

Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018

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

The Member for Mount Pearl North (Mr. Lester) made a Statement to acknowledge and thank the Mount Pearl Seniors Independence Group for the valuable service they provide for the seniors in the community.

The Member for Lewisporte – Twillingate (Mr. Bennett) made a Statement to congratulate Mrs. Annie Peckford who recently celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

The Member for Stephenville – Port au Port (Mr. Finn) made a Statement to congratulate Lt.-Col Mark Felix upon his appointment as Commanding Officer of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

The Member for Topsail – Paradise (Mr. Davis) made a Statement to congratulate Swim for Hope on another successful year.

The Member for Exploits (Mr. Dean) made a Statement to congratulate the Calvary Pentecostal Tabernacle of Bishop Falls on their celebration in September 2016 of 90 years of good works in the community.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism, Culture, Industry and Innovation (Mr. Mitchelmore) made a Statement to congratulate nominees and winners honoured at the 33<sup>rd</sup> ArtsNL Awards Gala.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries and Land Resources (Mr. Byrne) made a Statement to inform the House that the 2018 forest fire season would be in effect from May 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup> on the island of Newfoundland, and from May 15<sup>th</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup> in Labrador.

The Member for Baie Verte – Green Bay (Mr. Warr) presented the Report of the Resource Committee.

The Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Trimper), pursuant to paragraph 19(5)(a) of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*, tabled the minutes of the meetings of the House of Assembly Management Commission held on February 13, 2018 and March 14, 2018.

The Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune (Ms. Perry) gave notice that she would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Resolution:

**“BE IT RESOLVED** that this Honourable House support the introduction of a legislature-specific harassment policy, similar in principle to the policy in effect in the

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Nova Scotia provincial legislature, where elected representatives and their staff are held responsible for inappropriate conduct;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Honourable House, through the introduction of a legislature-specific harassment policy, recognize all forms of harassment including bullying, cyber-bullying and intimidation of all forms;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Honourable House develop this legislature-specific harassment policy through the Privileges and Elections Committee of this House in consultation with all Members and employees of the House and with independent groups who have experience and expertise in handling harassment complaints”.

The Opposition House Leader (Mr. Hutchings) announced pursuant to Standing Order 63(3) that the Resolution of which the Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune (Ms. Perry) had given notice would be debated on Private Members’ Day, Wednesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Osborne) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Financial Administration Act” (Bill No. 11).

The Honourable the Minister of Justice and Public Safety (Mr. Parsons) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act Respecting The Protection Of Intimate Images” (Bill No. 12).

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 ensure the safety of all children by removing the 1.6 km busing policy where safety is an ongoing concern.

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 establish a suboxone – methadone treatment plan for Bell Island which would include a drug addictions counsellor at the hospital and a drug awareness programme in the local schools.

The Member for Ferryland (Mr. Hutchings) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to attend immediately to the repair recommendations and confirm the replacement date of the Mutton Bay Bridge in accordance with the 2015 inspection report.

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On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) the House resolved itself into a Committee of Ways and Means to consider a certain Resolution and Bill "Relating to the Advancing or Guaranteeing of Certain Loans made under the Loan and Guarantee Act, 1957" (Bill No. 6).

The Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Warr took the Chair of Committee of the Whole on Ways and Means.

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 on Ways and Means had considered the matters to them referred and had directed him to report that they had passed a certain Resolution and a Bill consequent thereto and recommended that Bill No. 6 be introduced to give effect to the Resolution.

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:

"That it is expedient to bring in a measure further to amend *The Loan and Guarantee Act, 1957*, to provide for the advance of loans to and the guarantee of the repayment of bonds or debentures issued by loans advanced to certain corporations."

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Loan And Guarantee Act, 1957" (Bill No. 6) was read the first, second and 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.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued on 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, Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</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.