

Tuesday, December 3rd, 2013

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

The Member for St. John's South (Mr. Osborne) made a Statement to inform the House about the "Making Room in the Boom" housing affordability forum held on November 28th in St. John's.

The Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) made a Statement to recognize Horace Crocker and Neville Gosse who received Occupational Health and Safety Awards in Ottawa.

The Member for Cape St. Francis (Mr. Parsons) made a Statement to congratulate Jean Hudson who is a recipient of the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award.

The Member for Bellevue (Mr. Peach) made a Statement to commend the Arnold's Cove Firefighters for forty years of service to the community.

The Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune (Ms. Perry) made a Statement to recognize Juanita Organ who has received a service award from the Atlantic Association of Community Business Development Corporation.

The Member for Baie Verte – Springdale (Mr. Pollard) made a Statement to congratulate the Springdale Volunteer Fire Department upon the celebration of their 50th anniversary.

The Honourable the Minister of Advanced Education and Skills (Mr. O'Brien) made a Statement to recognize the United Nations International Day of Persons with Disabilities.

The Honourable the Minister Responsible for the Office of Public Engagement (Acting) (Mr. Kent) made a Statement to recognize the Getting the Message Out programme.

The Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Wiseman) tabled the Report of the Chief Electoral Officer on the By-Election in the District of Cartwright – L'Anse au Clair which took place on June 25th, 2013.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) 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 Thursday, December 5th, 2013.

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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 and regulations immediately to protect workers in hazardous workplaces including late night shifts in convenience stores and gas stations.

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 assist providers to ensure St. Carol's is in receipt of broadband internet coverage in the Province.

The Member for Signal Hill – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) 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 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 reinstate the Family Violence Intervention Court.

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 partner with the private sector to extend cell phone coverage throughout Gros Morne National Park and the enclave communities within the Park.

The Member for Cartwright – L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Dempster) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reinstate the calcium chloride application programme.

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 allocate funds under the provincial roads programme to pave certain sections of Route 432/433.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) 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 and declared the motions carried.

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Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Labour Standards Act” (Bill No. 17) was read the third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that the said Bill be printed 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 commenced and concluded on Second Reading of a Bill entitled “An Act Respecting Adoptions” (Bill No. 27) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 27 be now read the second time.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act Respecting Adoptions” (Bill No. 27) was read the second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 27 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House now.

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House.

The Speaker left the Chair.

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

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole (Mr. Littlejohn) reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the matters to them referred and had directed him to report that they had passed the Bill entitled “An Act Respecting Adoptions” (Bill No. 27) without amendment.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be read the third time on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, December 4th at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.