

Monday, June 8th, 2015

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

The Member for Conception Bay South (Mr. Hillier) made a Statement to congratulate the Occupational Health and Safety team from Holy Spirit High School which won the 7th season of "Who Wants to Save a Life" sponsored by the Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Commission.

The Member for Port au Port (Mr. Cornect) made a Statement to congratulate the Level III students of Port au Port on their graduation.

The Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) made a Statement to congratulate the 2015 graduating class of St. James's All-Grade School in Lark Harbour.

The Member for Carbonear – Harbour Grace (Mr. Slade) made a Statement to congratulate Alice Blundon for her outstanding contribution to her community as the founder and volunteer leader of the St. Paul's Fun and Fitness Programme in Harbour Grace.

The Member for Mount Pearl South (Mr. Lane) made a Statement to inform the House about the Celebrity Karaoke fundraiser which will be hosted by the Kinsmen Club of Mount Pearl.

The Member for Bonavista South (Mr. Little) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late Captain Morrissey Johnson.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Conservation (Mr. Crummell) made a Statement to recognize the recipients of the 2015 Newfoundland and Labrador Environmental Awards.

The Honourable the Minister of Child, Youth and Family Services (Mr. Collins) made a Statement to recognize the Annual Foster Families Association on the occasion of their annual symposium.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Legal Aid Act" (Bill No. 9);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The House of Assembly Act" (Bill No. 13).

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King), on behalf of the Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Mr. Kent), gave notice that

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he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Health and Community Services Act” (Bill No. 11).

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Wiseman) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a Resolution relating to the Raising of Loans by the Province” (Bill No. 10).

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Wiseman) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Income Tax Act No. 2” (Bill No. 12).

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal and Intergovernmental Affairs (Mr. Hutchings) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Regional Service Boards Act, 2012” (Bill No. 14).

The Member for Labrador West (Mr. McGrath) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Resolution:

“BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House supports the Government’s decision to invest in the Province’s thriving tourism industry through initiatives that include providing for a \$2 million increase in the tourism marketing budget, bringing the total budget for tourism marketing to \$13 million.”

By leave the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) tabled the Report of the Newfoundland and Labrador Electoral Districts Boundaries Commission.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) announced pursuant to Standing Order 63(3) that the Resolution of which the Member for Labrador West (Mr. McGrath) had given notice would be debated on Private Members’ Day, Wednesday, June 10th.

The Member for Trinity – Bay de Verde (Mr. Crocker) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to ensure line painting is carried out on Routes 70, 74 and 80 in the District of Trinity – Bay de Verde without delay.

The Member for St. George’s – Stephenville East (Mr. Reid) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to take action to attract a permanent doctor or make other arrangements to improve health care service in the Heatherton to Highlands area.

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Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued on the Budget motion.

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.

Debate continued on the Budget motion.

By agreement the proceedings were suspended at 4:40 o'clock in the afternoon for a House of Assembly Management Commission meeting, followed by the dinner break.

The Speaker (Mr. Cross) resumed the Chair at 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued and concluded on the motion "That This House Approves in General the Budgetary Policy of the Government" (the Budget Speech).

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

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Wiseman) informed the House that he had received a Message from His Honor the Lieutenant Governor.

The Message was read to the House by the Speaker as follows:

"8 June, 2015

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board

As Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, I transmit Estimates of sums required for the Public Service of the Province for the year ending March 31, 2016, by way of Further Supply, and in accordance with the provisions of sections 54 and 90 of the *Constitution Act, 1867*, I recommend these Estimates to the House of Assembly.

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Sgd. **Frank F. Fagan**
Lieutenant Governor.”

On motion of the Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Wiseman), the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply to consider the Message together with a Certain Resolution and Bill No. 5 for the Granting of Supply to Her Majesty.

The Speaker left the Chair.

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

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee (Mr. Littlejohn) reported that the Committee of the Whole on Supply had considered the matters to them referred and had directed him to report that they had passed a certain Resolution and a Bill consequent thereto and recommended that Bill No. 5 be introduced to give effect to the Resolution.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted.

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, 2016 the sum of \$4,757,760,300”.

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, 2016 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service” (Bill No. 5) was read the first, second and third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 5 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, Tuesday, June 9th at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

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On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.