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

The Member for Bonavista North (Mr. Harding) made a Statement to acknowledge the contributions to society of Lions Club International.

The Member for Cartwright – L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) made a Statement to congratulate Jamiee Thomas of L'Anse au Clair who will represent the Province at the national 2009 Karaoke Star Junior competition.

The Member for St. John's West (Ms. Osborne) made a Statement to congratulate Andrew Burgess on his impressive performance in the 2009 Boston Marathon.

The Member for Exploits (Mr. Forsey) made a Statement to congratulate the organizers of the recent volunteer recognition event.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture (Mr. Hedderson) made a Statement to inform the House the Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture has signed a contract with Gray Aqua Farms Limited for an investment of \$16 million.

The Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Mr. Wiseman) made a Statement to recognize May 12th as Canada Health Day.

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 meeting of the House of Assembly Management Commission held on March 18, 2009.

The Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling on the House of Assembly to urge Government to establish a satellite dialysis unit at the Dr. Charles L. LeGrow Health Centre in the Town of Channel – Port aux Basques.

The Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Butler) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province requesting that the House of Assembly urge Government to undertake measures to construct a fixed link between Long Island and Pilley's Island in Green Bay.

The Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling on the House of Assembly to urge Government to support the residents of Ramea, Grey River and Francois in their request to have adequate health care/nursing services available at the Ramea and coastal clinics.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Ms. Burke) moved, 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.

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.

Pursuant to order and on motion it was ordered that Bills No. 5 and 6 be now read the third time.

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

- A Bill, "An Act To Repeal The Labrador Transportation Initiative Fund Act" (Bill No. 5);
- A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Pensions Funding Act" (Bill No. 6).

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 debate commenced and concluded on the motion that the House concur in the Report of the Social Services Committee.

The Speaker (Mr. Fitzgerald) put the question on the motion that the House concur in the Report of the Social Services Committee.

The Speaker declared the motion carried.

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

The Committee of the Whole on Supply continued their consideration of and passed without amendment the Estimates of Expenditure of the **Executive Council**, **Legislature** and **Consolidated Fund Services**.

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee of Supply (Mr. Osborne) reported that the Committee of Supply had considered the matters to them referred, had passed the Estimates of Expenditure of the **Executive Council**, **Legislature** and **Consolidated Fund Services** without amendment and asked leave to sit again.

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

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued and concluded on the motion "That this House approves in general the budgetary policy of the Government" (the Budget Speech).

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

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Marshall) informed the House that he had received a Message from His Honor the Lieutenant Governor.

The Message was read to the House by the Speaker as follows:

"30 April, 2009

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board

I, the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, transmit Estimates of sums required for the Public Service of the Province for the year ending March 31, 2010, by way of Further Supply and, in accordance with the provisions of sections 54 and 90 of the *Constitution Act, 1867*, I recommend these Estimates to the House of Assembly.

Sgd. John Crosbie

Lieutenant-Governor."

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Ms. Burke), the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply to consider the Message together with a Certain Resolution and Bill No. 2 for the Granting of Supply to Her Majesty.

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The Speaker left the Chair. Mr. Osborne took the Chair of the Committee of the Whole House.

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, 2010 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service" (Bill No. 2).

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee (Mr. Osborne) reported that the Committee of the Whole on Supply had considered the matters to them referred and had directed him to report that they had passed a certain Resolution and a Bill consequent thereto and recommended that Bill No. 2 be introduced to give effect to the Resolution and ask leave to sit again.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution was read the 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, 2010 the sum of \$4,224,151,100" (Bill No. 2).

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, 2010 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service" (Bill No. 2) was read the first, second and third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 2 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, May 13th at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

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On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

William MacKenzie, Clerk of the House of Assembly.