

Thursday, May 24th, 2012

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

The Member for Burgeo – LaPoile (Mr. Parsons) made a Statement to congratulate Mr. Scott Francis upon his recent receipt of the Most Deserving Official award for the 2010-2011 hockey season.

The Member for Bonavista South (Mr. Little) made a Statement to congratulate Mr. Ryan Furlong who was awarded a URock Volunteer Award during the 2012 Volunteer Awards Show.

The Member for Humber West (Mr. Granter) made a Statement to congratulate organizers of the Corner Brook Achievement in Community Awards, and nominees and winners of individual awards, in particular, Sheldon Peddle and Robert Leamon, Citizen and Youth Citizen of the Year respectively.

The Member for Torngat Mountains (Mr. Edmunds) made a Statement to congratulate Sophie Pamak, this year's recipient of the First Nation Inuit Health Branch (FNIHB) Award of Excellence in nursing.

The Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) made a Statement to recognize Randell Loder for his many years of volunteer service.

The Member for Conception Bay East – Bell Island (Mr. Brazil) made a Statement to congratulate the members of the Portugal Cove – St. Phillips Lions Club on their success in 2010-11.

The Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Ms. Sullivan) made a Statement about Government's commitment to the recruitment and retention of qualified health care professionals throughout the Province.

The Honourable the Minister of Child, Youth and Family Services (Ms. Johnson) made a Statement to recognize May 27th to June 2nd as Early Childhood Educators' Week.

The Honourable the Premier (Ms. Dunderdale) tabled correspondence between the Premier and the Honourable Peter MacKay respecting the provision of air support to the ground search and rescue operation of January 29th to 31st, 2012.

The Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Ms. Sullivan) tabled the Health Research Ethics Authority Activity Plan for the period April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2014.

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

- (a) Order in Council 2012-127 which authorized the Department of Transportation and Works to pre-commit funds in the amount of \$11,525,000 against its budgetary appropriation in 2013-14 to facilitate the award of a contract to Humber Valley Paving Limited in respect of Project 001-12PHP to pave the Trans-Labrador Highway from km 172.5 to km 248.5, Goose Bay towards Churchill Falls.
- (b) Order in Council 2012-128 which authorized the Department of Transportation and Works to pre-commit funds in the amount of \$11,325,000 against its budgetary appropriation in 2013-14 to facilitate the award of a contract to Humber Valley Paving Limited in respect of Project 002-12PHP to pave the Trans-Labrador Highway between km 196 and km 278, Wabush Junction towards Churchill Falls.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Kennedy) gave notice that he 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 28th, 2012.

The Honourable the Minister of Advanced Education and Skills (Ms. Burke) continued and concluded the answer to Question 4 placed on the Order Paper of March 21st, 2012 by the Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) respecting the Business Transformation Project.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Conservation (Mr. French) answered Questions No. 23 and 24 placed on the Order Paper of May 17th, 2012 by the Member for Torngat Mountains (Mr. Edmunds) respecting contaminated sites.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice (Mr. Collins) answered Question No. 5 placed on the Order Paper of March 21st, 2012 by the Member for Burgeo – LaPoile (Mr. Andrew Parsons) respecting Bill C-10, An Act To Amend the Criminal Code.

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 support their request for cellular phone coverage for the Labrador North Coast.

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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 order full removal and environmental cleanup of the Englee Fish Plant.

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 enact legislation banning the use of Temporary Replacement Workers during a strike.

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 re-invest in rural broadband initiatives in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued on the Budget motion 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, Monday, May 28th at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

William MacKenzie,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.