

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

The House met at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Members' Statements

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Bonavista (C. Pardy) recognizing Fred Cuff of Elliston, recipient of the King Charles III Coronation medal.

The Member for Conception Bay South (B. Petten) congratulating Ida Linehan Young, author, and Emma Dooley, illustrator, on their recently released children's book: Tillie the Too Tall Clover.

The Member for Placentia West - Bellevue (J. Dwyer) recognizing participants in upcoming U11, U13, U15 and U18 provincial minor hockey tournaments.

The Member for Ferryland (L. O'Driscoll) recognizing Stephen Walsh of Goulds, recent inductee to the NL 5-pin Bowling Association Hall of Fame.

The Member for Fogo Islands - Cape Freels (J. McKenna) recognizing Raymond Oake of Fogo, recent recipient of the Confederation 75 Anniversary medal.

Ministerial Statements

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Minister of Industry, Energy and Technology (A. Parsons) recognizing the winners of the 2025 RISE awards.

The Members for Cape St. Francis (J. Wall) and 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

Pursuant to subsection 18(9) of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*, the Speaker advised the House of the current composition of the House of Assembly Management Commission.

Pursuant to section 273(3) of the *Elections Act, 1991*, the Speaker tabled the following report of the Chief Electoral Officer:

Baie Verte - Green Bay By-election – Report on Election Finances: May 27, 2024.

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 adopting a deadline of the end of June for annual pothole repair.

The Member for Exploits (P. Forsey) regarding the amount of home care hours for seniors in the province.

The Member for St. John's Centre (J. Dinn) regarding development of and investment in Newfoundland and Labrador Housing Corporation units on Livingstone Street.

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The Minister of Housing (S. Stoodley) replied to the petition.

The Member for Ferryland (L. O'Driscoll) regarding needed repairs to Long Run Road in Petty Harbour-Maddox Cove.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Speaker called orders of the day.

On motion, debate continued on the motion "That this House approve in general the budgetary policy of the Government" (budget motion).

During the debate, the Member for Conception Bay South (B. Petten) moved the following amendment to the budget motion (being a non-confidence motion):

THAT all the words after the word "That" be deleted in the motion before the House, Motion 1, and the following words be substituted: "this House faults the Liberal government for its failure to support, recruit and retain nurses, doctors, and other healthcare professionals, its failure to provide primary health care for all residents, its failure to lower the cost of living in this province for seniors and families, its failure to take the necessary steps to decrease crime in communities, and its failure to stimulate a robust diversified economy."

The Speaker recessed the proceedings to consider the amendment.

The Speaker resumed the Chair and ruled the amendment in order.

Debate commenced on the amendment to the budget motion (being a non-confidence motion) and, on motion, debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

On motion, the House adjourned until Wednesday, April 16, at 10 a.m.

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Clerk of the House of Assembly (A)