

Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009

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

The Member for Cartwright – L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) made a Statement to congratulate Christy Groves on being selected to have her artwork displayed at the 2010 Olympics in Vancouver.

The Member for Exploits (Mr. Forsey) made a Statement to congratulate Ed Harnum, Wilfred Carey and Onnie Balsom on their 35 years of volunteer service with the Bishop's Falls Fire Department.

The Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Dean) made a Statement to congratulate the St. Anthony Volunteer Fire Department for their commitment to their community.

The Member for Kilbride (Mr. Dinn) made a Statement to recognize and pay tribute to Shawn Lahey of Kilbride who was recently awarded a Medal of Bravery by the Governor General of Canada.

The Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Butler) made a Statement to congratulate 15-year old William Rose of Shearstown on being named Tournament Top Batter at the Atlantic Bantam AA Baseball Championship for 2009.

The Member for Port au Port (Mr. Cornect) made a Statement to congratulate the Aboriginal Community-Business Advisory Committee on the success of their first annual Aboriginal Business Gala.

The Honourable the Premier (Mr. Williams) made a Statement to inform Members of the House of action taken by Churchill Falls (Labrador) Corporation respecting the 1969 CF(L)Co agreement with Hydro Quebec for the development of the Upper Churchill River.

The Honourable the Minister of Education (Mr. King) made a Statement respecting Government's Safe and Caring Schools initiative.

The Honourable the Minister of Human Resources, Labour and Employment (Ms. Sullivan) made a Statement respecting the Provincial Nominee Program.

The Honourable the Minister of Education (Mr. King) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Memorial University Pensions Act No. 2" (Bill No. 38).

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The Honourable the Minister of Labrador Affairs (Mr. Hickey), on behalf of the Honourable the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs (Ms. Pottle) gave notice that she would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill,            “An Act To Amend The Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement Act”  
(Bill No. 46);

A Bill,            “An Act To Amend The Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement Act  
No. 2” (Bill No. 47).

The Honourable the Minister of Government Services (Mr. O’Brien) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill,            “An Act To Amend The Private Investigation And Security Services  
Act” (Bill No. 39);

A Bill,            “An Act To Amend The Vital Statistics Act, 2009” (Bill No. 42);

A Bill,            “An Act To Amend The Engineers and Geoscientists Act, 2008” (Bill  
No. 44).

The Honourable the Minister of Justice and Attorney General (Mr. Collins) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill,            “An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law” (Bill  
No. 40);

A Bill,            “An Act To Amend The Law With Respect To The Definition Of  
Spouse” (Bill No. 41);

A Bill,            “An Act To Amend The Victims Of Crime Services Act” (Bill No. 45).

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Recreation (Mr. French) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act To Repeal The Newspapers And Books Act” (Bill No. 43).

The Member for Cartwright – L’Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) gave notice that she would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

“**WHEREAS** it is estimated that there are over 120,000 moose living in Newfoundland and Labrador;

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**AND WHEREAS** more than 700 moose-vehicle collisions occur in our Province each year;

**AND WHEREAS** moose vehicle collisions result in human fatalities and a higher prevalence of head, neck and brain injuries than other motor-vehicle accidents;

**AND WHEREAS** the cost estimates to the provincial health care system for just initial emergency care due to moose-vehicle accidents is averaged at over \$600,000 a year, and cost estimates for vehicle damage is over \$1 million annually;

**AND WHEREAS** other provinces with lower moose populations have taken significant action to reduce moose-vehicle collisions;

**AND WHEREAS** the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador has not conducted a recent study or review of new technologies and mitigative options such as fencing, lighting systems, increased brush cutting and increased hunting quotas that could potentially lower the number of moose-vehicle accidents;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that this House of Assembly call upon Government to initiate a comprehensive study to evaluate what technologies, mitigation techniques and investments can be undertaken to reduce moose-vehicle collisions in Newfoundland and Labrador;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this review include a detailed analysis of other jurisdictions and evaluate options such as fencing, lighting systems, brush cutting and increased hunting quotas;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this House of Assembly call upon Government to accept and implement the conclusions or recommendations of this review”.

The Member for Cartwright – L’Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling on the House of Assembly to urge Government to initiate a study to evaluate methods of reducing the incidence of moose-vehicle collisions in the Province and to accept and implement the conclusions which arise from their study.

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 made available at the Ramea and coastal clinics.

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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 Memorial University Pensions Act No. 2”  
                      (Bill No. 38);
- A Bill,            “An Act To Amend The Private Investigation And Security Services  
                      Act” (Bill No. 39);
- A Bill,            “An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law” (Bill  
                      No. 40);
- A Bill,            “An Act To Amend The Law With Respect To The Definition Of  
                      Spouse” (Bill No. 41).

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

Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced on the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Ms. Burke) moved, seconded by the Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Ms. Dunderdale), that the Member for Humber Valley (Mr. Kelly) be appointed Deputy Chair of Committees.

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

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

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

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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