

Thursday, October 29th, 2020

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

The Member for Mount Pearl – Southlands (Mr. Lane) made a Statement to recognize Dr. Stephen Walsh, formerly of Mount Pearl, for his role in developing a promising COVID-19 vaccine.

The Member for Placentia West – Bellevue (Mr. Dwyer) made a Statement to recognize Mrs. Juanita Gilbert of North Harbour on the occasion of her 84th Birthday.

The Member for St. Barbe – L'Anse aux Meadows (Mr. Mitchelmore) made a Statement to recognize Mrs. Mona Snow of St. Lunaire-Griquet for her volunteerism efforts and community involvement.

The Member for Harbour Main (Ms. Conway Ottenheimer) made a Statement to recognize Legions and Veterans across the province for everything that they do to remind us "Lest we forget".

The Member for Torngat Mountains (Ms. Evans) made a Statement to recognize Mr. Rod Pilgrim of Nain for his kindness in sharing his mechanical skills to help people in the community.

The Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Mr. Haggie) made a Statement to acknowledge Newfoundland and Labrador's 23 regulated health professional governing bodies for their efforts to help steer our Province through the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Honourable the Minister of Digital Government and Service NL (Ms. Stoodley) made a Statement to announce that Francophone residents of the Province can now access marriage certificates through a secure online ordering service in French.

The Honourable the Premier (Mr. Furey) made a Statement to recognize oil discoveries at the Cappahayden and Cambriol prospects in the Flemish Pass by Equinor and its partner BP.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Crocker) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Act Respecting Tourist Accommodations" (Bill No. 52).

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Crocker) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move, pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), that the House not adjourn at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon on Monday, November 2th, 2020 and Tuesday, November 3rd, 2020.

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The Member for Windsor Lake (Mr. Crosbie) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to champion the benefits of oil and gas to the Federal Government for their support to restart West White Rose and offshore exploration and development industry.

The Member for Placentia West – Bellevue (Mr. Dwyer) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to approve the boundary extension for the Town of Sunnyside.

On motion of the Honourable the Minister of Finance (Ms. Coady) the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Ways and Means to consider a Resolution Respecting the Imposition of Taxes on Tobacco (Bill No. 45).

The Speaker left the Chair.

Ms. Parsons took the Chair of Committee of the Whole on Ways and Means.

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee (Ms. Parsons) reported that the Committee of Ways and Means had considered the matters to them referred and had adopted a certain Resolution and the Bill consequent thereto and recommended that Bill No. 45 be introduced to give effect to the Resolution.

On motion the report of the Committee of the Whole was received and adopted.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution was read the first and second time:

“That it is expedient to bring in a measure respecting the imposition of taxes on tobacco.”

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Revenue Administration Act, No. 3” (Bill No. 45) was read the first, second and third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 45 be printed being entitled as above and that it be submitted to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor for her assent.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, November 2nd at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

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On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.