

Thursday, June 17, 2021

The House met at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Members' Statements

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Labrador West (J. Brown) recognizing artist Reanne Brown of Postville and Labrador West.

The Member for Ferryland (L. O'Driscoll) congratulating Marie Sullivan of Calvert on her 100th birthday.

The Member for St. John's Centre (J. Dinn) recognizing BGC St. John's activities in Buckmaster's Circle and Mundy Pond.

The Member for Torngat Mountains (L. Evans) recognizing the passing of Bryan Rich of Natuashish.

The Member for Conception Bay South (B. Petten) recognizing the Centennial Project of the 51 Lions Clubs of District N4, Gander to Pouch Cove.

The Member for Windsor Lake (J. Hogan), with leave, recognizing the passing of Helen Lawlor.

Ministerial Statements

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Leader of the Government in the House (A. Furey) regarding renaming the June holiday.

The Members for Conception Bay East – Bell Island (D. Brazil) and Labrador West (J. Brown) responded to the statement.

The Minister Responsible for Indigenous Affairs and Reconciliation and Labrador Affairs (L. Dempster) regarding National Indigenous Peoples Day: Monday, June 21.

The Members for Torngat Mountains (L. Evans) and Labrador West (J. Brown) responded to the statement.

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The Minister of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture (D. Bragg) regarding caribou relocation efforts on Grey Islands.

The Members for Exploits (P. Forsey) and St. John's Centre (J. Dinn) responded to the statement.

Oral Questions

The House proceeded to Oral Questions.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Select Committees

There were no reports by Standing and Select Committees presented.

Tabling of Documents

There were no documents tabled.

Notices of Motion

The Government House Leader (S. Crocker), pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), gave notice that they would on tomorrow move that the House not adjourn at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 22, 2021.

The Government House Leader (S. Crocker) gave notice that they would on tomorrow move the following resolution:

THAT notwithstanding Standing Order 63, this House shall not proceed with Private Members' Day on Wednesday, June 23, 2021 but shall instead meet at 2:00pm on that day for routine proceedings and the conduct of Government business; and

THAT any Private Member's Motion by the Official Opposition scheduled for that day shall be deferred, and shall be debated on the next occurring Private Member's Day.

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Answers to questions for which notice has been given

There were no answers to questions for which notice was given.

Petitions

The following Members presented petitions:

The Member for Bonavista (C. Pardy) regarding measures to ensure animal welfare.

The Minister of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture (D. Bragg) replied to the petition.

The Member for Torngat Mountains (L. Evans) regarding a climate emergency declaration.

The Minister of Environment and Climate Change (B. Davis) replied to the petition.

The Member for Mount Pearl - Southlands (P. Lane) regarding a climate emergency declaration.

The Minister of Environment and Climate Change (B. Davis) replied to the petition.

The Member for Labrador West (J. Brown) regarding a climate emergency declaration.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Speaker called Orders of the Day.

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on Second Reading of Bill 19 entitled "An Act To Amend The Vital Statistics Act, 2009 No. 2".

Pursuant to order and on motion, Bill 19 entitled "An Act To Amend The Vital Statistics Act, 2009 No. 2" was read the second time and, on motion, it was ordered that Bill 19 be referred to a Committee of the Whole now.

Pursuant to order and on motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider Bill 19 entitled "An Act To Amend The Vital Statistics Act, 2009 No. 2".

The Speaker left the Chair.

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The Deputy Speaker (B. Warr) took the Chair of Committee of the Whole.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chair (B. Warr) reported that the Committee of the Whole had considered the matters to them referred and had passed Bill 19 entitled "An Act To Amend The Vital Statistics Act, 2009 No. 2" without amendment.

On motion it was ordered that the report of the Committee be received and adopted.

On motion, it was ordered that Bill 19 be read the third time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Ways and Means to consider a resolution and related Bill 21 respecting the imposition of taxes on carbon products.

The Speaker left the Chair.

The Deputy Speaker (B. Warr) took the Chair of Committee of the Whole on Ways and Means.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chair (B. Warr) reported that the Committee of the Whole on Ways and Means had considered the matters to them referred and had directed them to report that the Committee had adopted a resolution recommended that Bill 21 be introduced to give effect to the same.

On motion it was ordered that the report of the Committee be 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 respecting the imposition of taxes on carbon products.

The Speaker put the question and declared the resolution carried.

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Pursuant to order and on motion, Bill 21 entitled "An Act To Amend the Revenue Administration Act No. 2" was read the first, second and third time and passed.

On motion, it was ordered that Bill 21 entitled as above be submitted to the Lieutenant Governor for assent.

On motion the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, June 22 at 1:30 p.m.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.