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

The Member for Torngat Mountains (Mr. Edmunds) made a Statement to pay tribute to the founding fathers of the Nunatsiavut Government.

The Member for Humber West (Mr. Granter) made a Statement to congratulate Terri Woods-Boone for being selected the 2012 Newfoundland and Labrador Housing Corporation scholarship winner.

The Member for Mount Pearl North (Mr. Kent) made a Statement to congratulate the Girls' 4A Provincial Indoor Soccer teams from O'Donel and Mount Pearl Senior High for placing 1st and 2nd respectively in the Provincial Indoor Soccer Tournament.

The Member for Mount Pearl South (Mr. Lane) made a Statement to congratulate the 2012 inductees into the Mount Pearl Sports Hall of Fame.

The Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) made a Statement to congratulate the McIvers Community Improvement Club on their 40th anniversary and thank them for their service to the town and its citizens.

The Member for Cartwright – L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) made a Statement to recognize Ms. Regan Burden who was awarded the URock Volunteer Award.

The Honourable the Minister of Education (Mr. Jackman) made a Statement to provide an update on the *Learning From the Start* early childhood learning strategy.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Conservation (Mr. French) made a Statement about the health monitoring program for big game.

The Member for Torngat Mountains (Mr. Edmunds) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to conduct a needs assessment to identify the needs of all levels of long-term health care in Labrador and to re-open the Paddon Seniors' Nursing Home in Happy Valley-Goose Bay.

The Member for St. John's East (Mr. Murphy) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to install weather cameras on the Burin Peninsula Highway.

The Member for St. Barbe (Mr. Bennett) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to

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partner with the private sector and offer High-Speed internet service in Bellburns, Portland Creek, St. Pauls and Sally's Cove.

The Member for St. John's North (Mr. Kirby) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to conduct a review of school bus transportation policies and school restructuring to ensure safe and quality education for all school children in the Province.

The Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Mitchelmore) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to support residents of White Bay North in their request for adequate cellular phone coverage in rural Newfoundland and Labrador.

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

A Bill, "An Act To Ensure Access For Service Animals Used By Persons With Disabilities" (Bill No. 17);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Legal Aid Act" (Bill No. 18).

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

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Kennedy) 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 debate continued on the amendment to the Budget motion (being a non-confidence motion) and on motion it was ordered that debate be adjourned for further debate presently.

By agreement the proceedings were suspended at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon for the dinner break.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

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Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued and concluded on the amendment to the Budget motion "That this House approves in general the budgetary policy of the Government" (the Budget Motion) being a non-confidence motion.

The Speaker put the question on the amendment and declared the motion defeated.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 16th at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

William MacKenzie, Clerk of the House of Assembly.