

Monday, April 15, 2024

The House met at 1:30 p.m.

Point of Order

In response to a point of order raised by the Member for Torngat Mountains (L. Evans) on March 12, the Member for Windsor Lake (J. Hogan) unequivocally withdrew their remarks of March 11, 2024.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Members' Statements

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Terra Nova (L. Parrott) recognizing students from Holy Cross School in Eastport for their participation in the Atlantic Canadian Brilliant Labs Innovation Fair in Miramichi, New Brunswick.

The Member for Bonavista (C. Pardy) recognizing Reg Butler of Bonavista for their 10 years of service to the Bonavista town council.

The Member for Topsail - Paradise (P. Dinn) recognizing the Topsail United Men's Club for their community service.

The Member for St. John's Centre (J. Dinn) recognizing the health care professionals of the NL Health Community Support Program.

The Member for Cape St. Francis (J. Wall) recognizing Joe Tilley of Torbay for their community service.

Ministerial Statements

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Leader of the Government in the House (A. Furey) recognizing the 75th anniversary of Confederation.

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The Leader of the Official Opposition (T. Wakeham) 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 section 43 of the *Citizens' Representative Act*, the Speaker tabled the following report of the Citizens' Representative:

Annual Digest – April 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023.

Pursuant to section 51 of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*, the Speaker tabled:

House of Assembly Management Commission – 2022-2023 Annual Report.

Notices of Motion

The Government House Leader (J. Hogan) 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 17, 2024 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.

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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 Topsail - Paradise (P. Dinn) regarding access to mental healthcare in the province.

The Member for Humber - Bay of Islands (E. Joyce) regarding amendments to the *Limitations Act* to remove limitation periods for civil child abuse claims.

The Member for Ferryland (L. O'Driscoll) regarding the need for road infrastructure upgrades in the community of St. Shotts.

The Member for Mount Pearl - Southlands (P. Lane) regarding amendments to the *Limitations Act* to remove limitation periods for civil child abuse claims.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Speaker called orders of the day.

Pursuant to order and on motion, the following bills were read the third time and passed:

A bill, "An Act to Repeal the Atlantic Provinces Harness Racing Commission Act" (Bill 44);

A bill, "An Act Respecting Recognition of the 75th Anniversary of Confederation" (Bill 67);

A bill, "An Act to Amend the Memorial University Act No. 2" (Bill 69); and

A bill, "An Act to Repeal the Economic Diversification and Growth Enterprises Act" (Bill 70).

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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.

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

Kim Hawley George, KC

Clerk of the House of Assembly (A)