

Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The House met at 10:00 o'clock in the morning pursuant to adjournment.

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** the following 3 members have submitted their resignation as members of the Independent Appointments Commission:

Clyde K. Wells  
Zita Cobb  
Shannie Duff

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the following persons be appointed members of the Independent Appointments Commission for a term of 3 years:

Edward Roberts  
Gerald Lloyd Anderson  
Peggy Bartlett."

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued and concluded on the following motion "That this House Approves in General the Budgetary Policy of the Government" (the Budget Speech).

The Speaker put the question on the motion.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: Mr. Ball, Mr. Andrew Parsons, Ms. Coady, Mr. Haggie, Mr. Byrne, Mr. Crocker, Mr. Osborne, Ms. Dempster, Mr. Reid, Mr. Davis, Ms. Haley, Ms. Gambin-Walsh, Mr. Mitchelmore, Mr. Warr, Mr. Bennett, Ms. Pam Parsons, Ms. Stoodley, Mr. Bragg, Mr. Loveless, Ms. Coffin, Mr. James Dinn, Mr. Brown, Mr. Lane.

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Against: Mr. Crosbie, Mr. Brazil, Mr. Petten, Mr. Kevin Parsons, Mr. Lester, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. Evans, Ms. Conway Ottenheimer, Mr. Paul Dinn, Mr. Pardy, Mr. Parrott, Mr. O'Driscoll, Mr. Tibbs, Mr. Forsey.

The Speaker declared the motion carried.

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply to Consider the Estimates of the Legislature.

The Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Reid took the Chair of Committee of the Whole House.

On motion the Committee rose.

The Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole (Mr. Reid) reported that the Committee of the Whole on Supply had considered the matters to them referred and had directed him to report that they had passed without amendment the Estimates of the Legislature.

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

By leave, the Member for Harbour Grace - Port de Grave (Ms. Parsons) presented the Report of the Social Services Committee.

By leave, debate commenced on the motion "That the House concur in the Report of the Social Services Committee" and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate presently.

Pursuant to Standing Order 9(1)(b) the sitting was suspended at 12:05 p.m. The Speaker resumed the Chair at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Member for Ferryland (Mr. O'Driscoll) made a Statement to congratulate Tracy Aspell Coady who has received the Hockey NL Executive of the Year Award.

The Member for Mount Pearl – Southlands (Mr. Lane) made a Statement to congratulate the winners of the Mount Pearl Focus on Youth Awards.

The Member for Torngat Mountains (Ms. Evans) made a Statement to pay tribute to the Makkovik volunteer ground search and rescue team.

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The Member for Placentia West – Bellevue (Mr. Dwyer) made a Statement to congratulate Ms. Alden Spencer on her achievements and wish her much success in her future endeavours.

The Member for Harbour Grace – Port de Grave (Ms. Parsons) made a Statement to thank the Spaniard's Bay - Tilton Volunteer Firefighters and all first responders for their outstanding dedication and professional service.

By leave, the Member for Virginia Waters – Pleasantville (Mr. Davis) made a Statement to congratulate Mr. Alex Newhook who was selected in the first round of the 2019 NHL Entry Draft by the Colorado Avalanche.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries and Land Resources (Mr. Byrne) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late Gary Graham.

The Member also asked the House to join him in wishing Mr. Robert Grant a Happy 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

The Honourable the Minister of Advanced Education, Skills and Labour (Mr. Davis) made a Statement to congratulate the Paradigm Hyperloop Team which will soon compete in the SpaceX Hyperloop Competition in California.

The Honourable the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development (Mr. Warr) made a Statement to congratulate pupils in the Province's schools on a successful school year and thank teachers, administrators and staff for their hard work.

The Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Ms. Coady) tabled the following reports:

- (a) The 2018 Transparency and Accountability Annual Performance Report for Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro;
- (b) The 2018 Transparency and Accountability Performance Report for Nalcor.

The Honourable the Minister of Service NL (Ms. Gambin-Walsh) tabled the 2018 Annual Report of the Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Pursuant to Section 18(9) of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*, the Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Trimper) advised the House of the Members of the Management Commission are:

- The Government House Leader – Mr. Andrew Parsons
- The Opposition House Leader – Mr. David Brazil

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- The Leader of the Third Party – Ms. Alison Coffin
- The Minister of Natural Resources – Ms. Siobhan Coady
- The Member for Conception Bay South – Mr. Barry Petten
- The Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune – Mr. Elvis Loveless
- The Speaker – Mr. Perry Trimper
- The Clerk – Ms. Sandra Barnes

The Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Trimper) tabled The Parsons Report of the Commissioner for Legislative Standards, June 25, 2019.

By leave, the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) gave notice of the following motion:

**“THAT** Ms. Sarah Stoodley replace Mr. Elvis Loveless as a member of the Public Accounts Committee.”

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

The Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Mr. Haggie) answered a question asked by the Member for Conception Bay East – Bell Island (Mr. Brazil) about prostate – specific antigen testing.

The Member for Topsail – Paradise (Mr. Dinn) 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.

The Honourable the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development (Mr. Warr) 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 revise the policy on personal care home access.

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

The Member for Grand Falls – Windsor – Buchans (Mr. Tibbs) presented a Petition (not certified) from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to establish an MRI machine in Grand Falls – Windsor.

The Member for Humber – Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) presented a Petition (not certified) from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to

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urge Government to encourage companies that are awarded the contracts for the new Corner Brook hospital to hire local tradespeople and labourers.

Pursuant to notice and on motion debate commenced on the following Resolution standing in the name of the Member for Windsor Lake (Mr. Crosbie):

**“BE IT RESOLVED** that the House of Assembly urge the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador

- (1) to admonish the House of Commons and Senate of Canada for passing Bill C-69 with provisions that violate the principle of joint management contained in the 1985 Atlantic Accord and its implementation legislation;
- (2) to take all reasonable measures, including Court challenges where necessary, to safeguard against conflicting federal legislation, the hard-won joint management rights that Newfoundland and Labrador secured under the 1985 Atlantic Accord and its implementation legislation; and
- (3) to refuse to enact any provincial law that will erode those rights.”

By leave, on motion of the Member for Windsor Lake (Mr. Crosbie), seconded by the Member for the Conception Bay East – Bell Island (Mr. Brazil), the Resolution was amended as follows:

“By deleting the word “admonish” and by substituting instead the word “challenge”.

The Speaker ruled the amendment in order.

Debate concluded on the Resolution and amendment.

The Speaker put the question on the amendment and declared the motion carried.

The Speaker put the question on the Resolution as amended.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: Mr. Andrew Parsons, Ms. Coady, Mr. Haggie, Mr. Byrne, Mr. Crocker, Mr. Osborne, Ms. Dempster, Mr. Reid, Mr. Davis, Ms. Haley, Ms. Gambin-Walsh, Mr. Mitchelmore, Mr. Warr, Mr. Bennett, Ms. Pam Parsons, Ms. Stoodley, Mr. Bragg, Mr. Loveless, Mr. Crosbie, Mr. Brazil, Mr. Petten, Mr. Kevin Parsons, Mr. Lester, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. Evans, Ms. Conway Ottenheimer, Mr. Paul Dinn, Mr. Pardy, Mr. Parrott, Mr. Tibbs, Mr. Forsey, Mr. Lane.

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Against: Ms. Coffin, Mr. James Dinn, Mr. Brown.

The Speaker declared the Resolution as amended carried.

By leave, the House reverted to Government business.

Debate continued and concluded on the motion "That the House concur in the Report of the Social Services Committee".

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Osborne) informed the House that he had received a Message from Her Honor the Lieutenant Governor.

The Message was read to the House by the Speaker as follows:

"21 June, 2019

As Administrator of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, I transmit Estimates of sums required for the Public Service of the Province for the year ending March 31, 2020, by way of further Supply, and in accordance with the provisions of sections 54 and 90 of the *Constitution Act, 1867*, I recommend these Estimates to the House of Assembly.

Sgd. **Judy M. Foote**  
Lieutenant Governor."

On motion of the Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Osborne) the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply to consider the Message together with Certain Resolutions and Bill No. 4 for the Granting of Supply to Her Majesty.

The Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Reid took the Chair of Committee of the Whole House.

On motion the Committee rose.

The Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole (Mr. Reid) reported that the Committee of the Whole on Supply had considered the matters to them referred and had directed him to report that they had passed the amount of \$2,622,521,200 contained in the Estimates of Supply for the fiscal year 2019-2020 and had adopted a certain

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Resolution and a Bill consequent thereto and recommend that Bill No. 4 be introduced to give effect to the Resolution.

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

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) moved, seconded by the Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Osborne), that the following Resolution be read the first time:

“That it is expedient to introduce a measure to provide for the granting to Her Majesty for defraying certain expenses of the public service for the financial year ending March 31, 2020 the sum of \$2,622,521,200.”

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) moved, seconded by the Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Osborne), that the Resolution be read the second time.

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) moved, seconded by the Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Osborne), that the Bill entitled “An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending March 31, 2020 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service” (Bill No. 4) be now read the first time.

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) moved, seconded by the Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Osborne), that the Bill entitled “An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending March 31, 2020 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service” (Bill No. 4) be now read the second time.

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) moved, seconded by the Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Osborne), that the Bill entitled “An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year

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Ending March 31, 2020 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service” (Bill No. 4) be now read the third time.

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 4 be printed being entitled as above and that it be submitted to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor for her assent.

The Opposition House Leader (Mr. Brazil), the Leader of the Third Party (Ms. Coffin), the Honourable Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) and the Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Trimper) extended best wishes to Members and staff for the summer break.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until Tuesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

**Sandra Barnes,**  
Clerk of the House of Assembly.



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Be it known on this day at 6:15 o'clock in the evening the Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Trimper) and the Clerk of the House of Assembly, attended upon the Honourable Judy Foote, PC, ONL, Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador, at Government House.

The Speaker addressed Her Honour as follows:

“May it please Your Honour, the General Assembly of the Province has at its present Session passed certain Bills, to which, in the name and on behalf of the General Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour’s Assent.”

Whereupon the Clerk read the following Bills:

- A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Revenue Administration Act” (Bill No. 1);
- A Bill, “An Act To Authorize The Raising Of Money By Way Of Loan By The Province” (Bill No. 3);
- A Bill, “An Act For Granting To Her Majesty Certain Sums Of Money For Defraying Certain Expenses Of The Public Service For The Financial Year Ending March 31, 2020 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service” (Bill No. 4).

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor then said, “In Her Majesty’s Name, I Assent to these Bills”.

**Sandra Barnes,**  
Clerk of the House of Assembly.