

Tuesday, May 2nd, 2017

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

The Member for Conception Bay South (Mr. Petten) made a Statement to congratulate the CBS Lions Club on their 46th Anniversary Charter Night and commend them for their contribution to their community.

The Member for St. George's – Humber (Mr. Reid) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late Private George Edward Brake of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment who died as a result of injuries sustained during the First World War in the Battle of Arras.

The Member for St. John's Centre (Ms. Rogers) made a Statement to inform the House that the Community Coalition 4 Mental Health had held a successful Mayday Town Hall on Mental Health and Addictions on May 1st.

The Member for Baie Verte – Green Bay (Mr. Warr) made a Statement to commend Life Unlimited for Older Adults for their contribution to their community.

The Member for Lewisporte – Twillingate (Mr. Bennett) made a Statement to congratulate the Atom Combines for winning the Provincial Championship and to thank dedicated volunteers who organized the tournament.

The Member for Fogo Island – Cape Freels (Mr. Bragg) made a Statement to congratulate Adam Payne who has been presented with the Newfoundland and Labrador award for bravery for saving the life of 4 year-old Todd Freak in 1996 when he was 8 years old.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries and Land Resources (Mr. Crocker) made a Statement to inform the House that forest fire season had started on May 1st on the island and would start on May 15th in Labrador.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment (Mr. Joyce) made a Statement to inform the House about an amendment to the Schedule of the *Citizens' Representative Act* which will extend the Citizens' Representative jurisdiction to regional service boards.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Ms. Bennett) tabled pursuant to paragraph 26(5)(a) of the **Financial Administration Act**, Order in Council 2017-135 which authorized the Department of Service Newfoundland and Labrador to pre-commit funding against its budgetary appropriations as follows: \$645,300 in each of 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22; and \$268,900 in 2022-23

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to facilitate the award of a contract to Gemalto Inc. as the service provider for a new Driver Licence/Photo Identification central issuance model.

The Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Osborne) tabled the 2016 Annual Report of the Commissioner for Legislative Standards.

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 Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune (Ms. Perry) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to cancel the book tax immediately.

The Member for Cape St. Francis (Mr. Parsons) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to make representation to the Federal Government to encourage them to change policy regulations linking harvesting quotas to vessel length thus ensuring the safety of fish harvesters in this Province.

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 reinstate funding to the Province's youth organizations immediately.

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.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued on the sub-amendment to the Budget motion 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, Wednesday, May 3rd at 10:00 o'clock in the morning.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.