

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

The House met at 10 a.m.

## **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

### **Point of Order**

The Opposition House Leader (B. Petten) raised a point of order regarding unparliamentary language used by the Minister of Finance during oral questions yesterday.

The Minister of Finance spoke to the point of order and withdrew their comment.

On motion, debate continued on the amendment to the budget motion (being a non-confidence motion) and, on motion, debate was adjourned for further debate presently.

On motion, the House recessed at 12:21 p.m.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 2:01 p.m.

## **ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS**

### **Members' Statements**

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Grand Falls-Windsor - Buchans (C. Tibbs) recognizing Captain Mike Mackey of Grand Falls-Windsor and his 40 years of service with the Grand Falls-Windsor fire department.

The Member for Harbour Main (H. Conway Ottenheimer) recognizing the volunteer-led glass recycling initiative Newfoundsand and its board of directors.

The Member for Labrador West (J. Brown) recognizing resident Colin Rumbolt, who represented Team Canada in cross-country skiing at the Winter Special Olympics held in Italy.

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The Member for Lake Melville (P. Trimper) recognizing Lacey Loder of Happy Valley-Goose Bay for winning the Currie Scholarship at the University of New Brunswick.

### **Ministerial Statements**

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Minister of Environment and Climate Change (L. Dempster) recognizing International Earth Day taking place April 22.

The Members for Placentia West - Bellevue (J. Dwyer) and Labrador West (J. Brown) responded to the statement.

The Minister of Education (K. Lynn Howell) highlighting budget investments in education and the opening of nominations for the Premier's and Minister's teaching awards.

The Member for Topsail - Paradise (P. Dinn) and the Leader of the Third Party (J. Dinn) responded to the statement.

### **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.

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## Notices of Motion

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Government House Leader (L. Dempster) gave notice they would on tomorrow move the House not adjourn at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, May 12.

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The 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, May 14 but shall continue to sit for the conduct of government business and, if not earlier adjourned, the Speaker shall adjourn the House at midnight.

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Government House Leader (L. Dempster) gave notice they would on tomorrow move the House not adjourn at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 15.

The Government House Leader (L. Dempster) gave notice they would on tomorrow move the following resolution:

**WHEREAS** subsection 3(2) of the *Citizens' Representative Act* provides that the Citizens' Representative is to be appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council on a resolution of the House of Assembly; and

**WHEREAS** section 5 of the Act states that a commissioner may be reappointed; and

**WHEREAS** the appointment of the current commissioner, Bradley Moss expires on April 30; and

**WHEREAS** it is proposed that Bradley Moss be reappointed as the commissioner for a term of six years;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Bradley Moss be appointed as the Citizens' Representative for a term of six years.

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### **Answers to Questions for Which Notice Has Been Given**

The Minister of Justice and Public Safety (B. Davis) provided additional information in response to a question that had previously arisen in debate.

### **Petitions**

There were no petitions presented.

### **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

The Speaker called orders of the day.

With leave, some Members extended well wishes to the Leader of the Government of the House (A. Furey) on their upcoming retirement.

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

Pursuant to order and on motion, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Monday, May 12 at 1:30 p.m.

**Kim Hawley George, KC**

Clerk of the House of Assembly (A)