

Monday, April 8th, 2019

The House met at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

The Member for Ferryland (Mr. Hutchings) made a Statement to recognize the Goulds Lion Club on their 43rd annual Charter Night, congratulate the award winners and thank the Goulds Lions for their contribution to their community.

The Member for Humber – Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) made a Statement to recognize the Corner Brook Senior Hockey Association.

The Member for Mount Pearl – Southlands (Mr. Lane) made a Statement to congratulate Lana (North) Burns and Cindy Greening on their induction into the Mount Pearl Sports Hall of Fame.

The Member for Placentia West – Bellevue (Mr. Browne) made a Statement to congratulate Joshua Parsons on opening the Marystown School of Music.

The Honourable the Premier (Mr. Ball) made a Statement to inform the House about the success of the Labrador Winter Games.

The Honourable the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development (Mr. Hawkins) made a Statement to congratulate William Bruce-Robertson who is this year's recipient of the Lester B. Pearson Scholarship for Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Mr. Haggie) made a Statement to acknowledge Cancer Awareness Month and the Canadian Cancer Society's annual Daffodil Campaign.

The Chair of the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections (Mr. Reid) presented the Final Report to the House of Assembly on the Development of a Legislature-Specific Harassment-Free Workplace Policy, April 2019.

The Member for Harbour Main (Ms. Parsley) presented the Report of the Select Committee struck to draft an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne.

The Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Ms. Coady) tabled the following documents:

- (a) the 2018 Nalcor Business and Financial Report;
- (b) the Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Consolidated Financial Statements for the financial year ended December 31, 2018.

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The Member for Windsor Lake (Mr. Crosbie) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Resolution:

“WHEREAS the intent of the Atlantic Accord is that offshore development approvals should be completed within 270 days, and such approvals are currently taking in excess of 30 months;

BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Assembly urge the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador to press the Government of Canada to affirm that the Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Petroleum Board, established under the Atlantic Accord, should be the Responsible Authority for conducting environmental assessments of offshore projects under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012* (CEAA), and that exploration wells should be removed from the CEAA project list”.

The Opposition House Leader (Mr. Hutchings) announced, pursuant to Standing Order 63(3), that the Resolution of which the Member for Windsor Lake (Mr. Crosbie) had given notice would be debated on Private Members’ Day, Wednesday, April 10th.

The Chair of the Standing Committee for Privileges and Elections (Mr. Reid) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following motion:

“BE IT RESOLVED that this House of Assembly concur in the Final Report of the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections on the Development of a Legislature-Specific Harassment-Free Workplace Policy.”

The Honourable the Minister of Justice and Public Safety (Mr. Parsons) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Automobile Insurance Act” (Bill No. 3);

A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Insurance Companies Act” (Bill No. 6).

The Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune (Ms. Perry) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to address the problem of alder overgrowth in the Coast of Bays region expeditiously and immediately.

The Honourable the Minister of Transportation and Works (Mr. Crocker) replied to the Petition.

The Member for Humber – Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge

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Government to encourage companies that are awarded the contracts for the new Corner Brook hospital to hire local tradespeople and labourers.

The Honourable the Minister of Transportation and Works (Mr. Crocker) replied to the Petition.

The Member for Mount Pearl North (Mr. Lester) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reinstate the moose and caribou jawbone collection programme in the Province.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries and Land Resources (Mr. Byrne) replied to the Petition.

The Member for St. John's East – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to instate legislation which would include provisions to ensure the safety, hygiene and all other required care for patients with cognitive debilitating conditions in long-term care homes.

The Member for St. John's Centre (Ms. Rogers) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to improve access to gender affirming surgery.

The Member for Mount Pearl – Southlands (Mr. Lane) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to instate legislation which would include provisions to ensure the safety, hygiene and all other required care for patients with cognitive debilitating conditions in long-term care homes.

The Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Mr. Haggie) replied to the Petition.

Pursuant to notice and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read the first time:

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Correctional Services Act" (Bill No. 2);

A Bill, "An Act Respecting The Regulation Of Real Estate Trading In The Province" (Bill No. 4).

On motion it was ordered that the above-noted Bills be read the second time on tomorrow.

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Debate commenced on the following motion “that the Report of the Select Committee to draft an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne be adopted” and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 9th at 1:30 o’clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.