

Tuesday, December 10th, 2013

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

By leave the Member for Topsail (Mr. Davis) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late Riley Mercer and extend condolences to the Mercer family.

The Member for St. John's North (Mr. Kirby) made a Statement to congratulate the O'Brien Farm Foundation on their work.

The Member for Bonavista South (Mr. Little) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late Gerald Strickland who was awarded the Province's medal of Bravery Award posthumously.

The Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Littlejohn) made a Statement to congratulate Julia Clarke who has been accepted to attend the National Ballet School summer school programme and Brittany Vaters who has been accepted at the Quinte Ballet School.

The Member for Signal Hill – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) made a Statement to congratulate Tyler Angel, Daniel Escott and Abby McCarthy, recipients of the Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award.

The Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Mitchelmore) made a Statement to commend Habitat for Humanity for the good work it does in Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Ms. Sullivan) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late Janet Story.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice (Mr. King) made a Statement to recognize December 10th as International Human Rights Day.

The Honourable the Minister of Service NL (Mr. Crummell) tabled a document from which he had read during Oral Questions.

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 extend eligibility for the Intensive Applied Behavioural Analysis Program beyond Grade 3 in consultation with parents, advocates, educators, health care providers and experts in the autism community.

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

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Government to include the section of road between Channel-Port aux Basques and Stephenville in the 24-hour snow clearing project.

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 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. Anthony Bight is in receipt of broadband internet coverage in the Province.

The Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to give serious consideration to making repairs to Route 440.

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 improve the Medical Transportation Program so that all expenses are covered and reimbursed in a more timely manner.

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 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.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Schools Act, 1997" (Bill No. 28) 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.

The House recessed for a few minutes to await the arrival of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

At 2:53 o'clock in the afternoon, the Sergeant-at-Arms announced the arrival of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor.

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The Speaker left the Chair.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor took the Chair.

The Speaker addressed His Honour as follows:

"It is my agreeable duty on behalf of Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, Her Faithful Commons in Newfoundland and Labrador, to present to your Honour a Bill for the Appropriation of Supply granted in the present Session."

Whereupon the Clerk read the following Bill:

A Bill, "An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Additional Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending March 31, 2014 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service No. 2" (Bill No. 9).

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor then said, "In Her Majesty's Name, I thank Her Loyal Subjects, I accept their benevolence and I Assent to this Bill".

The Speaker further addressed His Honour as follows:

"May it please Your Honour, the General Assembly of the Province has at its present Session passed certain Bills, to which, in the name and on behalf of the General Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent."

Whereupon the Clerk read the following Bills:

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Services Charges Act" (Bill No. 5);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Highway Traffic Act" (Bill No. 6);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Pharmaceutical Services Act" (Bill No. 10);

A Bill, "An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law" (Bill No. 11);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Revenue Administration Act No. 4" (Bill No. 12);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Highway Traffic Act No. 2" (Bill No. 13);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Judicature Act" (Bill No. 14);

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- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Commissioners For Oaths Act” (Bill No. 15);
- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Labour Standards Act” (Bill No. 17);
- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Proceedings Against The Crown Act” (Bill No. 19);
- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Insurance Adjusters, Agents And Brokers Act” (Bill No. 21);
- A Bill, “An Act Respecting Food Safety In Food Premises” (Bill No. 22);
- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Law Society Act, 1999” (Bill No. 23);
- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Loan And Guarantee Act, 1957” (Bill No. 24);
- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Human Rights Act, 2010” (Bill No. 25);
- A Bill, “An Act To Repeal The Health Care Association Act” (Bill No. 26);
- A Bill, “An Act Respecting Adoptions” (Bill No. 27);
- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Schools Act, 1997” (Bill No. 28).

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor then said, “In Her Majesty’s Name, I Assent to these Bills”.

His Honour then left the Chamber.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Member for Signal Hill – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael), the Leader of the Official Opposition Office (Mr. Ball), the Honourable the Premier (Ms. Dunderdale) and the Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Wiseman) extended Christmas wishes to the Members and staff of the House of Assembly.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) moved, “That when this House adjourns today, it stands adjourned to the call of the Chair.”

The Speaker put the question on the motion and declared the motion carried.

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The House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.