

Newfoundland Throne Speech focuses on child care, human rights ^[1]

Author: Canadian Press

Source: Canadian Press

Format: Article

Publication Date: 21 Mar 2010

EXCERPTS

Children are its top priority, the government of Newfoundland and Labrador says in a Throne Speech that vows action where it has been accused of neglect.

The provincial legislature opened Monday with the 20-page blueprint of government promises and achievements read by Lieutenant-Governor John Crosbie.

It charts a progressive course for the Tory government of Premier Danny Williams, including an overhaul of the Child, Youth and Family Services Act, a new child care and early learning strategy, and a strengthened Human Rights Code.

"There is no gift more precious than a child, and no duty more important than advancing the best interests of our children through the choices we make," Mr. Crosbie read.

"In classrooms and homes across our province, a new attitude is taking hold, full of hope in the dream of a wonderful future for young people right here at home."

....

NDP Leader Lorraine Michael asked whether the glitter and gloss of the feel-good speech will amount to more than empty words.

Action is urgently needed, she said.

"Government today announced a 10-year strategy for early learning and child care. I certainly hope it will not take 10 more years to implement, and that there will be substantial money upfront to address the urgent need for new spaces."

....

- reprinted from The Canadian Press

Region: Newfoundland ^[2]

Tags: legislation and regulation ^[3]

federal programs ^[4]

Source URL (modified on 27 Jan 2022): <https://childcarecanada.org/documents/child-care-news/10/03/newfoundland-throne-speech-focuses-child-care-human-rights>

Links

[1] <https://childcarecanada.org/documents/child-care-news/10/03/newfoundland-throne-speech-focuses-child-care-human-rights> [2]

<https://childcarecanada.org/taxonomy/term/7851> [3] <https://childcarecanada.org/category/tags/legislation-and-regulation> [4]

<https://childcarecanada.org/category/tags/federal-programs>