

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

The House met at 10 a.m.

## **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

Pursuant to notice and on motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Ways and Means to consider a resolution and a related bill entitled “An Act to Authorize the Raising of Money by Way of Loan by the Province” (Bill 73) relating to the raising of money by the province.

The Speaker left the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees (P. Trimper) took the Chair of Committee of the Whole on Ways and Means.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chair (P. Trimper) 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 presently.

On motion, the House recessed at 12:30 p.m.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 2 p.m.

## **ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS**

### **Point of Order - Ruling**

Respecting the point of order raised by the Member for Topsail – Paradise (P. Dinn) on April 24, the Speaker ruled use of the term disingenuous was unparliamentary and asked the Member for St. Barbe - L'Anse aux Meadows (K.L. Howell) to withdraw the remark. The Member withdrew their comment.

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## **Members' Statements**

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Conception Bay South (B. Petten) recognizing Brandon Joy of Conception Bay South and their selection to the Canadian National Blind Hockey Team.

The Member for Bonavista (C. Pardy) recognizing the late Melvin Kelley of Port Rexton.

The Member for Torngat Mountains (L. Evans) recognizing Shanon Holwell of Nain, Nunatsiavut, and their success in volleyball.

The Member for Harbour Main (H. Conway Ottenheimer) recognizing the work of the Conception Harbour Recreation Committee.

The Member for Ferryland (L. O'Driscoll) recognizing cancer survivor Nathan Windsor (9) of Bay Bulls.

## **Ministerial Statements**

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs (J. Haggie) recognizing May 5-11 as Municipal Awareness Week.

The Members for Grand Falls-Windsor - Buchans (C. Tibbs) and Labrador West (J. Brown) responded to the statement.

The Minister of Education (K.L. Howell) recognizing government's efforts to improve access to early learning and childcare in the province and its recent fourth place ranking amongst provinces and territories by the Atkinson Centre for Society and Child Development in its comparison of governance, funding, access, the early learning environment, and accountability.

The Member for Topsail - Paradise (P. Dinn) 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**

There were no documents tabled.

### **Notices of Motion**

There were no notices of motion.

### **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 Bonavista (C. Pardy) regarding aligning moose hunting regulations with those of the recreational cod fishery.

The Member for Torngat Mountains (L. Evans) regarding working towards removing barriers that impact timely access to adequate health care for Northern Labrador residents.

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## **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on second reading of a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act, 2000” (Bill 35).

Pursuant to order and on motion, a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act, 2000” (Bill 35) was read the second time and, on motion, it was ordered that Bill 35 be referred to a Committee of the Whole on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on second reading of a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Correctional Services Act” (Bill 71).

Pursuant to order and on motion, a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Correctional Services Act” (Bill 71) was read the second time and, on motion, it was ordered that Bill 71 be referred to a Committee of the Whole on tomorrow.

Pursuant to notice 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 Authorize the Raising of Money by Way of Loan by the Province” (Bill 73) relating to the raising of money by the province.

The Speaker left the Chair.

The Deputy Chair of Committees (P. Trimper) took the Chair of Committee of the Whole on Ways and Means.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chair (P. Trimper) 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 Authorize the Raising of Money by Way of Loan by the Province” (Bill 73) 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:

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**THAT** it is expedient to bring in a measure to authorize the raising from time to time by way of loan on the credit of the province a sum of money not exceeding \$2,800,000,000.

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

Pursuant to order and on motion, a bill entitled “An Act to Authorize the Raising of Money by Way of Loan by the Province” (Bill 73) was read the first, second and third time and passed.

Pursuant to order and on motion, the following bill was read the third time and passed:

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

On motion, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, May 2 at 1:30 p.m.

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