

Thursday, November 25th, 2004

The House met at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

The Member for Mount Pearl (Mr. Denine) made a Statement to recognize the contribution to the community by the Mount Pearl Senior's Independence Group and the Fifty Plus Club Members.

The Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) made a Statement to congratulate the members of the Meadows Volunteer Fire Department and the Meadows Firettes. The Member noted that the Volunteer Fire Department had presented a cheque for \$20,000 to the Town Council of Meadows as its contribution towards the construction of a new fire hall.

The Member for Bonavista North (Mr. Harding) made a Statement to congratulate the Anglican Church Women of St. Mary's Congregation in Indian Bay on the celebration of their 75th anniversary.

The Member for Trinity North (Mr. Wiseman) made a Statement to congratulate Mr. Samuel Drover of Hodge's Cove, a former Member of the House, on his 93rd birthday.

The Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Mr. Ed Byrne) made a Statement relating to the recent oil spills which occurred at the Terra Nova offshore oil site. The Minister also assured Members that the Government considered these incidents with grave concern and would do whatever in its authority to correct matters.

The Honourable the Minister of Human Resources, Labour and Employment (Ms. Burke) made a Statement to announce that Ms. Vivian Randell, former Deputy Minister of the Department of Human Resources, Labour and Employment was awarded the 2004 Lieutenant Governor's Award for Excellence in Public Administration on behalf of Newfoundland and Labrador Regional Group of the Institute of Public Administration of Canada. The Minister paid tribute to Ms. Randell's long career in the public service.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Sullivan) gave notice that he would on tomorrow Move that the House Resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House to Consider certain Resolutions relating to the Granting of Supplementary Supply to Her Majesty. (Bill No. 51)

The Honourable the Minister of Justice and Attorney General (Mr. Marshall) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise Various Acts Of The Province With Respect To Certain Functions Of Justices Of The Peace". (Bill No. 49)

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The Honourable the Minister of Justice and Attorney General (Mr. Marshall) also gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Jury Act, 1991". (Bill No 50)

The Honourable the Minister of Government Services (Ms. Whalen) gave notice that she would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Securities Act". (Bill No. 47)

The Honourable the Minister of Government Services (Ms. Whalen) also gave notice that she would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Insurance Companies Act". (Bill No. 48)

The Member for Labrador West (Mr. Collins) presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of the Province requesting the Government to increase funding for problem gambling, strictly to enforce the existing VLT regulations, at the very least remove VLTs from venues frequented by individuals under 19 years of age and to hold a province wide referendum on banning video lottery terminals in conjunction with municipal elections in 2005.

The Member for Cartwright - L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of the Province requesting the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador to pay down the accumulated debt and allow the Grenfell Regional Health Board and Labrador Health Board to move forward with health care delivery in this region.

The Member for Torngat Mountains (Mr. Andersen) presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of Labrador requesting the Government of the Province to provide the \$2.4 million designated, but now deferred, and to begin construction of the auditorium in Happy Valley-Goose Bay.

The Member for Signal Hill - Quidi Vidi (Mr. Harris) presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of the Province requesting the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador to establish an impartial third party committee to look at the feasibility of a public auto insurance system for the province that would be similar to the BC Public Auto Insurance System.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced and concluded on Second Reading of a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Pharmaceutical Association Act, 1994" (Bill No. 35) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 35 be read a second time presently.

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Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Pharmaceutical Association Act, 1994" (Bill No. 35) was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 35 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced and concluded on Second Reading of a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The College Act, 1996 And The Memorial University Act" (Bill No. 42) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 42 be read a second time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The College Act, 1996 And The Memorial University Act" (Bill No. 42) was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 42 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced and concluded on Second Reading of a Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise The Law About Veterinary Medicine" (Bill No. 34) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 34 be read a second time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise The Law About Veterinary Medicine" (Bill No. 34) was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 34 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Ed Byrne) the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House.

The Speaker left the Chair.

Ms. Osborne took the Chair of Committee of the Whole House.

The Committee of the Whole House considered and passed a Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise The Law About Veterinary Medicine" (Bill No. 34).

On motion the Committee rose.

The Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole House (Ms. Osborne) reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the matters to it referred, had passed the Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise The Law About Veterinary Medicine" (Bill No. 34) without amendment and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted.

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On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 34 be read a third time presently.

By leave, pursuant to order and on motion it was ordered that the Bill entitled, "An Act To Revise The Law About Veterinary Medicine" (Bill No. 34) was read a third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 34 be printed being entitled as above and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor for His Assent.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced and concluded on Second Reading of a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Municipalities Act, 1999" (Bill No. 37) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 37 be read a second time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Municipalities Act, 1999" (Bill No. 37) was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 37 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, November 29th at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

A. John Noel, Q.C.,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.

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