



*House of Assembly  
Newfoundland & Labrador*

## Resource Committee

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# **Consideration of Estimates 2025 (Concurrence)**

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Report to the House of Assembly

May 2025

*This report is privileged until tabled in the House of Assembly.*



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## Committee Members

Resource Committee members:

Perry Trimper, Member for Lake Melville (Chair)  
Craig Pardy, Member for Bonavista (Vice-Chair)  
Pleaman Forsey, Member for Exploits  
Jordan Brown, Member for Labrador West  
Lucy Stoyles, Member for Mount Pearl North  
Sherry Gambin-Walsh, Member for Placentia - St. Mary's  
Jamie Korab, Member for Waterford Valley

*Appointed by motion April 9, 2025.*

### List of substitutions:

#### April 10, 2025

Krista Lynn Howell, Member for St. Barbe - L'Anse aux Meadows (substituted for Lucy Stoyles, Member for Mount Pearl North)  
John Abbott, Member for St. John's East - Quidi Vidi (substituted for Sherry Gambin-Walsh, Member for Placentia - St. Mary's)  
Lloyd Parrott, Member for Terra Nova (substituted for Pleaman Forsey, Member for Exploits)

#### April 11, 2025

Jeff Dwyer, Member for Placentia West - Bellevue (substituted for Pleaman Forsey, Member for Exploits)  
Scott Reid, Member for St. George's - Humber (substituted for Jamie Korab, Member for Waterford Valley)  
Jim Dinn, Member for St. John's Centre (substituted for Jordan Brown, Member for Labrador West)  
John Abbott, Member for St. John's East - Quidi Vidi (substituted for Perry Trimper, Member for Lake Melville, Chair)  
Siobhan Coady, Member for St. John's West (substituted for Sherry Gambin-Walsh, Member for Placentia - St. Mary's)

#### April 15, 2025

Paul Pike, Member for Burin - Grand Bank (substituted for Sherry Gambin-Walsh, Member for Placentia - St. Mary's)  
Elvis Loveless, Member for Fortune Bay - Cape La Hune (substituted for Lucy Stoyles, Member for Mount Pearl North)



April 17, 2025

Pam Parsons, Member for Harbour Grace - Port de Grave (substituted for Sherry Gambin-Walsh, Member for Placentia - St. Mary's)

Jim Dinn, Member for St. John's Centre (substituted for Jordan Brown, Member for Labrador West)

Bernard Davis, Member for Virginia Waters - Pleasantville (substituted for Jamie Korab, Member for Waterford Valley, subheads 3.1.01 to 4.5.02)

May 5, 2025

Lin Paddock, Member for Baie Verte - Green Bay (substituted for Pleaman Forsey, Member for Exploits)

Pam Parsons, Member for Harbour Grace - Port de Grave (substituted for Lucy Stoyles, Member for Mount Pearl North)

Bernard Davis, Member for Virginia Waters - Pleasantville (substituted for Sherry Gambin-Walsh, Member for Placentia - St. Mary's)



## Transmittal

Speaker,

Pursuant to the motion of referral of April 9, 2025 and in accordance with Standing Order 72, the Resource Committee met on five occasions:

- April 10, 2025;
- April 11, 2025;
- April 15, 2025;
- April 17, 2025; and
- May 5, 2025.

The Resource Committee have considered the matters to them referred and, pursuant to Standing Order 75(2), have directed me to report that they have passed without amendment the estimates of:

- Department of Environment and Climate Change;
- Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture;
- Department of Immigration, Population Growth and Skills;
- Department of Industry, Energy and Innovation; and
- Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts and Recreation.

Further, the Committee recommends that the report be concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Pardy, MHA  
Bonavista  
Vice-Chair



## Appendix A

Witnesses appearing at each meeting:

### **April 10, 2025**

#### Department of Industry, Energy and Technology:

Hon. Andrew Parsons, K.C., Minister

John Cowan, Deputy Minister

Craig Martin, Associate Deputy Minister

Heather Tizzard, Associate Deputy Minister

Paul Carter, Assistant Deputy Minister, Mining and Mineral Development

Julian Ludmer, Assistant Deputy Minister, Business and Innovation

Megan Nesbitt, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate and Strategic Services

Stephen Mercer, Departmental Controller

Susan Wilkins, Executive Director Renewable Energy

Tansy Mundon, Director of Communications

Michael King, Executive Assistant to the Minister

### **April 11, 2025**

#### Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts and Recreation:

Hon. Steve Crocker, Minister

Jamie O’Dea, Deputy Minister

Ben Gardner, Assistant Deputy Minister, Film, Television and Recreation and Sport

Carol-Ann Gilliard, Assistant Deputy Minister, Tourism

Christina Harrington, Assistant Deputy Minister, Arts and Culture

Jennifer Torraville, Departmental Controller

Caroline Orsborn, Executive Director, Celebrate NL

Adrienne Luther, Director of Communications

### **April 15, 2025**

#### Department of Environment and Climate Change:

Hon. Lisa Dempster, Minister

Valerie Snow, Deputy Minister

Fiona Ellis, Assistant Deputy Minister, Labour

Tara Kelly, Assistant Deputy Minister, Environment

Dr. Susan Squires, Assistant Deputy Minister, Climate Change



Jennifer Torrville, Departmental Controller  
Victoria Barbour, Director of Communications  
Randy Simms, Executive Assistant to Minister

**April 17, 2025**

Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture:

Hon. Gerry Byrne, Minister  
Jamie Chippett, Deputy Minister  
Blair Adams, Assistant Deputy Minister, Wildlife, Forestry and Resource Enforcement  
Steve Balsom, Assistant Deputy Minister, Agriculture, Animal Health, Crown Lands and GIS and Mapping  
Scott Jones, Assistant Deputy Minister, Licensing, Seafood/Aquaculture/Sustainable Fisheries  
Steven Mercer, Departmental Controller  
Kristen Miller, Director, Policy and Strategic Planning  
John Tompkins, Director of Communications  
Dr. Daryl Whalen, Director, Aquatic Animal Health  
Dave Hamlyn, Ministerial Liaison

**May 5, 2025**

Department of Immigration, Population Growth and Skills:

Hon. Sarah Stoodley, Minister  
Sharlene Jones, Deputy Minister  
Seamus Breen, Assistant Deputy Minister, Employment and Labour Market Development  
Katie Norman, Assistant Deputy Minister, Immigration and Population Growth  
Mark Walsh, Departmental Controller  
Jeremy Reynolds, Director of Communications  
Matt Babb, Executive Assistant to Minister