

House of Assembly Newfoundland and Labrador

Second Session – 50th General Assembly

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

1. Address in Reply.

Committee of Supply

2. Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board -

Estimates of Executive Council. Estimates of the Legislature.

Committee of the Whole

3. Government House Leader -

"An Act to Amend the Management of Information Act and the House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act" (Bill 22).

4. Minister of Justice and Public Safety –

"An Act Respecting King's Counsel and Order of Precedence in the Courts" (Bill 53).

Second Reading Bills

5. Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board –

"Balanced Budget Act" (Bill 4).

6. Minister of Industry, Energy, and Technology -

"An Act Respecting the Amalgamation of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro-Electric Corporation and Nalcor Energy" (Bill 33).

7. Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board –

"An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act, 2000" (Bill 35).

8. Minister Responsible for Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Office -

"An Act to Amend the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015" (Bill 45).

9. Minister of Environment and Climate Change -

"An Act to Amend the Water Resources Act" (Bill 46).

10. Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board -

"An Act to Amend the Liquor Control Act and the Liquor Corporation Act" (Bill 62).

11. Minister of Health and Community Services –

"An Act Respecting Health Research Ethics" (Bill 64).

12. Minister of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture –

"An Act to Amend the Animal Health and Protection Act" (Bill 65).

13. Minister of Health and Community Services –

"An Act Respecting the Practice of Pharmacy in the Province" (Bill 66).

14. Government House Leader –

"An Act to Amend the Lands Act No. 2" (Bill 68).

15. Government House Leader –

"An Act to Amend the Correctional Services Act" (Bill 71).

MOTIONS

Government Motions

1. Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board – To move:

THAT this House approves in general the budgetary policy of the Government (Budget Motion) (*adjourned*).

2. Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board – To move:

"That this House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply to Consider Certain Resolutions for the Granting of Supply to His Majesty" (Bill 72).

3. Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board – To move:

"That this House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a resolution relating to the raising of loans by the Province" (Bill 73).

4. Government House Leader – To move:

"An Act to Amend the Limitations Act" (Bill 74).

5. Government House Leader – To move:

THAT for the purpose of reviewing the estimates of Executive Council in Committee of the Whole House, debate shall proceed in the same manner as adopted by Committees of the House reviewing estimates; that is, in tenminute question and answer periods.

6. Government House Leader – To move:

THAT notwithstanding Standing Order 63, this House shall not proceed with Private Members' Day on Wednesday, May 1, 2024 but shall instead meet at 2:00 p.m. on that day for routine proceedings and the conduct of Government Business;

AND THAT, if not earlier adjourned, the Speaker shall then adjourn the House at midnight.

7. Government House Leader – To move:

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1) that the House not adjourn at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, April 29.

8. Government House Leader – To move:

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1) that the House not adjourn at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 30.

9. Government House Leader – To move:

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1) that the House not adjourn at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 2.

Private Members' Motion

10. Member for Mount Pearl - Southlands – To move:

WHEREAS the House of Assembly currently has an annual budget estimates process allowing Members to complete a line by line examination of the annual budgets of core government departments and ask questions to Ministers and relevant senior departmental staff concerning estimated departmental revenues and expenditures;

WHEREAS no such process currently applies to government agencies, boards, commissions and other government entities such as NL Health Services, Memorial University, College of the North Atlantic, NL Hydro, Oilco, the NL Liquor Corporation and others;

WHEREAS Members of the House of Assembly are elected by the people of NL to, among other things, be stewards of the public purse;

WHEREAS a significant portion of the provincial government's annual budget flows through agencies, boards and commissions without examination by elected Members of the legislature;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this House direct the government to initiate a process and allocate the required time and resources to allow elected Members the opportunity to review budgets and question appropriate senior staff of government agencies, boards, commissions and other similar entities on an annual basis similar to the process utilized in budget estimates.

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