

Thursday, March 6, 2025

The House met at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Members' Statements

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Terra Nova (L. Parrott) recognizing Ava Burden and Noah Squire of Eastport on their selection for the Historic Sites Ambassador Program.

The Member for Torngat Mountains (L. Evans) recognizing Sarah Abel, Joanna Dicker, and Edna Winters of Nain, recipients of the Confederation 75 Anniversary medal.

The Member for Waterford Valley (J. Korab) recognizing members of the St. John Bosco Eagles on their success at the Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Basketball Championship.

The Member for Baie Verte - Green Bay (L. Paddock) recognizing Avery Clance of La Scie on raising \$700 in a skate-a-thon to aid arena programming on the Cape John Peninsula.

The Member for Topsail - Paradise (P. Dinn) recognizing the King's Jester improv group, who will represent the province at the 2025 Canadian Improv Games.

Ministerial Statements

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Minister Responsible for Women and Gender Equality (P. Parsons) recognizing March 8 as International Women's Day

The Member for Harbour Main (H. Conway Ottenheimer) and the Leader of the Third Party (J. Dinn) responded to the statement.

Oral Questions

The House proceeded to Oral Questions.

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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 dated January 10, 2025, from Karen Stone, CEO (interim) of Newfoundland and Labrador Health Services to NLHS management, entitled Travel for Employer Business.

By leave, the Member for Conception Bay South (B. Petten) tabled:

Correspondence dated January 27, 2025, from the Janeway Eye Clinic, regarding the decision to place a patient on a waitlist.

Notices of Motion

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

Monday, March 10;

Tuesday, March 11; and

Thursday, March 13.

The Deputy Government House Leader (L. Dempster) 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, March 12 but shall continue to sit for the conduct of government business and, if not earlier adjourned, the Speaker shall 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 Harbour Main (H. Conway Ottenheimer) regarding road conditions in the district.

The Member for Exploits (P. Forsey) regarding increased safety enforcement of ATV activity in the district.

The Minister of Justice and Public Safety (B. Davis) replied to the petition.

The Member for St. John's Centre (J. Dinn) regarding introduction of legislation to limit the amount by which rent can be increased annually.

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

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

The Member for Bonavista (C. Pardy) regarding a review of legislation related to family and civil law in the province.

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

The Member for Topsail - Paradise (P. Dinn) regarding support for not-for-profit workplaces placements for social work students, fair compensation for placements, and the removal of fees associated with clinical placements.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Speaker called orders of the day.

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate commenced on second reading of a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Atlantic Accord Implementation Newfoundland and Labrador Act” (Bill 90) and, on motion, debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply to resume consideration of the Message together with a resolution and a related bill entitled “An Act Granting to His Majesty Certain Sums of Money for Defraying Certain Expenses of the Public Service for the Financial Year Ending March 31, 2026 and for Other Purposes Relating to the Public Service” (Bill 105) for the granting of interim supply to His Majesty.

The Speaker left the Chair.

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

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chair (S. Gambin-Walsh) reported the Committee of the Whole on Supply 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.

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On motion, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Monday, March 10 at 1:30 p.m.

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Clerk of the House of Assembly (A)