

Thursday, April 21st, 2011

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

The Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Dean) made a Statement to congratulate the HCC Huskies Ball Hockey Team of St. Anthony which won the 3A Boys' Ball Hockey Championship.

The Member for Port au Port (Mr. Cornect) made a Statement to recognize the volunteers and athletes who were nominated for the Stephen Awards.

The Member for Signal Hill – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) made a Statement to congratulate the Idlers, winners of the 2011 East Coast Music Award, for World Recording of the Year for their album "Keep Out".

The Member for Humber Valley (Mr. Kelly) made a Statement to recognize and congratulate participants, organizers and volunteers of the Shave for the Brave event at Elwood Regional High School in Deer Lake.

The Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Loder) made a Statement to congratulate the winners of DARE graduate awards at the Sacred Heart Elementary Dare Graduation in Curling.

The Member for Kilbride (Mr. Dinn) made a Statement to congratulate Goulds on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of its Winter Carnival.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment & Conservation (Mr. Wiseman) made a Statement to recognize April 22 as Earth Day.

The Honourable the Minister of Human Resources, Labour & Employment (Mr. King) made a Statement to inform the House about Government's student summer employment programme.

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.

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

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

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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 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 continued on the motion “That This House Approves in General the Budgetary Policy of the Government” (the Budget Speech).

During the debate the Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) moved, seconded by the Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Butler), the following amendment to the Budget motion (being a non-confidence motion):

“That all the words after “that” be struck out and the following substituted:

“This House condemns the government for its failure to develop and present fiscally responsible programs to address the economic problems of rural areas of this Province and bring forward a plan that generates sustainable economic growth that builds on the projects developed by previous Administrations.”

The Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

Debate commenced on the amendment to the Budget Speech (being a non-confidence motion) and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Ms. Burke), the House adjourned *sine die*.

William MacKenzie,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.