

Tuesday, March 12th, 2019

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 Ms. Kim White who is the recipient of the 2018 Human Rights Award.

The Member for Fogo Island – Cape Freels (Mr. Bragg) made a Statement to congratulate Mrs. Neta Woodland who celebrated her 100th birthday on December 7th, 2018.

The Member for Conception Bay East – Bell Island (Mr. Brazil) made a Statement to congratulate Dr. Alexa Laurie on her retirement and thank her for her service to the people of Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Member for Placentia West – Bellevue (Mr. Browne) made a Statement to congratulate Ms. Lacey Simpson who has been awarded the Horatio Alger Scholarship and the Joyce Foundation Bursary.

The Member for Windsor Lake (Mr. Crosbie) made a Statement to recognize the outstanding work of the MacMorran Community Centre.

The Honourable the Premier (Mr. Ball) made a Statement to recognize the 10th anniversary of the crash of Cougar Flight 491. The House observed a moment of silence.

The Honourable the Minister of Service NL (Ms. Gambin-Walsh) made a Statement to recognize March as Fraud Prevention Month in Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Member for Humber – Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to encourage companies that are awarded the contracts for the new Corner Brook hospital to hire local tradespeople and labourers.

The Honourable the Minister of Transportation and Works (Mr. Crocker) replied to the Petition.

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 instate legislation which would include provisions to ensure the safety, hygiene and all other required care for patients with cognitive debilitating conditions in long-term care homes.

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The Member for Mount Pearl North (Mr. Lester) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to eliminate the 15% Retail Sales Tax on insurance premiums.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and Treasury Board (Mr. Osborne) replied to the Petition.

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 adopt a policy opposing the imposition of caps or thresholds on compensation in automobile insurance.

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 eliminate the 1.6 km policy for all Elementary Schools in the Province and in Junior and Senior High Schools where safety is a primary concern.

On motion of the Honourable Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply to consider a Certain Resolution and a Bill for the Granting of Interim Supply to Her Majesty (Bill No. 55).

The Speaker left the Chair.

Ms. Parsons took the Chair of Committee of the Whole on Supply.

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee (Ms. Parsons) reported that the Committee of Supply had considered the matters to them referred and had directed her to report that they had made some progress and ask leave to sit again.

Pursuant to notice and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act Respecting A Pension Plan For Employees Of The Government Of The Province And Others” (Bill No. 56) was introduced and read the first time and on motion it was ordered the said Bill be read the second time on tomorrow.

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 The Establishment Of The Oil And Gas Corporation Of Newfoundland And Labrador” (Bill No. 42).

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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 (Mr. Warr) reported that the Committee of Whole House had considered the matters to them referred and had directed him to report that they had passed a Bill entitled "An Act Respecting The Establishment Of The Oil And Gas Corporation Of Newfoundland And Labrador" (Bill No. 42) without amendment.

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

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 42 be now read the third time.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act Respecting The Establishment Of The Oil And Gas Corporation Of Newfoundland And Labrador" (Bill No. 42) 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 Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor for her assent.

On motion of the Honourable 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. 53).

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 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. 53 be introduced to give effect to the Resolution.

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

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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. 53) 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 Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor for her assent.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, March 13th at 10:00 o'clock in the morning.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.