

Monday, April 11, 2022

The House met at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Members' Statements

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Labrador West (J. Brown) recognizing Michael Martin, Labrador's first home-born M.H.A. and designer of the Labrador flag.

The Member for Harbour Main (H. Conway Ottenheimer) recognizing elite soccer player Lauren Rowe of Upper Gullies.

The Member for St. John's Centre (J. Dinn) recognizing the Dragan family and the Lakecrest School community on their humanitarian efforts for the people of Ukraine.

The Member for Topsail - Paradise (P. Dinn) recognizing the late Brad Kerrivan of Paradise.

The Member for Conception Bay East - Bell Island (D. Brazil) recognizing the late Dr. Walter Tucker of Bell Island.

Ministerial Statements

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Minister of Tourism, Culture, Arts and Recreation (S. Crocker) recognizing the Hospitality Newfoundland and Labrador annual award winners.

The Members for Bonavista (C. Pardy) and Labrador West (J. Brown) responded to the statement.

Oral Questions

The House proceeded to Oral Questions.

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Presenting Reports by Standing and Select Committees

There were no reports by Standing or Select Committees presented.

Tabling of Documents

Pursuant to subsection 10(3) of the *Transparency and Accountability Act*, the Government House Leader (S. Crocker) tabled:

Statement regarding the establishment of Celebrate NL.

Notices of Motion

The Government House Leader (S. Crocker) gave notice they would on tomorrow move the following motion:

THAT notwithstanding Standing Order 63, this House shall not proceed with Private Members' Day on Wednesday, April 13, 2022 but shall instead meet at 2:00 p.m. on that day for routine proceedings and the conduct of Government business.

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Government House Leader (S. Crocker) gave notice they would on tomorrow move the House not adjourn at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12.

Answers to Questions for Which Notice Has Been Given

There were no answers to questions for which notice had been given.

Petitions

The following Members presented petitions:

The Member for Topsail - Paradise (P. Dinn) regarding access to long-term care in the same facility for senior couples.

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The Member for Bonavista (C. Pardy) regarding road conditions in the district and the timely repair of same.

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

The Member for Torngat Mountains (L. Evans) regarding adequate health care supports in Postville.

The Member for Terra Nova (L. Parrott) regarding repair and maintenance of provincial roads.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Speaker called orders of the day.

Pursuant to notice, the Government House Leader (S. Crocker) moved the House not adjourn at 5:30 p.m.

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to notice and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on the resolution standing in the name of the Minister of Justice and Public Safety (J. Hogan) as follows:

WHEREAS the Lieutenant-Governor in Council appointed a tribunal under section 28 of the *Provincial Court Act, 1991* to make recommendations on the salaries and benefits of judges and the chief judge;

AND WHEREAS the tribunal submitted its recommendations to the Minister of Justice and Public Safety on June 6, 2019;

AND WHEREAS the Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Court Judges Salary and Benefits Tribunal Report was tabled in this Honourable House on June 25, 2019 as required by section 28.2 of the Act;

AND WHEREAS the House of Assembly is required to approve, vary or reject the report;

AND WHEREAS government has decided to ask this Honourable House to accept all of the recommendations of the tribunal as contained in its report of June 4, 2019;

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Honourable House accept the recommendations of the 2018 Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Court Judges Salary and Benefits Tribunal;

AND THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the recommendations of the Tribunal be implemented effective April 1, 2017.

The Speaker put the question and declared the resolution carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on second reading of a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Provincial Court Act, 1991” (Bill 44).

Pursuant to order and on motion, a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Provincial Court Act, 1991” (Bill 44) was read the second time and, on motion, it was ordered that Bill 44 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 a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Provincial Court Act, 1991” (Bill 44).

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 (Warr) reported the Committee of the Whole had considered the matters to them referred and had directed them to report the Committee had recommended, without amendment, a bill entitled:

“An Act to Amend the Provincial Court Act, 1991” (Bill 44).

The Speaker put the question and it was ordered the report be received and adopted.

On motion, it was ordered that Bill 44 be read the third time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate continued on the motion “That this House approve in general the budgetary policy of the Government” (budget motion) and, on motion, debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

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On motion, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 12 at 1:30 p.m.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.