

Tuesday, June 22, 2021

The House met at 1:30 p.m.

Point of Privilege

The Member for Humber - Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) raised a point of privilege respecting the Joyce Report: October 18, 2018 by the Commission for Legislative Standards, and related interactions between the CLS and former Premier Ball.

The Member for Mount Pearl - Southlands (P. Lane) spoke to the point of privilege.

The House recessed to consider the point of privilege.

The House resumed, and the Speaker indicated he would take the matter under advisement.

The Members for Lake Melville (P. Trimper) and Placentia - St. Mary's (S. Gambin-Walsh) advised the House they would recuse themselves from any further deliberations on the matters outlined in the Point of Privilege raised by the Member for Humber - Bay of Islands (E. Joyce).

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Members' Statements

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Topsail - Paradise (P. Dinn) recognizing community clean-up efforts.

The Member for Grand Falls-Windsor - Buchans (C. Tibbs) recognizing the fundraiser campaign for the Lionel Kelland Hospice in Grand Falls Windsor.

The Member for Placentia - St. Mary's (S. Gambin-Walsh) recognizing the Colinet Loggers Heritage Society.

The Member for Humber - Bay of Islands (E. Joyce) recognizing recipients of the Ronald McDonald House Helping Hand Awards: Tammy Maillet of Meadows and Cindy Wells of Irishtown.

The Member for Mount Pearl - Southlands (P. Lane) recognizing the recipients of the 31st Annual Mount Pearl Focus on Youth Awards.

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Ministerial Statements

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Minister of Environment and Climate Change (B. Davis) regarding projects under Low Carbon Economy Leadership Fund.

The Members for Exploits (P. Forsey) and St. John's Centre (J. Dinn) responded to the statement.

The Minister of Immigration, Population Growth and Skills (G. Byrne) regarding the priority skills pathway for newcomers supporting population growth.

The Members for Grand Falls - Windsor - Buchans (C. Tibbs) and St. John's Centre (J. Dinn) responded to the statement.

Oral Questions

The House proceeded to Oral Questions.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Select Committees

There were no reports by Standing and Select Committees presented.

Tabling of Documents

The Minister of Digital Government and Service NL (S. Stoodley), pursuant to s. 56(1) of the Automobile Insurance Act, tabled:

Annual Report of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities on Operations Carried Out Under the Automobile Insurance Act, 2020-21.

The Minister of Children, Seniors and Social Development (J. Abbott), pursuant to recommendation 33 of the Child and Youth Advocate's report: A Long Wait for Change: Independent Review of Child Protection Services to Inuit Children in Newfoundland and Labrador, 2019, tabled:

Report on Child Welfare Services to Indigenous Children, Youth and Families, 2019-20.

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Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

Answers to questions for which notice has been given

There were no answers to questions for which notice was given.

Petitions

The following Members presented petitions:

The Member for Stephenville - Port au Port (T. Wakeham) regarding repairs and upkeep to Cold Brook road.

The Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure (E. Loveless) replied to the petition.

The Member for Placentia West - Bellevue (J. Dwyer) regarding the Bull Arm fabrication site.

The Minister of Industry, Energy and Technology (A. Parsons) replied to the petition.

The Member for St. John's Centre (J. Dinn) regarding access to gender affirming/confirming medical procedures.

The Member for Ferryland (L. O'Driscoll) regarding ambulance services in the Bay Bulls to Bauline area.

The Member for Lake Melville (P. Trimper) regarding establishment of a sexual assault nurse in Labrador.

The Member for Labrador West (J. Brown) regarding affordable housing and assisted living facilities for seniors in Labrador West.

The Minister Responsible for Women and Gender Equality (P. Parsons) replied to the petition.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Speaker called Orders of the Day.

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on Second Reading of Bill 7 entitled “An Act To Amend The Vital Statistics Act, 2009”.

Pursuant to order and on motion, Bill 7 entitled “An Act To Amend The Vital Statistics Act, 2009” was read the second time and, on motion, it was ordered that Bill 7 be referred to a Committee of the Whole presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on Second Reading of Bill 11 entitled “An Act To Amend The Children, Youth and Families Act”.

Pursuant to order and on motion, Bill 11 entitled “An Act To Amend The Children, Youth and Families Act” was read the second time and, on motion, it was ordered that Bill 19 be referred to a Committee of the Whole now.

Pursuant to order and on motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider bills entitled:

“An Act To Amend The Vital Statistics Act, 2009” (Bill 7), and

“An Act To Amend The Children, Youth and Families Act” (Bill 11).

The Speaker left the Chair.

The Deputy Speaker (B. Warr) took the Chair of Committee of the Whole.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chair (B. Warr) reported that the Committee of the Whole had considered the matters to them referred and recommended, without amendment, bills entitled:

“An Act To Amend The Vital Statistics Act, 2009” (Bill 7), and

“An Act To Amend The Children, Youth and Families Act” (Bill 11).

On motion it was ordered that the report of the Committee be received and adopted.

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On motion, it was ordered that Bill 7 and Bill 11 be read the third time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion, the following bills were read the third time and passed:

A bill, "An Act To Amend The Income Tax Act, 2000 No. 2." (Bill 15); and

A bill, "An Act To Amend The Vital Statistics Act, 2009 No. 2." (Bill 19).

On motion, it was ordered that Bill 15 and Bill 19 entitled as above be submitted to the Lieutenant Governor for assent.

On motion the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, June 23 at 10 a.m.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.