

Tuesday, December 7th, 2004

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

The Member for Humber Valley (Ms. Goudie) made a Statement to pay tribute to Dr. Duncan MacDonald a family physician from her district who was honoured by the Department of Health & Community Services for his forty years of medical service in the Town of Deer Lake and surrounding communities.

The Member for Grand Bank (Ms. Foote) made a Statement to congratulate the Holy Name of Mary Academy Mustangs of Lawn who won the provincial 3A Boys Provincial Soccer Championship.

The Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Butler) made a Statement to congratulate Mrs. Annie Earle formerly of Bay Roberts and Shearstown on the celebration of her 101st birthday.

The Member for Cartwright - L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) made a Statement to congratulate Ms. Amanda Rose of Forteau and Ms. Shannon Clark Howell of Cartwright who placed first and second in the national competition known as Write To Read.

The Honourable the Minister of Human Resources, Labour & Employment (Ms. Burke) made a Statement to announce the proclamation of the new *Income and Employment Support Act* and regulations to replace the outdated *Social Assistance Act* and regulations. The new Act furthers government's commitment to providing basic financial support to those who need them.

The Honourable the Minister of Education (Mr. Hedderson) made a Statement to advise Members of the significant advances in Newfoundland and Labrador's educational standing both nationally and internationally as indicated in the 2003 results of the Programme for International Student Assessment, commonly known as PISA.

The Honourable the Minister of Government Services (Ms. Whalen) tabled the *Public Tender Act* Exceptions for the month of October 2004.

The Member for Burgeo & La Poile (Mr. Parsons) presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents requesting the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador to reinstate operations and rehire scale operators in Port aux Basques, Foxtrap and other locations to protect the safety of citizens of Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents requesting the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador to reinstate operations and rehire scale operators in Port aux Basques, Foxtrap and other locations

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Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Provide For The Fish Inspection Act" (Bill No. 57) was read a first time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 57 be read a second time on tomorrow.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Ed Byrne) moved pursuant to Standing Order 11 that the House not adjourn at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon and that the House not adjourn at 10 o'clock in the evening.

The Speaker put the question on the motions that the House not adjourn at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon and at 10 o'clock in the evening.

The Speaker declared the motions carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced on Second Reading of a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The House Of Assembly Act And The Elections Act, 1991" (Bill No. 40).

The Speaker recessed the House at 5:31 o'clock for the dinner break.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 7 o'clock in the evening.

Debate continued and concluded on Second Reading of the Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The House Of Assembly Act And The Elections Act, 1991" (Bill No. 40) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 40 be read a second time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The House Of Assembly Act And The Elections Act, 1991" (Bill No. 40) was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 40 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced on Second Reading of a Bill entitled, "An Act To Enhance The Transparency And Accountability Of The Government And Government Entities To The People Of The Province" (Bill No. 39) and on motion the debate on Second Reading was adjourned until tomorrow.

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Byrne) the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House.

The Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fitzgerald took the Chair of the Committee of the Whole House.

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The Committee considered the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Motorized Snow Vehicles And All Terrain Vehicles Act" (Bill No. 45).

The Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) advised the Committee that the Official Opposition intended to introduce certain amendments to Bill No. 45.

After considerable debate, the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Ed Byrne) adjourned debate on Bill No. 45 in Committee of the Whole House.

The Committee considered the Bill entitled, "An Act To Establish The Fish Processing Licensing Board" (Bill No. 36).

The Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Grimes) moved, seconded by the Member for Twillingate-Fogo (Mr. Reid) certain amendments to Bill No. 36.

The Chair ruled the amendments in order.

The Chair put the question on the amendments and declared the amendments defeated.

The Committee passed the Bill entitled, "An Act To Establish The Fish Processing Licensing Board" (Bill No. 36) without amendment.

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole House (Mr. Fitzgerald) reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the matters to it referred, had passed the Bill entitled, "An Act To Establish The Fish Processing Licensing Board" (Bill No. 36) without amendment and asked leave to sit again.

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

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 36 be read a third time presently.

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Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced and concluded on Third Reading of a Bill entitled, "An Act To Establish The Fish Processing Licensing Board" (Bill No. 36) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 36 be read a third time presently.

On motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Establish The Fish Processing Licensing Board" (Bill No. 36) was read a third time and passed. On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 36 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 rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, December 8th at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned at 12:42 a.m. in the morning.

A. John Noel, Q.C.,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.