

Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2006

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

The Member for Grand Bank (Ms. Foote) made a Statement to pay tribute to Patricia Cowan, former MHA who died this morning. The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture and Acting Government House Leader (Mr. Rideout) and the Member for Signal Hill - Quidi Vidi (Mr. Harris) associated themselves with the tribute.

The Member for Terra Nova (Mr. Oram) made a Statement to pay tribute to the Glovertown Fire Department for their efforts in fighting a recent fire in Glovertown.

The Member for Burgeo & LaPoile (Mr. Parsons) made a Statement to pay tribute to Chief Glen Hann, fireman Calvin Hare, recent winner of the Fireman of the Year Award and the Burgeo Fire Department and their Burnettes.

The Member for Gander (Mr. O'Brien) made a Statement to recognize Mr. Kyle Murray of Gander who has overcome adversity to become a successful athlete.

The Member for Grand Falls - Buchans (Ms. Thistle) made a Statement to congratulate Exploits Valley High Grade 12 student Ryan Dean who recently won the Grand Falls - Windsor Rotary Club Adventure in Citizenship Speak off.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs (Mr. Jack Byrne) made a Statement to recognize Emergency Preparedness Week which runs from May 7-13.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Recreation (Mr. Hedderson) made a Statement to congratulate the 2005 recipients of the Newfoundland and Labrador Arts Council Awards.

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 Respecting The Enforcement Of Support Orders". (Bill No. 27)

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture and Minister Responsible for Aboriginal Affairs (Mr. Rideout) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement Act". (Bill No. 28)

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture (Mr. Rideout), on behalf of the Honourable the Minister of Human Resources, Labour and Employment (Mr. Shelley) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Workplace Health, Safety And Compensation Act". (Bill No. 22)

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The Honourable the Acting Government House Leader (Mr. Rideout) 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 9<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

Pursuant to Standing Order 63(3) the Opposition House Leader (Mr. Parsons) gave notice that the Resolution standing in the name of the Member for Grand Falls - Buchans (Ms. Thistle) would be debated on Private Members' Day on Wednesday.

The Member for Grand Falls - Buchans (Ms. Thistle) gave notice that she would on tomorrow introduce the following Resolution:

**"WHEREAS** this province as an energy producer has benefitted because of increased offshore oil revenue;

**AND WHEREAS** the people of this province are forced to pay some of the highest fuel prices in North America and are suffering because of these high fuel prices;

**AND WHEREAS** many people on fixed incomes are unable to afford to heat their homes;

**AND WHEREAS** Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro is applying for another increase in electricity rates;

**AND WHEREAS** the trucking industry in this province is suffering because of high fuel prices;

**AND WHEREAS** this province's tourism industry is being negatively impacted by high fuel prices;

**AND WHEREAS** concerns are being raised about the inadequacies of public transportation in this province;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that this House of Assembly calls on the Provincial Government to develop and implement a plan to deal with the impact of high fuel prices and high energy taxes in this province."

The Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) presented a Petition requesting the House of Assembly to urge Government to oppose the continued operation of the Wild Cove Dump.

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The Member for Burgeo & LaPoile (Mr. Parsons) presented a Petition requesting the House of Assembly to urge Government to keep St. Michael's Elementary School in the Town of Rose Blanche-Harbour Le Cou open.

The Honourable the Member for Grand Bank (Ms. Foote) presented a Petition calling upon the House to urge Government to ensure that the quotas traditionally processed by Fishery Products International for the area of Grand Bank and Fortune remain within the region.

The Member for Grand Falls - Buchans (Ms. Thistle) presented a Petition requesting the House of Assembly to call upon Government to provide funding for the necessary road work on the Buchans Highway this summer.

The Member for Carbonear - Harbour Grace (Mr. Sweeney) presented a Petition requesting the House of Assembly to urge Government to see that Route 70 through Victoria and Salmon Cove is brought up to proper standards.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced and concluded on Second Reading of the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Buildings Accessibility Act" (Bill No. 8) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 8 be read a second time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Buildings Accessibility Act" (Bill No. 8) was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 8 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 the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Securities Act" (Bill No. 10) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 10 be read a second time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Securities Act" (Bill No. 10) was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 10 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 the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Delivery Of Health And Community Services And The Establishment Of Regional Health Authorities" (Bill No. 11) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 11 be read a second time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Delivery Of Health And Community Services And The Establishment Of Regional Health Authorities" (Bill No. 11) was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 11 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

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

The Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fitzgerald took the Chair of Committee of the Whole House.

The Committee considered and passed the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Delivery Of Health And Community Services And The Establishment Of Regional Health Authorities" (Bill No. 11).

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 of the Whole House had considered the matters to it referred and had passed the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Delivery Of Health And Community Services And The Establishment Of Regional Health Authorities" (Bill No. 11) without amendment and asked leave to sit again.

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

On motion it was ordered that Bill No.11 be read a third time by leave.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled, "An Act Respecting The Delivery Of Health And Community Services And The Establishment Of Regional Health Authorities" (Bill No. 11) was read a third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill 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 9<sup>th</sup> 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.