

Thursday, November 29th, 2012

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

The Member for St. John's Centre (Ms. Rogers) made a Statement to thank the Fish, Food and Allied Workers' Union and Canadian Auto Workers for their leadership.

The Member for Lake Melville (Mr. Russell) made a Statement to congratulate The Mealy Mountain Collegiate Female Soccer Team on their winning the 2012 School Sports Newfoundland and Labrador provincial championship.

The Member for Lewisporte (Mr. Verge) made a Statement to recognize Fred Budgett for his outstanding contribution to his community.

The Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) made a Statement to congratulate Mrs. Lillian Wells who will celebrate her 100th birthday on December 6th.

The Member for St. Barbe (Mr. Bennett) made a Statement to commend the dedicated volunteers responsible for the establishment and operation of the Voice of Bonne Bay.

The Member for Conception Bay East – Bell Island (Mr. Brazil) made a Statement to inform the House about the establishment of the Emma Churchill-Dawson Seniors' Memorial Park in Portugal Cove.

The Speaker ruled on two points of order and one raised by the Honourable the Minister of Child, Youth and Family Services (Ms. Johnson) on November 27th, the other raised by the Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Mr. Kennedy) on November 26th. The Speaker ruled in both cases that there was no point of order.

The Honourable the Minister of Child, Youth and Family Services and Minister Responsible for the Status of Women (Ms. Johnson) made a Statement to congratulate the 2012 Entrepreneur of the Year Award recipients.

The Honourable the Minister of Innovation, Business and Rural Development (Mr. Hutchings) made a Statement to inform the House about the Provincial Government's Supplier Development Program.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Recreation (Mr. French) made a Statement to inform the House about the Provincial Historic Commemorations Programme.

The Honourable the Minister of Child, Youth and Family Services (Ms. Johnson) tabled information concerning Average Wages for Early Childhood Educators.

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The Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Ms. Sullivan) gave notice that she would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act To Regulate The Practice Of Pharmacy” (Bill No. 50).

The Honourable the Minister of Service NL (Mr. McGrath) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Pension Benefits Act, 1997” (Bill No. 51).

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Marshall) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Teachers’ Pensions Act” (Bill No. 52).

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 replace the provincial student loan program with a system of needs-based grants.

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 implement a new home care model in 2012-13 to cover family caregivers.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) moved that the Orders of the Day be read.

The Speaker put the motion and declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued on the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate presently.

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

A Bill, “An Act To Amend Various Acts Of The Province Respecting Appointments To Boards, Councils And Tribunals” (Bill No. 47);

A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Trust And Loan Corporations Act” (Bill No. 48);

A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Young Persons Offences Act” (Bill No. 49).

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

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Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act To Revise And Amend The Law Respecting Pensions For The Members Of The Royal Newfoundland Constabulary, Correctional Officers And Certain Firefighters Of The St. John’s Regional Fire Department” (Bill No. 44) was read the third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be passed being entitled as above and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor for his Assent.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued on the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne 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, December 3rd at 1:30 o’clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.