

Thursday, March 21st, 2013

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

The Member for Conception Bay East – Bell Island (Mr. Brazil) made a Statement to congratulate Mr. Todd Churchill for his contribution to worthy charities as a fundraiser.

The Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) made a Statement to congratulate the Sacred Heart Elementary School Grade 5 girls' basketball team winners of the 2013 West Coast Provincial Grade 5 Girls' Basketball Tournament.

The Member for Cartwright – L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) made a Statement to recognize the Labrador Fishermen's Union Shrimp Company on thirty years of success in the fishing industry.

The Member for St. John's North (Mr. Kirby) made a Statement to congratulate Brenda Beresford for receiving the Newfoundland and Labrador Teachers' Association Bancroft Award for outstanding service.

The Member for Humber West (Mr. Granter) made a Statement to congratulate the Duke of Edinburgh's Award participants who received awards at a presentation in Stephenville on February 23rd.

The Member for Bonavista South (Mr. Little) made a Statement to congratulate the Heritage Huskies female volleyball team, winner of the 18-and-Under Provincial Female C-Tier Championship.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Conservation (Mr. Hedderson) made a Statement to inform the House about Earth Hour.

The Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Ms. Sullivan) made a Statement to inform the House about Purple Day for Epilepsy.

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 work with the Newfoundland Federation of Indians and the Government of Canada to provide a fair and equal review of all applications for registration as members of the Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation Band.

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 impose a moratorium on slickwater fracking until they develop regulations and ensure each project undergoes a conclusive environmental assessment.

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The Member for St. John's Centre (Ms. Rogers) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to amend the *Human Rights Act* to include gender identity and gender expression in the list of prohibited grounds of discrimination.

The Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reverse the decision to cut funding to EAS agencies 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 ensure that the Western School District is provided with sufficient funding to keep Bayview Regional Collegiate at St. Lunaire-Griquet open.

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King), the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply to consider a certain Resolution and Bill No. 62 for the Granting of Interim Supply to Her Majesty.

The Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Verge took the Chair of Committee of the Whole House.

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee (Mr. Verge) reported that the Committee of Supply had considered the matters to them referred and had directed him to report that they had adopted a certain Resolution and the Bill consequent thereto and recommend that Bill No. 62 be introduced to give effect to the Resolution and ask leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee of the Whole was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion the following Resolution was read the first and second time:

“That it is expedient to introduce a measure to provide for the granting to Her Majesty for defraying certain expenses of the public service for the financial year ending March 31, 2014 the sum of \$2,892,602,800.”

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses Of The Public Service

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For The Financial Year Ending March 31, 2014 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service” (Bill No. 62) was read the first and second time.

It was moved and seconded that Bill No. 62 be now read the third time.

The Speaker put the question.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: Mr. King, Mr. Hutchings, Ms. Shea, Mr. Davis, Ms. Sullivan, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Jackman, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Hedderson, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Verge, Mr. Littlejohn, Mr. Granter, Mr. Cornect, Mr. McGrath, Mr. French, Mr. Dalley, Mr. Felix Collins, Mr. Sandy Collins, Mr. Kent, Mr. Lane, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Dinn, Mr. Brazil, Ms. Perry, Mr. Kevin Parsons, Mr. Little, Mr. Cross, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Peach, Mr. Crummell, Mr. Russell, Mr. Ball, Mr. Andrew Parsons, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Joyce.

Against: Ms. Michael, Mr. Kirby, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Mitchelmore, Ms. Rogers.

The Speaker declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending March 31, 2014 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service” (Bill No. 62) was read the third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 62 be printed being entitled as above and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor for his Assent.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Monday, March 25th at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.