

Thursday, April 27, 2023

The House met at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Members' Statements

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Conception Bay South (B. Petten) congratulating Conception Bay South 2023 Citizen of the Year: Norine Taylor.

The Member for Exploits (P. Forsey) recognizing Clara Reid of Bishop's Falls on their 98th birthday.

The Member for Ferryland (L. O'Driscoll) congratulating the Southern Shore Breakers on winning the 2023 Herder Memorial Senior Hockey Championship.

The Member for Grand Falls-Windsor - Buchans (C. Tibbs) recognizing six-year-old Bradley Reid on the bravery he displayed in getting assistance for his grandfather following an ATV accident.

The Member for Harbour Main (H. Conway Ottenheimer) congratulating George and Bertha Youden of Georgetown on their 70th wedding anniversary.

The Member for St. Barbe - L'Anse aux Meadows (K. Howell), with leave, honoring the late Dr. G. William Fitzgerald. The House observed a moment of silence.

Ministerial Statements

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Minister of Children, Seniors and Social Development (J. Abbott) regarding funding for affordable housing options in Budget 2023.

The Member for Grand Falls-Windsor - Buchans (C. Tibbs) and the Leader of the Third Party (J. Dinn) 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

By leave, the Member for Stephenville - Port au Port (T. Wakeham) tabled:

Correspondence sent to the Member regarding use of hotels as emergency shelters for the homeless.

Pursuant to Section 23 of the *Auditor General Act, 2021*, the Speaker tabled the following report of the Auditor General:

Monitoring Report on Outstanding Performance Audit Recommendations 2014 - 2020.

Notices of Motion

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

Monday, May 1, 2023; and

Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Answers to Questions for Which Notice Has Been Given

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

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Petitions

The following Members presented petitions:

The Member for Harbour Main (H. Conway Ottenheimer) regarding the creation of an emergency plan to address the cost of living in the province.

The Member for Torngat Mountains (L. Evans) regarding electricity rates in Northern Labrador.

The Member for Bonavista (C. Pardy) regarding measures to address the seal population and enhancing markets for seal products.

The Minister of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture (D. Bragg) replied to the petition.

The Member for St. John's Centre (J. Dinn) regarding a commitment to fund accessible post-secondary education for all Newfoundland and Labrador students.

The Member for Ferryland (L. O'Driscoll) regarding the doctor shortage in the province and the Trepassey area.

The Member for Placentia West - Bellevue (J. Dwyer) regarding the ability of the Dr. William H. Newhook Community Health Centre to continually provide health services.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Speaker called orders of the day.

On motion, debate continued and concluded on the sub-amendment to the budget motion (being a non-confidence motion).

The Speaker put the question.

The House divided.

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Ayes	Nays
D. Brazil	A. Furey
B. Petten	J. Hogan
H. Conway Ottenheimer	L. Dempster
P. Dinn	G. Byrne
L. Parrott	B. Davis
T. Wakeham	T. Osborne
J. Dwyer	S. Coady
P. Forsey	P. Parsons
L. O'Driscoll	E. Loveless
C. Pardy	K. Howell
J. Wall	A. Parsons
C. Tibbs	S. Crocker
J. Dinn	S. Stoodley
L. Evans	D. Bragg
E. Joyce	J. Abbott
P. Lane	B. Warr
	P. Pike
	S. Gambin-Walsh
	S. Reid
	L. Stoyles

The Speaker declared the motion defeated.

Debate continued on the amendment to the budget motion (being a non-confidence motion) and, on motion, was adjourned for further debate presently.

On motion, the House recessed at 5:23 p.m.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 6:26 p.m.

Debate continued on the amendment to the budget motion (being a non-confidence motion).

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Point of Order

During the debate, the Deputy Government House Leader (L. Dempster) raised a point of order regarding email correspondence referenced by the Member for Humber - Bay of Islands in debate.

Debate continued on the amendment to the budget motion (being a non-confidence motion).

Point of Order

During the debate, the Member for Humber - Bay of Islands (E. Joyce) raised a point of order regarding leave to table documents.

By leave, the Member Humber - Bay of Islands (E. Joyce) tabled:

Affidavits filed by the Member in the Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Debate continued on the amendment to the budget motion (being a non-confidence motion).

Point of Order

During the debate, the Minister of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture (D. Bragg) raised a point of order requesting the Member for Bonavista to table a document referenced in debate.

The Member for Bonavista spoke to the point of order.

The Speaker ruled there was no point of order.

Debate continued on the amendment to the budget motion (being a non-confidence motion) and, on motion, was adjourned for further debate tomorrow.

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

Sandra Barnes

Clerk of the House of Assembly