private or Local Bills shall be received unless it shall be certified by the Deputy Provincial Treasurer upon the Bill, or by certificate annexed thereto,

that there has been received into the Provincial Treasury towards the printing and other contingent expenses of the House, the following:

On all original bills not exceeding one page .....	\$50.00
For each additional page or part of a page .....	\$10.00
On all amending bills not exceeding one page .....	\$30.00
For each additional page or part of a page .....	\$10.00

Upon Incorporation of Companies having a stated capital, or amendments increasing capital, an additional fee equal to the fee payable under the N. B. Joint Stock Company's Act.

A page, for the purposes of this Rule, shall mean not exceeding 500 words.

Provided, that when a Bill in respect of which such payment has been made, does not pass the Legislature, it may be introduced at the next following Session upon the payment of an additional sum of \$10.00 and

Provided, also, that the Rule shall not extend to Acts for the incorporation or relating to the property or objects of churches, hospitals, public halls or societies for charitable, literary or recreational purposes, whose object is not private gain.

155. Proof of publication of Bills advertised under Rule 78 of the Rules and Practice of this House must be by affidavit or solemn declaration.

Any further information can be obtained on application to the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly at his office in Fredericton.

Dated this first day of December A. D. 1924.

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