

Thursday, May 12, 2022

The House met at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

The Speaker acknowledged Members' participation in the Moose Hide Campaign for the fifth consecutive year. The Speaker thanked Inuit Elder, Dr. Jean Crane who led the reflection.

Members' Statements

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Placentia West - Bellevue (J. Dwyer) recognizing Ross Murley and George Shave of Marystown, on receiving the Emergency Medical Service's Exemplary Service Medal.

The Member for Topsail - Paradise (P. Dinn) recognizing the Kin Club of Paradise and Mary Anne Dillon, Kin volunteer of the year.

The Member for Labrador West (J. Brown) recognizing Colette Pickett-Beals of Mission Kitty Inc., an animal rescue group.

The Member for Humber - Bay of Islands (E. Joyce) recognizing volunteer Audrey Park of Gillams.

Ministerial Statements

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Minister Responsible for Newfoundland and Labrador Housing Corporation (J. Abbott) highlighting affordable housing investments.

The Member for Placentia West - Bellevue (J. Dwyer) and the Leader of the Third Party (J. Dinn) 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

There were no documents tabled.

Notices of Motion

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 Monday, May 16.

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 Placentia West - Bellevue (J. Dwyer) regarding enhancements to the provincial roads program budget.

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

The Member for Exploits (P. Forsey) regarding the restoration of the 24-hour emergency service of the Dr. Hugh Twomey Health Centre in Botwood.

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

The Member for Bonavista (C. Pardy) regarding lack of regulated child care spaces in the Bonavista area.

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The Member for Ferryland (L. O'Driscoll) regarding the need for brush cutting along Route 10, Southern Shore Highway.

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 motion standing in the name of the Government House Leader (S. Crocker) as follows:

THAT, notwithstanding Standing Order 9, on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, this House shall meet at 3:00 p.m. for routine proceedings and to conduct government business;

AND THAT, if not earlier adjourned, the Speaker shall then adjourn the House at midnight.

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to notice and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on the motion standing in the name of the Chair of the Standing Orders Committee (J. Hogan) as follows:

THAT this House concur in the report of the Standing Orders Committee dated May 9, 2022.

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on second reading of a bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act, 2000" (Bill 54).

Pursuant to order and on motion, a bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act, 2000" (Bill 54) was read the second time and, on motion, it was ordered that Bill 54 be referred to a Committee of the Whole now.

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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 Income Tax Act, 2000” (Bill 54).

The Speaker left the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees (P. Trimper) took the Chair of Committee of the Whole.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chair (P. Trimper) 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 Income Tax Act, 2000” (Bill 54).

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

On motion, it was ordered that Bill 54 be read the third time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on second reading of a bill entitled “An Act Respecting Access to Health and Education Services” (Bill 51).

Pursuant to order and on motion, a bill entitled “An Act Respecting Access to Health and Education Services” (Bill 51) was read the second time and, on motion, it was ordered that Bill 51 be referred to a Committee of the Whole presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a bill entitled “An Act Respecting Access to Health and Education Services” (Bill 51).

The Speaker left the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees (P. Trimper) took the Chair of Committee of the Whole.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chair (P. Trimper) 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:

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“An Act Respecting Access to Health and Education Services” (Bill 51)

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

On motion, it was ordered that Bill 51 be read the third time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on second reading of a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Life Insurance Act” (Bill 55).

Pursuant to order and on motion, a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Life Insurance Act” (Bill 55) was read the second time and, on motion, it was ordered that Bill 55 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 Life Insurance Act” (Bill 55).

The Speaker left the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees (P. Trimper) took the Chair of Committee of the Whole.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chair (P. Trimper) reported the Committee of the Whole had considered the matters to them referred and had them to report the Committee had recommended, without amendment, a bill entitled:

“An Act to Amend the Life Insurance Act” (Bill 55).

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

On motion, it was ordered that Bill 55 be read the third time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on second reading of a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000” (Bill 58).

Pursuant to order and on motion, a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000” (Bill 58) was read the second time and, on motion, it was ordered that Bill 58 be referred to a Committee of the Whole now.

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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 Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000” (Bill 58).

The Speaker left the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees (P. Trimper) took the Chair of Committee of the Whole.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chair (P. Trimper) 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 Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000” (Bill 58)

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

On motion, it was ordered that Bill 58 be read the third time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on second reading of a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Condominium Act, 2009” (Bill 56).

Pursuant to order and on motion, a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Condominium Act, 2009” (Bill 56) was read the second time and, on motion, it was ordered that Bill 56 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 Condominium Act, 2009” (Bill 56).

The Speaker left the Chair.

The Member for Bonavista (C. Pardy) took the Chair of Committee of the Whole.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chair (C. Pardy) 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:

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“An Act to Amend the Condominium Act, 2009” (Bill 56).

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

On motion, it was ordered that Bill 56 be read the third time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on second reading of a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Income Tax Savings Plans Act and the Pension Plans Designation of Beneficiaries Act” (Bill 57).

Pursuant to order and on motion, a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Income Tax Savings Plans Act and the Pension Plans Designation of Beneficiaries Act” (Bill 57) was read the second time and, on motion, it was ordered that Bill 57 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 Income Tax Savings Plans Act and the Pension Plans Designation of Beneficiaries Act” (Bill 57).

The Speaker left the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees (P. Trimper) took the Chair of Committee of the Whole.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chair (P. Trimper) 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 Income Tax Savings Plans Act and the Pension Plans Designation of Beneficiaries Act” (Bill 57).

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

On motion, it was ordered that Bill 57 be read the third time on tomorrow.

On motion, the House recessed at 5:45 p.m.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 6:47 p.m.

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

The Speaker put the question.

The House divided.

AYES	NAYS
S. Crocker	D. Brazil
L. Dempster	P. Petten
J. Haggie	C. Pardy
G. Byrne	T. Wakeham
T. Osborne	C. Tibbs
S. Coady	L. O’Driscoll
P. Parsons	L. Parrott
S. Stoodley	J. Wall
A. Parsons	P. Forsey
J. Hogan	J. Dwyer
B. Davis	J. Dinn
J. Abbott	J. Brown
E. Loveless	
K. L. Howell	
P. Pike	
S. Reid	
S. Gambin-Walsh	
P. Trimper	

The Speaker declared the motion carried.

Point of Order

The Government House Leader (S. Crocker) raised a point of order regarding the interpretation of SO 16(2) respecting ringing the bells to summon Members for a division.

The Speaker took the matter under advisement.

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Pursuant to order and on motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Ways and Means to resume consideration of a resolution and a related bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Revenue Administration Act" (Bill 60) relating to the imposition of taxes on carbon.

The Speaker left the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees (P. Trimper) took the Chair of Committee of the Whole on Ways and Means.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chair (P. Trimper) reported the Committee of the Whole on Ways and Means had considered the matters to them referred, reported they had made progress and asked leave to sit again.

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

The Speaker put the question and it was ordered the Committee have leave to sit again.

On motion, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Monday, May 16 at 1:30 p.m.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.