

Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017

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

The Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune (Ms. Perry) made a Statement to pay tribute to the Hermitage-Sandyville Volunteer Fire Department for 40 years of service to their communities.

The Member for Mount Pearl North (Mr. Kent) made a Statement to congratulate Gemma Hickey who was named a Human Rights Champion.

The Member for Bonavista (Mr. King) made a Statement to recognize Treshana Gosse for her work with the Autism Society.

The Member for Placentia West – Bellevue (Mr. Browne) made a Statement to congratulate Kaetyln Osmond who has won the silver medal at the World Figure Skating Championship in Helsinki.

The Member for St. John's East – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) made a Statement to thank Dr. Douglas Dunsmore for his contribution as director of the NL Philharmonic Choir.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment (Mr. Joyce) made a Statement to recognize drinking water system operators in the Province.

The Honourable the Minister of Advanced Education, Skills and Labour (Mr. Byrne) made a Statement to recognize the first meeting of the Council on Higher Education.

The Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Ms. Coady) tabled the following:

- (a) the 2017-2019 Strategic Plan for Nalcor Energy;
- (b) the 2017-2019 Strategic Plan for Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice and Public Safety (Mr. Parsons) tabled pursuant to subsection 4(5) of the **Supply Act, 2016**, Order in Council 2017-124 which authorized the transfer of \$678,100 from the Contingency Reserve to the Department of Justice and Public Safety, Subdivision 2.3.02.02, Commissions of Inquiry-Operating Accounts (Professional Services), for the purpose of funding the Commission on Inquiry into the Death of Donald Dunphy.

The Member for Stephenville – Port au Port (Mr. Finn) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Resolution:

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**“WHEREAS** most gas stations and fast food restaurants/drive-throughs across the Province have no recycling bins available for travelling motorists;

**AND WHEREAS** Newfoundland and Labrador has the lowest recycling rate in Canada;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that this Honourable House recognizes the importance of increasing recycling in the Province, and urges the Government to consider legislation requiring recycling containers be present at fast food restaurants/drive throughs and gas stations”.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) announced, pursuant to Standing Order 63(3), that the Resolution of which the Member for Stephenville – Port au Port (Mr. Finn) had given notice would be debated on Private Members’ Day, Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>.

The Member for Topsail – Paradise (Mr. Davis) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to introduce legislation which will include a presumptive clause with respect to PTSD for people employed in certain frontline emergency response professions including firefighters and police officers not already covered under federal legislation.

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 not to impose a provincial sales tax on books.

The Member for Conception Bay South (Mr. Petten) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to open a line of communication with the Federal Government to advocate for a reduction in Marine Atlantic ferry rates.

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 introduce financial education into the provincial curriculum.

Pursuant to notice and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The House Of Assembly Accountability, Integrity And Administration Act” (Bill No. 2) 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.

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Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced and concluded on Second Reading of a Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Intergovernmental Affairs Act” (Bill No. 4) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 4 be now read the second time.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Intergovernmental Affairs Act” (Bill No. 4) was read the second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 4 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 Intergovernmental Affairs Act” (Bill No. 4).

The Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Warr 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 (Mr. Warr) 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 a Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Intergovernmental Affairs Act” (Bill No. 4) without amendment.

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

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 4 be read the third time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to notice and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act To Remove Anomalies And Errors In The Statute Law” (Bill No. 5) was introduced and read the first time and on motion it was ordered the said Bill be read the second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued on the Address in Reply and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> 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.