

Monday, April 18th, 2011

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

The Member for Grand Falls-Windsor – Green Bay South (Mr. Hunter) made a Statement to congratulate Art Fowlow Limited of South Brook selected as the top Overall Forestry Contractor in Atlantic Canada for 2010.

The Member for Baie Verte – Springdale (Mr. Pollard) made a Statement to recognize and congratulate Mr. Craig Ward, Mr. Jonathon Edison, Mr. Lorne Head and Mr. Evan Haas who were named Firefighters of the Year of their respective Fire Departments.

The Member for Kilbride (Mr. Dinn) made a Statement to congratulate the Grade 5 Girls' Basketball Team from Goulds Elementary School who won the Provincial Basketball Championship on February 19.

The Member for Bellevue (Mr. Peach) made a Statement to congratulate the Community 5 Lions Club of Dildo for their important role in blood collection.

By leave the Member for Trinity North (Mr. Wiseman) made a Statement to congratulate the Clarendville Caribous Allan Cup Champions for 2011.

The Honourable the Minister of Human Resources, Labour & Employment (Mr. King) made a Statement to inform the House that the Provincial Government will contribute \$30,000 to support the Canadian Housing and Renewal Association's annual congress to be held in Newfoundland and Labrador in May 2012.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism, Culture & Recreation (Mr. French) made a Statement to congratulate the recipients of the 59th annual Arts and Letters Awards.

The Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Mr. Skinner) tabled the Annual Report of the Chicken Farmers of Newfoundland and Labrador for fiscal year 2010.

The Honourable the Minister of Transportation & Works (Mr. Hedderson) tabled information respecting the Vehicles purchased by the Department between April 1, 2008 and March 31, 2011.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Marshall) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply to consider a Resolution for the Granting of Supply to Her Majesty (Bill No. 30).

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The Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Dean) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

“WHEREAS the fisheries historically has been the basis for the economy of Newfoundland and Labrador and can continue to contribute to growth and employment under sensible and prudent management;

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Government has failed in their MOU process. Once the cornerstone of this Government’s fisheries policy, this process has been abandoned by this Government and the minister of fisheries;

AND WHEREAS rationalization in the fishing industry is proceeding whether or not this Government is prepared to receive and manage these changes;

AND WHEREAS restructuring is already proceeding, including fish plant closures and license transfers, affecting people’s livelihoods and the economic viability of rural communities;

AND WHEREAS it is the responsibility of Government to manage the social effects of these serious economic changes and only immediate action will ensure the long-term survival of our harvesting and processing sectors;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this House calls on Government to consider establishing policies centered on the prudent long-term management of the fisheries including:

the aggressive pursuit of a joint management regime with the Federal Government including securing custodial management of the Nose and Tail of the Grand Banks;

cooperation with industry to develop and implement a comprehensive, long-term marketing strategy aimed at promoting the Province’s seafood industry with a goal of increasing sales in world markets;

promoting the utilization of a variety of marine species in food processing, as well as new industrial uses of marine products in pharmaceuticals, biomedicines, and other chemical products;

forming partnerships with industry to implement an international procurement program to secure primary seafood products for local seafood processing plants;

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committing to a program of adjustment for older workers and a comprehensive voluntary cost-shared harvesting license consolidation program.”

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 enact legislation modelled on Ontario’s *Pesticides Act* banning the use of pesticides for cosmetic purposes.

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 remove the provincial tax from home heating bills.

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 provide additional funding for improvements to Route 510 and connecting branch roads of the Trans-Labrador Highway.

The Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) presented a Petition calling on the House of Assembly to urge Government to construct and operate a waiting room/restroom facility at the Town of Rose Blanche-Harbour Le Cou such that all users of the provincial ferry service may be able to utilize such waiting area/washroom facilities.

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 reinstate the five acute care beds at Notre Dame Bay Memorial Hospital Health Centre.

The Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Dean) presented a Petition from certain students of Hawke’s Bay French Shore Academy calling on the House of Assembly to urge Government to make funding available to ensure High Speed Internet Services are provided in certain towns in the District in the interest of equality and fairness for all members of the student body.

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 provide pension increases to former Provincial Government employees.

Pursuant to notice and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Fish Inspection Act” (Bill No. 29) was read the first time and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be read the second time on tomorrow.

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

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Support Orders Enforcement Act, 2006" (Bill No. 16);

A Bill, "An Act Respecting The Practice Of Medicine In The Province" (Bill No. 22):

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Crop Insurance Act And The Livestock Insurance Act" (Bill No. 23);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Public Trustee Act, 2009" (Bill No. 25).

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 The Mandatory Reporting Of Gunshot And Stab Wounds" (Bill No. 17) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 17 be read the second time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act Respecting The Mandatory Reporting Of Gunshot And Stab Wounds" (Bill No. 17) was read the second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 17 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 Forestry Professions" (Bill No. 27) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 27 be read the second time presently.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act Respecting Forestry Professions" (Bill No. 27) was read the second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 27 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 Health Research Ethics Authority Act" (Bill No. 28) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 28 be read the second time presently.

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

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 the following Bills without amendment:

A Bill, “An Act Respecting The Mandatory Reporting Of Gunshot And Stab Wounds” (Bill No. 17);

A Bill, “An Act Respecting Forestry Professions” (Bill No. 27);

A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Health Research Ethics Authority Act” (Bill No. 28).

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 had considered the matters to them referred and had passed the following Bills without amendment and asked leave to sit again:

A Bill, “An Act Respecting The Mandatory Reporting Of Gunshot And Stab Wounds” (Bill No. 17);

A Bill, “An Act Respecting Forestry Professions” (Bill No. 27);

A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Health Research Ethics Authority Act” (Bill No. 28).

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

On motion it was ordered that Bills No. 17, 27, and 28 be read the third time on tomorrow.

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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 considered a certain Resolution and a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Loan And Guarantee Act, 1957" (Bill No. 26).

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee (Mr. Osborne) 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.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 19th at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

William MacKenzie,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.