PROCEEDINGS

of the

THIRD SESSION

of the

FORTY-FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

of

NEWFOUNDLAND

BEGUN and holden at St. John's in the Province of Newfoundland on Thursday, the twenty-eighth day of February, Anno Domini, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-one, being the thirty-ninth year of the reign of Her Majesty our Sovereign Lady, Elizabeth the Second, by the Grace of God in the United Kingdom, Canada and Her other Realms and Territories, QUEEN, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor having fixed the hour at which he proposed to open the present Session of the Legislature at two of the clock in the afternoon of this Thursday, twenty-eighth day of February, the Members of the House of Assembly met in the Assembly Chamber at two of the clock in the afternoon when Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Thursday, February 28th, 1991

At two of the clock the Sergeant-at-Arms announced that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor had arrived.

His Honour entered the Assembly Chamber preceded by the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor took the Chair.

His Honour was then pleased to open the Session with a Speech From the Throne.

His Honour then left the Assembly Chamber.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

On motion of the Honourable the President of the Council and by leave of the House, a Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Office Of The Auditor General And The Auditing Of The Public Accounts Of The Province", was introduced and read a first time.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be read a second time on tomorrow.

Mr. Speaker announced that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor had been pleased to make a Speech to the Members met in the General Assembly and that for greater accuracy he had obtained a copy.

It was unanimously agreed that the Speech should be taken as read.

It was moved by the Honourable the Member for Pleasantville and seconded by the Honourable the Member for Bonavista South that an Address of Thanks be presented to His Honour in reply to the Gracious Speech with which he had been pleased to open the present Session of the Legislature and that a Select Committee be appointed to draft such Address In Reply.

It was ordered accordingly that the following Members be appointed to the said Committee:

Mr. Walter Noel, Pleasantville

Mr. Aubrey Gover, Bonavista South

Mr. Alec Snow, Menihek

It was ordered that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, March 4th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Be it known that on this day there appeared before the Honourable James A. McGrath, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Newfoundland, Douglas Oldford, Member returned for the District of Trinity North in the By-Election held on February 19, 1991, who took and subscribed to the Oath of Allegiance in the presence of the Law Clerk of the House of Assembly.

Law Clerk

Monday, March 4th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

It was moved by the Honourable the Opposition House Leader, seconded by the Honourable the Premier and the Honourable the Member for St. John's East that an expression of sympathy be forwarded to the family of the late Thomas E. Williams.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture made a statement with respect to the signing of the new Canada/Newfoundland Cooperation Agreement for Forestry Development in the province.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs congratulated the athletes who represented the province at the Canada Winter Games, and also extended appreciation to the coaches, officials and volunteers involved.

The Honourable the Minister of Works, Services and Transportation tabled the Report of Public Tender Act Exceptions for the months of September, 1990 through January, 1991.

The Honourable the Member for Mount Pearl gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the economic performance of Newfoundland and Labrador has worsened substantially since the current Government assumed office almost two years ago;

AND WHEREAS this worsening economic situation has severely affected the ability of the Government to maintain essential public services;

AND WHEREAS three successive Speeches from the Throne have promised an economic plan for the province and no such plan has yet been produced;

AND WHEREAS the Government has shown a total lack both of economic leadership and of a clear positive vision of the future of Newfoundland and Labrador;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this House condemn the Government for its failure to provide economic leadership and to promote economic development for Newfoundland and Labrador. The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting A Pension Plan For Employees Of The Government Of The Province And Others".

A Bill "An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt An Agreement Between The Government Of Canada And The Government Of The Province Respecting Taxation Of These Governments And Their Agencies".

A Bill "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting Pensions For The Members Of The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary And The St. John's Fire Department And The Staff Of Her Majesty's Penitentiary".

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow, "Move That The House Resolve Itself Into A Committee Of The Whole On Ways And Means To Consider The Raising of Supply To Be Granted To Her Majesty".

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow, "Move That The House Resolve Itself Into A Committee Of The Whole On Supply To Consider Certain Resolutions For The Granting Of Supply To Her Majesty".

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow, "Move That The House Resolve Itself Into A Committee Of The Whole On Supply To Consider Certain Resolutions For The Granting Of Interim Supply To Her Majesty".

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow, "Move That The House Resolve Itself Into A Committee Of The Whole On Supply To Consider Certain Resolutions For The Granting Of Supplementary Supply To Her Majesty".

The Honourable the Minister of Health gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Hearing Aid Dealers Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Optometry Act, 1981".

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The City Of Corner Brook Act, 1985, The City Of Mount Pearl Act And The Municipalities Act".

The Honourable the Member for Carbonear gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the economy of Newfoundland and Labrador is critically dependent on the ongoing performance of the fishing industry;

AND WHEREAS the performance of the industry and the economic well-being of hundreds of communities throughout this province are affected by fisheries management decisions of the Federal Government;

AND WHEREAS the Federal Government has recently announced criteria for the 1991 Groundfish Developmental Program that will seriously compromise this province's access to fish stocks in waters adjacent to Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND WHEREAS criteria of the 1990 Underutilized Groundfish Program gave priority to fisheries-related companies of vessels adjacent to the resource;

AND WHEREAS the 1990 Program criteria also gave special priority to the needs of those fish plants that would otherwise close;

AND WHEREAS these priorities have been totally removed from the 1991 Groundfish Developmental Program;

BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House call upon the Federal Government to reinstate, in the 1991 Groundfish Developmental Program, those special provisions of the 1990 Underutilized Groundfish Program that gave priority to adjacency considerations as well as to the needs of those plants that would otherwise close; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Honourable House call upon the Federal Government to attach greater priority to the onshore processing of underutilized species and that Greenland halibut (turbot) in waters immediately adjacent to this province in areas 2J + 3KL be excluded from the 1991 Groundfish Developmental Program given that its inclusion will adversely affect the interests of traditional local user groups, particulary the inshore fixed gear sector.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Law Reform Commission Act, 1971".
- A Bill "An Act To Revise The Law Respecting The Provincial Court".
- A Bill "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting Juries".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Evidence Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Law Society Act, 1977".

The Honourable the Member for Kilbride presented a Petition on behalf of the Waterford Valley Branch of the NTA with respect to education funding.

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of Windsor - Buchans with respect to education funding.

The Honourable the Member for Humber East presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of Pasadena with respect to education funding.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on the Address In Reply and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

By unanimous consent it was agreed that the Notice of Motion given under the name of the Honourable the Member for Carbonear would appear on the Order Paper under the name of the Honourable the Minister of Fisheries.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, March 5th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff Clerk of the House of Assembly

Tuesday, March 5th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture made a statement with respect to the establishment a forestry protection centre for Labrador at North West River.

The Honourable the Member for St. Mary's - The Capes presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents with respect to funding for certain secondary education institutions.

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of the Windsor area with respect to educational funding.

The Honourable the Member for Humber Valley presented a Petition on behalf of parents of Jackson's Arm with respect to educational funding.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Minister of Fisheries.

Mr. Speaker put the question.

Mr. Speaker declared the Resolution carried.

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

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Hearing Aid Dealers Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Optometry Act, 1981".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The City Of Corner Brook Act, 1985, The City Of Mount Pearl Act And The Municipalities Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Law Reform Commission Act, 1971".

- A Bill "An Act To Revise The Law Respecting The Provincial Court".
- A Bill "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting Juries".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Evidence Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Law Society Act, 1977".
- A Bill "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting A Pension Plan For Employees Of The Government Of The Province And Others".
- A Bill "An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt
 An Agreement Between The Government
 Of Canada And The Government Of The
 Province Respecting Taxation Of These
 Governments And Their Agencies".
- A Bill "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting Pensions For The Members Of The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary And The St. John's Fire Department And The Staff Of Her Majesty's Penitentiary".

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on the Address In Reply.

The Honourable the Member for Humber East moved, seconded by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, the following amendment:

That all the words after 'that' be deleted in the motion before the House, and the following words substituted therefore:

"This House deplores the Government's failure to deal adequately with the real problems facing our people, and its failure to provide competent management to our Province".

Debate was commenced on the amendment to the Address In Reply and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, March 6th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff Clerk of the House of Assembly

Wednesday, March 6th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled the following:

- 1. Public Accounts for the year ended 31 March, 1990;
- Accounts of Crown Corporations, Boards and Authorities, 1990;
- Departmental Observations on the Report of the Auditor General for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990;
- 4. Report of the Auditor General to the House of Assembly for the fiscal year ended 31 March, 1990.

The Honourable the Member Placentia West presented a Petition on behalf of residents of Marystown with respect to educational funding.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Member for Mount Pearl.

- Mr. Speaker put the question on the Resolution.
- Mr. Speaker declared the Resolution defeated.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, March 7th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff Clerk of the House of Assembly

Thursday, March 7th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance moved that Mr. Speaker leave the Chair and that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means and in doing so deliver the Budget Speech.

It was moved by the Honourable the Minister of Finance that debate on the Budget be adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

Mr. Speaker put the question.

The motion was carried.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance informed the House that he had received a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor. The Message was read to the House by Mr. Speaker as follows:

March 6, 1991

The Honourable the Minister of Finance:

I, the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Newfoundland, transmit Estimates required for the Public Service of the Province for the year ending the 31st day of March, 1992, in the aggregate of two billion, nine hundred and thirty-two million, one hundred and ninety-five thousand, four hundred dollars (\$2,932,195,400) and, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution Act, 1867, I recommend these Estimates to the House of Assembly.

Sgd. J.A. McGrath Lieutenant-Governor

It was moved by the Honourable the Minister of Finance that the Message together with the Estimates be referred to a Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker put the question.

The motion was carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow, "Move That The House Resolve Itself Into A Committee Of The Whole To Consider Certain Resolutions Relating To The Imposition Of A Tax On Tobacco".

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow, "Move That The House Resolve Itself Into A Committee Of The Whole To Consider Certain Resolutions Relating To The Imposition Of A Tax On Gasoline".

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, March 11th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

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The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Social Services made two statements as follows:

- 1. With respect to the formation of a committee to review the adequacy of the Social Assistance Program's response to single parents pursuing post-secondary educational goals;
- 2. With respect to the Exploits Valley Alternative Measures Program.

The Honourable the President of Treasury Board gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province".

The Honourable the Member for Pleasantville gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the Government of Canada has presented through Transport Canada proposals to recover from users certain costs associated with air and marine transport services;

AND WHEREAS these cost recovery proposals will place increased financial burden on users of transport services in Newfoundland, Labrador, and other remote, economically disadvantaged regions in Canada;

AND WHEREAS as a result of such additional financial burden air and marine carriers may no longer be financially viable in providing services in thin and relatively financially distressed markets such as Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND WHEREAS loss of transportation services will surely further reduce economic development prospects in Newfoundland at a time when the Government of Canada has placed a cap on transfers for post secondary education and health services and put a ceiling on equalization payments which restrictions have reduced the financial flexibility of the Province to address economic development concerns;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this House request the Federal Minister of Transport to abandon the present cost recovery proposals;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this House urge the Federal Minister of Transport to consider the relative hardship to be imposed on remote, economically disadvantaged regions of Canada by any future cost recovery proposals.

The Honourable the Member for Burin - Placentia West presented a Petition on behalf of the residents of Rushoon with respect to educational funding.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on the Budget and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, March 12th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Tuesday, March 12th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture made a statement with respect to precommitment of funds for the construction of a forest access road in the Chouse Brook area.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture tabled the following:

- Annual Report of the Farm Development Loan Board of Newfoundland for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1990;
- Financial statements of the Farm Development Loan Board for the period ending 31 March, 1989.

The Honourable the Member of Burin - Placentia West presented a Petition on behalf of parents and students of the Harfitt Primary School, Salt Pond, with respect to educational funding.

The Honourable the Member for Bonavista South presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of Bonavista South and Trinity North with respect to Government's policy on residential wood cutting.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province", was read a first time and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on the Budget and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow. It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, March 13th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff Clerk of the House of Assembly

Wednesday, March 13th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Lands made a statement with respect to changes made to certain licence fees and procedures.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled the following:

- Annual Report of the Department of Finance, 1989-90;
- Orders-in-Council under Section 26.1 of the Financial Administration Act, 1973, covering pre-commitments;
- 3. Special Warrants under Subsection (2) of Section 28 of the Financial Administration Act.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Member for Pleasantville.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the Resolution.

Mr. Speaker declared the Resolution carried.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, March 14th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Thursday, March 14th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Development noted the passing of Mr. Walter Daniels and moved that a letter of condolence be sent to Mr. Daniels' family. This was seconded by the Honourable the Opposition House Leader and the Honourable the Member for St. John's East and unanimously concurred in.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Lands made a statement with respect to changes in the Provincial Parks system for the coming season.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Lands gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Repeal The Unimproved Lands (Redistribution) Act".

The Honourable the Member for Burin - Placentia West presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of the Burin Peninsula with respect to educational funding.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens with respect to educational funding for the Cabot Institute.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance informed the House that he had received a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor. The Message was read to the House by Mr. Speaker as follows:

March 11, 1991

The Honourable the Minister of Finance:

I, the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Newfoundland, transmit Supplementary Estimates of sums required for the Public Service of the Province for the year ending the 31st day of March, 1991, by way of Supplementary Supply and, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution Act, 1867, I recommend these Estimates to the House of Assembly.

Sgd. J. A. McGrath Lieutenant-Governor

On motion of the Honourable the Minister of Finance the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply to consider a certain Resolution for the granting of Supplementary Supply to Her Majesty.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

At four-thirty of the clock pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Friday, March 15th at nine of the clock in the forenoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Friday, March 15th, 1991

The House met at nine of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Barrett took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matter to them referred and had passed a Resolution and a Bill consequent thereto and recommended that a Bill be introduced to give effect to same.

By leave of the House the Bill entitled, "An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Additional Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending March 31, 1991 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service", was introduced and read a first, second and third time and passed and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be printed, being entitled as above and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his assent.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, March 19th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff Clerk of the House of Assembly

Friday, March 15th, 1991

On Friday, March 15th at two of the clock Mr. Speaker and Officers of the Table attended upon the Lieutenant-Governor at Government House.

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour as follows:

"It is my agreeable duty on behalf of Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, her faithful commons in Newfoundland, to present to your Honour a Bill for the appropriation of supplementary supply granted in the present session."

Whereupon the Clerk read the Bill entitled, "An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums of Money For Defraying Certain Additional Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending March 31, 1991 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service".

His Honour then said, "In Her Majesty's Name, I thank Her Loyal Subjects, I accept their benevolence and I assent to this Bill".

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance made a statement with respect to the completion of negotiations for a public offering of debentures in the Canadian market.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled the following:

- 1. List of temporary loans raised pursuant to Section 45, Paragraph 2 of the Financial Administration Act;
- 2. List of guaranteed loans paid out by the Province since the opening of the last session of the House of Assembly, pursuant to Section 51, Paragraph 3 of the Financial Administration Act.

The Honourable the Member for Eagle River gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS all residents of Labrador from Lodge Bay to Nain depend solely on Marine Atlantic to transport all food and supplies to their communities;

AND WHEREAS coastal Labradorians presently pay the highest cost of living in Eastern Canada;

AND WHEREAS 80 percent of the people are on fixed incomes and employment is seasonal;

AND WHEREAS high operating costs prohibit the economic viability of many fish plants;

BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House condemn the Federal government for allowing Marine Atlantic to raise its freight rates to Labrador by 60 percent this year;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the House demand an immediate freezing of the rates until public hearings are held and a full review of the issue is completed.

The Honourable the Member for Ferryland gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that this House urge the Government to defer the decisions announced in the Budget with respect to the hospitals at Bell Island, Bonavista, Springdale, Baie Verte, Port aux Basques, Bonne Bay, Brookfield, Old Perlican, Placentia, Burgeo, St. Lawrence and Come By Chance, and conduct an independent review of these decisions.

The Honourable the Member for Placentia presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of the District with respect to health care services in the area.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East presented a Petition on behalf of students of Brother Rice High School with respect to educational funding.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Repeal The Unimproved Lands (Redistribution) Act", was introduced and read a first time and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province".

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader moved, seconded by the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, the following amendment:

"That the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province", be not now read a second time but that it be read a second time this day six month's hence."

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

At five of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at seven of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on the amendment to the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province", and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, March 20th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff
Clerk of the House of Assembly

Wednesday, March 20th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled Special Warrants under Subsection (2) of Section 28 of the Financial Administration Act, 1973.

The Honourable the Minister of Works, Services and Transportation tabled the following:

- Report of Public Tender Act Exceptions February, 1991;
- 2. C.A. Pippy Park Commission Annual Report, 1989-90.

The Honourable the Minister of Social Services tabled the Annual Report of the Department of Social Services, 1989-90.

The Honourable the Member for LaPoile presented a Petition on behalf of residents of the District with respect to health services in the area.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Member for Ferryland.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the Resolution.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: The Hon. the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Simms, Mrs. Verge, Mr. R. Aylward, Mr. Tobin, Mr. Matthews, Mr. N. Windsor, Mr. Hearn, Mr. Hewlett, Mr. S. Winsor, Mr. Power, Mr. Woodford, Mr. Hodder, Mr. Harris.

Against: The Hon. the President of the Council, the Hon. the Minister of Development, the Hon. the Minister of Health, the Hon. the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, the Hon. the Minister of Employment & Labour Relations, the Hon. the Minister of Mines & Energy, the Hon. the Minister of Fisheries, the Hon. the Minister of Social Services, the Hon. the Minister of Works, Services & Transportation, Mr. L. Snow, Mr. Grimes, the Hon. the Minister of Justice, the Hon. the Minister of Finance, the Hon. the Minister of Education, the Hon. the Minister of Municipal & Provincial Affairs, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Reid, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Crane, Mr. K. Aylward, Mr. Noel, Mr. Penney, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dumaresque, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Short, Mr. Langdon. Mr. Oldford.

Mr. Speaker declared the Resolution defeated.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, March 21st at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff Clerk of the House of Assembly

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Thursday, March 21st, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Premier made a statement with respect to certain changes in the executive level of the Public Service.

The Honourable the Minister of Education made a statement with respect to the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance informed the House that he had received a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor. The Message was read to the House by Mr. Speaker as follows:

March 11, 1991

The Honourable the Minister of Finance:

I, the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Newfoundland, transmit Estimates required for the Public Service of the Province for the year ending the 31st day of March, 1992, by way of Interim Supply and, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution Act, 1867, I recommend these Estimates to the House of Assembly.

Sgd. J.A. McGrath Lieutenant-Governor

On motion of the Honourable the Minister of Finance the House resolved itself into a Committee of Supply to consider a certain Resolution for granting of Interim Supply to Her Majesty.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

At four-thirty of the clock pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was defeated.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at seven of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Friday, March 22nd at nine of the clock in the forenoon.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Monday, March 25th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the President of Treasury Board made a statement with respect to a tentative agreement reached in collective bargaining negotiations involving Government, the Newfoundland and Labrador School Trustees Association, and the Newfoundland Teachers Association.

The Honourable the President of Treasury Board tabled the following:

- 1. The Provincial Advisory Council on the Status of Women, Newfoundland and Labrador Annual Report, April, 1989 March, 1990;
- Newfoundland and Labrador Computer Services Limited Twentieth Annual Report, 1990.

The Honourable the Member for Burin - Placentia West presented a Petition on behalf of residents of Beau Bois with respect to the road in that community.

The Honourable the Member for Trinity - Bay de Verde presented a Petition on behalf of residents of the Districts of Carbonear and Trinity - Bay de Verde with respect to health care.

The Honourable the Member for Burin - Placentia West presented a Petition on behalf of certain students of the Burin Community College with respect to educational funding.

The Honourable the Member for Bonavista South presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of the Bonavista Peninsula with respect to educational funding.

The Honourable the Member for Grand Bank presented a Petition on behalf of certain students of the Burin Community College with respect to educational funding.

The Honourable the Member for St. Mary's - The Capes presented a Petition on behalf of certain students of the Port aux Basques Community College with respect to educational funding.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was defeated.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at seven of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. R. Aylward took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, March 26th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff
Clerk of the House of Assembly

Tuesday, March 26th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Works, Services and Transportation made a statement with respect to changes to Vehicle Registration Fees.

The Honourable the Member for Humber East presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens with respect to the Extension Services and the Art Gallery of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

The Honourable the Member for Burin - Placentia West presented a Petition on behalf of certain students of the Marystown Central High School with respect to educational funding.

The Honourable the Member for Mount Pearl presented a Petition on behalf of certain parents of students of the Newtown Elementary School with respect to educational funding.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was defeated.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at seven of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Barrett took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, March 27th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Wednesday, March 27th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice made a statement to the effect that the Ontario Provincial Police had been requested to assume responsibility for an investigation into the incident which occurred at Brittany Inn on March 17th.

The Honourable the Minister of Employment and Labour Relations tabled the Report of the Labour Relations Board for the period January 1, 1990 to December 31, 1990.

The Honourable the Member for Humber West presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens with respect to the Extension Services at Memorial University of Newfoundland.

The Honourable the Member for St. Mary's - The Capes presented a Petition on behalf of students of the Port aux Basques Community College with respect to educational funding.

It was agreed that Private Members' Day would be dispensed with and that the House would carry on with routine business.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Honourable the member for St. John's East gave notice of his intention to raise a Point of Privilege.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was defeated.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at seven of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, March 28th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Thursday, March 28th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Speaker noted the passing of the former Sergeant-at-Arms in the person of Albert E. Hemmens.

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader noted the retirement of Constable Frank Miller from the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary and moved, seconded by the Honourable the Minister of Justice, that a letter of congratulations be forwarded to him.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture made a statement with respect to the approval of a grant to the Canadian Sealers Association.

THe Honourable the Member for Humber East presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens with respect to the Extension Services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens with respect to the Extension Services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

The Honourable the President of Treasury Board gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following:

"Pursuant to Standing Order 50, Move That The Debate On Bill 12 Shall Not Be Further Adjourned, Or That Further Consideration Of Any Resolution Or Resolutions, Clause Or Clauses, Section or Sections, Preamble Or Preambles, Title Or Titles, Shall Be The First Business Of The Committee, And Shall Not Further Be Postponed".

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader rose on a point of Order with respect to the Notice of Motion.

The Chairman (Mr. Barrett) ruled the Notice of Motion in order.

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader challenged the Chairman's ruling.

On motion the Committee rose. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Speaker put the question that the Chairman's ruling be sustained.

The motion was carried.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

At four-thirty of the clock pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was defeated.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at seven of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

The Honourable the Member for Mount Scio - Bell Island gave notice of his intention to raise a Point of Privilege.

On motion the Committee rose. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, April 1st at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Monday, April 1st, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the President of Treasury Board made a statement to the effect that as of April 1st all buildings operated by the Provincial Government are officially smoke free.

The Honourable the President of Treasury Board made a statement with respect to the tentative collective bargaining agreement recently achieved with the Newfoundland Teachers Association.

The Honourable the Minister of Health tabled the Annual Report of the Newfoundland Medical Care Commission for the year ended March 31st, 1990.

The Honourable the Member for Eagle River tabled the Report of the Privileges and Elections Committee respecting Telecasting The Proceedings Of The House Of Assembly.

The Honourable the Member for Humber East gave notice that she would on tomorrow move the following Resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Assembly oppose provincial government budget restraint measures that discriminate against women.

The Honourable the Member for Terra Nova presented a petition on behalf of certain citizens with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

The Honourable the Member for Fogo presented a petition on behalf of certain residents of Gander and surrounding areas with respect to the closure of the Gander Group Home.

The Honourable the Member for Kilbride presented a petition on behalf of certain students of the Cabot Institute with respect to educational funding.

The Honourable the President of Treasury Board moved that the House proceed to Orders of the Day,

Mr. Speaker put the question on the motion.

Mr. Speaker declared the motion carried.

The Honourable the President of Treasury Board moved the following:

Pursuant to Standing Order 50, Move That The Debate On Bill 12 Shall Not Be Further Adjourned, Or That Further Consideration Of Any Resolution Or Resolutions, Clause or Clauses, Section or Sections, Preamble Or Preambles, Title Or Titles, Shall Be The First Business Of The Committee, And Shall Not Further Be Postponed.

Mr. Speaker put the question.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed a certain Resolution and a Bill consequent thereto and recommended that a bill be introduced to give effect to same.

Pursuant to Order and on motion a Bill entitled, An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending March 31, 1992 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service, was read a first, second and third time and passed.

On motion it was also ordered that the said Bill be printed being entitled as above and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for His Assent.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 2nd at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Tuesday, April 2nd, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture made a statement with respect to the Report of the Task Force on Agrifoods.

The Honourable the Member for Humber East presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

The Honourable the Member for Ferryland presented a Petition on behalf of certain students of the Cabot Institute with respect to educational funding.

The Honourable the Member for Menihek presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens with respect to educational funding.

The Honourable the Member for Humber East presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of Pasadena with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on the amendment to the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province", and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, April 3rd at two of the clock.

on motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, April 3rd, 1991

On Wednesday, April 3rd at nine of the clock Mr. Speaker and the Clerk of the House attended upon the Lieutenant-Governor at Government House.

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour as follows:

"It is my agreeable duty on behalf of Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, her faithful commons in Newfoundland, to present to your Honour a Bill for the appropriation of interim supply granted in the present session.

Whereupon the Clerk read the Bill entitled, "An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending March 31, 1992 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service".

His Honour then said, "In Her Majesty's Name, I thank Her Loyal Subjects, I accept their benevolence and I assent to this Bill.

Wednesday, April 3rd, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Lands made a statement with respect to the Round Table on Environment and Economy.

The Honourable the Member for Humber East presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

The Honourable the Member for Green Bay presented a Petition on behalf of certain students of the Port aux Basques Community College with respect to educational funding.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Member for Humber East.

The Honourable the Member for Exploits, seconded by the Honourable the Member for Stephenville, moved the following amendment:

That the words "Provincial Government Budget Restraint" be deleted.

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

The amendment was debated.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.

Mr. Speaker declared the amendment carried.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the Resolution as amended.

Mr. Speaker declared the Resolution, as amended, carried.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, April 4th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Thursday, April 4th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued and concluded on the amendment to the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province".

Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: Mr. Simms, Mrs. Verge, Mr. R. Aylward, Mr. Matthews, Mr. N. Windsor, Mr. A. Snow, Mr. Hewlett, Mr. Warren, Mr. S. Winsor, Mr. Harris.

Against: The Hon. the Premier, the Hon. the President of the Council, the Hon. the Minister of Development, the Hon. the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, the Hon. the Minister of Employment & Labour Relations, the Hon. the Minister of Mines & Energy, the Hon. the Minister of Fisheries, Mr. Barrett, Mr. Grimes, the Hon. the Minister of Justice, the Hon. the Minister of Finance, the Hon. the Minister of Education, the Hon. the Minister of Municipal & Provincial Affairs, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Reid, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Gover, Mr. Noel, Mr. Penney, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dumaresque, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Short, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Oldford.

Mr. Speaker declared the amendment defeated.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province", and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow. At four-thirty of the clock pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Friday, April 5th at nine of the clock in the forenoon.

The House met at nine of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the President of the Council gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following:

"The debate on Bill 16 shall not be further adjourned and that further consideration of any resolution or resolutions, clause or clauses, section or sections, preamble or preambles, title or titles, or whatever else might be related to Bill 16 shall be the first business of the House, when next called by the House, and shall not be further postponed".

The Honourable the Member for Humber East presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens of the Deer Lake area with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province".

The Honourable the Member for Kilbride, seconded by the Honourable the Member for Fogo, moved the following amendment:

That all the words after the word 'That' be deleted and the following substituted therefore:

This House declines to give second reading to Bill 16, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province", in order to allow additional opportunity to get input and hold discussions with interested groups, since the Government has publicly said it will not have public consideration on Bill through our Legislative Review Process.

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

The amendment was debated and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, April 8th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Lands made a statement with respect to a one year extension to the Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited for the completion of the new bark fired boiler.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow, "Move That The House Resolve Itself Into A Committee Of The Whole To Consider Certain Resolutions Relating to The Advancing Or Guaranteeing Of Certain Loans Made Under The Loan And Guarantee Act, 1957".

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow, "Move That The House Resolve itself Into A Committee Of The Whole To Consider Certain Resolutions Relating To The Guaranteeing Of Certain Loans Under The Local Authority Guarantee Act, 1957".

The Honourable the Member for Menihek presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of the District with respect to health care in the Labrador West area.

The Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains presented a Petition on behalf of residents of Mary's Harbour with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

The Honourable the Member for St. Mary's - The Capes presented a Petition on behalf of residents of Patrick's Cove with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

The Honourable the Member for Humber Valley presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of Deer Lake with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

The Honourable the President of the Council moved the following:

The debate on Bill 16 shall not be further adjourned and that further consideration of any resolution or resolutions, clause or clauses, section or sections, preamble or preambles, title or titles, or whatever else might be related to Bill 16 shall be the first business of the House, when next called by the House, and shall not be further postponed".

Mr. Speaker put the question.

The motion was carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued and concluded on the amendment to the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In the Public Sector Of The Province".

Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.

Mr. Speaker declared the amendment defeated.

Mr. Speaker put the question that the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province", be now read a second time.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: The Hon. the Premier, the Hon. the President of the Council, the Hon. the Minister of Development, the Hon. the Minister of Health, the Hon. the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, the Hon. the Minister of Environment & Lands, the Hon. the Minister of Employment & Labour Relations, the Hon. the Minister of Mines & Energy, the Hon. the Minister of Fisheries, Mr. Barrett, the Hon. the Minister of Finance, the Hon. the Minister of Education, the Hon. the Minister of Municipal & Provincial Affairs, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Gover, Mr. Noel, Mr. Penney, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dumaresque, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Oldford.

Against: The Hon. the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Simms, Mrs. Verge, Mr. Doyle, Mr. R. Aylward, Mr. Matthews, Mr. Hearn, Mr. A. Snow, Mr. Warren, Mr. S. Winsor, Mr. Power, Mr. Greening, Mr. Parsons, Mr. Woodford, Mr. Harris.

Mr. Speaker declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province", was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 9th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Tuesday, April 9th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Queen's Counsel Act".

The Honourable the Member for Menihek presented a Petition on behalf of residents of the District with respect to construction of a road from Churchill Falls to Goose Bay.

The Honourable the Member for St. Mary's - The Capes presented a Petition on behalf of residents of St. Brides with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was defeated.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at seven of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, April 10th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Wednesday, April 10th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Works, Services and Transportation made a statement with respect to the Provincial Capital Roads Program for this fiscal year.

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader rose on a Point of Order with respect to answering of questions by Ministers.

Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

The Honourable the Member for St. Mary's - The Capes presented a Petition from certain residents of Branch with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Member of Eagle River.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the Resolution.

Mr. Speaker declared the Resolution carried.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, April 11th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Thursday, April 11th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Lands made a statement with respect to the introduction of new regulations for control of off-road vehicles and control of firearms within Provincial Park boundaries.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Lands gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting Crown Lands, Public Lands And Other Lands Of The Province".

The Honourable the Member for Burin - Placentia West presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens with respect to health care in the province.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

At four-thirty of the clock pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was defeated.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at seven of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

The Honourable the President of the Council gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following:

"The debate on Bill 16 shall not be further adjourned and that further consideration of any resolution or resolutions, clause or clauses, section or sections, preamble or preambles, title or titles, or whatever else might be related to Bills 16 shall be the first business of the House, when next called by the House, and shall not be further postponed".

On motion the Committee rose. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow Friday, April 12th at nine of the clock in the forenoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Friday, April 12th, 1991

The House met at nine of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Lands made a statement with respect to proposed amendments to the Waste Material "Disposal" Act, with special reference to abandoned vehicles.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East Extern presented a Petition on behalf of certain students of Cabot Institute with respect to educational funding.

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

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Queen's Counsel Act".
- A Bill "An Act To Revise And Consolidate
 The Law Respecting Crown Lands,
 Public Lands And Other Lands
 Of The Province".

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader rose on a Point of Order with respect to the adjournment of the House on the previous evening.

Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

The Honourable the President of the Council moved the following:

The debate on Bill 16 shall not be further adjourned and that further consideration of any resolution or resolutions, clause or clauses, section or sections, preamble or preambles, title or titles, or whatever else might be related to Bill 16 shall be the first business of the House when next called by the House, and shall not be further postponed".

Mr. Speaker put the question.

The motion was carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

The Honourable the President of the Council moved the following amendment:

That Paragraph 2(c)(ix) of Bill No. 16 be struck out and the following substituted:

"(ix) an employer to which The Public Service (Collective Bargaining) Act, 1973 applies".

Clause 9 of the Bill be amended by adding immediately after subclause (2) the following:

- "(2.1) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Act, a pay equity agreement may be negotiated or implemented, but the 1st pay equity wage adjustment date shall be the date on which the pay equity wage adjustment is agreed upon.
- (2.2) This section applies whether the pay equity agreement is reached or the pay equity wage adjustment date is agreed upon before or after the date this Act comes into force".
- Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.
- Mr. Speaker declared the amendment carried.

The Honourable the Member for Humber East moved the following amendment:

That subclauses (1) and (2) of clause 9 be deleted and the following substituted:

"Notwithstanding clause 5, any provision in a pay equity agreement contained in a collective agreement shall remain in full force and effect".

Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: The Hon. the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Simms, Mrs. Verge, Mr. Doyle, Mr. R. Aylward, Mr. N. Windsor, Mr. A. Snow, Mr. Hewlett, Mr. Warren, Mr. S. Winsor, Mr. Power, Mr. Harris.

Against: The Hon. the President of the Council, the Hon. the Minister of Health, the Hon. the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture, the Hon. the Minister of Employment & Labour Relations, the Hon. the Minister of Mines & Energy, the Hon. the Minister of Fisheries, the Hon. the Minister of Works, Services & Transportation, Mr. L. Snow, Mr. Grimes, the Hon. the Minister of Justice, the Hon. the Minister of Finance, the Hon. the Minister of Education, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Crane, Mr. Noel, Mr. Penney, Mr. Dumaresque, Mr. Short, Mr. Oldford.

Mr. Speaker declared the amendment defeated.

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader moved the following amendment:

That clause 10 be deleted and the following substituted:

- "10.(1) Notwithstanding that this Act has not been proclaimed in force, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall refer to the Court of Appeal the question of the competence of the Legislature of the Province to enact this Act and any other matter in relation to this Act that he thinks fit to refer.
- (2) The Court of Appeal shall hear and consider the matters to them referred under subsection (1) in accordance with part 1 of <u>The Judicature Act.</u>
- (3) This section comes into force on the day this Act receives Royal Assent.
- II. This Act, except for section 10, comes in force on a day to be fixed by proclamation, such day to be no earlier than the day on which all rights of appeal relating to a reference made under section 10 have been exhausted or have expired."
- Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: The Hon. the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Simms, Mrs. Verge, Mr. Doyle, Mr. R. Aylward, Mr. N. Windsor, Mr. A. Snow, Mr. Hewlett, Mr. Warren, Mr. S. Winsor, Mr. Power, Mr. Harris.

Against: The Hon. the President of the Council, the Hon. the Minister of Health, the Hon. the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, the Hon. the Minister of Employment & Labour Relations, the Hon. the Minister of Mines & Energy, the Hon. the Minister of Fisheries, the Hon. the Minister of Works, Services & Transportation, Mr. L. Snow, Mr. Grimes, the Hon. the Minister of Justice, the Hon. the Minister of Finance, the Hon. the Minister of Education, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Crane, Mr. Penney, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dumaresque, Mr. Short, Mr. Oldford.

Mr. Speaker declared the amendment defeated.

On motion the Committee rose. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the Bill entitled, ""An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province", with amendment and asked leave to sit again.

The said amendment having been read a first and second time, on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be read a third time on tomorrow.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, April 15th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Employment and Labour Relations tabled the Workers' Compensation Commission of Newfoundland and Labrador's Annual Report for 1990.

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that this House opposes the closure of Memorial University of Newfoundland Extension Service and that it urges the Government to provide sufficient funding to the University to enable it to restore the Extension Services.

The Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens with respect to health care.

The Honourable the Member for Grand Bank presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of the area with respect to health care.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on third reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province".

The Honourable the President of the Council gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following:

Pursuant to Standing Order 50, Move That The Debate on Bill 16 shall not be further adjourned and that further consideration of any resolution or resolutions, clause or clauses, section or sections, preamble or preambles, title or titles, or whatever else might be related to Bill 16 shall be the first business of the House, when next called by the House, and shall not be further postponed.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on third reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province".

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, seconded by the Honourable the Member for Humber East, moved the following amendment:

That the motion for third reading of Bill 16 be amended by deleting all the words after the word "that" and substituting therefor: Bill 16, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province", be not now read a third time but that it be read a third time this day six month's hence.

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on the amendment to the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province, and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 16th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Tuesday, April 16th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Green Bay presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of Long Island with respect to ferry service.

The Honourable the Member for Trinity North presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of Old and New Bonaventure requesting paving of the road in those communities.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of Old and New Bonaventure requesting paving of the road in those communities.

The Honourable the President of the Council moved the following:

The debate on Bill 16 shall not be further adjourned and that further consideration of any resolution or resolutions, clause or clauses, section or sections, preamble or preambles, title or titles, or whatever else might be related to Bill 16 shall be the first business of the House when next called by the House, and shall not be further postponed.

Mr. Speaker put the question.

The motion was carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued and concluded on the amendment to the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province".

Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, Mrs. Verge, Mr. Doyle, Mr. R. Aylward, Mr. Tobin, Mr. Matthews, Mr. Hearn, Mr. A. Snow, Mr. Hewlett, Mr. Warren, Mr. S. Winsor, Mr. Power, Mr. Parsons, Mr. Woodford, Mr. Hodder, Mr. Harris.

Against: The Hon. the President of the Council, the Hon. the Minister of Development, the Honourable the Minister of Health, the Hon. the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, the Hon. the Minister of Environment & Lands, the Hon. the Minister of Employment & Labour Relations, the Hon. the Minister of Mines & Energy, the Hon. the Minister of Fisheries, the Hon. the Minister of Social Services, Mr. L. Snow, Mr. Grimes, the Hon. the Minister of Justice, the Hon. the Minister of Finance, the Hon. the Minister of Education, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Reid, Mr. Crane, Mr. K. Aylward, Mr. Gover, Mr. Penney, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dumaresque, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Oldford.

Mr. Speaker declared the amendment defeated.

Mr. Speaker put the question that the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province", be read a third time presently.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: The Honthe President of the Council, the Hon. the Minister of Development, the Hon. the Minister of Health, the Honthe Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, the Hon. the Minister of Environment & Lands, the Hon. the Minister of Employment & Labour Relations, the Hon. the Minister of Mines & Energy, the Hon. the Minister of Fisheries, the Hon. the Minister of Social Services, Mr. L. Snow, Mr. Grimes, the Hon. the Minister of Justice, the Hon. the Minister of Education, the Hon. the Minister of Municipal & Provincial Affairs, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Reid, Mr. Crane, Mr. K. Aylward, Mr. Gover, Mr. Noel, Mr. Penney, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dumaresque, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Oldford.

Against: The Hon. the Leader of the Opposition, Mrs. Verge, Mr. Doyle, Mr. R. Aylward, Mr. Tobin, Mr. Matthews, Mr. Hearn, Mr. A. Snow, Mr. Hewlett,, Mr. Warren, Mr. S. Winsor, Mr. Power, Mr. Parsons, Mr. Woodford, Mr. Hodder, Mr. Harris.

Mr. Speaker declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Restraint Of Compensation In The Public Sector Of The Province", was read a third time and passed and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be printed being entitled as above and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his assent.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, April 17th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, April 17th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition noted the passing of Mr. Arthur Warren, father of the Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains and moved that a message of condolence be forwarded to the family of the late Mr. Warren.

The Honourable the Member for St. Mary's - The Capes presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of the District with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the Resolution.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: The Hon. the Leader of the Opposition, Mrs. Verge, Mr. Doyle, Mr. R. Aylward, Mr. Tobin, Mr. Matthews, Mr. N. Windsor, Mr. Hearn, Mr. A. Snow, Mr. S. Winsor, Mr. Parsons, Mr. Woodford, Mr. Hodder, Mr. Harris.

Against: The Hon. the Minister of Development, the Hon. the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, the Hon. the Minister of Environment & Lands, the Hon. the Minister of Employment & Labour Relations, the Hon. the Minister of Mines & Energy, the Hon. the Minister of Fisheries, the Hon. the Minister of Social Services, Mr. L. Snow. Mr. Barrett, Mr. Grimes, the Hon. the Minister of Finance, the Hon. the Minister of Education, the Hon. the Minister of Municipal & Provincial Affairs, Mr. Crane, Mr. K. Aylward, Mr. Gover, Mr. Noel, Mr. Penney, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dumaresque, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Short, Mr. Langdon.

Mr. Speaker declared the Resolution defeated.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, April 18th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Lands made a statement with respect to an open season for the hunting of polar bears, the licences for which will be issued to residents of the District of Torngat Mountains only.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of Gander with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

The Honourable the Member for Harbour Main presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of the Districts of Conception Bay South and Harbour Main with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

At four-thirty of the clock pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Friday, April 19th at nine of the clock in the forenoon.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Friday, April 19th, 1991

The House met at nine of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Works, Services and Transportation made a statement to the effect that payment of driver's licences and vehicle permit renewal applications will be accepted at chartered banks and credit unions in the Province.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy tabled the report of activities of The Canada/Newfoundland Offshore Development Fund.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's South tabled the Report of the Government Services Legislation Review Committee respecting the draft Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977 (No. 3)".

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of Conception Bay South with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed certain Resolutions and Bills consequent thereto and recommended that Bills be introduced to give effect to same.

By leave the following Bills were read a first, second and third time and passed:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Local Authority Guarantee Act, 1957".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Loan And Guarantee Act, 1957".

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be printed, being entitled as above and that they be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his assent.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 19th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Tuesday, April 23rd, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains noted the passing of Mr. Alder Ford and moved that the House send a message of condolence to his family.

The Honourable the President of the Council made a statement with respect to the official signing of the Canada-Newfoundland ACOA/Enterprise Network Cooperative Agreement.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice made a statement with respect to the observance of National Consumer Week, April 22 - 28, 1991.

The Honourable the Member for LaPoile gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the winter fishery on the southwest coast is the primary fishery for fishermen and plant workers from the communities of LaPoile, Petits, Rose Blanche, Harbour Le Cou, Burnt Islands, Isle Aux Morts, Margaree-Foxroost, Port aux Basques, Cape Ray and Codroy.

AND WHEREAS the winter fishery is utilized primarily by over one hundred inshore mobile gear vessels from many communities in the Province which catch up to 50% of their vessel quotas during the winter fishing season;

AND WHEREAS the catastrophic failure of the fixed gear fishery on the southwest coast has placed even greater pressure on the mobile gear catch and also on the processing sector to provide employment for the residents of the area.

AND WHEREAS the winter fishery has seen much difficulty over the past number of years insofar as the orderly progress of the fishery has been repeatedly interrupted by disputes over its management by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House encourage and support the establishment of a regulatory committee consisting of representation from the Provincial Government, Federal Government, fishermen, processors;

AND THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Federal and Provincial Governments work together to establish an effective mandate for this proposed regulatory committee, the intent of which will be joint management of this important resource.

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader rose on a Point of Order with respect to the tabling of documents.

Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

The Honourable the Member for Green Bay presented a Petition on behalf of residents of Little Bay Islands with respect to ferry service.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, April 24th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, April 24th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Mount Scio - Bell Island tabled the Report of the Provisional Standing Orders Committee of the House of Assembly.

The Honourable the Minister of Works, Services and Transportation tabled the Report of Public Tender Act Exceptions for March, 1991.

The Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains presented a Petition on behalf of residents of the Humber Valley - Goose Bay area with respect to the dismissal of four individuals by Northern Construction and Insulation Limited.

The Honourable the President of the Council, seconded by the Honourable the Opposition House Leader, moved the following:

Government Services Committee

The Hon. the Member for Lewisporte (Chairperson)
The Hon. the Member for Kilbride (Vice-Chairperson)
The Hon. the Member for St. George's
The Hon. the Member for Bellevue
The Hon. the Member for Harbour Main
The Hon. the Member for Harbour Grace
The Hon. the Member for Fogo

and that the following Heads of Expenditure be referred to the Government Services Committee:

Finance
Executive Council
Works, Services & Transportation
Employment & Labour Relations
Municipal & Provincial Affairs

Social Services Committee

The Hon. the Member for St. John's South (Chairperson)
The Hon. the Member for Humber East (Vice-Chairperson)
The Hon. the Member for Carbonear
The Hon. the Member for Trinity North
The Hon. the Member for Bonavista South
The Hon. the Member for Ferryland
The Hon. the Member for St. John's East

and that the following Heads of Expenditure be referred to the Social Services Committee:

Social Services
Education
Health
Environment & Lands
Justice

Resource Committee

The Hon.the Member for Mt. Scio-Bell Island (Chairperson)
The Hon. the Member for Humber Valley(Vice-Chairperson)
The Hon. the Member for Pleasantville
The Hon. the Member for Fortune - Hermitage
The Hon. the Member for Green Bay
The Hon. the Member for LaPoile
The Hon. the Member for Menihek

and that the following Heads of Expenditure be referred to the Resource Committee:

Fisheries
Forestry & Agriculture
Mines & Energy
Development

Mr. Speaker put the question.

The motion was carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Member for LaPoile.

- Mr. Speaker put the question on the Resolution.
- Mr. Speaker declared the Resolution carried.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, April 25th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Thursday, April 25th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the President of the Council tabled the Departmental Salary Details for 1991-92.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow, "Move That The House Resolve Itself Into A Committee Of The Whole To Consider Certain Resolutions Relating To The Raising Of Loans By The Province".

The Honourable the Member for Burin - Placentia West presented a Petition on behalf of residents of South East Bight requesting a road link between that community and the Burin Peninsula Highway.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East presented a Petition from certain citizens with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

The Honourable the Member for Menihek presented a Petition on behalf of residents of Labrador City and Wabush with respect to health care.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

At four-thirty of the clock pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was carried.

By leave the Honourable the President of the Council moved that the Heading of Expenditure of Executive Council not be referred to the Government Services Committee but that it be referred to a Committee of the Whole House.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Friday, April 26th at nine of the clock in the forenoon.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Friday, April 26th, 1991

The House met at nine of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the President of the Council made a statement with respect to news media comments on the Departmental Salary Details tabled in the House on Thursday.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs made a statement with respect to the revitalization of Buckmaster's Circle Housing Project.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens with respect to health care.

The Honourable the Member for Port au Port presented a Petition from certain residents of Piccadilly with respect to flooding conditions in the community at certain times of the year.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.
Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

The Honourable the President of the Council gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following:

Pursuant to Standing Order 50, Move That The Debate on Bill 15 shall not be further adjourned and that further consideration of any resolution or resolutions, clause or clauses, section or sections, preamble or preambles, title or titles, or whatever else might be related to Bill 15 shall be the first business of the House, when next called by the House, and shall not be further postponed.

On motion the Committee rose. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, April 29th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Monday, April 29th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Development made a statement with respect to the Enterprise Newfoundland and Labrador Corporation.

The Honourable the Minister of Employment and Labour Relations made a statement with respect to the wreath laying ceremony of April 28, 1991, day of observance for workers killed, injured or disabled on the job.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy tabled the Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Annual Report, 1990.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice tabled, pursuant to Section 18 of the Statutes and Subordinate Legislation Act, copies of Subordinate Legislation for the period April 20, 1990 to April 19, 1991.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Co-operative Societies Act".

The Honourable the Member for Harbour Main gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Assembly oppose the Provincial Government policy of reducing funding for municipalities and shifting costly responsibilities to municipalities, thereby squeezing municipalities at both ends and forcing them to increase municipal taxes and reduce public services.

The Honourable the Member for Green Bay presented a Petition on behalf of residents of Jackson's Cove requesting paving of the road in the Harry's Harbour/Jackson's Cove area.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens of St. John's with respect to educational funding.

The Honourable the Member for Green Bay presented a Petition on behalf of residents of Pilley's Island with respect to the Municipal Grant Structure as it applies to that community.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Barrett took the Chair of Committee.

The following amendment, moved by the Honourable the Member for Menihek:

That Clause 2 be amended by adding the following as section 3 (1.1):

- (1.1) Notwithstanding subsection (1), gasoline sold be retailers in and for consumption in the following areas of the Province shall be subject to the tax on gasoline at the rate prescribed by the Minister consistent with the rate of tax set in the adjoining province:
- (a) the town of Labrador City;
- (b) the town of Wabush; and
- (c) the coastal area of southern Labrador extending from the border with the province of Quebec to and including the community of Red Bay,

was debated, following which Mr. Speaker put the question.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: The Hon. the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Simms, Mrs. Verge, Mr. Doyle, Mr. R. Aylward, Mr. N. Windsor, Mr. Hearn, Mr. A. Snow, Mr. Hewlett, Mr. Parsons, Mr. Woodford, Mr. Harris.

Against: The Hon. the President of the Council, the Hon. the Minister of Health, the Hon. the Minister of Employment and Labour Relations, the Hon. the Minister of Mines & Energy, the Hon. the Minister of Fisheries, the Hon. the Minister of Social Services, the Hon. the Minister of Works, Services & Transportation, Mr. L. Snow, Mr. Grimes, the Hon. the Minister of Justice, the Hon. the Minister of Finance, the Hon. the Minister of Education, the Hon. the Minister of Municipal & Provincial Affairs, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Reid, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Crane, Mr. K. Aylward, Mr. Gover, Mr. Noel, Mr. Penney, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dumaresque, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Short, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Oldford.

The Chairman declared the amendment defeated.

On motion the Committee rose. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed a certain Resolution and a Bill consequent thereto and recommended that a Bill be introduced to give effect to same.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Gasoline Tax Act, 1978", was read a first, second and third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be printed being entitled as above and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his assent.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on second reading of the following Bills and on motion it was ordered that the Bills be read a second time presently:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Law Reform Commission Act, 1971".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Law Society Act, 1977".

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 30th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Tuesday, April 30, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader noted that Mr. Dewey Fitzgerald and Mr. Vincent Withers had been inducted into the Newfoundland Sports Hall of Fame and requested that a letter of congratulations be forwarded to them.

The Honourable the Member for Menihek presented a Petition on behalf of residents of Wabush and Labrador City with respect to health care.

The Honourable the Member for Green Bay presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of the District with respect to ferry service in the area.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Co-Operative Societies Act", was introduced and read a first time and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 1st at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 1st at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Wednesday, May 1st, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition moved, seconded by the Honourable the Premier, that a message of condolence be forwarded to the Hatfield family on the passing of Senator Richard Hatfield.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs and Minister Responsible for Housing made a statement with respect to the approval of the conditional allocation of funding under the 1991 Private and Municipal Non-profit Housing Programs.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Member for Harbour Main.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the Resolution.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: The Hon. the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Simms, Mrs. Verge, Mr. Doyle, Mr. R. Aylward, Mr. Tobin, Mr. Hewlett, Mr. S. Winsor, Mr. Power, Mr. Parsons, Mr. Woodford, Mr. Hodder, Mr. Harris.

Against: The Hon. the President of the Council, the Hon. the Minister of Development, the Hon. the Minister of Health, the Hon. the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, the Hon. the Minister of Environment & Lands, the Hon. the Minister of Employment & Labour Relations, the Hon. the Minister of Mines & Energy, the Hon. the Minister of Fisheries, the Hon. the Minister of Works, Services & Transportation, Mr. Grimes, the Hon. the Minister of Education, the Hon. the Minister of Municipal & Provincial Affairs, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Crane, Mr. K. Aylward, Mr. Gover, Mr. Noel, Mr. Penney, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dumaresque, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Short, Mr. Oldford.

Mr. Speaker declared the Resolution defeated.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, May 2nd at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Thursday, May 2nd, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Health rose on a Point of Privilege with respect to certain questions asked by the Honourable the Member for Kilbride during Question Period.

Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader rose on a Point of Privilege with respect to remarks directed by the Honourable the Minister of Health to a certain Opposition Member.

Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

The Honourable the Minister of Employment and Labour Relations tabled the Fourth Annual Report, 1990 of the Workers' Compensation Appeal Tribunal of Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Office Of The High Sheriff Of Newfoundland".

The Honourable the Member for Eagle River gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the fishermen of Labrador depend solely on unemployment insurance benefits to meet their basic needs from November to May of each year;

AND WHEREAS ice conditions have been documented to be the worst in recent memory along the Labrador coast;

AND WHEREAS on May 15th, 828 fishermen will be without any income for 4 to 6 weeks;

BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Assembly demand that the Federal Government extend the unemployment insurance benefits for 6 weeks this year and change their program to stop discriminating against the fishermen of Labrador.

The Honourable the Member for Burin - Placentia West presented a Petition on behalf of residents of the Burin peninsula with respect to the Marystown Shipyard.

The Honourable the Member for Grand Bank presented a petition on behalf of certain residents of the District with respect to the Marystown Shipyard.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed a Resolution and a Bill consequent thereto and recommended that a Bill be introduced to give effect to same.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

At four-thirty of the clock pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Friday, at nine of the clock in the forenoon.

The House met at nine of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Speaker ruled on the Point of Privilege raised by the Honourable the Minister of Health during the previous sitting.

Mr. Speaker ruled that no prima facie case had been established.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance made a statement with respect to the agreement between the Government and Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited permitting a further year's extension for a new bark fired boiler.

The Honourable the Member for Burin - Placentia West presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of the District with respect to extension services of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Barrett took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Tobacco Tax Act, 1986", was introduced and read a first, second and third time and passed and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be printed, being entitled as above and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his assent.

Pursuant to order and on motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, May 6th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Monday, May 6th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Premier gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Intergovernmental Affairs Act, 1975".

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 7th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Tuesday, May 7th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture made a statement with respect to the Insect Control Program for 1991-92.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy tabled the Report of Mineral Licences and Mining Leases issued for the period April 1, 1990 to March 31, 1991.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Lands gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise The Law Respecting Land Surveyors In The Province".

The Honourable the Minister of Education gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Schools Act".

The Honourable the Member for Menihek presented a Petition from certain residents of Labrador City and Wabush with respect to health care.

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition presented a Petition on behalf of residents of Westport with respect to the water system in the community.

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

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Office Of The High Sheriff Of Newfoundland".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Intergovernmental Affairs Act".

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 8th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Government House Leader rose on a Point of Order with respect to the wearing of a particular button by the Honourable the Member for Kilbride.

Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Member for Eagle River.

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, seconded by the Honourable the Opposition House Leader, moved the following amendment:

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that unemployment insurance benefits be also extended past May 15th for fishermen on the Island who are also affected by ice conditions and are unable to fish.

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

The amendment was debated.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.

Mr. Speaker declared the amendment carried.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the Resolution as amended.

Mr. Speaker declared the Resolution, as amended, carried.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, May 9th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Speaker ruled on the Point of Order raised by the Honourable the Opposition House Leader in the previous sitting with respect to unparliamentary remarks made by the Honourable the Premier.

Mr. Speaker asked the Honourable the Premier to withdraw the remarks whereupon the Honourable the Premier withdrew the remarks.

Mr. Speaker ruled on the Point of Order raised by the Honourable the Government House Leader with respect to a button worn by the Honourable the Member for Kilbride.

The Honourable the Member for Humber East requested that congratulations be forwarded to the winners of arts awards, namely Mr. Edward McLean, Mr. John White, Ms. Edythe Goodridge, Mr. Paul O'Neil and Miss Flo Patterson.

The Honourable the Minister of Social Services made a statement with respect to the awarding of the Atlantic Canada Innovator of the Year Award in the Community Service Category to the Bay St. George Community Employment Corporation.

The Honourable the Member for Mount Pearl presented a Petition on behalf of 300 students of Morris Academy and others protesting any amalgamation of Mount Pearl and St. John's.

The Honourable the Member for Mount Pearl presented a Petition circulated by the Mount Pearl Youth Advisory Group protesting any amalgamation of Mount Pearl and St. John's.

The Honourable the Member for Mount Pearl presented a Petition on behalf of 12,470 residents of the city of Mount Pearl protesting any amalgamation of Mount Pearl and St. John's.

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

A Bill "An Act To Revise The Law Respecting Land Surveyors In The Province".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Schools Act".

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

At four-thirty of the clock pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Friday, May 10th at nine of the clock in the forenoon.

The House met at nine of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Employment and Labour Relations gave notice that she would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977".

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Regulation Of Lotteries And Amusement Devices In The Province".

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed, without amendment, Items of Expenditure under Executive Council, Consolidated Revenue and the Legislature and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on second reading of a Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting A Pension Plan For Employees Of The Government Of The Province And Others", and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, May 13th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Harbour Main gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THIS HOUSE URGE THE GOVERNMENT TO IMMEDIATELY BRING IN AN EMERGENCY JOB CREATION PROGRAM IN ORDER TO COMBAT THE ALARMING UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AND THE LOSS OF JOBS TO THE ECONOMY OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting A Pension Plan For Teachers".

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Fish Inspection Act".

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

- A BILL "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977 Act".
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Regulation Of Lotteries And Amusement Devices In The Province".

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued and concluded on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting A Pension Plan For Employees Of The Government Of The Province And Others", and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be read a second time presently.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise The Law Respecting The Provincial Court", and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be read a second time presently.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 14th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Clerk of the House of Assembly

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Development made a statement with respect to the Observance of National Tourism Week.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs made a statement with respect to amalgamation of municipalities within the Northeast Avalon Region of the Province.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following:

WHEREAS since 1957 there have been nine commission reports on local government in the Northeast Avalon Region and all have recognized the need to reduce the number of municipalities;

AND WHEREAS a 1990 feasibility study which included nine public hearings and received 84 written briefs and numerous oral presentations recommended a reduction in the number of municipalities in the Northeast Avalon Region;

AND WHEREAS there are now seventeen municipalities in the Northeast Avalon Region comprising a population of 160,000 with a total of 124 councillors;

AND WHEREAS there is an inefficient delivery of services such as sewerage and solid waste disposal, water supply, firefighting and urban transportation;

AND WHEREAS there is unequal taxation and unequal sharing of responsibility and liability within the region for the delivery and use of common services;

AND WHEREAS there is a duplication of town assets such as town halls, fire departments and duplication of staff effort;

AND WHEREAS certain regional municipal assets such as The St. John's Fire Department and The Games Park including the Aquarena are currently owned and managed by the Province;

AND WHEREAS if the number of municipalities were reduced, there would be a reduction in the duplication of development competition and activity and there would be a greater efficiency due to economies of scale;

AND WHEREAS the municipal groupings, as proposed in this Resolution, will eliminate the need to set up a regional services board to deliver commonly used services in the region;

AND WHEREAS the consolidation of municipalities, as proposed in this Resolution, together with the assignment to the City of St. John's of responsibility for management of water supply, sewerage and solid waste disposal, firefighting and urban transportation in the whole Metropolitan Area, will eliminate the need to continue the St. John's Metropolitan Area Board;

NOW THEREFORE, THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY RESOLVES THAT the City of St. John's, the Town of Wedgewood Park and the Town of Goulds and a small section of the Town of Logy Bay-Middle Cove-Outer Cove and the portion of the City of Mount Pearl south of the Harbour Arterial Road be combined into one City, to be known as the City of St. John's;

AND THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY FURTHER RESOLVES THAT adjacent areas of the St. John's Metropolitan Area Board including the Windsor Lake, Broad Cove River and Bay Bulls Watersheds be included in the City of St. John's;

AND THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY FURTHER RESOLVES THAT the St. John's Fire Department, including the Mount Pearl Fire Station, and the Canada Games Park including The Aquarena be transferred to the City of St. John's, and all those facilities associated with the St. John's Metropolitan Area Board be transferred to the City of St. John's;

AND THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY FURTHER RESOLVES THAT the Town of Paradise and the Town of St. Thomas be amalgamated into a single town, and adjacent areas of the St. John's Metropolitan Area Board including Topsail Pond, Three Island Pond, Elizabeth Park and Evergreen Village be included in this town;

AND THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY FURTHER RESOLVES THAT the Town of Pouch Cove and adjacent areas of the St. John's Metropolitan Area Board be combined into a single town;

AND THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY FURTHER RESOLVES THAT the Town of St. Phillips, the Town of Portugal Cove and the Town of Hogan's Pond be amalgamated into a single town and adjacent areas of the St. John's Metropolitan Area Board be included in this town;

AND THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY FURTHER RESOLVES THAT the boundaries of the City of Mount Pearl be re-defined generally using the Harbour Arterial Road and the St. John's Agricultural Development Area as the southern boundary;

AND THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY FURTHER RESOLVES THAT the timing of the consolidations and the amalgamations and other technical and administrative details be set by the Lieutenant Governor in Council;

AND THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY FURTHER RESOLVES THAT the Government of the Province shall introduce legislation where necessary to effect the municipal and other changes set out in this Resolution.

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader rose on a point of order with respect to the method of voting on the resolution on which the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs gave notice.

Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a first time:

- A Bill, "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting A Pension Plan For Teachers".
- A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Fish Inspection Act".

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting Juries".

It was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Evidence Act", and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 15th. at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's South tabled the Report of the Government Services Legislation Review Committee Respecting Bill 6 "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting A Pension Plan For Employees Of The Government Of The Province And Others".

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader rose on a point of order with respect to Answers To Questions For Which Notice Has Been Given.

Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Member for Harbour Main.

Mr. Speaker put the question.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: The Hon. the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Simms, Mrs. Verge, Mr. Doyle, Mr. R. Aylward, Mr. Tobin, Mr. Matthews, Mr. Hearn, Mr. A. Snow, Mr. Hewlett, Mr. S. Winsor, Mr. Power, Mr. Parsons, Mr. Woodford, Mr. Hodder, Mr. Harris.

Against: The Hon. the President of the Council, the Hon. the Minister of Development, the Hon. the Minister of Health, the Hon. the Minister of Employment & Labour Relations, the Hon. the Minister of Mines & Energy, the Hon. the Minister of Social Services, the Hon. the Minister of Works, Services & Transportation, Mr. Barrett, Mr. Grimes, The Hon. the Minister of Justice, the Hon. the Minister of Finance, the Hon. the Minister of Education, Mr. Reid, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Crane, Mr. K. Aylward, Mr. Gover, Mr. Noel, Mr. Penney, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dumaresque, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Short, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Oldford.

Mr. Speaker declared the Resolution defeated.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, May 16th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff
Clerk of the House of Assembly

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's South tabled the Report of the Government Services Legislation Review Committee respecting the draft Bill, "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting Pensions For The Members Of The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary And The St. John's Fire Department And The Staff Of Her Majesty's Penitentiary".

The Honourable the Minister of Works, Services and Transportation tabled the Report of the Public Tender Act Exceptions for April 1991.

The Chairman of the Government Services Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed without amendment Items of Expenditure under the following headings:

Finance
Executive Council
Works, Services & Transportation
Employment & Labour Relations
Municipal & Provincial Affairs

The Chairman of the Social Services Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed without amendment Items of Expenditure under the following headings:

Social Services Education Health Environment & Lands Justice

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Crop Insurance Act, 1973".

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East Extern presented a petition on behalf of residents of the Town of Wedgewood Park with respect to amalgamation of the Town of Wedgewood Park and the City of St. John's.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued and concluded on second reading of a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Evidence Act", and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be read a second time presently.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on second reading of a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Law Respecting Pensions For The Members Of The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary And The St. John's Department And The Staff Of Her Majesty's Penitentiary", and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be read a second time presently.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on second reading of a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Co-Operative Societies Act" and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Friday, May 17th at nine of the clock in the forenoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

The House met at nine of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Chairman of the Resource Estimates Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed, without amendment, Items of Expenditure of the following headings:

Fisheries Forestry & Agriculture Mines & Energy Development

The Honourable the Member for Eagle River presented a petition on behalf of residents of Lodge Bay, Mary's Harbour, and St. Lewis with respect to an increase in Marine Atlantic freight rates for Labrador.

The Honourable the Member for Kilbride presented a petition on behalf of residents of the Town of the Goulds with respect to amalgamation of the Town of the Goulds and the City of St. John's.

The Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Snow) ruled on a point of order raised by the Honourable the Opposition House Leader on May 14th with respect to the splitting of the motion of the Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs (amalgamation).

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on the Resolution respecting amalgamation, and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 21st at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to order and on motion a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Crop Insurance Act, 1973", was read a first time and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs (amalgamation).

The Honourable the Member for Mount Pearl, seconded by the Honourable the Member for St. John's East Extern, moved the following amendment:

That Motion No. 4 be amended by adding before the phrase: "AND THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY FURTHER RESOLVES THAT the timing of the consolidations and the amalgamations and other technical and administrative details be set by the Lieutenant Governor in Council;" the following:

"AND THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY FURTHER RESOLVES THAT prior to any such changes taking effect that feasibility studies, public hearings and a plebiscite be held in each municipality affected and that these changes would only take effect in each municipality on the basis of recommendations coming from the feasibility studies and with the approval of at least 50% of the persons who cast a ballot in a plebiscite held in that municipality;".

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on the amendment to the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs (amalgamation).

There being a motion to adjourn the House, Mr. Speaker put the question.

The motion was defeated.

At five of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at seven of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate on the amendment was continued, and on motion the debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 22nd at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Employment and Labour Relations announced the appointment of Mrs. Linda Black as Chairperson of the Labour Relations Board, the appointment of Mr. Dennis Browne as Vice-Chair and the appointment of Mr. James Oakley as second Vice-Chair effective 1 August 1991.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East gave notice that he will on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS Canadians consider our medicare program the centerpiece of our social programs and central to our national identity and it is viewed worldwide with respect and envy.

AND WHEREAS fundamental to the national medical program are the five principles of public administration, comprehensiveness, universality, portability and accessibility.

AND WHEREAS the national medical care program is under threat through deteriorating financial and political support from the Government of Canada and some Provincial Governments.

BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Assembly affirm the principles of the national Medicare program and direct the Government to take such active measures as may be required to protect these principles from erosion including resisting changes to the Canada Health Act and the promotion of appropriate amendments to the Constitution of Canada that would guarantee the five principles.

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader presented a petition on behalf of certain employees of Confederation Building requesting designated smoking areas.

It being Wednesday and no Private Member's motion on the Order Paper, at three of the clock Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Thursday, May 23rd at two of the clock.

Elizabeth M. Duff Clerk of the House of Assembly

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Stephenville moved, seconded by the Honourable the Member for Grand Bank that a letter of congratulations be forwarded to Scott Wells and Philip Luiz of Clarenville who have been invited to join the Canadian Soccer League.

Pursuant to order and on motion the debate was continued and concluded on the amendment to the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.

The motion was defeated.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs.

The Honourable the Member for Pleasantville moved, seconded by the Honourable the Member for St. John's South the following amendment:

To delete from the first paragraph of the Resolution the words "the portion of" and "south of the Harbour Arterial Road" so that the motion reads:

"NOW, THEREFORE, THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY RESOLVES THAT the City of St. John's, the Town of Wedgewood Park and the Town of Goulds and a small section of the Town of Logy Bay-Middle Cove-Outer Cove and the City of Mount Pearl be combined into one City, to be known as the City of St. John's;

That the third last paragraph of the Resolution be deleted.

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the amendment moved by the Honourable the Member for Pleasantville.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.

The motion was defeated.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Friday, May 24th at nine of the clock in the forenoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff
Clerk of the House of Assembly

The House met at nine of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice made a statement with respect to the receipt and release of the Report of the Hughes Royal Commission of Enquiry.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued and concluded on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs.

Mr. Speaker put the question.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: The Hon. the Premier, the Hon. the President of the Council, the Hon. the Minister of Health, the Hon. the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture, the Hon. the Minister of Environment & Lands, the Hon. the Minister of Fisheries, the Hon. the Minister of Works, Services & Transportation, Mr. Barrett, Mr. Grimes, the Hon. the Minister of Justice, the Hon. the Minister of Finance, the Hon. the Minister of Education, the Hon. the Minister of Municipal & Provincial Affairs, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Crane, Mr. K. Aylward, Mr. Gover, Mr. Penney, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Short, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Oldford.

Against: Mr. Simms, Mrs. Verge, Mr. Doyle, Mr. R. Aylward, Mr. Matthews, Mr. N. Windsor, Mr. Hearn, Mr. Hewlett, Mr. Warren, Mr. Power, Mr. Parsons, Mr. Hodder, Mr. Harris, Mr. Noel.

Mr. Speaker declared the motion carried.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, May 27th, at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Monday, May 27th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Premier made a statement with respect to the resignation of the Honourable the Minister of Social Services.

The Honourable the Minister of Employment and Labour Relations made a statement with respect to the observance of National Access Awareness Week.

The Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the commercial salmon fishery is of utmost importance to Labrador fishermen:

BE IT RESOLVED that the House support the rearranging of boundaries for the commercial salmon fishery in Labrador.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting A Pension Plan For Teachers", and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be read a second time presently.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued and concluded on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Co-Operative Societies Act", and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be read a second time presently.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the Concurrence Motion with respect to the Resource Committee.

Mr. Speaker put the question.

The motion was carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the Concurrence Motion with respect to the Government Services Committee.

Mr. Speaker put the question.

The motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 28th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Tuesday, May 28th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Works, Services and Transportation made a statement with respect to the observance of National Access Awareness Week and the implementation of the Opening Doors Policy.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture made a statement with respect to employment levels at the Wooddale Tree Nursery in the current year.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice and Minister Responsible for the Public Utilities Commission tabled the Annual Report of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities on the operations carried out under the Automobile Insurance Act, as amended for the calendar year 1990.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs tabled the Canada Games Park Commission Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March, 1990.

The Honourable the President of Treasury Board gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend Certain Departmental Acts And The Newfoundland Public Service Commission Act, 1973".

The Honourable the Minister Responsible for the Status of Women gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Status Of Women Advisory Council Act".

The Honourable the Member for Humber East presented a Petition on behalf of 1300 citizens requesting a change in policy with respect to the inclusion, as income, of the Canada Student Loan for the purpose of calculating Social Assistance Benefits for single parents attending Memorial University of Newfoundland.

The Honourable the Member for Menihek presented a Petition from certain residents of the District with respect to health care. Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Crop Insurance Act, 1973", and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be read a second time presently.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the Concurrence Motion with respect to the Social Services Committee.

Mr. Speaker put the question.

The motion was carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Barrett took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the following Bills without amendment:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Law Reform Commission Act, 1971".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Law Society Act, 1977".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Evidence Act".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Co-Operative Societies Act".

The Chairman of the Committee further reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed a Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting A Pension Plan For Employees Of The Government Of The Province And Others", with amendment and asked leave to sit again.

The said amendment having been read a first and second time, on motion it was ordered that the said Bills be read a third time on tomorrow.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 29th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Premier made a statement with respect to the consolidation of the Economic Council of Newfoundland and Labrador and the Advisory Board of the Economic Recovery Commission under a single Board known as the Advisory Council on the Economy.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy made a statement with respect to Onshore Newfoundland Call for Postings, 1991.

The Honourable the President of the Council made a statement with respect to the forthcoming Census Day on June 4th.

The Honourable the Member for Carbonear tabled the Report of the Social Legislation Review Committee respecting the draft Bills, "An Act To Revise The Law Respecting The Provincial Court; "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting Juries; and "An Act To Amend The Evidence Act".

The Honourable the Speaker tabled certain information relating to the Internal Economy Commission for the year 1990.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled the Seventeenth Annual Report of the Newfoundland Liquor Licensing Board for the period April 1, 1989 to March 31, 1990.

The Honourable the Member for Harbour Main presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens requesting the certification of the dump truck owner operators under the Labour Relations Act.

The Honourable the Member for Menihek presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of Labrador requesting an early commencement of construction of the Trans-Labrador Highway.

It was agreed that Private Members' Day would be dispensed with and that the House would carry on with routine business.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Schools Act", and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be read a second time presently.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Barrett took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the following Bills without amendment:

A Bill "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting A Pension Plan For Teachers".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Crop Insurance Act, 1973".

The Chairman of the Committee further reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the following Bills with amendment.

A Bill "An Act To Revise The Law Respecting The Provincial Court".

A Bill "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting Juries".

The said amendments having been read a first and second time, on motion it was ordered that the said Bills be read a third time on tomorrow.

The Chairman of the Committee further reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed a certain Resolution and a Bill consequent thereto and recommended that a Bill be introduced to give effect to same.

By leave and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Authorize The Raising Of Money By Way Of Loan By The Province", was read a first, second and third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be printed being entitled as above and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his assent.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, May 30th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Thursday, May 30th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Premier paid tribute to the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Tom Rideout who will have stepped down before the House resumes its Fall sitting. The Honourable the Member for St. John's East and the Honourable the Opposition House Leader also paid tribute to the Honourable the Leader of the Opposition.

The Honourable the President of the Council noted that one of the Legislative Reporters, namely Mr. Randy Perry of KIX FM was resigning his position to go into private business. The Honourable the Opposition House Leader and the Honourable the Member for St. John's East also extended good wishes to Mr. Perry.

The Honourable the Minister of Works, Services and Transportation made a statement with respect to fines imposed for breaches of the regulations governing owner operator dump trucks.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs made a statement with respect to the Rural and Native Housing Program for Labrador for 1991.

The Honourable the Minister of Health, on behalf of the Honourable the Minister of Employment and Labour Relations, gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977 (No. 2)".

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow, "Move That The House Resolve Itself Into A Committee Of The Whole On Supply To Consider Certain Resolutions For The Granting of Further Supplementary Supply To Her Majesty".

The Honourable the Member for Kilbride presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens requesting the certification of the dump truck owner operators under the Labour Relations Act.

The Honourable the Member for Terra Nova presented a Petition on behalf of residents of Winter Brook and surrounding area requesting the upgrading and paving of the road leading to that community.

The Honourable the Member for St. Mary's - The Capes presented a Petition on behalf of residents of Mall Bay requesting the upgrading of the road in that community.

The Honourable the Member for Harbour Main presented a Petition on behalf of residents of Seal Cove requesting the replacement of the bridge in that community.

The Honourable the Member for Humber East presented a Petition on behalf of certain citizens requesting a change in policy with respect to the inclusion, as income, of the Canada Student Loan for the purpose of calculating Social Assistance Benefits for single parents attending Memorial University of Newfoundland.

By leave the Honourable the Minister of Development moved the following Resolution:

WHEREAS a millennium, a thousand years, has elapsed since the Trans-Atlantic crossing by the Vikings who, led by Leif Eiriksson, made landfall at L'Anse aux Meadows;

AND WHEREAS Iceland and Norway, in a joint venture to mark this anniversary, by re-enacting the voyage of Leif Eiriksson, have commissioned a replica Viking longship and named it the "Gaia" after the Greek Goddess of the Earth;

AND WHEREAS the Vikings knew the land they found as Vinland;

AND WHEREAS this event is focusing the attention of the world on our province and attracting visitors to our province;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT for all purposes connected with the celebration of the anniversary of this notable feat of exploration and navigation, the Island of Newfoundland, as the known site of the Viking landfall, shall for the full day of August 2, 1991, be designated as Vinland.

Mr. Speaker put the question.

The motion was carried.

By leave the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977 (No. 2)", was introduced and read a first time and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977 (No. 2)", and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be read a second time presently.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently by leave.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on the Budget.

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition moved the following amendment:

That all the words after 'that' be struck and replaced with the following:

"That this House condemn the Government for its failure to accurately represent the true state of the economy of the Province and the Government's consequential failure to take appropriate budgetary action to deal with the real problems".

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the amendment to the Budget.

Mr. Speaker put the question.

The motion was defeated.

Debate was continued and concluded on the Budget.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the Budget.

The motion was carried.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance informed the House that he had received a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor. The Message was read to the House by Mr. Speaker as follows:

The Honourable the Minister of Finance:

I, the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Newfoundland, transmit Estimates of sums required for the Public Service of the Province for the year ending the 31st day of March, 1992, by way of Further Supply and, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution Act, 1867, I recommend these Estimates to the House of Assembly.

Sgd. J. A. McGrath Lieutenant-Governor

On motion of the Honourable the President of the Council it was moved that the Message be referred to a Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed a certain Resolution and a Bill consequent thereto and recommended that a Bill be introduced to give effect to same.

By leave and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending March 31st, 1992 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service", was read a first, second and third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be printed being entitled as above and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his assent.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

The Honourable the Member for Kilbride, seconded by the Honourable the Member for Harbour Main, moved the following amendment:

- 1. Paragraph 2(r) of Bill No. 7 be deleted and the following substituted therefor:
- "(r) "RCA employee" means a member of the pension plan who
 - (i) is listed in sub-paragraph 2(q)(i), (ii) or (iii) or in sub-paragraph 2(c)(ii) or (iii) and has more than 10 years of pensionable service under the former Act, or
 - (ii) is listed in sub-paragraph 2(c)(i) and has more than 19 years of pensionable service under the former Act,

and has elected to participate in a retirement compensation arrangement;

2. Sub-clause 24(5) of the Bill be deleted.

Following debate on the amendment Mr. Speaker put the question.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: The Hon. the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Simms, Mrs. Verge, Mr. Doyle, Mr. R. Aylward, Mr. Tobin, Mr. N. Windsor, Mr. Hearn, Mr. Hewlett, Mr. Warren, Mr. S. Winsor, Mr. Power, Mr. Greening, Mr. Parsons, Mr. Woodford.

Against: The Hon. the President of the Council, the Hon. the Minister of Development, the Hon. the Minister of Health, the Hon. the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, the Hon. the Minister of Mines & Energy, the Hon. the Minister of Fisheries, Mr. Grimes, the Hon. the Minister of Finance, the Hon. the Minister of Education, the Hon. the Minister of Municipal & Provincial Affairs, Mr. Hogan, Mr. Reid, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Gover, Mr. Noel, Mr. Penney, Mr. Dumaresque, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Short, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Oldford.

Mr. Speaker declared the amendment defeated.

On motion the Committee rose. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the following Bills without amendment:

"A Bill "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977 (No. 2)".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Schools Act".

A Bill "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting Pensions For Members Of The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary And The St. John's Fire Department And The Staff Of Her Majesty's Penitentiary".

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

By leave the following Bills were read a third time and passed:

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977 (No. 2)".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Schools Act".

A Bill

"An Act To Amend The Law Respecting
Pensions For The Members Of The
Royal Newfoundland Constabulary And
The St. John's Fire Department And The
Staff Of Her Majesty's Penitentiary".

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a third time and passed:

A Bill "An Act Top Amend The Newfoundland Law Reform Commission Act, 1971".

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Law Society Act, 1977".

A Bill	"An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting A Pension Plan For Employees Of The Government Of The Province And Others".
A Bill	"An Act To Amend The Evidence Act".
A Bill	"An Act To Amend The Co-Operative Societies Act".
A Bill	"An Act To Revise The Law Respecting The Provincial Court".
A Bill	"An Act To Revise And Consolidate The The Law Respecting Juries".
A Bill	"An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting A Pension Plan For Teachers".
A Bill	"An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Crop Insurance Act, 1973".

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be printed, being entitled as above and that they be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his assent.

The Honourable the President of the Council moved that the House at its rising do adjourn until the call of the Chair and that the House do now adjourn.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth M. Duff

Friday, May 31st, 1991

On Friday, May 31st at eleven of the clock in the forenoon Mr. Speaker, the Clerk of the House and the Law Clerk attended upon the Lieutenant-Governor at Government House.

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour as follows:

"It is my agreeable duty on behalf of Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, her faithful commons in Newfoundland, to present to Your Honour a Bill for the appropriation of supply granted in the present session".

Whereupon the Clerk read the Bill entitled, "An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending March 31, 1992 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service".

His Honour then said, "In Her Majesty's Name, I thank Her Loyal Subjects, I accept their benevolence and I assent to this Bill.

Mr. Speaker further addressed His Honour as follows:

"May it please Your Honour, the General Assembly of the Province have at its present Session passed certain Bills to which in the name of and on behalf of the General Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's assent."

Whereupon the Clerk read the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Local Guarantee Act, 1957"
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Loan And Guarantee Act, 1957".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Gasoline Tax Act, 1978".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Tobacco Tax Act, 1986".
- A Bill "An Act To Authorize The Raising
 Of Money By Way Of Loan By The
 Province".
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Law Reform Commission Act, 1971".

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Law Society Act, 1977". "An Act To Revise And Amend A Bill The Law Respecting A Pension Plan For Employees Of The Government Of The Province And Others". "An Act To Amend The Evidence Act". A Bill A Bill "An Act To Amend The Co-Operative Societies Act". "An Act To Revise The Law Respecting A Bill The Provincial Court". "An Act To Revise And Consolidate A Bill The Law Respecting Juries". A Bill "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting A Pension Plan For Teachers". "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland A Bill Crop Insurance Act, 1973". "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law A Bill Respecting Pensions For The Members Of The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary And The St. John's Fire Department And The Staff Of Her Majesty's Penitentiary".
 - A Bill "An Act To Amend The Schools Act".
 - A Bill "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977 (No. 2)".

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor said, "In Her Majesty's Name, I assent to these Bills.

A. John Noel Law Clerk A Bill "An Act To Amend The Law Society Act, 1977". "An Act To Revise And Amend A Bill The Law Respecting A Pension Plan For Employees Of The Government Of The Province And Others". "An Act To Amend The Evidence Act". A Bill A Bill "An Act To Amend The Co-Operative Societies Act". "An Act To Revise The Law Respecting A Bill The Provincial Court". A Bill "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting Juries". A Bill "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting A Pension Plan For Teachers". A Bill "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Crop Insurance Act, 1973". "An Act To Revise And Amend The Law A Bill Respecting Pensions For The Members Of The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary And The St. John's Fire Department And The Staff Of Her Majesty's Penitentiary". "An Act To Amend The Schools Act". A Bill

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor said, "In Her Majesty's Name, I assent to these Bills.

Act, 1977 (No. 2)".

A Bill

"An Act To Amend The Labour Relations

A. John Noel Law Clerk

October 28th, 1991

Be it known that on this day there appeared before the Honourable James A. McGrath, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Newfoundland, Harold Small, Member returned for the District of Baie Verte - White Bay in the By-Election held on October 15th, 1991, who took and subscribed to the Oath of Allegiance in the presence of the Law Clerk of the House of Assembly.

Law Clerk

Monday, October 28th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's South requested that a letter of congratulations be sent to Mr. Mike Donovan and the Board of Directors of the St. John's Maple Leafs for having secured the franchise for St. John's.

The Honourable the Premier welcomed the Honourable the Member for Baie Verte - White Bay to the House of Assembly.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled the following:

- 1. Orders-in-Council under Section 26.1(4) of the Financial Administration Act, 1973 covering pre-commitments;
- Special Warrants under Subsection (3) of Section 28 of the Financial Administration Act.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Liquor Corporation Act, 1973" (Bill No. 42).

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow move "That The House Resolve Itself Into A Committee Of The Whole On Supply To Consider Certain Resolutions For The Granting Of Additional Supplementary Supply To Her Majesty".

The Honourable the Minister Responsible for Environment and Lands gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Geographical Names Board Act, 1974". (Bill No. 43).
- A Bill "An Act To Revise The Law Respecting Land Surveyors In The Province".
 (Bill No. 47).

The Honourable the President of the Council gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Newfoundland Volunteer War Service Medal".

The Honourable the Member for St. Mary's - The Capes presented a Petition with respect to the Newfoundland and Labrador Institute of Fisheries and Marine Technology.

The Honourable the Member for Humber East presented a Petition with respect to the closure of the Western Swine Breeding Station.

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

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Status Of Women Advisory Council Act". (Bill No. 35).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend Certain Departmental Acts And The Newfoundland Public Service Commission Act, 1973".

 (Bill No. 36).

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on second reading of the following Bills and on motion it was ordered that the Bills be read a second time presently:

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Office Of The Auditor General And The Auditing Of The Public Accounts Of The Province". (Bill No. 1).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Hearing Aid Dealers Act". (Bill No. 10)
- A Bill "An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt
 An Agreement Between The Government
 Of Canada And The Government Of The
 Province Respecting Taxation Of These
 Governments And Their Agencies".
 (Bill No. 8).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Optometry Act, 1981". (Bill No. 9).

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, October 29th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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Clerk Assistant - Clerk of Committees

Tuesday, October 29th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Port de Grave rose on a Point of Order with respect to a certain provision of the Morgan Commission Report.

Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Urban And Rural Planning Act". (Bill No. 45).
- A Bill "An Act To Establish The St. John's Centennial Foundation". (Bill No. 41).
- A Bill "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting The Prevention Of Fire". (Bill No. 53).
- A Bill "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Authorities And Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region". (Bill No. 50).

The Honourable the Member for Eagle River gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the geography of Newfoundland and Labrador creates undue costs to our citizens;

AND WHEREAS many of our people must survive on seasonal employment;

AND WHEREAS present income support programs do not have components to reflect this reality;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT both levels of government work towards a new income support program which will stimulate the work ethic and maintain a reasonable level of income for all our citizens.

Mr. Speaker directed the attention of the House to the presence on the Order Paper of a Notice of Motion relating to a Bill which had received first reading. Unanimous consent was given to delete Motion 5 on the Order Paper.

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

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Liquor Corporation Act, 1973". (Bill No. 42).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Geographical Names Board Act, 1974". (Bill No. 43).
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Newfoundland Volunteer War Service Medal".
 (Bill No. 46).

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.
Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.
On motion the Committee rose.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the following Bills without amendment:

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Office Of The Auditor General And The Auditing Of The Public Accounts Of The Province". (Bill No. 1).
- A Bill "An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt An Agreement Between The Government Of Canada And The Government Of The Province Respecting Taxation Of These Governments And Their Agencies". (Bill No. 8).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Hearing Aid Dealers Act". (No. 10).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Optometry Act, 1981". (Bill No. 9).

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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Wednesday, October 30th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Premier made a statement with respect to a co-operative procurement agreement with the Maritime Provinces.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Member for Eagle River.

The Honourable the Member for Fogo, seconded by the Honourable the Member for Menihek, moved the following amendment:

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Provincial Government take the lead by immediately establishing an all party committee of this House to initiate the necessary ground work to bring about the desired objective.

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

The amendment was debated.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.

Mr. Speaker declared the amendment defeated.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the Resolution.

Mr. Speaker declared the Resolution carried.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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Thursday, October 31st, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy made a statement with respect to the formation of an Advisory Council on Mining and Mineral Exploration.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture made a statement with respect to the Sawmill Assistance Programme.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Consolidation And Revision Of The Statutes Of Newfoundland". (Bill No. 49).
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Application And Effect Of Certain Acts Passed In The Present Session Of The Legislature Upon The Revised Statutes of Newfoundland, 1990". (Bill No. 48).
- A Bill "An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law". (Bill No. 52).

The Honourable the Minister of Health gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Hospitals Act, 1971". (Bill No. 51).

The Honourable the Minister of Education gave notice that he would on tomorrow, ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Colleges Of Applied Arts, Technology And Continuing Education". (Bill No. 37).

The Honourable the Member for Menihek gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS mining is the only industry in the resource sector subject to the payroll tax;

AND WHEREAS minerals are a non-renewable resource, and the economies of mining communities are vulnerable to depletion of the resource;

BE IT RESOLVED that payroll tax revenues collected from mining companies and from companies which service the mining industry be invested in a special fund;

AND THAT expenditure from the fund be directed to the diversification of the economies of mining towns, and assistance to persons affected by economic dislocation in the mining industry.

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

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Urban And Rural Planning Act". (Bill No. 45).
- A Bill "An Act To Establish The St. John's Centennial Foundation". (Bill No. 41).
- A Bill "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting The Prevention Of Fire". (Bill No. 53).
- A Bill "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Authorities And Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region". (Bill No. 50).

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a third time and passed:

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Office Of The Auditor General And The Auditing Of The Public Accounts Of The Province". (Bill No. 1).
- A Bill "An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt
 An Agreement Between The Government
 Of Canada And The Government Of The
 Province Respecting Taxation Of These
 Governments And Their Agencies".
 (Bill No. 8).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Hearing Aid Dealers Act". (Bill No. 10).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Optometry Act, 1981". (Bill No. 9).

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be printed, being entitled as above and that they be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his assent.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance informed the House that he had received a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor. The Message was read to the House by Mr. Speaker as follows:

The Honourable the Minister of Finance:

I, the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Newfoundland, transmit Estimates of sums required for the Public Service of the Province for the year ending the 31st day of March, 1992, by way of Supplementary Supply and, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution Act, 1867, I recommend these Estimates to the House of Assembly.

Sgd. J. A. McGrath Lieutenant-Governor

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the arrival of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour as follows:

"May it please Your Honour, the General Assembly of the Province has at its present Session passed certain Bills to which in the name of and on behalf of the General Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent." Whereupon the Clerk read the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Office Of The Auditor General And The Auditing Of The Public Accounts Of The Province". (Bill No. 1).
- A Bill "An Act To Ratify, Confirm And Adopt An Agreement Between The Government Of Canada And The Government Of The Province Respecting Taxation Of These Governments And Their Agencies".

 (Bill No. 8).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Hearing Aid Dealers Act". (Bill No. 10).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Optometry Act, 1981". (Bill No. 9).

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor said, "In Her Majesty's Name, I assent to these Bills".

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor then left the Assembly Chamber.

At five of the clock Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was defeated whereupon Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at seven of the clock.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, November 6th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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Elizabeth Murphy
Clerk Assistant - Clerk of Committees

Wednesday, November 6th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Employment and Labour Relations made a statement respecting and tabled the Workers' Compensation Statutory Review Committee Report.

Mr. Speaker ruled on a Point of Order raised by the Honourable the Member for Port de Grave on October 29th respecting questions concerning the Internal Economy Commission.

The Honourable the Minister of Education gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Memorial University Act". (Bill No. 38).

The Honourable the Minister of Employment and Labour Relations gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977 (No. 3). (Bill No. 47).

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Member for Menihek.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the Resolution.

Mr. Speaker declared the Resolution defeated.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, November 7th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth Murphy

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs made a statement with respect to two new amalgamations: that of Centreville, Wareham and Trinity as one municipality and that of Badger's Quay - Valleyfield - Pool's Island with Wesleyville and Newtown as one new and enlarged municipality.

The Honourable the President of Treasury Board tabled the Report of Public Tender Act Exceptions for May, June, July and August of 1991.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice tabled the Annual Report of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities on the operations carried out under the Automobile Insurance Act, as amended, for the calendar year 1990.

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

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Consolidation And Revision Of The Statutes Of Newfoundland". (Bill No. 49).
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Application And Effect Of Certain Acts Passed In The Present Session Of The Legislature Upon The Revised Statutes Of Newfoundland". (Bill No. 48).
- A Bill "An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law". (Bill No. 52).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Hospitals Act, 1971". (Bill No. 51).

- A Bill "An Act Respecting Colleges of Applied Arts, Technology And Continuing Education". (Bill No. 37).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Memorial University Act". (Bill No. 38).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977 (No. 3)". (Bill No. 47).

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

At four-thirty of the clock pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was defeated.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at seven of the clock.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Friday at nine of the clock in the forenoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth Murphy

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The House met at nine of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs made a statement with respect to the Johnson Family Foundation.

The Honourable the Premier made a statement with respect to the resignation of the Honourable the Minister of Justice from the Constitutional Committee and the appointment of the Honourable the Member for Bonavista South as Vice-Chair.

The Honourable the Minister of Social Services tabled the Financial and Statistical Report of the Division of Developmental and Rehabilitative Services of the Department of Social Services, 1990-1991.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled an Order-in-Council under Section 26.1(4) of the Financial Administration Act, 1973 covering precommitments.

The Honourable the President of Treasury Board tabled the Report of Public Tender Act Exceptions for September, 1991.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed a certain Resolution and a Bill consequent thereto and recommended that a Bill be introduced to give effect to same.

By leave and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Additional Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending March 31, 1992 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service", was read a first, second and third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be printed being entitled as above and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his assent.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on second reading of the following Bills and on motion it was ordered that the Bills be read a second time presently:

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The City Of Corner Brook Act, 1985, The City Of Mount Pearl Act And The Municipalities Act". (Bill No. 11).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Intergovernmental Affairs Act, 1975".
 (Bill No. 28).

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A Bill "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Geographical Names Board Act, 1974". (Bill No. 43).

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.
Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.
On motion the Committee rose.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the following Bills without amendment:

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The City Of Corner Brook Act, 1985, The City Of Mount Pearl Act And The Municipalities Act". (Bill No. 11).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Intergovernmental Affairs Act, 1975". (Bill No. 28).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Geographical Names Board Act, 1974". (Bill No. 43).

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, November 12th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth Murphy
Clerk Assistant - Clerk of Committees

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Friday, November 8, 1991

On Friday, November 8th at two of the clock Mr. Speaker, and the Law Clerk attended upon the Lieutenant-Governor at Government House.

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour as follows:

"It is my agreeable duty on behalf of Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, her faithful commons in Newfoundland, to present to Your Honour a Bill for the appropriation of supply granted in the present session".

Whereupon the Clerk read the Bill entitled, "An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Additional Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending March 31, 1992 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service".

His Honour then said, "In Her Majesty's Name, I thank Her Loyal Subjects, I accept their benevolence and I assent to this Bill.

A. John Noel Law Clerk The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Premier made a statement with respect to the appointment of the Honourable the Member for Bonavista South as acting Minister of Justice and Attorney General pending the assumption of these positions by Edward Roberts, Q.C.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance tabled the following:

- 1. Order-in-Council under Section 26.1(4) of the Financial Administration Act, 1973 covering precommitments.
- 2. Financial statements of the Province of Newfoundland Pooled Pension Fund, December 31, 1990.

The Honourable the Member for Port de Grave gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

WHEREAS the Federal Government policy of allowing foreign fishing inside the Two Hundred Mile Economic Zone has resulted in substantial reductions in fish stocks and drastically affected the livelihood of Newfoundland and Labrador fisherpersons;

AND WHEREAS Newfoundlanders and Labradorians are capable of catching a number of these species given to foreign countries, for example tuna, squid and caplin;

AND WHEREAS foreign overfishing outside the Two Hundred Mile Limit, in particular, on the Nose and Tail of the Grand Banks, has also resulted in substantial reductions in fish stocks;

WHEREAS the Newfoundland and Labrador fishing industry is now in crisis as a result of decreasing Quotas caused by reduced fish stocks;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federal Government take action to terminate all foreign fishing inside the Two Hundred Mile Economic Zone and give notice to all foreign countries that unless the overfishing on the nose and tail of the banks ceases before January 1, 1993, Canada will take whatever action it deems necessary to protect its national interests;

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Federal and Provincial Government immediately develop a joint management plan for the fishery;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that immediate improvements be made in the observer program in monitoring the Canadian dragger fleet.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on second reading of the following Bills and on motion it was ordered that the Bills be read a second time presently:

- A Bill "An Act To Repeal The Unimproved Lands (Redistribution) Act".
 (Bill No. 20).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Status Of Women Advisory Council Act". (Bill No. 35).
- A Bill "An Act To Establish The St. John's Centennial Foundation". (Bill No. 41).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Queen's Counsel Act". (Bill No. 21).
- A Bill "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting The Prevention Of Fire". (Bill No. 53).

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

On motion the Committee rose.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred, had passed the following Bills without amendment:

A Bill "An Act To Repeal The Unimproved Lands (Redistribution) Act, 1974". (Bill No. 20).

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Queen's Counsel Act".

A Bill "A Bill"An Act To Amend The Status Of Women Advisory Council Act". (Bill No. 35).

A Bill "An Act To Establish The St. John's Centennial Foundation". (Bill No. 41).

A Bill "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting The Prevention Of Fire". (Bill No. 53).

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, November 13th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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Elizabeth Murphy
Clerk Assistant - Clerk of Committees

Wednesday, November 13th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance made a statement with respect to the Province's budgetary position.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture made a statement with respect to an experimental shipment of pulpwood from Goose Bay to Stephenville.

The Honourable the Premier gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Elections, Controverted Elections And Election Financing". (Bill No. 55).

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Member for Port de Grave.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the Resolution.

Mr. Speaker declared the Resolution carried.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, November 14th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth Murphy

Clerk Assistant - Clerk of Committees

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Thursday, November 14th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Employment and Labour Relations made a statement with respect to the recommendations arising out of an incident investigation concerning an employee from the Bull Arm construction site.

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The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs made a statement with respect to a one million dollar expenditure by Municipal and Provincial Affairs under the Emergency Employment Response Program.

The Honourable the Member for Mount Pearl presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of Mount Pearl and others with respect to the provision of fire protection in the City of Mount Pearl.

The Honourable the Member for Mount Pearl presented a Petition from residents of Elizabeth Park, Paradise with respect to the provision of fire protection in the City of Mount Pearl.

The Honourable the Member for Mount Pearl presented a Petition from certain residents of St. John's and others with respect to the provision of fire protection in the City of Mount Pearl.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting Crown Lands, Public Lands And Other Lands Of The Province". (Bill No. 22), and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

At four-thirty of the clock pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Friday, at nine of the clock in the forenoon.

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Elizabeth Murphy

Friday, November 15th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

It was moved by the Honourable the Member for St. John's East Extern, seconded by the Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs that a congratulatory message be sent to Mr. Abe Mullett, sole surviving member of the First Five Hundred, on the occasion of his 100th birthday.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries made a statement with respect to the 1991 Fisheries Response Programme.

The Honourable the Minister of Employment and Labour Relations made a statement with respect to the status of the employment strategy announced on October 4th.

The Honourable the Minister of Health made a statement with respect to Drug Awareness Week.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Elections, Controverted Elections and Election Financing" (Bill No. 55) was introduced and read a first time and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a third time and passed:

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The City Of
 Corner Brook Act, 1985, The
 City Of Mount Pearl Act And
 The Municipalities Act". (Bill No. 11).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Intergovernmental Affairs Act, 1975". (Bill No. 28).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Geographical Names Board Act, 1974". (Bill No. 43).
- A Bill "An Act To Repeal The Unimproved Lands (Redistribution) Act". (Bill No. 20).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend the Queen's Counsel Act". (Bill No. 21).

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Status Of Women Advisory Council Act". (Bill No. 35).
- A Bill "An Act To Establish The St. John's Centennial Foundation". (Bill No. 41).
- A Bill "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting The Prevention Of Fire".

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be printed being entitled as above and that they be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for his assent.

The Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains moved, seconded by the Honourable the Member for Humber Valley, the following amendment:

"That the Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting Crown Lands, Public Lands And Other Lands Of The Province" (Bill No. 22), be not now read a second time but that it be read a second time this day six month's hence.

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on the amendment to the Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting Crown Lands, Public Lands And Other Lands Of The Province", (Bill No. 22) and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, November 18th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth Murphy

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The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Assembly Act be amended to assure the election of an aboriginal person to the Legislature of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on the amendment to the Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting Crown Lands, Public Lands And Other Lands Of The Province" (Bill No. 22) and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, November 19th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs made a statement with respect to the Recreational Capital Grants Program Joint Use Agreements.

The Honourable the President of the Treasury Board tabled the Annual Report of the Newfoundland and Labrador Public Service Commission, 1989-90.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on the amendment to the Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting Crown Lands, Public Lands And Other Lands Of The Province" (Bill No. 22).

Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.

Mr. Speaker declared the amendment defeated.

Debate was continued and concluded on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting Crown Lands, Public Lands And Other Lands Of The Province", (Bill No. 22) and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be read a second time presently.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise The Law Respecting Land Surveyors In The Province", (Bill No. 29) and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be read a second time presently.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Memorial University Act" (Bill No. 38), and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday , November 20th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Right Hung Elizabeth Murphy

Wednesday, November 20th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Member for St. John's East.

Mr. Speaker put the question.

Mr. Speaker declared the Resolution carried.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, November 21st at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth Murphy

Clerk Assistant- Clerk of Committees

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Thursday, November 21st, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Premier made a statement respecting the establishment of an endowment fund at Memorial University in honour of the late Lee Wulff.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow move, "That The House Resolve Itself Into A Committee Of The Whole To Consider Certain Resolutions Relating To The Advancing Or Guaranteeing Of Certain Loans Made Under The Loan And Guarantee Act, 1957". (Bill No. 56).

The Honourable the Minister of Finance gave notice that he would on tomorrow move, "That This House Resolve Itself Into A Committee Of The Whole To Consider Certain Resolutions Relating To The Guaranteeing Of Certain Loans Under The Local Authority Guarantee Act, 1957. (No. 2)". (Bill No. 54).

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition presented a Petition from residents of the Town of Mount Moriah respecting the Provincial Government's proposal to amalgamate the Town of Mount Moriah and the Town of Massey Drive with the City of Corner Brook.

The Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains presented a Petition from residents of Postville with respect to medical care in the community.

Mr. Speaker ruled on the Point of Order raised by the Honourable the Opposition House Leader with respect to the sub judice convention.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Authorities And Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region", (Bill No. 50) and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

At four-thirty of the clock pursuant to Standing Order 31, certain questions raised by Honourable Members were debated, following which pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Friday, November 22nd at nine of the clock in the forenoon.

Elizabeth Murphy

Clerk Assistant - Clerk of Committees

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Friday, November 22nd, 1991

The House met at nine of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Authorities And Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region", (Bill No. 50).

The Honourable the Member for Burin - Placentia West moved, seconded by the Honourable the Member for Grand Bank, the following amendment:

That the Bill entitled, "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Authorities And Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region", (Bill No. 50) be not now read a second time but that it be read a second time this day six month's hence.

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

Debate was commenced on the amendment and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, November 25th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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Elizabeth Murphy
Clerk Assistant - Clerk of Committees

Monday, November 25th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Premier made a statement respecting the appointments of the Clerk of the House of Assembly and the Senior Legislative Counsel.

The Honourable the Minister of Social Services made a statement respecting changes in the responsibilities of senior officials in the Department of Social Services.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on the amendment to the Bill entitled, "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Authorities And Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region", (Bill No. 50) and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, November 26th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

A. John Noel

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Tuesday, November 26th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Member for Naskaupi (Mr. Kelland) presented a Petition from Happy Valley - Goose Bay and other communities in the Province respecting impaired driving accidents.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on the amendment to the Bill entitled, "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Authorities And Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region" (Bill No. 50), and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, November 27th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

A. J. Noel

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Wednesday, November 27th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on Resolution No. 4 standing in the name of the Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains (Mr. Warren).

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East (Mr. Harris), seconded by the Honourable the Member for Kilbride (Mr. Robert Aylward), moved the following amendment:

"That the Resolution be amended to remove the words, 'Act be amended' in line 2 and be replaced by the words "endorses the principle that appropriate legislative or constitutional change be made" so that the Resolution would read as follows:

'BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Assembly endorses the principle that appropriate legislative or constitutional change be made to ensure the election of an Aboriginal representative to the Legislature of Newfoundland and Labrador.'"

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

The amendment was debated.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.

Mr. Speaker declared the amendment carried.

Mr. Speaker put the question on the Resolution as amended.

Mr. Speaker declared the Resolution, as amended, carried.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, November 28th at two of the clock.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

A. John Noel

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Thursday, November 28th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the President of Treasury Board (Hon. Winston Baker) in his capacity as Acting Minister of Works, Services and Transportation tabled the Report of the Public Tender Act Exceptions dated October, 1991.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines & Energy (Hon. Dr. Rex. Gibbons) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend the Electrical Power Control Act" (Bill No. 57).

Pursuant to Standing Order 23, the Honourable the Member for Grand Bank moved that leave be given to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of debating the fisheries.

Mr. Speaker ruled against leave being given.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on the amendment to the Bill entitled, "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Authorities And Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region" (Bill No. 50), and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

At four-thirty of the clock pursuant to Standing Order 31, a certain question raised by an Honourable Member was debated, following which pursuant to Standing Order 31, Mr. Speaker put the question that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair until tomorrow, Friday, November 29th at nine of the clock in the forenoon.

A. John Noel

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Friday, November 29th, 1991

The House met at two of the clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Health made a statement respecting the designation of December 1 as World Aids Day.

The Honourable the Minister of Employment and Labour Relations made a statement respecting emergency employment generation programs.

In reply to a question for which notice had been given, the Honourable the Premier tabled a chronology of correspondence and ministerial meetings on foreign overfishing and joint management.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Electrical Power Control Act" (Bill No. 57), was introduced and read a first time and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on second reading of the amendment to the Bill entitled, "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Authorities And Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region" (Bill No. 50).

Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.

The amendment was defeated.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on the Bill entitled, "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Authorities And Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region" (Bill No. 50).

At 12 noon Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair at 2 o'clock.

The adjourned debate was continued.

The Honourable the Member for Mount Pearl moved, seconded by the Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains, the following amendment:

"That all the words after 'That' be deleted and the following substituted therefor:

'This House declines to give second reading to Bill 50, "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region", because the Minister has failed to comply with the provisions of the Municipalities Feasibility Reports Regulations, 1989, as amended, in that this Bill has not been the subject of a feasibility study and no opportunity for public input or consultation on this proposal has been provided.'"

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

It being 5 o'clock Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without question put.

A. John Noel

Clerk of the House of Assembly

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Monday, December 2nd, 1991

The House met at 2 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Simms) noted the passing of Mr. James Reid former Member of the House of Assembly and moved that a letter of condolence be sent to Mr. Reid's family. This was seconded by the Honourable the Premier and the Honourable the Member for St. John's East (Mr. Harris) and unanimously concurred in.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries made a statement respecting joint management of the fisheries.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs made a statement respecting an innovative housing complex for senior citizens in Stephenville Crossing.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Mechanics' Lien Act".
- A Bill

 "An Act To Amend The Assignment
 Of Book Debts Act, The Bills
 Of Sale Act, The Conditional
 Sales Act And The Registration
 Of Deeds Act In Relation To The
 Offshore Area".

The Honourable the Member for Lewisporte (Mr. Penney) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

"WHEREAS The Province has released its proposal for joint management which provides for the integration of federal and provincial responsibility over the harvesting and processing sectors in the fishing industry through a new federal-provincial board;

WHEREAS integration will lead to a more efficiently regulated industry and will eliminate conflict and contradictions between federal and provincial policies, enhance the conservation of fisheries resources, and improve the competitiveness of fisheries enterprises;

AND WHEREAS the federal Minister of Fisheries and Oceans has tabled a proposal for fisheries reform which does not seek to integrate federal and provincial management responsibilities, and places the decision-making power over the Newfoundland fishery in the hands of an Atlantic-wide agency where the province's influence would be diluted;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the House of Assembly endorse and support the joint management proposal released on December 2, 1991 by the Honourable the Premier and the Honourable the Minister of Fisheries;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the House of Assembly formally oppose the federal proposal for fisheries management."

The Honourable the Government House Leader gave notice that he would on tomorrow move, pursuant to that the debate or further Standing Order 50, consideration of Second Reading of Bill No. 50, "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Authorities And Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region", standing in the name of the Honourable the Minster of Municipal and Provincial Affairs and any amendments to that motion for Second Reading of Bill No. 50 shall not be further adjourned and that further consideration of any amendments relating to Second Reading of Bill No. 50 shall not be further postponed.

In reply to a question for which notice had been given, the Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs tabled information respecting municipal operating grants for 1991.

In reply to a question for which notice had been given, the Honourable the Minister of Fisheries tabled statistics respecting lobster pots in the Province.

The Honourable the Member for Green Bay (Mr. Hewlett) presented a Petition from the Congregation of the Pentecostal Church in Springdale respecting the denominational education system.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on Second Reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Elections, Controverted Elections And Election Financing" (Bill No. 55) and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, December 3rd at 7 o'clock in the evening.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

A. John Noel

Clerk of the House of Assembly

The House met at 7 o'clock in the evening pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Health made a statement respecting the appointment of Mrs. Joan Dawe as Assistant Deputy Minister of Community Health.

The Honourable the Member for Naskaupi (Mr. Kelland) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

"WHEREAS drinking and driving claims the lives of over 40 Canadians weekly and injures another 1,250;

AND WHEREAS there is still a significant amount of ignorance about the problem and the consequences of drinking and driving;

AND WHEREAS all citizens are repulsed by these senseless acts of violence and recognize the need for significant deterrents:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Provincial Government take steps to address the problem specifically in terms of penalties and education and provide meaningful access for interested groups to voice their concerns;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the House of Assembly make representation to the Federal Government to address the problem in a similar manner."

Mr. Speaker put the question.

The motion was unanimously carried.

In reply to a question for which notice had been given, the Honourable the Minister of Health gave an answer respecting doctors in Goose Bay.

The Honourable the Member for St. Mary's - The Capes presented a Petition from citizens respecting school tax authorities and school board funding.

The Honourable the President of the Council moved the following:

The debate on Second Reading of Bill No. 50 shall not be further adjourned and that any amendments to the motion for Second Reading of Bill No. 50 shall not be further adjourned and that whatever else might be related to Second Reading of Bill No. 50 shall be the first business of the House when next called by the House, and shall not be further postponed.

Mr. Speaker put the question.

The motion was carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued on the amendment to Bill No. 50 entitled, "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Authorities And Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region."

Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.

Mr. Speaker declared the amendment defeated.

Mr. Speaker put the question that Bill No. 50 entitled, "An Act To Facilitate the Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Authorities And Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region", be now read a second time.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: The Hon. the President of the Council, the Hon. the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, the Hon. the Minister of Social Services, the Hon. the Minister of Mines & Energy, the Hon. the Minister of Employment & Labour Relations, Mr. Barrett, Mr. K. Aylward, the Hon. the Minister of Justice, the Hon. the Minister of Finance, the Hon. the Minister of Education, the Hon. the Minister of Municipal & Provincial Affairs, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Crane, Mr. Penney, Mr. Noel, Mr. Efford, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dumaresque, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Short, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Oldford, Mr. Small.

Against: The Hon. the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Matthews, Mr. Tobin, Mr. R. Aylward, Mr. Woodford, Ms. Verge, Mr. N. Windsor, Mr. Hearn, Mr. Parsons, Mr. S. Winsor, Mr. A. Snow, Mr. Warren, Mr. Harris.

Mr. Speaker declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion Bill No. 50 entitled, "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Authorities And Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region", was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 50 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rises it adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

A. John Noel Clerk of the House of Assembly

Wednesday, December 4th, 1991

The House met at 2 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy made a statement respecting a Call for Postings under the Newfoundland and Labrador Petroleum Regulations, 1991.

The Honourable the Government House Leader gave notice that he would on tomorrow move, pursuant to Standing Order 50 that the debate on Bill 50 entitled, "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region" shall not be further adjourned and that further consideration of any resolution or resolutions, clause or clauses, section or sections, preamble or preambles, title or titles, or whatever else might be related to debate in Committee of the Whole House respecting Bill No. 50 shall be the first business of the House when next called by the House, and shall not be further postponed.

In reply to a question for which notice had been given, the Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs gave an answer respecting the incorporation of Fox Island River and Point au Mal.

In reply to a question for which notice had been given, the Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy gave an answer respecting the purchase of fuel products by Hydro from the Come By Chance Refinery.

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader (Mr. Matthews) rose on a Point of Order and stated that Motion No. 6 being the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Member for Lewisporte (Mr. Penney) should be split into two parts.

Mr. Speaker made a Ruling that the Resolution contained two distinct questions and that the vote on the Resolution would be taken on each of them.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on Motion 6, being the Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Member for Lewisporte (Mr. Penney).

Mr. Speaker put the question on Part I of the Resolution which read as follows:

"WHEREAS the Province has released its proposal for joint management which provides for the integration of federal and provincial responsibility over the harvesting and processing sectors in the fishing industry through a new federal-provincial board;

WHEREAS integration will lead to a more efficiently regulated industry and will eliminate conflict and contractions between federal and provincial policies, enhance the conservation of fisheries resources, and improve the competitiveness of fisheries enterprises;

AND WHEREAS the federal Minister of Fisheries and Oceans has tabled a proposal for fisheries reform which does not seek to integrate federal and provincial management responsibilities, and places the decision-making power over the Newfoundland fishery in the hands of an Atlantic-wide agency where the province's influence would be diluted;

AND BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the House of Assembly endorse and support the joint management proposal released on December 2, 1991 by the Honourable the Premier and the Honourable the Minister of Fisheries."

Mr. Speaker declared the motion with respect to Part I of the Resolution carried.

Mr. Speaker put the question on Part II of the Resolution which read as follows:

"WHEREAS the Province has released its proposal for joint management which provides for the integration of federal and provincial responsibility over the harvesting and processing sectors in the fishing industry through a new federal-provincial board;

WHEREAS integration will lead to a more efficiently regulated industry and will eliminate conflict and contractions between federal and provincial policies, enhance the conservation of fisheries resources, and improve the competitiveness of fisheries enterprises;

AND WHEREAS the federal Minister of Fisheries and Oceans has tabled a proposal for fisheries reform which does not seek to integrate federal and provincial management responsibilities, and places the decision-making power over the Newfoundland fishery in the hands of an Atlantic-wide agency where the province's influence would be diluted;

AND BE IT RESOLVED that the House formally oppose the federal proposal for fisheries management."

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: The Hon. the President of the Council, the Hon. the Minister of Development, the Hon. the Minister of Health, the Hon. the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, the Hon. the Minister of Mines & Energy, the Hon. the Minister of Fisheries, the Hon. the Minister of Employment & Labour Relations, Mr. L. Snow, Mr. Aylward, the Hon. the Minister of Justice, the Hon. the Minister of Finance, the Hon. the Minister of Education, the Hon. the Minister of Municipal & Provincial Affairs, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Crane, Mr. Penney, Mr. Noel, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dumaresque, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Short, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Oldford, Mr. Small, Mr. Matthews, Mr. Tobin, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Hodder, Mr. Woodford, Mr. Parsons, Mr. S. Winsor, Mr. Warren, Mr. Harris.

Mr. Speaker declared the motion with respect to Part II of the Resolution carried.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, December 5th at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

A. John Noel
Clerk of the House of Assembly

The House met at 2 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Opposition House Leader (Mr. Matthews) introduced a Resolution endorsing the White Ribbon Campaign which encourages all men to wear a white ribbon to signal support in the campaign respecting violence against women.

The Honourable the Premier gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Establish An Advisory Council On The Economy" (Bill No. 61).

The Honourable the Government House Leader gave notice that he would on tomorrow move, pursuant to 50, that the debate or further Standing Order consideration of Third Reading of Bill No. 50, "An Act To Certain Municipal Amalgamation Of Facilitate The Authorities And Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region", standing in the name of the Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs and any amendments to that motion for Third Reading of Bill No. 50 shall not be further adjourned and that further consideration of any amendments relating to Third Reading of Bill No. 50 shall not be further postponed.

The Honourable the Member for Pleasantville (Mr. Noel) presented a Petition on behalf of citizens protesting the application by Newfoundland Light and Power for an increase in electricity rates.

The Honourable the Member for Mount Scio - Bell Island (Mr. Walsh) presented a Petition on behalf of citizens protesting the application by Newfoundland Light and Power for an increase in electricity rates.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's South (Mr. Murphy) presented a Petition on behalf of citizens protesting the application by Newfoundland Light and Power for an increase in electricity rates.

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

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Mechanics' Lien Act" (Bill No. 58).

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Assignment
Of Book Debts Act, The Bills Of
Sale Act, The Conditional Sales
Act And The Registration Of Deeds
Act In Relation To The Offshore
Area" (Bill No. 59).

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be read a second time on tomorrow.

The Honourable the President of the Council moved the following:

That pursuant to Standing Order 50 that the debate on Bill No. 50 entitled, "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region" shall not be further adjourned and that further consideration of any resolution or resolutions, clause or clauses, section or sections, preamble or preambles, title or titles, or whatever else might be related to debate in Committee of the Whole House respecting Bill No. 50 shall be the first business of the House when next called by the House, and shall not be further postponed.

. Mr. Speaker put the question.

The motion was carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

The Honourable the President of the Council moved the following amendment:

That Clause 5 of Bill 50 be amended by deleting in the proposed subsection 353.19(14) the figure "(11)" and substituting the figure "(13)".

Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.

Mr. Speaker declared the amendment carried.

The Honourable the Member for Mount Pearl (Mr. N. Windsor) moved the following amendment:

That Clause 12 of Bill 50 be deleted and the following substituted:

- "12.(1) This Act comes into force on April 1, 1992 but before that date the Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall conduct a referendum in those areas of the Northeast Avalon region directly affected to determine whether the residents of that region are in favour of the amalgamation of certain municipal authorities and municipal services in relation to the region as provided for in this Act.
- (2) In the referendum held under subsection (1) the Chief Electoral Officer shall also determine whether or not the residents of the region approve of the recommendation made by the commission appointed under the Municipalities Feasibility Reports Regulations, 1989 which were included in the report released in July, 1990 and entitled Planning for the Future.
- (3) Where a majority of persons casting a ballot in a referendum held under subsection (1) vote against the amalgamation of certain municipal authorities and municipal services in relation to the Northeast Avalon region as provided for in this Act, this Act shall have no effect.
- (4) Where a majority of persons casting a ballot in accordance with subsection (2) vote in favour of the amalgamation of certain municipal authorities and municipal services in relation to the Northeast Avalon region as provided for in the recommendations of the commission, a Bill shall be introduced forthwith to give effect to same."

Mr. Speaker put the question on the amendment.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: Mr. Matthews, Mr. Tobin, Mr. R. Aylward, Mr. Hodder, Ms. Verge, Mr. N. Windsor, Mr. Hearn, Mr. S. Winsor, Mr. A. Snow, Mr. Harris.

Against: The Hon. the President of the Council, the Hon. the Minister of Health, the Hon. the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, the Hon. the Minister of Social Services, the Hon. the Minister of Mines & Energy, the Hon. the Minister of Fisheries, the Hon. the Minister of Employment & Labour Relations, Mr. L. Snow, Mr. R. Aylward, the Hon. the Minister of Justice, the Hon. the Minister of Finance, the Hon. the Minister of Education, the Hon. the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs, Mr. Reid, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Crane, Mr. Penney, Mr. Noel, Mr. Efford, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dumaresque, Mr. Walsh, Mr. Short, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Oldford, Mr. Small.

Mr. Speaker declared the amendment defeated.

On motion the Committee rose. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the Bill entitled, "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Authorities And Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region" (Bill No. 50), with amendment and asked leave to sit again.

The said amendment having been read a first and second time, on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be read a third time on tomorrow.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at 5:05 o'clock in the afternoon.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at 7 o'clock in the evening.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued and concluded on Second Reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Memorial University Act" (Bill No. 38) and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be read a second time presently.

On motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Memorial University Act" (Bill No. 38) was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced on Second Reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Colleges Of Applied Arts, Technology And Continuing Education" (Bill No. 37), and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Friday, December 6th at 9 o'clock in the morning.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

A. John Noel

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Friday, December 6th, 1991

The House met at 9 o'clock in the morning.

The Honourable the President of the Council in his capacity as Acting Minister Responsible for the Status of Women made a statement recognizing December 6th as a National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance made a statement clarifying Government's policy with respect to provincial tax reform and the abolition of the school tax authorities.

The Honourable the Member for Kilbride (Mr. R. Aylward) noted the passing of the father of the Honourable the Member for Terra Nova (Mr. Greening) and moved that a letter of condolence be sent to the Honourable Member and his family. This motion was unanimously concurred in.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Department Of Mines And Energy Act, 1989" (Bill No. 60).

The Honourable the Government House Leader noted for the record that there was a mistake on the Order Paper in that Motions 4 and 5 had received First Reading on Thursday, December 5, 1991.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Establish An Advisory Council On The Economy" (Bill No. 61), was introduced and read a first time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 61 be read a second time on tomorrow.

The Honourable the Government House Leader moved the following:

That pursuant to Standing Order 50 that the debate or further consideration of Third Reading of Bill No. 50 entitled, "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation Of Certain Municipal Services In Relation To The Northeast Avalon Region", standing in the name of the Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs and any amendments to that motion for Third Reading of Bill No. 50 shall not be further adjourned and that further consideration of any amendments to Third Reading of Bill No. 50 shall not be further postponed.

Mr. Speaker put the question.

The motion was carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was continued and concluded on Second Reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Colleges Of Applied Arts, Technology And Continuing Education" (Bill No. 37), and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 37 be read a second time presently.

On motion the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Colleges Of Applied Arts, Technology And Continuing Education" (Bill No. 37) was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on Second Reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Office Of The High Sheriff Of Newfoundland" (Bill No. 27) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 27 be read a second time presently.

On motion the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Office Of The High Sheriff Of Newfoundland" (Bill No. 27) was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, December 9th at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

A. John Noel

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Monday, December 9th, 1991

The House met at 2 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry And Agriculture made a statement respecting the Supply Management and the Uruguay Round of Multilateral Trade Negotiations on world agriculture trade under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Department Of Mines And Energy Act, 1989" (Bill No. 60), was introduced and read a first time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 60 be read a second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Barrett took the Chair of Committee.

The Committee considered the Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting Crown Lands, Public Lands And Other Lands Of The Province" (Bill No. 22).

The Honourable the Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains (Mr. G. Warren) moved the following amendment:

"That Bill No. 22 be amended by adding immediately after subclause (2) of clause 3, the following:

13. (3) Notwithstanding subsection (1) and subsection (2), a lease shall not be issued to a person of an area of Crown lands for which aboriginal rights or title exist unless approval is granted by groups aboriginal group or concerned'".

The amendment was debated, following which the Chairman put the question.

The Chairman declared the amendment defeated.

Crown lands for which aboriginal rights or title exist unless approval is granted by the aboriginal group or groups concerned".

The amendment was debated, following which the Chairman put the question.

The Chairman declared the amendment defeated.

The Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains (Mr. G. Warren) moved the following amendment:

"That Bill 22, be amended by deleting paragraphs (d) and (e) of subclause 7 (2)".

The amendment was debated, following which Mr. Chairman put the question.

The Committee divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: Mr. Matthews, Mr. Tobin, Mr. R. Aylward, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Hodder, Mr. Woodford, Mr. N. Windsor, Mr. Hearn, Mr. Parsons, Mr. G. Warren, Mr. Hewlett.

Against: The Hon. the President of the Council, the Hon. the Minister of Development, the Hon. the Minister of Health, the Hon. the Minister of Forestry & Agriculture, the Hon. the Minister of Social Services, the Hon. the Minister of Fisheries, the Hon. the Minister of Employment & Labour Relations, Mr. L. Snow, Mr. K. Aylward, the Hon. the Minister of Justice, the Hon. the Minister of Finance, the Hon. the Minister of Municipal & Provincial Affairs, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Crane, Mr. Noel, Mr. Efford, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Dumaresque, Mr. Short, Mr. Langdon, Mr. Oldford, Mr. Small.

The Chairman declared the amendment defeated.

The Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains (Mr. G. Warren) moved the following amendment:

"That Bill 22 be amended by adding immediately after subclause (2) of clause 9, the following:

- '9. (3) The minister may grant free of charge, but subject to the payment of an appropriate administration fee, an area of Crown lands not exceeding 10 hectares for the site of a building for a registered charity and for a building for a not-for-profit corporation incorporated under The Corporations Act.
- 9. (4) Notwithstanding the other provisions of section 9, the minister may, subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, grant free of charge an area of Crown lands not exceeding 10 hectares to a person.
- 9. (5) Notwithstanding the other provisions of section 9, a grant shall not be issued to a person of an area of Crown lands for which aboriginal rights or title exist unless approval is granted by the aboriginal group or groups concerned.".

The amendment was debated, following which the Chairman put the question.

The Chairman declared the amendment defeated.

The Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains (Mr. G. Warren) moved the following amendment:

"That Bill 22, be amended by adding immediately after clause 16, the following:

'16. (1) Nothing contained in this Act shall be construed to abrogate or derogate from any aboriginal rights or title which may exist in the Province of Newfoundland'".

The amendment was debated, following which the Chairman put the question.

The Chairman declared the amendment defeated.

The Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains (Mr. G. Warren) moved the following amendment:

"That Bill 22, be amended by adding immediately after subclause (4) of clause 36, the following:

'36. (5) Notwithstanding the other provisions of section 36, nothing in this section shall pertain to an area of Crown lands for which aboriginal rights or title exist unless approval is granted by the aboriginal group or groups concerned'".

The amendment was debated, following which the Chairman put the question.

The Chairman declared the amendment defeated.

The Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains (Mr. G. Warren) moved the following amendment:

"That Bill 22 be amended by adding immediately after clause 44, the following, which is subsection 44 (1):

'44. (1) Notwithstanding the other provisions of section 44, no proceedings shall begin to revest in the Crown any lands for which aboriginal rights or title exist unless approval is granted by the aboriginal group or groups concerned'".

The amendment was debated, following which the Chairman put the question.

The Chairman declared the amendment defeated.

The Honourable the Member for Torngat Mountains (Mr. G. Warren) moved the following amendment:

"That Bill 22 be amended by adding immediately after subclause (2) of clause 54, the following:

'54. (3) Notwithstanding subsection (1) and subsection (2), a transfer shall not be approved of an area of Crown lands for which aboriginal rights or title exist unless approval is granted by the aboriginal group or groups concerned'".

The amendment was debated, following which the Chairman put the question.

The Chairman declared the amendment defeated.

The Committee considered the Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise The Law Respecting Land Surveyors In The Province" (Bill No. 29).

The Honourable the Member for Kilbride (Mr. R. Aylward) moved the following amendment:

"That Bill 29 be amended as follows:

- (i) by adding the following as paragraph (a) of clause 27 (1):
- '(a) engage in the practice of land surveying';
 and
- (ii) by relettering paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of section 27(1) as (b), (c) and (d) respectively,
- so that clause 27 (1) would read as follows:
 - '27. (1) person, firm, partnership, corporate body or other association of persons except a land surveyor or holder of a certificate of authorization under section 25 shall not
 - (a) engage in the practice of land surveying;
 - (b) be held out as being entitled to engage in the practice of land surveying;
 - (c) use the titles "land surveyor" or "registered land surveyor" or an extension or abbreviation of those titles; or

(d) use a name, title or designation or act in a manner that expressly or otherwise might lead to the belief that that person, firm, partnership, corporate body or association is a registered land surveyor or holder of a certificate of authorization under this Act'".

The amendment was debated, following which the Chairman put the question.

The Chairman declared the amendment defeated.

The Committee considered the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Memorial University Act" (Bill No. 38).

The Committee considered the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Office of The High Sheriff Of Newfoundland (Bill No. 27).

The Honourable the Minister of Justice moved the following amendment:

"That clause 9 of Bill No. 27 be deleted and the following substituted:

- '9. (1) Real or personal property exposed to a sale under legal process shall not be bid upon or purchased by:
 - (a) the sheriff;
 - (b) sub-sheriffs;
 - (c) bailiffs;
 - (d) deputy sheriffs;
 - (e) the spouse of a person referred to in paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d); and
 - (f) a relation by blood or adoption who is a parent, stepparent, child, stepchild, stepbrother or stepsister of a person referred to in paragraphs (a), (b), (c) (d) and (e).
- (2) Where a person contravenes subsection (1) by purchasing at a sale by legal process, that purchase if void and the real or personal property purchased at that sale shall be immediately transferred or returned to the sheriff and the sheriff shall reimburse to that person the money paid for that purchase.

- (3) Where, due to the sale of the purchased property to a purchaser in good faith, a person who has contravened subsection (1) by purchasing at a sale by legal process cannot transfer or return that property to the sheriff, that person shall pay to the sheriff the same amount of money as was paid to that person by the purchaser in good faith.
- (4) A person who contravenes this section commits an offence and is liable, upon conviction.
- (a) for a 1st offence, to a fine of not less than \$1,000 or to imprisonment for not less than 20 days or to both a fine and imprisonment; and
- (b) for such subsequent offence, to a fine of not less than \$1,500 or to imprisonment for not less than 30 days or to both a fine and imprisonment'".

The amendment was debated, following which the Chairman put the question.

The Chairman declared the amendment carried.

The Committee considered the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting Colleges Of Applied Arts, Technology And Continuing Education" (Bill No. 37).

On motion the Committee rose. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the following Bills without amendment:

- A Bill "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting Crown Lands, Public Lands And Other Lands Of The Province (Bill No. 22),
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Memorial University Act" (Bill No. 38).
- A Bill "An Act Respecting Colleges Of Applied Arts, Technology And Continuing Education" (Bill No. 37).

On motion it was ordered that Bills No. 22, 29 and 37 be read a third time on tomorrow.

The Chairman of the Committee further reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Office Of The High Sheriff Of Newfoundland" (Bill No. 27), with amendment.

The amendment to Bill No. 27 having been read a first and second time, on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 27 be read a third time on tomorrow.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on Second Reading of the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Consolidation And Revision Of The Statutes Of Newfoundland (Bill No. 49).
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Application And Effect Of Certain Acts Passed In The Present Session Of The Legislature Upon The Revised Statutes Of Newfoundland, 1990" (Bill No. 48).
- A Bill "An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law (Bill No. 52).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Hospitals Act, 1971" (Bill no. 51).

On motion the Bills entitled:

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Consolidation And Revision Of The Statutes Of Newfoundland (Bill No. 49).
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Application And Effect Of Certain Acts Passed In The Present Session Of The Legislature Upon The Revised Statutes Of Newfoundland (1990) (Bill No. 48).

- A Bill "An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law (Bill No. 52).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Hospitals Act, 1971 (Bill No. 51).

were read a second time and on motion it was ordered that the Bills No. 49, 48, 52 and 51 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently by leave.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Barrett took the Chair of Committee.

The Committee considered the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Consolidation And Revision Of The Statutes Of Newfoundland (Bill No. 49).
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Application And Effect Of Certain Acts Passed In The Present Session Of The Legislature Upon The Revised Statutes Of Newfoundland, 1990" (Bill No. 48).
- A Bill "An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law (Bill No. 52).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Hospitals Act, 1971" (Bill No. 51).

On motion the Committee rose Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the following Bills without amendment:

- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Consolidation And Revision Of The Statutes Of Newfoundland" (Bill No. 49).
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Application And Effect Of Certain Acts Passed In The Present Session Of The Legislature Upon The Revised Statutes Of Newfoundland, 1990 (Bill No. 48).

A Bill "An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law" (Bill No. 52).

A Bill "An Act To Amend The Hospitals Act, 1971' (Bill No. 51).

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that Bills No. 49, 48, 52, 51 be read a third time on tomorrow and that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, December 10th at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly

A. John Noel
Clerk of the House of Assembly

Tuesday, December 10th, 1991

The House met at 2 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy made a statement respecting changes in the management of the Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Group of Companies. The Minister announced that Mr. David Mercer will become the President and Chief Executive Officer of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro and its subsidiaries on January 1st, 1992 upon the retirement of Mr. Cyril Abery.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture made a statement that Government had approved the introduction of a Bill to designate the Atlantic Puffin as the provincial bird.

The Honourable the Member for St. John's East gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

"WHEREAS the lack of representation by women in the House of Assembly reflects the inequality of women in society and political parties have to date been unable to provide a means or mechanism to resolve the gross inequality of representation;

AND WHEREAS gender balance achieved by having an equal number of men and women would provide greater democracy and lead to policies and laws which would remove barriers to equality of men and women in society;

AND WHEREAS Newfoundland and Labrador has experienced representation by more than one member per district as part of its political history, which form of representation can be adapted to achieve gender equality;

BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Assembly support the principle of representation by two members per district, one woman and one man, without increasing the number of legislative seats;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that a Committee of the House be established to report to the House on the methods and timetable to be adopted to implement the new form of representation."

The Honourable the Minister of Mines and Energy gave an answer to a question for which notice had been given respecting monies used by the Canada - Newfoundland Offshore Development Fund.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on Second Reading of the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act To Establish An Advisory Council On The Economy" (Bill No. 61).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Electrical Power Control Act" (Bill No. 57).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Mechanics' Lien Act" (Bill No. 58).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977 (No. 3)" (Bill No. 47).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Urban And Rural Planning Act" (Bill No. 45).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Assignment Of Book Debts Act, The Bills Of Sale Act, The Conditional Sales Act And The Regulation Of Deeds Act In Relation To The Offshore Area" (Bill No. 59).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend Certain Departmental Acts And The Newfoundland Public Service Commission Act, 1973 (Bill No. 36).

On motion the Bills entitled:

- A Bill "An Act To Establish An Advisory Council On The Economy" (Bill No. 61).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Electrical Power Control Act" (Bill No. 57).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Mechanics' Lien Act" (Bill No. 58).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977 (No. 3)" (Bill No. 47).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Urban And Rural Planning Act" (Bill No. 45).

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Assignment Of Book Debts Act, The Bills Of Sale Act, The Conditional Sales Act And The Regulation Of Deeds Act In Relation To The Offshore Area" (Bill No. 59).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend Certain Departmental Act And The Newfoundland Public Service Commission Act, 1973" (Bill No. 36).

were read a second time and on motion it was ordered that Bills No. 61, 57, 58, 47, 45, 59 and 36 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

It was agreed that Private Members' Day would be dispensed with on Wednesday, December 11th and that the House would carry on with routine business.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, December 11th at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

A. John Noel

Clerk of the House of Assembly

Wednesday, December 11th, 1991

The House met at 2 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs made a statement respecting certain amalgamated communities.

The Honourable the Minister of Forestry and Agriculture tabled the following Reports:

- (a) Annual Report Livestock Owners Compensation Board, 1989-1990;
- (b) Annual Report Farm Development Loan Board of Newfoundland for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1990;
- (c) Annual Report Newfoundland Crop Insurance Agency, 1989-90.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs gave an answer to a question in relation to occupancy regulations for buildings that appear to have similar structures and sizes.

The Honourable the Member for Bellevue (Mr. Barrett) presented a Petition from citizens in his district respecting the paving of roads.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on Second Reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Department Of Mines And Energy Act, 1989" (Bill No. 60).

On motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Department Of Mines And Energy Act, 1989" (Bill No. 60) was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 60 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently by leave.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

The Committee considered the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend Certain Departmental Acts And The Newfoundland Public Service Commission Act, 1973" (Bill No. 36).

The Committee considered the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Urban And Rural Planning Act" (Bill No. 45).

The Committee considered the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977 (No. 3)" (Bill No. 47).

The Honourable the Minister of Employment & Labour Relations moved the following amendment:

"That Clause 3 of Bill No. 47 be amended by deleting the proposed subsection 9.1(4) and substituting the following:

"(4) In giving a decision with respect to a jurisdictional dispute the umpire shall consider existing agreements, decisions of the board and other adjudicative bodies and, in the absence of existing agreements, decisions of the board and other adjudicature bodies, past and area practices."

The amendment was debated, following which the Chairman put the question.

The Chairman declared the amendment carried.

The Honourable the Minister of Employment & Labour Relations moved the following amendment:

"That Clause 5 of Bill No. 47 be amended by deleting the proposed section 70.15 and substituting the following:

"70.15. Notwithstanding the accreditation of an employers' organization in the sector, an employer in the sector is bound by a collective agreement entered into between the employers' organization accredited under section 70.3 or 61 and the council of trade unions established under section 70.8 only in respect of a trade union for which the employers has been certified or which he or she has voluntarily recognized."

The amendment was debated, following which the Chairman put the question.

The Chairman declared the amendment carried.

The Honourable the Minister of Employment and Labour Relations moved the following amendment:

"That Clause 6 of Bill No. 47 be amended by deleting the proposed subsection 88.1(2) and substituting the following:

"(2) Where, in an application or order under subsection (1), it is alleged that more than 1 corporation, partnership, person, syndicate or association of persons is under common control or direction, a respondent to the application shall, when ordered to do so by the board, adduce all facts within his or her knowledge that are material to the allegation."

The amendment was debated, following which the Chairman put the question.

The Chairman declared the amendment carried.

The Committee considered the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Electrical Power Control Act" (Bill No. 57).

The Committee considered the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Mechanics' Lien Act" (Bill No. 58).

The Committee considered the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Assignment Of Book Debts Act, The Bills of Sale Act, The Conditional Sales Act And The Registration Of Deeds Act In Relation To The Offshore Acts" (Bill No. 59).

The Committee considered the Bill entitled, "An Act To Establish An Advisory Council On The Economy" (Bill No. 61).

The Committee considered the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Department of Mines and Energy Act, 1989" (Bill No. 60).

On motion the Committee rose. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the following Bills without amendment:

- A Bill "An Act To Amend Certain
 Departmental Acts And The
 Newfoundland Public Service
 Commission Act, 1973" (Bill No. 36).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Urban And Rural Planning Act" (Bill No. 45).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Electrical Power Control Act". (Bill No. 57).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Mechanics' Lien Act" (Bill No. 58).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Assignment Of Book Debts Act, The Bills Of Sale Act, The Conditional Sales Act And The Registration Of Deeds Act In Relation To The Offshore Area" (Bill No. 59).
- A Bill "An Act To Establish An Advisory Council On The Economy (Bill No. 61).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Department Of Mines And Energy Act, 1988 (Bill No. 60).

On motion it was ordered that Bills No. 36, 45, 57, 58, 59, 61 and 60 be read a third time presently by leave.

The Chairman of the Committee further reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977 (No. 3)" (Bill No. 47), with amendments.

The amendments to Bill No. 47 having been read a first and second time, on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 47 be read a third time presently by leave.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate was commenced and concluded on second reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Regulation Of Lotteries And Amusement Devices In The Province", and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be read a second time presently.

On motion the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Regulation Of Lotteries And Amusement Devices In The Province", was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that the Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently by leave.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Snow took the Chair of Committee.

The Committee considered the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Regulation Of Lotteries And Amusement Devices In The Province" (Bill No. 32).

The Honourable the Member for Humber East (Lynn Verge) moved certain amendments.

The amendments were debated, following which the Chairman put the question.

The amendments were defeated.

On motion the Committee rose. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman of the Committee reported that they had considered the matters to them referred and had passed a Bill entitled, ""An Act Respecting The Regulation Of Lotteries And Amusement Devices In The Province" (Bill No. 32) without amendment and asked leave to sit again on tomorrow.

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 32 be read a third time presently by leave.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a third time and passed:

- A Bill "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting Crown Lands, Public Lands And Other Lands Of The Province". (Bill No. 22)
- A Bill "An Act To Revise The Law Respecting Land Surveyors In The Province". (Bill No. 29).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Memorial University Act". (Bill No. 38).

A Bill "An Act Respecting The Office Of The High Sheriff Of Newfoundland". (Bill No. 27).

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- A Bill "An Act Respecting Colleges Of Applied Arts, Technology And Continuing Education". (Bill No. 37).
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Consolidation And Revision Of The Statutes Of Newfoundland". (Bill No. 49).
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Application And Effect Of Certain Acts Passed In The Present Session Of The Legislature Upon The Revised Statutes Of Newfoundland", 1990". (Bill No. 48).
- A Bill "An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law". (Bill No. 52).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Hospitals Act, 1971". (Bill No. 51).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend Certain Departmental Acts And The Newfoundland Public Service Commission Act, 1973".

 (Bill No. 36).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Urban And Rural And Planning Act". (Bill No. 45).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977 (No. 3)". (Bill No. 47).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Electrical Power Control Act". (Bill No. 57).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Mechanics Lien Act". (Bill No. 58).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Assignment
 Of Book Debts Acts, The Bills Of
 Sale Act, The Conditional Sales
 Act And The Registration Of Deeds
 Act In Relation To The Offshore
 Area". (Bill No. 59).
- A Bill "An Act To Establish An Advisory Council On The Economy". (Bill No. 61).

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Department of Mines And Energy Act, 1989". (Bill No. 60).
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Regulation Of Lotteries And Amusement Devices In The Province". (Bill No. 32).

On motion it was also ordered that the abovenoted Bills be printed being entitled as above and that they be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor for His Assent.

The House recessed for a short time.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the arrival of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour as follows:

"May it please Your Honour, the General Assembly of the Province have at its present Session passed certain Bills to which in the name of and on behalf of the General Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's assent."

Whereupon the Clerk read the following Bills:

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The City Of Corner Brook Act, 1985, The City Of Mount Pearl Act And The Municipalities Act" (Bill No. 11).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Intergovernmental Affairs Act, 1975". (Bill No. 28).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Newfoundland Geographical Names Board Act, 1974". (Bill No. 43).
- A Bill "An Act To Repeal The Unimproved Lands (Redistribution) Act". (Bill No. 20).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Queen's Counsel Act". (Bill No. 21).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Status Of Women Advisory Council Act". (Bill No. 35).
- A Bill "An Act To Establish The St. John's Centennial Foundation". (Bill No. 41).

- A Bill "An Act To Revise And Consolidate The Law Respecting The Prevention Of Fire". (Bill No. 53).
- A Bill "An Act To Facilitate The Amalgamation
 Of Certain Municipal Authorities
 Municipal Services In
 Relation To The Northeast Avalon
 Region". (Bill No. 50).
- A Bill "An Act To Revise And Consolidate
 The Law Respecting Crown Lands,
 Public Lands And Other Lands Of
 The Province". (Bill No. 22)
- A Bill "An Act To Revise The Law Respecting Land Surveyors In The Province". (Bill No. 29).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Memorial University Act". (Bill No. 38).
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Office Of The High Sheriff Of Newfoundland". (Bill No. 27).
- A Bill "An Act Respecting Colleges Of Applied Arts, Technology And Continuing Education". (Bill No. 37).
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Consolidation And Revision Of The Statutes Of Newfoundland". (Bill No. 49).
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Application And Effect Of Certain Acts Passed In The Present Session Of The Legislature Upon The Revised Statutes Of Newfoundland", 1990". (Bill No. 48).
- A Bill "An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law". (Bill No. 52).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Hospitals Act, 1971" (Bill No. 51).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend Certain Departmental Acts And The Newfoundland Public Service Commission Act, 1973".

 (Bill No. 36).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Urban And Rural And Planning Act". (Bill No. 45).

- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Labour Relations Act, 1977 (No. 3)". (Bill No. 47).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Electrical Power Control Act". (Bill No. 57).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Mechanics Lien Act". (Bill No. 58).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Assignment
 Of Book Debts Acts, The Bills Of
 Sale Act, The Conditional Sales
 Act And The Registration Of Deeds
 Act In Relation To The Offshore
 Area". (Bill No. 59).
- A Bill "An Act To Establish An Advisory Council On The Economy". (Bill No. 61).
- A Bill "An Act To Amend The Department of Mines And Energy Act, 1989". (Bill No. 60).
- A Bill "An Act Respecting The Regulation Of Lotteries And Amusement Devices In The Province". (Bill No. 32).

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor said, "In Her Majesty's Name, I assent to these Bills".

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor left the Chamber.

The Honourable the President of the Council moved, "That the House at its rising do adjourn until tomorrow at the call of the Chair and that this House do now adjourn".

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

A. John Noel Clerk of the House of Assembly

Wednesday, March 4th, 1992

The House met at 2 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the arrival of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor took the Chair.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to make the following Speech:

"MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

The Third Session of the 41st General Assembly of this Honourable House of Assembly is about to be prorogued, but before releasing you from your duties, I wish to thank you for the careful and sympathetic attention given to the important matters brought before you by My Ministers.

Fifty-three pieces of legislation were enacted during this Session of the Honourable House of Assembly. In particular, legislative initiatives were taken in finance, Crown lands, labour, municipal affairs and the administration of justice.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

This Session was marked by the introduction and enactment of a number of Bills to revise and reform many of our older statutes. Prominent among these Bills was the passage of an Act to Revise and Consolidate the Public General Statutes of the Province. The last Revision of the Statutes took place in 1970. New acts respecting the Provincial Court, Juries and the Sheriff's Office were debated and enacted. Also, during this Session an Act to regulate lotteries and amusement devices was enacted.

In order to accommodate changes to the Federal pension law, My Government introduced three Bills to revise and reform our pension legislation, namely: a new Public Service Pensions Act, Teachers' Pensions Act and Uniformed Services Pensions Act. In keeping with My Government's mandate to reform the law respecting the Auditor General, a new Act respecting that office and the auditing of the Public Accounts of the Province was enacted during this Session.

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MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

As part of My Government's commitment to reform of our post-secondary education system, My Government introduced a new Colleges Act which has established colleges of applied arts, technology and continuing education throughout the Province. As well, The Memorial University Act was amended to provide for the affiliation of the Marine Institute with the University under the name of the Fisheries and Marine Institute of Memorial University.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

As my predecessor stated in His Address opening this Session, following careful analysis by the Legislative Review Committee of this House, My Government introduced amendments to The Labour Relations Act, 1977 which addressed the sensitive issue of double breasting. My Ministers were heartened by the level of debate and the input from the Committee during which the Bill received a very extensive public review.

Another Bill which was also given considerable debate and public discussion before the Legislative Review Committee was the new Lands Act which was also enacted during this Session. This Bill, upon proclamation, will revise and reform the law respecting Crown lands, public lands and other lands of the Province. A new Act to Revise the law respecting land surveyors was also enacted during this Session.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

My Government has had to make difficult decisions and implement measures to alleviate the severe financial situation in which this Province finds itself. During this Session, an Act respecting restraint and compensation in the public sector was enacted.

During this Session, My Government introduced a Resolution and a Bill respecting amalgamation of certain municipalities and municipal services in the Northeast Avalon Region of our Province. My Government is certain that this initiative will in the long term give citizens in the Northeast Avalon Region better municipal government.

Among the other significant legislative measures enacted during this Session were: An Act to Amend The Co-operative Societies Act, An Act To Amend The Evidence Act, An Act to Amend The Schools Act, The Reciprocal Taxation Agreement Act, 1991, An Act to Amend The Hearing Aid Dealers Act, An Act to Amend The Status of Women Advisory Council Act, a new Fire Prevention Act, An Act to Amend The Mechanics' Lien Act and the Economic Advisory Council Act.

MR. SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HONOURABLE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

I thank you for the large measure of supply you have granted. I assure you that the appropriations that you have granted have been and will be expended by My Ministers with care and efficiency.

It is my pleasure that the Third Session of this 41st General Assembly now be prorogued and it is prorogued accordingly."

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor left the Chamber.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Speaker then said: "It is the wish and pleasure of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor that this General Assembly be prorogued, and this Assembly is prorogued accordingly".

A. John Noel

Clerk of the House of Assembly