

Monday, April 29, 2024

The House met at 1:30 p.m.

The Speaker acknowledged former Deputy Speaker and Member for Baie Verte – Green Bay, Brian Warr.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Members' Statements

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Placentia - St. Mary's (S. Gambin-Walsh) recognizing Yvonne Bishop of St. Mary's, 4-H Club Volunteer Leader of the Year, and Amy Bishop of St. Mary's, 4-H Canada Leadership Excellence Awards of Distinction scholarship recipient.

The Member for Placentia West - Bellevue (J. Dwyer) recognizing the Marystown Lions Club and its contributions to the community.

The Member for St. George's - Humber (S. Reid) recognizing the late Beverly Mclsaac of the Codroy Valley and contributions they made to health care in this province.

The Member for Stephenville - Port au Port (T. Wakeham) recognizing Tracy Boland of Stephenville, and the work of their organization: Guardian Angels for Stephenville Seniors.

The Member for St. John's Centre (J. Dinn) recognizing Ronnie Coady, fifth generation owner of Coady's Metal Works, and the multi-generation success of the business.

Ministerial Statements

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Leader of the Government in the House (A. Furey) recognizing the late Bob Cole, hockey announcer and respected Newfoundlander and Labradorian.

The Leaders of the Official Opposition (T. Wakeham) and the Third Party (J. Dinn) responded to the statement.

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The Minister of Industry, Energy and Technology (A. Parsons) recognizing Braya Renewable Fuels and the fifty-year history of the Come By Chance refinery. The Members for Terra Nova (L. Parrott) and Labrador West (J. Brown) responded to the statement.

Oral Questions

The House proceeded to Oral Questions.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Select Committees

The Chair of the Social Services Committee (S. Gambin-Walsh) presented a report entitled:

Consideration of Estimates (Concurrence) : Report to the House of Assembly, April 2024.

The Chair of the Resource Committee (S. Reid) presented a report entitled:

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The Chair of the Government Services Committee (L. Stoyles) presented a report entitled:

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Tabling of Documents

There were no documents tabled.

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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 13;

Tuesday, May 14; and

Thursday, May 16.

The Government House Leader (J. Hogan) 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, May 15, 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.

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

The Member for Harbour Main (H. Conway Ottenheimer) regarding improvements to the cellphone network in the District of Harbour Main.

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

The Member for St. John's Centre (J. Dinn) regarding a declaration of a climate emergency and associated measures.

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

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The Member for Ferryland (L. O'Driscoll) regarding the quality of cellular service in the region.

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

The Member for Torngat Mountains (L. Evans) regarding timely to medical care for patients in northern Labrador by ensuring medical flights are available for patients as needed.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Speaker called orders of the day.

Pursuant to notice and on motion, the following bill was introduced and read the first time:

A bill, "An Act to Amend the Tourist Accommodations Act" (Bill 75).

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

Pursuant to Standing Order 76(1), debate commenced and concluded on the motion:

THAT this House concur in the report of the Social Services Committee tabled on April 29.

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to Standing Order 76(1), debate commenced and concluded on the motion:

THAT this House concur in the report of the Government Services Committee tabled on April 29.

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

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

Kim Hawley George, KC
Clerk of the House of Assembly (A)