

Thursday, March 14th, 2019

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

The Speaker ruled on the point of privilege raised by the Member for Humber – Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) on March 4th, 2019.

The Speaker ruled that there was no point of privilege.

The Member for Ferryland (Mr. Hutchings) made a Statement to recognize Joshua Power who was chosen as a Youth Service Leader by 4-H Canada.

The Member for Humber – Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) made a Statement to recognize Mr. Robert Barrett of Gillams who was recently named the new Illustrious Potentate of the Mazol Shriners of Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Member for Bonavista (Mr. King) made a Statement to recognize Mr. Ross Abbott for his commitment to his community and the preservation of its history.

The Member for Mount Pearl - Southlands (Mr. Lane) made a Statement to recognize the accomplishments of inductees into the Mount Pearl Hockey Hall of Fame in the Builder and Player category.

The Honourable the Minister of Service NL (Ms. Gambin-Walsh) made a Statement to inform the House about Government's commitment to working with stakeholders, including taxi operators, to bring about legislative changes that will benefit consumers of insurance in Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Honourable the Minister of Children, Senior and Social Development made a Statement to pay tribute to the Province's social workers during National Social Work Month.

The Honourable the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development (Mr. Hawkins) made a Statement to inform the House that the Newfoundland and Labrador Association for Community Living is inviting nominations for the 2019 Inclusive Education Award.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment (Mr. Letto) tabled a document entitled Terms of Reference – Review of Provincial Solid Waste Management Strategy.

The Honourable the Minister of Service NL (Ms. Gambin-Walsh) tabled the 9th Annual Report of the Architects Licensing Board of Newfoundland and Labrador.

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The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment (Mr. Letto) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Regional Service Boards Act, 2012” (Bill No. 58).

The Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Ms. Haggie) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act to Amend The Registered Nurses Act, 2008” (Bill No. 57).

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 to improve access to gender affirming surgery.

The Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Mr. Haggie) 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 carryout immediate repairs of the Foxtrap Access Road.

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

The Member for Mount Pearl – Southlands (Mr. Lane) 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.

The Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Mr. Haggie) replied to the Petition.

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 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 restrictive 1.6 kilometre busing policy where safety is a concern.

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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 Forestry Act” (Bill No. 51) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 51 be now read the second time.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Forestry Act” (Bill No. 51) was read the second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 51 be referred to a Committee of the Whole presently.

Pursuant to notice and on motion debate commenced and concluded on the following Resolution standing in the name of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons):

“WHEREAS subsection 6(3) of the *Independent Appointments Commission Act* provides that the Independent Appointments Commission shall consist of a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 7 members appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council on a resolution of the House of Assembly;

AND WHEREAS there are currently 5 members of the Independent Appointments Commission;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following persons be appointed members of the Independent Appointments Commission:

Earl Ludlow
Cathy Duke”

The Speaker put the question and declared the Resolution carried.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, March 19th at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.