

Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015

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

The Member for Trinity – Bay de Verde (Mr. Crocker) made a Statement to congratulate Ryan Barrett for winning the title of Top Student in the Military History Challenge sponsored by the Royal Canadian Legion, Carbonear.

The Member for Bonavista North (Mr. Cross) made a Statement to compliment the Lumsden residents who donated their labour to construct, assemble and repair equipment at the Seaside Playground.

The Member for Port au Port (Mr. Cornect) made a Statement to congratulate Randy Alexander, Ian MacDonald and Kara Alexander on their recognition by School Sports Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Member for St. George's – Stephenville East (Mr. Reid) made a Statement to wish the cast and crew of the Stephenville Theatre Festival well as their 2015 season begins.

The Member for Signal Hill – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) made a Statement to recognize Marilyn Wall, Manager of the Employment Division of the Vera Perlin Society and wish her well as she begins her retirement.

The Member for Bellevue (Mr. Peach) made a Statement to pay tribute to fishermen Captain Kenneth Hickey, David Wareham and Larry Loveman who lost their lives tragically on June 16<sup>th</sup>.

The Honourable the Minister of Business, Tourism, Culture and Rural Development (Mr. King) made a Statement to congratulate Jeremy Charles and Jeremy Bonia, owners of Raymond's and Todd Perrin, owner of Mallard Cottage on the selection of Raymond's and Mallard Cottage as the number 1 and number 7 restaurants respectively by Vacay.ca

The Honourable the Minister Responsible for the Forestry and Agrifoods Agency (Mr. Granter) made a Statement to inform the House about the work of the Aquaculture in the Classroom and Little Green Thumbs Programmes which provide hands on learning experience to pupils in Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Wiseman) tabled pursuant to paragraph 26(5)(a) of the **Financial Administration Act**, Order in Council 2015-118 which authorized the Human Resource Secretariat to pre-commit funding up to a maximum of \$75,000 against its budgetary appropriations in

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2016-17, for costs associated with hosting the 2016 Ministerial Conference on the Canadian Francophonie in St. John's.

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 Auditor General Act" (Bill No. 17).

The Honourable the Minister of Child, Youth and Family Services (Mr. Collins) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Child And Youth Advocate Act" (Bill No. 16).

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 provide adequate cell phone coverage throughout the District of Trinity – Bay de Verde.

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 allocate resources to allow for permanent resurfacing of Route 510 from L'Anse au Clair to Red Bay.

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 stop taxing home energy and reverse its decision to abolish the Residential Energy Rebate.

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 repair roads in the Bay St. George South area and the bridge at Crabbes River.

The Member for Conception Bay South (Mr. Hillier) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to allocate funding for brush clearing for the Manuels Access Road.

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 implement a review of the ABA programme giving consideration to alternate programming options, and to extend Autism programming beyond Grade 3.

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

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Government to implement the recommendations of the 2012 Minimum Wage Review Committee and legislate an immediate increase in the minimum wage to reflect the loss of purchasing power since 2010, and an annual adjustment beginning in 2015 to reflect the Consumer Price Index.

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.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Teachers' Pensions Act" (Bill No. 15) 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.

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House by leave to consider a certain resolution respecting the imposition of taxes on income and "An Act To Amend The Income Tax Act, 2000" (Bill No. 6).

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 of the Whole House (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 To Amend The Income Tax Act, 2000" (Bill No. 6) without amendment.

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:

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“That it is expedient to bring in a measure respecting the imposition of taxes on income.”

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Income Tax Act, 2000” (Bill No. 6) was read the first, second and third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 6 be printed being entitled as above and that it be submitted to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor for his Assent.

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House to consider a resolution relating to the raising of loans by the Province and “An Act To Authorize The Raising Of Money By Way Of Loan By The Province” (Bill No. 10).

The Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Cross 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 of the Whole House (Mr. Cross) 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 To Authorize The Raising Of Money By Way Of Loan By The Province” (Bill No. 10) without amendment.

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

“That it is expedient to bring in a measure to authorize the raising from time to time by way of loan on the credit of the province a sum of money not exceeding \$2,000,000,000.”

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act To Authorize The Raising Of Money By Way Of Loan By The Province” (Bill No. 10) was read the first, and second time.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) moved, seconded by the Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Wiseman) that the Bill be read the third time.

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The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: Mr. Davis, Mr. King, Mr. Hutchings, Mr. Kent, Mr. Dalley, Mr. Sandy Collins, Mr. Felix Collins, Mr. Wiseman, Mr. Jackman, Mr. Granter, Mr. Littlejohn, Mr. Cross, Mr. Brazil, Mr. Forsey, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Dinn, Mr. Cornect, Mr. Kevin Parsons, Mr. Little, Mr. Peach, Mr. McGrath.

Against: Mr. Ball, Mr. Andrew Parsons, Ms. Cathy Bennett, Mr. Jim Bennett, Mr. Slade, Ms. Dempster, Mr. Edmunds, Mr. Kirby, Mr. Lane, Mr. Reid, Mr. Hillier, Mr. Flynn, Mr. Crocker, Ms. Michael, Mr. Murphy.

The Speaker declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act To Authorize The Raising Of Money By Way Of Loan By The Province" (Bill No. 10) was read the third time and passed.

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 10 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 Administrator.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the arrival of His Honour, Chief Justice J. Derek Green, Administrator of Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Speaker left the Chair.

His Honour the Administrator took the Chair.

The Speaker 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 Canada-Newfoundland And Labrador Atlantic Accord Implementation Newfoundland And Labrador Act" (Bill No. 2);

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- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Works, Services And Transportation Act” (Bill No. 4);
- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Income Tax Act, 2000” (Bill No. 6);
- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Revenue Administration Act” (Bill No. 7);
- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Services Charges Act” (Bill No. 8);
- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Legal Aid Act” (Bill No. 9);
- A Bill, “An Act To Authorize The Raising Of Money By Way Of Loan By The Province” (Bill No. 10);
- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Health And Community Services Act” (Bill No. 11);
- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Income Tax Act No. 2” (Bill No. 12);
- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Regional Service Boards Act, 2012” (Bill No. 14);
- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Teachers’ Pensions Act” (Bill No. 15).

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

His Honour the Administrator 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) and the Honourable the Premier (Mr. Davis) addressed the House wishing the Members well during the summer break.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) moved, seconded by the Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Littlejohn) that the House adjourn *sine die*.

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.