

Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008

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

The Member for Signal Hill – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) made a Statement to recognize Thaddeus Dreher for his contribution to multiculturalism in the Province.

The Member for The Isles of Notre Dame (Mr. Dalley) made a Statement to congratulate the J.M. Olds Collegiate Tigers of Twillingate for their outstanding success in the 2007-2008 School Sports program.

The Member for Kilbride (Mr. Dinn) made a Statement to recognize Bishop's College pupils and staff for all the good work they are doing.

The Member for Exploits (Mr. Forsey) made a Statement to recognize the contributions of Sadie Sheppard to the Peterview Volunteer Fire Department.

The Member for St. John's East (Mr. Buckingham) made a Statement to inform the House that "Planned Parenthood – the Newfoundland and Labrador Sexual Health Center" has organized a conference on sexual and reproductive health.

The Honourable the Minister of Transportation and Works (Ms. Whalen) made a Statement to provide an update on the Government's 2008-09 Provincial Roads Improvement Programme.

The Honourable the Minister of Business (Mr. Oram) made a Statement to congratulate 26 Memorial University business students who won first place as the "most enterprising campus in Canada" at the 2008 National Exposition of ACE, Advancing Canadian Entrepreneurship.

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 improve their efforts to recruit and retain general practitioners.

The Member for Placentia – St. Mary's (Mr. Collins) presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to take measures to ensure that High Speed Internet service is made available in their communities.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Rideout) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Child And Youth Advocate Act" (Bill No. 33).

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The Honourable the Minister of Justice (Mr. Marshall) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Judicature Act” (Bill No. 34).

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued and concluded on Second Reading of a Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Retail Sales Tax Act And The Tax Agreement Act” (Bill No. 28) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 28 be now read a second time.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Retail Sales Tax Act And The Tax Agreement Act” (Bill No. 28) was read a second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 28 be now referred to a Committee of the Whole House.

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 Committee of the Whole House.

The Committee considered and passed the following Bills without amendment:

A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Income Tax Act, 2000” (Bill No. 26);

A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Health And Post-Secondary Education Tax Act” (Bill No. 27);

A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Retail Sales Tax And The Tax Agreement Act” (Bill No. 28).

On motion the Committee rose.

The Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole (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 following Bills without amendment:

A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Income Tax Act, 2000” (Bill No. 26);

A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Health And Post-Secondary Education Tax Act” (Bill No. 27);

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A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Retail Sales Tax And The Tax Agreement Act" (Bill No. 28).

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

On motion it was ordered that Bills No. 26 and 27 be now read a third time.

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 28 be now read a third time by leave.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Bills were read a third time and passed:

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Income Tax Act, 2000" (Bill No. 26);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Health And Post-Secondary Education Tax Act" (Bill No. 27);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Retail Sales Tax And The Tax Agreement Act" (Bill No. 28).

On motion it was ordered that the said Bills be printed being entitled as above and that they be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor for his Assent.

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. Collins took the Chair of the Committee of the Whole on Supply.

The Committee of Supply commenced their consideration of the **Legislature, Executive Council and Consolidated Fund Services** Heads of Expenditure.

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker (Mr. Fitzgerald) resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee of Supply (Mr. Collins) reported that the Committee of Supply had considered the matters to them referred and had directed him to report that they had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

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

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It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

**William MacKenzie,**  
Clerk of the House of Assembly.