

JOURNALS AND PROCEEDINGS
of the
FOURTH SESSION
of the
FORTY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
of
NEWFOUNDLAND and LABRADOR
2015

Begun and holden at St. John's in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador on Tuesday, the Twenty First Day of April, Two Thousand and Fifteen, being the Sixty-Fourth year of the Reign of Her Majesty Our Sovereign Lady Elizabeth the Second by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom, Canada, and Her Other Realms and Territories, QUEEN, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, the Honourable Frank F. Fagan, CM, ONL, MBA, having fixed the hour at which he proposed to open the present Session of the Legislature at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of the 21st day of April, 2015, the Members of the House of Assembly met in the Assembly Chamber at 2 o'clock in the afternoon when Mr. Speaker Verge took the Chair.

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At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the Sergeant-at-Arms notified the Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Verge) that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, the Honourable Frank F. Fagan, CM, ONL, MBA, had arrived.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor entered the Assembly Chamber preceded by the Sergeant-at-Arms.

The Speaker left the Chair.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor took the Chair.

His Honour was then pleased to open the Session with a Speech From the Throne.

His Honour then left the Assembly Chamber.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) and by leave of the House, a Bill entitled, "An Act To Provide The Public With Access To Information And Protection Of Privacy" (Bill No. 1) was introduced and read the first time.

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 1 be read the second time on tomorrow.

The Speaker announced that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor had been pleased to make a Speech to the Members of the House of Assembly and directed the pages to distribute copies to all Members.

It was moved by the Member for Baie Verte – Springdale (Mr. Pollard), seconded by the Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune (Ms. Perry), that an Address of Thanks be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor in reply to the Gracious Speech with which he had been pleased to open the present Session of the Legislature, and that a Select Committee be appointed to draft the Address In Reply.

The Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Ball), the Member for Signal Hill - Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) and the Honourable the Premier (Mr. Davis) also spoke to the motion.

The motion was adopted by the House and it was ordered accordingly that the following Members be appointed to the Select Committee to draft the Address in Reply:

Mr. Kevin Pollard, Member for Baie Verte – Springdale,

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Ms. Tracey Perry, Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune,
Mr. Tom Osborne, Member for St. John's South.

The Member for Conception Bay South (Mr. Hillier) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

“BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Assembly urge Government to establish a Seniors' Advocate Office.”

The Opposition House Leader (Mr. Parsons) announced, pursuant to Standing Order 63(3), that the Resolution of which the Member for Conception Bay South (Mr. Hillier) had given notice would be debated on Private Members' Day, Wednesday, April 22nd.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, April 22nd at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.