

Thursday, October 6, 2022

The House met at 1:30 p.m. at Colonial Building.

## **ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS**

### **Members' Statements**

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Baie Verte - Green Bay (B. Warr) recognizing the late Brad Noel of Springdale.

The Member for Bonavista (C. Pardy) recognizing Nancy and Jim Miller, of Trinity and their contributions to the community.

The Member for Burin - Grand Bank (P. Pike) recognizing the success of Come Home Year.

The Member for Cape St. Francis (J. Wall) recognizing Garry Knight of Shoe Cove and his past work with the NASA Satellite Tracking Station.

The Member for Stephenville - Port au Port (T. Wakeham) recognizing Order of Newfoundland and Labrador recipient, Robert Cormier of Cap Saint-Georges.

The Member for Burgeo - La Poile (A. Parsons), with leave, thanking the first responders, truck drivers, cooks, volunteers, town staff, provincial employees and others who assisted in the aftermath of Hurricane Fiona.

The Member for Harbour Main (H. Conway Ottenheimer), with leave, recognizing the late Tom Hedderson, former Member for the district. The House observed a moment of silence.

### **Ministerial Statements**

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Leader of the Government in the House (A. Furey) regarding supports provided to communities impacted by Hurricane Fiona. The House observed a moment of silence.

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The Opposition House Leader (B. Petten) and the Leader of the Third Party (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 or Select Committees presented.

### **Tabling of Documents**

Pursuant to subsection 23(4) of the *Auditor General Act, 2021*, the Speaker tabled the following report of the Auditor General:

Nalcor Energy: Independent Auditor's Report. October 2022.

### **Notices of Motion**

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

**WHEREAS** section 4 of the *Child and Youth Advocate Act* provides that on resolution of the House of Assembly, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall appoint a Child and Youth Advocate.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Linda Clemens-Spurrell be appointed as the Child and Youth Advocate effective October 25, 2022.

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, October 11.

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## **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 Humber - Bay of Islands (E. Joyce) regarding rejecting Phase 1 of the World Energy GH2 project and completing an Environmental Impact Assessment for the entire project.

The Minister of Environment and Climate Change (B. Davis) 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 Stephenville - Port au Port (T. Wakeham) regarding cancelling the sugar sweetened beverage tax.

The Minister of Finance (S. Coady) replied to the petition.

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

The Member for Exploits (P. Forsey) regarding upgrades to Routes 350, 351A and 352.

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

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

The Speaker called orders of the day.

Pursuant to notice and on motion, the following bills were introduced and read the first time:

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- A bill, "Pay Equity and Pay Transparency Act" (Bill 3);
- A bill, "Balanced Budget Act" (Bill 4);
- A bill, "Future Fund Act" (Bill 5);
- A bill, "An Act to Amend the Revenue Administration Act" (Bill 6);
- A bill, "An Act to Amend the Schools Act, 1997" (Bill 7);
- A bill, "An Act to Amend the Credit Union Act, 2009" (Bill 8);
- A bill, "An Act to Amend the Highway Traffic Act" (Bill 9);
- A bill, "An Act to Amend the Wild Life Act" (Bill 10);
- A bill, "Winding Up of Judgment Recovery (NFLD.) Ltd. Act" (Bill 11);
- A bill, "An Act to Amend the Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Act" (Bill 12);
- A bill, "An Act to Amend the Consumer Protection and Business Practices Act" (Bill 13);
- A bill, "An Act to Amend the Real Estate Trading Act, 2019" (Bill 14);
- A bill, "Fair Registration Practices Act" (Bill 15);
- A bill, "An Act to Amend the Revenue Administration Act No. 2" (Bill 16);  
and
- A bill, "Aquaculture Act, 2022" (Bill 17).

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

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.

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The Minister of Finance (S. Coady) informed the House a Message had been received from the Lieutenant Governor.

The Message was read to the House by the Speaker, as follows:

“3 October 2022

As Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, I transmit Estimates of sums required for the Public Service of the Province for the year ending 31 March 2023, by way of Supplementary Supply, and in accordance with the provisions of sections 54 and 90 of the *Constitution Act, 1867*, I recommend these Estimates to the House of Assembly.

Sgd. **Judy M. Foote**  
Lieutenant Governor.”

Pursuant to notice and on motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply to consider the Message together with a resolution and a related bill entitled “An Act for Granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for Defraying Certain Additional Expenses of the Public Service for the Financial Year Ending March 31, 2023 and for Other Purposes Relating to the Public Service” (Bill 2) for the granting of supplementary supply to His Majesty.

The Speaker left the Chair.

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

During the debate, the Member for St. John’s Centre (J. Dinn) moved an amendment to the Schedule.

The Chair recessed the proceedings to consider the amendment.

The Chair (P. Trimper) reconvened the Committee and ruled the amendment was not in order.

Debate resumed and concluded on the resolution and Bill 2.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker (B. Warr) resumed the Chair.

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The Chair (P. Trimper) reported the Committee of the Whole on Supply 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 for Granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for Defraying Certain Additional Expenses of the Public Service for the Financial Year Ending March 31, 2023 and for Other Purposes Relating to the Public Service” (Bill 2) be introduced to give effect to the resolution.

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 introduce a measure to provide for the granting to His Majesty for defraying certain expenses of the public service for the financial year ending March 31, 2023 the sum of \$194,000,000.

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

Pursuant to order and on motion, a bill entitled “An Act for Granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for Defraying Certain Additional Expenses of the Public Service for the Financial Year Ending March 31, 2023 and for Other Purposes Relating to the Public Service” (Bill 2) was read the first, second and third time and passed.

On motion, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, October 11 at 1:30 p.m.

**Sandra Barnes**

Clerk of the House of Assembly

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### **INTRASESSIONAL PROCEEDING**

At 5:15 p.m., the Honourable the Deputy Chair of Committees (P. Trimper) and the Clerk of the House of Assembly appeared before the Honourable Judy M. Foote, P.C., O.N..L., Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador, at Government House.

The Deputy Chair of Committees addressed Her Honour as follows:

“It is my agreeable duty on behalf of His Majesty’s dutiful and loyal subjects, His Faithful Commons in Newfoundland and Labrador, to present to your Honour a Bill for the appropriation of supplementary supply granted in the present session.”

Whereupon the Clerk read the following bill:

A bill,            “An Act for Granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for Defraying Certain Additional Expenses of the Public Service for the Financial Year Ending March 31, 2023 and for Other Purposes Relating to the Public Service” (Bill 2)

The Lieutenant Governor then said, “In His Majesty’s Name, I assent to this bill.”

**Sandra Barnes**

Clerk of the House of Assembly