

Monday, May 30, 2022

The House met at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

The Speaker congratulated Page Leisha Toory for their initiative and work with the Period Priority Project.

Members' Statements

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Exploits (P. Forsey) recognizing the volunteers in Point Leamington and their contributions to the community.

The Member for Placentia - St. Mary's (S. Gambin-Walsh) recognizing the work of the Battery Restoration Committee in St. Mary's.

The Member for Humber - Bay of Islands (E. Joyce) recognizing Templeton Tigers Boys Ball Hockey team, winners of the AA Provincial Boys Ball Hockey Tournament held recently at Templeton Academy, Meadows.

The Member for Baie Verte - Green Bay (B. Warr) recognizing David J. Tilley of Jackson's Cove, the published photographer of the work Within Wild Shores, A Photographer's Ode to Newfoundland.

The Member for Ferryland (L. O'Driscoll) recognizing the work of the Ukraine Relief Organizing Committee in Ferryland

Ministerial Statements

The following Minister provided statements:

The Minister Responsible for Francophone Affairs (S. Stoodley) recognizing Provincial Francophonie Day.

The Members for Stephenville - Port au Port (T. Wakeham) and Labrador West (J. Brown) responded to the statement.

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Oral Questions

The House proceeded to Oral Questions.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Select Committees

There were no reports by Standing or Select Committees presented.

Tabling of Documents

Pursuant to subsection 56(2) of the *Automobile Insurance Act*, the Minister of Digital Government and Service NL (S. Stoodley) tabled:

Annual Report of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities on Operations Carried out Under the *Automobile Insurance Act* for the Period of April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022.

Notices of Motion

The Minister of Finance (S. Coady) gave notice they would on tomorrow introduce a bill entitled:

“An Act to Amend the Revenue Administration Act, No. 6” (Bill 64).

The Member for Burin - Grand Bank (P. Pike) gave notice they would on tomorrow move the following resolution:

WHEREAS rates of firearm-related violent crime are on the rise in Canada;

AND WHEREAS according to Statistics Canada 59 per cent of firearm-related violent crimes in Canada involve the use of handguns;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Canada outlined that it would work with provinces and territories to ban handguns outright;

AND WHEREAS rates of firearm-related violent crime were higher in rural areas than in urban centres in most provinces, and were notably high in northern rural regions;

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House declare its support for the Government of Canada's efforts to reduce violent crime and further restrict access handguns.

Pursuant to Standing Order 63(3), the Government House Leader (S. Crocker), announced the resolution introduced by the Member for Burin - Grand Bank (P. Pike) will be the one presented on Wednesday, June 1.

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, May 31.

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, June 1, 2022 but shall instead meet at 2 p.m. on that day for routine proceedings and the conduct of Government business;

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

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

THAT notwithstanding Standing Order 9, this House shall not adjourn at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, June 1, 2022 but shall continue to sit for the conduct of government business and, if not earlier adjourned, the Speaker shall adjourn the House at midnight.

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 the Bull Arm fabrication site.

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

The Member for S. John's Centre (J. Dinn) regarding access to long-term care in the same facility for senior couples.

The Member for Topsail - Paradise (P. Dinn) regarding access to long-term mental healthcare in the province.

The Member for Bonavista (C. Pardy) regarding cancelling the sugar tax.

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

The Minister for Children, Seniors and Social Development (J. Abbott) replied to the petition.

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 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 Chair of Committees (B. Warr) took the Chair of Committee of the Whole on Ways and Means.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

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The Chair (B. Warr) 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 recessed at 5:03 p.m.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 6:00 p.m.

Pursuant to notice and by leave, the following bill was introduced and read the first time:

A bill, "An Act to Amend the Revenue Administration Act, No. 6" (Bill 64).

On motion, it was ordered the above-noted bill be read the second time on tomorrow.

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.

The Chair put the question on the resolution.

The House divided.

AYES	NAYS
S. Crocker	D. Brazil
L. Dempster	P. Petten
J. Haggie	P. Dinn
G. Byrne	C. Pardy
T. Osborne	T. Wakeham
S. Coady	C. Tibbs
P. Parsons	L. O'Driscoll
S. Stoodley	L. Parrott
A. Parsons	J. Wall

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AYES	NAYS
J. Hogan	P. Forsey
B. Davis	J. Dwyer
D. Bragg	E. Joyce
E. Loveless	P. Lane
K. L. Howell	
P. Pike	
S. Reid	
S. Gambin-Walsh	
L. Stoyles	
J. Brown	
P. Trimper	

The Chair declared the resolution carried.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chair (B. Warr) reported the Committee of the Whole on Ways and Means had considered the matters to them referred and had directed them to report the Committee had adopted a resolution and recommended that a related bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Revenue Administration Act” (Bill 60) be introduced to give effect to the same.

The Speaker put the question and it was ordered the report be 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 carbon products.

The Speaker put the question on the resolution and declared the resolution carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion, a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Revenue Administration Act” (Bill 60) was read the first, second and third time and passed.

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On motion, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 31 at 1:30 p.m.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.