

Tuesday, May 3rd, 2016

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

The Member for St. John's Centre (Ms. Rogers) made a Statement to congratulate those in our communities who are working to improve mental health supports in the Province.

The Member for Baie Verte – Green Bay (Mr. Warr) made a Statement to congratulate the Northeast Sabres, winners of the Central Newfoundland Hockey League championship.

The Member for Torngat Mountains (Mr. Edmunds) made a Statement to wish Susie Merkuratsuk well as she continues her recovery from TB-induced meningitis.

The Member for Conception Bay East – Bell Island (Mr. Brazil) made a Statement to congratulate Radio Bell Island for the success of their endeavours.

The Member for Placentia West – Bellevue (Mr. Browne) made a Statement to salute five pupils and two teachers from Pearce Junior High School who raised \$10,284 during their Shave for the Brave charity fundraiser.

The Member for Harbour Grace – Port de Grave (Ms. Parsons) made a Statement to pay tribute to 5-year old Quinn Butt who died tragically on April 24th.

*The Commemoration of the First World War and the Battle of Beaumont Hamel
Honor 100*

The Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune (Ms. Perry) read the following names:

Kearsey, Francis	Kelly, Michael Francis	King, Jabez William
Keating, Patrick	Kelly, Thomas Joseph	King, John F.
Keats, William	Kendall, Edward William	King, Joseph Andrew
Keefe, Aloysius	Kennedy, Michael Francis	King, William
Keefe, Saul	Kenney, William	King, William
Keepin, Mack	Kent, Martin Patrick	King, William John
Keeping, James G.	Keough, Martin	King, William P.
Keeping, Solomon	Kershaw, Robert	Kirby, Patrick
Keeping, Stanley	King, Aaron	Kirby, William
Kehoe, William	King, Alexander	Knight, George Samuel
Kelly, Albert	King, Arthur	Knight, Thomas
Kelly, Daniel	King, Ephraim	Knight, William
Kelly, Francis	King, George Joseph	
Kelly, James Joseph	King, Henry A.	

The Members observed a minute of silence.

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The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Ms. Bennett) made a Statement to inform the House that Government has released the transitional rules for the HST rate increase in the Province.

The Honourable the Minister Responsible for Fire and Emergency Services (Mr. Joyce) made a Statement to recognize May 1-7 as Emergency Preparedness Week.

The Honourable the Minister Responsible for the Forestry and Agrifoods Agency (Mr. Mitchelmore) made a Statement to advise the public about forest fire season.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Ms. Bennett) tabled information on an amount in the estimates of the Department of Finance for Grants and Subsidies under sub-head 2.1.05.

The Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Osborne), in compliance with Sections 8 and 10 of the *Public Tender Act*, tabled the Report of *Public Tender Act* Exceptions for March, 2016.

The Member for St. John's East – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to ensure that the Deficit Reduction Levy is eliminated and any replacement measure is based on progressive taxation principles and that an independent review of the provincial tax system begins immediately.

The Member for Mount Pearl North (Mr. Kent) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to clarify its position and plan so that St. Peter's Primary and other schools in Newfoundland and Labrador can properly accommodate students when full day Kindergarten commences in September 2016.

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 ensure that the Deficit Reduction Levy is eliminated and any replacement measure is based on progressive taxation principles and that an independent review of the provincial tax system begins immediately.

The Member for Conception Bay East – Bell Island (Mr. Brazil) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reconsider its decision to close the Bonavista Advanced Education and Skills Office.

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Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced and concluded on Second Reading of a Bill entitled "An Act Respecting Insured Medical And Hospital Services In The Province" (Bill No. 24) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 24 be now read the second time.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act Respecting Insured Medical And Hospital Services In The Province" (Bill No. 24) was read the second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 24 be referred to a Committee of the Whole now.

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House to consider a Bill entitled "An Act Respecting Insured Medical And Hospital Services In The Province" (Bill No. 24).

The Speaker left the Chair.

Ms. Dempster 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 (Ms. Dempster) reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the matters to them referred and had directed her to report that they had passed a Bill entitled "An Act Respecting Insured Medical And Hospital Services In The Province" (Bill No. 24) without amendment.

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

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 24 be read the third time on tomorrow.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) 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 debate continued on the motion "That This House Approves in General the Budgetary Policy of the Government" (the Budget Speech).

By leave the proceedings were suspended at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon for the dinner break.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced and concluded on Second Reading of a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Professional Fish Harvesters Act" (Bill No. 6) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 6 be now read the second time.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Professional Fish Harvesters Act" (Bill No. 6) was read the second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 6 be referred to a Committee of the Whole now.

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House to consider a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Professional Fish Harvesters Act" (Bill No. 6).

The Speaker left the Chair.

Ms. Dempster 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 (Ms. Dempster) reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the matters to them referred and had directed her to report that they had passed a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Professional Fish Harvesters Act" (Bill No. 6) without amendment.

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

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 6 be read the third time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued on the Budget motion and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

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

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.