

Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2005

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

The Member for Grand Falls-Buchans (Ms. Thistle) made a Statement to congratulate Mr. Sterling Thomas on being recognized by the Provincial Elks Association for fifty years of service to Grand Falls Lodge #59 and to the provincial group.

The Member for St. John's Centre (Mr. Skinner) made a Statement to recognize Mrs. Blanche Byrne for her 55 years of volunteer service to the Royal Canadian Legion-St. John's Branch #1.

The Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Butler) made a Statement to congratulate the 40<sup>th</sup> graduating class of Ascension Collegiate in Bay Roberts.

The Member for St. John's North (Mr. Ridgley) made a Statement respecting the awards ceremony of the Canadian Parents for French which was held at Government House on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

The Member for Cartwright-L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) made a Statement respecting the participation of "Labrador Preserves", a business in Forteau, in a recent trade mission to Chicago.

The Honourable the Acting Minister of Health & Community Services (Mr. Sullivan) made a Statement respecting National Nursing Week.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal & Provincial Affairs (Mr. Jack Byrne) made a Statement to recognize Municipal Awareness Day.

During Oral Questions, because of disorder in the Public Galleries, the Speaker (Mr. Hodder) asked that two visitors leave the Galleries.

Because of further disorder in the Public Galleries, the Speaker (Mr. Hodder) ordered the Galleries cleared for the remainder of the day and suspended the proceedings at 1:56 o'clock in the afternoon.

The House resumed sitting at 2:28 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Opposition House Leader (Mr. Parsons) raised a point of order concerning the removal of a visitor from the Public Galleries with the proviso that he not be readmitted for a period of ten days. The Speaker ruled that the Chair has wide discretionary powers and that such a ruling is not unusual in Commonwealth parliaments.

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The Honourable the Minister of Finance & President of Treasury Board (Mr. Sullivan) tabled the 2004 Annual Report and audited financial statements of the Newfoundland and Labrador Liquor Corporation for the year ended March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2004.

The Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Mr. Ed Byrne) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Natural Products Marketing Act And The Farm Practices Protection Act" (Bill No. 22).

The Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Butler) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

**"WHEREAS** Government has not met the conditions outlined in recommendation 9.12 of the Dunne Report prior to implementing raw material sharing in the crab industry of this province;

**AND WHEREAS** in a letter to fish harvesters dated April 21, 2004, the Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture promised consultations before raw material sharing would be implemented in this province;

**AND WHEREAS** the 2005 crab fishery in Newfoundland and Labrador, valued at \$500 million to the provincial economy, is in jeopardy;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that this House of Assembly calls on Government to drop the raw material sharing system for this year and do the proper consultations with harvesters and processors before bringing the plan forward again."

The Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Butler) also gave notice that the above noted Resolution would be debated on Private Members' Day on Wednesday.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance & President of Treasury Board and Acting Minister of Health & Community Services (Mr. Sullivan) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill, "An Act To Revise The Law Respecting Smoking In Public Places And The Workplace"(Bill No. 20);

A Bill, "An Act Respecting The Practice Of Medicine In The Province"(Bill No. 21);

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A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Liquor Corporation Act" (Bill No. 18).

The Honourable the Minister of Environment & Conservation (Mr. Osborne) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Wild Life Act". (Bill No. 13)

The Member for Exploits (Mr. Grimes) presented a Petition calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to impose production quotas only if it is agreed upon by the FFAW and the processors as recommended in the Dunne Report.

The Member for Signal Hill - Quidi Vidi (Mr. Harris) presented a Petition calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to impose production quotas only if it is agreed upon by the FFAW and the processors as recommended in the Dunne Report.

The Member for Grand Bank (Ms. Foote) presented a Petition calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reconsider their decision on the Health Care Centre in Grand Bank and provide funding to complete this facility.

The Member for Carbonear - Harbour Grace (Mr. Sweeney) presented a Petition calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reinstate 24 hour home care for Mildred and Clovia Baker of Carbonear.

The Member for Fortune Bay - Cape La Hune (Mr. Langdon) presented a Petition calling upon the House of Assembly to prevent FPI from taking the portion of its fish quota that has been traditionally processed in Harbour Breton, out of the community.

The Member for Twillingate & Fogo (Mr. Reid) presented a Petition calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to impose production quotas only if it is agreed upon by the FFAW and the processors as recommended in the Dunne Report.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply.

The Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fitzgerald took the Chair of the Committee of the Whole on Supply.

The Committee of the Whole considered a Certain Resolution and a Bill entitled, "An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses of the Public Service For The Financial Year Ending March 31, 2006 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service" (Bill No. 4).

On motion the Committee rose.

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The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee (Ms. Osborne) reported that the Committee of the Whole had considered the matters to it referred, had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again presently.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Ed Byrne) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move pursuant to Standing Order 11 that the House not adjourn at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon and that the House not adjourn at 10 o'clock in the evening on Tuesday, May 10<sup>h</sup>, 2005.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Ed Byrne) moved that the House not adjourn at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon and at 10 o'clock in the evening.

The Speaker put the question on the motions that the House not adjourn at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon and at 10 o'clock in the evening.

The Speaker declared the motions carried.

By leave the proceedings were suspended for the dinner break at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

The House resumed sitting at 7:00 in the evening.

Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply.

The Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fitzgerald took the Chair of the Committee of the Whole on Supply.

The Committee of the Whole considered and passed a Certain Resolution and a Bill entitled, "An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses of the Public Service For The Financial Year Ending March 31, 2006 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service" (Bill No. 4).

On motion it was ordered that the Committee rise and report having passed Bill No. 4 without amendment.

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The Chair put the question on the motion.

The Committee divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: Mr. Williams, Mr. Edward Byrne; Mr. Rideout; Ms. Dunderdale; Mr. Taylor; Mr. Hedderson; Mr. Sullivan; Mr. Jack Byrne; Mr. Shelley; Ms. Sheila Osborne; Mr. O'Brien; Ms. Burke; Mr. Tom Osborne; Ms. Whalen; Mr. Jim Hodder; Mr. Hickey; Mr. Denine; Mr. French; Mr. Harding; Mr. Young; Mr. Hunter; Mr. Jackman; Ms. Johnson; Mr. Ridgley; Mr. Skinner; Mr. Oram; Ms. Elizabeth Marshall.

Against: Mr. Grimes; Mr. Parsons; Ms. Jones; Mr. Sweeney; Mr. Harris.

The Chair declared the motion carried.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Ed Byrne) moved that the total contained in the Estimates in the amount of \$3,976,507,500 for the 2005-2006 fiscal year be carried and that the Committee report that the Committee had adopted a Resolution and a Bill consequent thereto relating to Further Supply and that the Committee rise and ask leave to sit again.

The Chair put the question on the motion and declared the motion carried.

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker (Mr. Hodder) resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole House (Mr. Fitzgerald) reported that the Committee had considered the matters to it referred and had directed him to report that they had passed the amount of \$3,976,507,500 contained in the Estimates of Supply for the 2005-06 fiscal year and had adopted a certain Resolution and a Bill consequent thereto and recommended that Bill No. 4 be introduced to give effect to the Resolution and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee of the Whole House was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee of the Whole have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

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Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution relating to Bill No. 4 was read a first and second time:

“That it is expedient to introduce a measure to provide for the granting to Her Majesty for defraying certain expenses of the public service for the financial year ending March 31, 2006 the sum of \$2,530,497,000” (Bill No. 4).

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, “An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses of the Public Service For The Financial Year Ending March 31, 2006 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service” (Bill No. 4) was read a first, second and third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 4 be printed being entitled as above and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor for His Assent.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned at 11:05 o'clock in the evening.

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

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