

Thursday, May 21st, 2009

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

By leave, the Member for Lake Melville (Mr. Hickey) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late Mr. Henry Shouse.

The Member for Signal Hill – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) made a Statement to congratulate the Quidi Vidi Village Foundation on their tenth anniversary.

The Member for Placentia – St. Mary's (Mr. Collins) made a Statement to recognize Genevieve Follett and Frances Pearson who are recipients of the Caring Canadian Award.

The Member for Cartwright – L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) made a Statement to congratulate Taylor Rae Groves, Matthew Buckle, Michael Thomas and Christy Groves for their success in the Protected Areas Association's Wild Art competition.

The Member for Baie Verte – Springdale (Mr. Pollard) made a Statement to congratulate Kyle Hennebury who won the gold medal in the Industrial Millwright Mechanic-Post Secondary category at the 12th Annual Provincial Skilled Trade and Technology competition.

The Member for Humber Valley (Mr. Kelly) made a Statement to congratulate Lewisporte Collegiate pupils, winners, and Elwood Regional High School pupils, runners-up, in the provincial trivia game developed by the Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Commission in partnership with the Departments of Education and Futures in Newfoundland and Labrador's Youth (FINALY).

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Conservation (Mr. Jackman) made a Statement to inform the House of an investment the Department is making in the T'Railway Provincial Park system.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Kennedy), in accordance with section 26(5)(a) of the **Financial Administration Act**, tabled copies of the following Orders in Council relating to the following funding pre-commitments:

- (a) Order in Council 2009-165 which authorized the Department of Human Resources, Labour and Employment to pre-commit \$7,000,000 against its 2010-11 budgetary appropriations for programs and services administered under the Employment Development Programs, Employment Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Program and Youth and Student Services Program to facilitate the delivery of its programs and services;

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- (b) Order in Council 2009-166 which authorized the Department of Natural Resources to pre-commit \$285,000 and \$150,000 against its 2010-11 and 2011-12 budgetary allocations respectively to facilitate entering into an agreement with Natural Resources Canada;
- (c) Order in Council 2009-167 which authorized the Office of the Chief Information Officer to pre-commit funds against its budgetary appropriations as follows: \$371,550 for 2010-11, \$410,125 for 2011-12, \$451,900 for 2012-13 and \$485,850 for 2013-14 to enter into a five-year agreement with software vendor ESRI Canada Limited for the provision of Geographic Information System Software.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Ms. Burke) gave notice that she 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 Monday, May 25th, 2009.

The Honourable the Minister of Child, Youth and Family Services (Ms. Burke) gave notice that she would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Adoption Act, The Child Care Services Act, The Child, Youth And Family Services Act And The Regional Health Authorities Regulations" (Bill No. 35).

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 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.

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Pursuant to notice and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read the first time:

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Liquor Control Act" (Bill No. 32);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Memorial University Pensions Act" (Bill No. 33).

On motion it was ordered that the above noted Bills be read the second time on tomorrow.

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

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Labour-Sponsored Venture Capital Tax Credit Act" (Bill No. 3);

A Bill, "An Act Respecting Chiropractors" (Bill No. 8);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Student Financial Assistance Act" (Bill No. 9);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Highway Traffic Act" (Bill No. 10);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Pharmacy Act" (Bill No. 12);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Children's Law Act" (Bill No. 13);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The City Of St. John's Act" (Bill No. 14);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Legal Aid Act" (Bill No. 15);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Tobacco Control Act" (Bill No. 17);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Judicature Act" (Bill No. 18);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Research And Development Council Act" (Bill No. 20);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend the Provincial Court Act" (Bill No. 28).

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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 Second Reading of a Bill entitled "An Act Respecting Credit Unions" (Bill No.11) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 11 be read the second time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act Respecting Credit Unions" (Bill No.11) was read the second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 11 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 a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Income Tax Savings Plans Act" (Bill No.19) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 19 be read the second time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Income Tax Savings Plans Act" (Bill No.19) was read the second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No.19 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 Respecting The Registration Of Deeds And Other Documents" (Bill No. 21) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 21 be read the second time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act Respecting The Registration Of Deeds And Other Documents" (Bill No.21) was read the second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 21 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 Respecting Consumer Protection And Business Practices" (Bill No.22) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 22 be read the second time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act Respecting Consumer Protection And Business Practices" (Bill No.22) was read the second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 22 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 Occupational Health And Safety Act"

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(Bill No.23) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 23 be read the second time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Occupational Health And Safety Act” (Bill No.23) was read the second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 23 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House presently.

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

The Speaker left the Chair.

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

The Committee of the Whole House considered and passed without amendment the following Bills:

A Bill, “An Act Respecting Credit Unions” (Bill No. 11);

A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Income Tax Savings Plans Act” (Bill No. 19);

A Bill, “An Act Respecting the Registration Of Deeds And Other Documents” (Bill No. 21);

A Bill, “An Act To Amend the Occupational Health And Safety Act” (Bill No. 23).

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole House (Mr. Osborne) 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 amendments, made progress on Bill No. 22 and asked leave to sit again:

A Bill, “An Act Respecting Credit Unions” (Bill No. 11);

A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Income Tax Savings Plans Act” (Bill No. 19);

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A Bill, "An Act Respecting the Registration Of Deeds And Other Documents" (Bill No. 21);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend the Occupational Health And Safety Act" (Bill No. 23).

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

On motion it was ordered that Bills No. 11, 19, 21 and 23 be read the third time on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, May 25th at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

William MacKenzie,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.