

Tuesday, April 15th, 2008

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

By leave, the Honourable the Premier (Mr. Williams) made a Statement to advise the House that the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador and the Government of Nunavut are joining together to call on the Government of Canada to ban the use of the hakapik as part of the annual Canadian seal harvest.

The Member for Burgeo – LaPoile (Mr. Parsons) made a Statement to congratulate the band “The Plot” which won the Battle of the Bands competition.

The Member for Bellevue (Mr. Peach) made a Statement to congratulate April Drake who has won the Wendy’s Restaurant of Canada Classic Achiever Scholarship.

The Member for Cartwright – L’Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) made a Statement to congratulate Christy Groves of Forteau who has won both the People’s Choice Award in the 2007 Canada Day Poster Challenge and the 2008 Canada Day Poster Challenge for Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Member for Lewisporte (Mr. Verge) made a Statement to recognize Lindy Whitt for his accomplishments as a music teacher in this Province.

The Member for Port au Port (Mr. Cornect) made a Statement to congratulate Brandon Skinner, one of two cadets from the Province to complete the Outward Bound Scotland Exchange and Kelsey Collier, one of two cadets from the Province who participated in the Outward Bound Wales Exchange.

The Member for Grand Falls – Windsor – Buchans (Ms. Sullivan) made a Statement to congratulate Gordon Pinsent who has won a Genie Award for Best Performance by a leading actor in “Away With Her”.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice and Attorney General (Mr. Kennedy) made a Statement to acknowledge National Victims of Crime Awareness Week.

The Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Fitzgerald) pursuant to paragraph 19(5)(a) of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act* tabled the minutes of the meetings of the House of Assembly Management Commission held on January 23rd and February 6th, 2008.

The Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Butler) presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to take action to address the lack of road maintenance in many areas of the Province.

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Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced and concluded on Second Reading of a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Lobbyist Registration Act" (Bill No. 14) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 14 be now read a second time.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Lobbyist Registration Act" (Bill No. 14) was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 14 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced and concluded on Second Reading of a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Liquor Control Act Respecting A Licensee Levy" (Bill No. 18) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 18 be now read a second time.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Liquor Control Act Respecting A Licensee Levy" (Bill No. 18) was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 18 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced on the Address in Reply and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

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

The Speaker left the Chair.

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

The Committee considered and passed the Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Lobbyist Registration Act" (Bill No. 14).

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker (Mr. Fitzgerald) resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole House (Mr. Collins) reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the matters to them referred and had directed him to report that they had passed the Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Lobbyist Registration Act" (Bill No. 14) without amendment.

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

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 14 be now read a third time by leave.

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Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Lobbyist Registration Act” (Bill No. 14) 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, Wednesday, April 16th at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

William MacKenzie,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.