

Wednesday, November 13, 2024

The House met at 10 a.m.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

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

A bill, "An Act to Amend the Public Safety Act" (Bill 95); and

A bill, "An Act to Repeal the Financial Services Appeal Board Act and to Amend Various Acts of the Province to Eliminate Appeals to the Financial Services Appeal Board" (Bill 96).

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

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on second reading of a bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Medical Act, 2011 No. 2" (Bill 83).

Pursuant to order and on motion, a bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Medical Act, 2011 No. 2" (Bill 83) was read the second time and, on motion, it was ordered that Bill 83 be referred to a Committee of the Whole on tomorrow.

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

A bill, "An Act to Amend the Registered Nurses Act, 2008" (Bill 84);

A bill, "An Act to Repeal the Municipal Financing Corporation Act" (Bill 88);

A bill, "An Act to Amend the Revenue Administration Act, No. 5" (Bill 89);
and

A bill, "An Act to Amend the Family Relief Act" (Bill 91).

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on second reading of a bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Engineers and Geoscientists Act, 2008" (Bill 92).

Pursuant to order and on motion, a bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Engineers and Geoscientists Act, 2008" (Bill 92) was read the second time and, on motion, it was ordered that Bill 92 be referred to a Committee of the Whole now.

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Pursuant to order and on motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Engineers and Geoscientists Act, 2008” (Bill 92).

The Speaker left the Chair.

The Deputy Speaker (S. Gambin-Walsh) took the Chair of Committee of the Whole.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chair (S. Gambin-Walsh) reported the Committee of the Whole had considered the matters to them referred and had directed them to report the Committee had recommended, without amendment, a bill entitled:

“An Act to Amend the Engineers and Geoscientists Act, 2008” (Bill 92).

The Speaker put the question and it was ordered the report be received and adopted.

On motion, it was ordered that Bill 92 be read the third time on tomorrow.

On motion, the House recessed at 10:51 a.m.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 2 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Members’ Statements

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Conception Bay South (B. Petten) recognizing the 38th annual Darryl Reid Memorial High School Hockey Tournament, held in Conception Bay South on November 8.

The Member for Exploits (P. Forsey) recognizing Claire Foss of Botwood for their achievements.

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The Member for Ferryland (L. O'Driscoll) recognizing Edward MacDonald of Bay Bulls for their contributions to the sport of softball in the district.

The Member for Fogo Island - Cape Freels (J. McKenna) recognizing the Carl Parsons of Dover on receiving the 75th Anniversary Medal of Confederation at the 2024 Seniors of Distinction Awards.

The Member for Cape St. Francis (J. Wall) recognizing the Logy Bay-Middle Cove-Outer Cove Development Association for their community service.

The Member for Fortune Bay - Cape La Hune (E. Loveless), with leave, recognizing Janaya Pittman of Harbour Breton for receiving a 2024 Schulich Leader Scholarship.

The Member for Corner Brook (G. Byrne), with leave, recognizing the late Dave McHugh of Corner Brook.

The Member for Gander (J. Haggie), with leave, recognizing the late Pat White of Gander.

Ministerial Statements

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Leader of the Government in the House (A. Furey) recognizing the rescue of the crew of the Elite Navigator.

The Member for Fogo Island - Cape Freels (J. McKenna) and the Leader of the Third Party (J. Dinn) responded to the statement.

The Minister Responsible for WorkplaceNL (L. Dempster) recognizing the recipients of the 2024 Safety Leadership Awards.

The Members for Torngat Mountains (L. Evans) and Labrador West (J. Brown) responded to the statement.

The Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs (J. Haggie) recognizing the contributions of Professional Municipal Administrators and Municipalities Newfoundland and Labrador.

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

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Oral Questions

The House proceeded to Oral Questions.

Pursuant to Standing Order 24(3)(b)(i), the House proceeded to a motion standing in the name of a private Member.

PRIVATE MEMBER'S RESOLUTION

Pursuant to notice and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on the resolution standing in the name of the Member for Labrador West (J. Brown):

WHEREAS inflation has caused the price of goods and services to increase rapidly over the past three years;

WHEREAS wages have not kept up with rising costs;

WHEREAS this situation forces many people to make heart-wrenching choices between necessities such as food, heating, or medication; and

WHEREAS a lack of these basic goods negatively impacts the social determinants of health and therefore costs the government more money in the long term;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this honourable House supports the removal of the provincial portion of HST from home heating products.

The Speaker put the question and declared the resolution defeated.

On motion, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, November 14 at 1:30 p.m.

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