

Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017

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

The Member for Lewisporte – Twillingate (Mr. Bennett) made a Statement to congratulate Chloe Gale on her accomplishments as a pianist and singer.

The Member for Topsail – Paradise (Mr. Davis) made a Statement to congratulate the Town of Paradise on a successful winter carnival.

The Member for Exploits (Mr. Dean) made a Statement to congratulate the Central Kiwanis Club on 50 years of community service.

The Member for Cartwright – L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Dempster) made a Statement to recognize Andy Turnbull for his accomplishments as a businessman.

The Member for Torngat Mountains (Mr. Edmunds) made a Statement to congratulate the organizing event's committee and volunteers on the success of the Ethel Pijogge Memorial Spring Festival.

The Member for Stephenville – Port au Port (Mr. Finn) made a Statement to recognize the contribution Abbott & Haliburton has made to the economy of Port au Port and wish the Abbott family well in their rebuilding efforts.

The Honourable the Premier (Mr. Ball) made a Statement to mark the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Vimy Ridge.

The Honourable the Minister of Children, Seniors and Social Development (Ms. Gambin-Walsh) made a Statement to recognize Sports NL 2017 award winners and Hall of Fame inductees.

The Member for Topsail – Paradise (Mr. Davis) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Resolution:

**“BE IT RESOLVED** that this House condemns the Government for maintaining all but one of the 300 tax and fee increases they imposed on people in last year's budget while failing to be forthright and accountable in disclosing information, and while failing to nurture the conditions for economic growth across Newfoundland and Labrador”.

The Opposition House Leader (Mr. Hutchings) announced, pursuant to Standing Order 63(3), that the Resolution of which the Member for Topsail – Paradise (Mr. Davis) had given notice would be debated on Private Members' Day, Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>.

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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 Mount Pearl North (Mr. Kent) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reinstate the adult dental programme.

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 allow additional specialists trained and certified with ADOS to make the Autism Spectrum Disorder diagnosis.

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 a suite of initiatives to enhance inclusion in the education system.

Pursuant to notice and on motion the following Bills were introduced and read the first time:

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Public Service Pensions Act, 1991" (Bill No. 7);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The House Of Assembly Accountability, Integrity And Administration Act No. 2" (Bill No. 8);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Revenue Administration Act" (Bill No. 9).

On motion it was ordered that the above-noted Bills be read the second time on tomorrow.

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) 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 11<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.