

Wednesday, June 23, 2021

The House met at 10 a.m.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Pursuant to order and on motion, the following bills were read the third time and passed:

A bill, “An Act To Amend The Vital Statistics Act, 2009” (Bill 7); and

A bill, “An Act To Amend The Children, Youth And Families Act” (Bill 11).

On motion, it was ordered that Bill 7 and Bill 11 entitled as above be submitted to the Lieutenant Governor for assent.

It was moved and seconded that the House recess at 10:03 a.m.

The Speaker put the question and, on motion, the House recessed accordingly.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 2 p.m. in the afternoon.

The Speaker acknowledged the participation of Members in the Moose Hide Campaign today.

Point of Privilege – Ruling

The Speaker ruled there was no *prima facie* case of privilege regarding the point of privilege raised by the Member for Humber - Bay of Islands (E. Joyce) on June 22, 2021.

The Member for Humber - Bay of Islands (E. Joyce) responded to the ruling.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Members’ Statements

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Ferryland (L. O’Driscoll) recognizing volunteer fire departments in the district.

The Member for Cape St. Francis (J. Wall) respecting the Killick Coast Games in Torbay.

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The Member for Terra Nova (L. Parrott) recognizing the efforts of Glovertown and its Recreation Department.

The Member for Conception Bay South (B. Petten) recognizing the Conception Bay South fire department and its efforts in delivering the Resilient Minds program.

The Member for Burin - Grand Bank (P. Pike) recognizing the life and service of Mr. William Butt, resident of Fortune.

The Member for St. John's West (S. Coady) paying tribute to the life of Mr. Gerald Thompson, resident of Grand Falls-Windsor.

Ministerial Statements

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Minister of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture (D. Bragg) recognizing the Centre for Agriculture and Forestry Development and its advances in the agriculture sector.

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

The Minister Responsible for Indigenous Affairs and Reconciliation and Labrador Affairs (L. Dempster) to congratulate two women helicopter pilots from Labrador making aviation history: Captain Allison Rumbolt and Captain Zoe Webb.

The Members for Torngat Mountains (L. Evans) and Labrador West (J. Brown) 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.

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Tabling of Documents

There were no documents tabled.

Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

Answers to questions for which notice has been given

The Minister of Health and Community Services (J. Haggie) provided additional information in response to a question that had previously arisen in debate.

Petitions

The following Members presented petitions:

The Member for Torngat Mountains (L. Evans) regarding the return of affordable air travel to isolated communities in Northern Labrador.

The Member for St. John's Centre (J. Dinn) regarding the transition to land-based aquaculture.

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

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The House recessed to await the arrival of the Lieutenant Governor.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the arrival of the Lieutenant Governor.

The Lieutenant Governor took the Chair.

The Speaker addressed the Lieutenant Governor, as follows:

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"It is my agreeable duty on behalf of Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, Her Faithful Commons in Newfoundland and Labrador, to present to your Honour a bill for the Appropriation of Supply granted in the present Session."

The Clerk read the following Bill:

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, 2022 And For Other Purposes Relating To The Public Service." (Bill 8)

The Lieutenant-Governor then said, "In Her Majesty's Name, I thank Her Loyal Subjects, I accept their benevolence and I assent to this Bill."

The Speaker further addressed the Lieutenant Governor, 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."

The Clerk read the following Bills:

A bill, "An Act To Amend The Vital Statistics Act, 2009" (Bill 7);

A bill, "An Act To Amend The Children, Youth and Families Act" (Bill 11);

A bill, "An Act To Amend The Revenue Administration Act" (Bill 13);

A bill, "An Act To Amend The Income Tax Act, 2000" (Bill 14);

A bill, "An Act To Amend The Income Tax Act, 2000 No. 2" (Bill 15);

A bill, "An Act To Authorize The Raising Of Money By Way Of Loan By The Province" (Bill 17);

A bill, "An Act To Amend The Vital Statistics Act, 2009 No. 2" (Bill 19); and

A bill, "An Act To Amend The Revenue Administration Act No. 2" (Bill 21).

The Lieutenant Governor then said, "In Her Majesty's Name, I assent to these bills."

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The Lieutenant Governor addressed the House, wishing Members well during the summer break.

The Lieutenant Governor left the Chamber.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Speaker then recognized the following retiring employees of the House of Assembly Service: Armorel Tucker, parliamentary trans-editor; Deborah Dwyer, editor of legislative debates; Dayna Wicks, manager, Human Resources Services and Payroll Administration; and Wayne Harnum, Sergeant-at-Arms.

The Leader of the Official Opposition (D. Brazil), the Member for St. John's Centre (J. Dinn), the Leader of the Government in the House (A. Furey) and the Speaker addressed the House, wishing Members well during the summer break.

All present sang "The Ode to Newfoundland."

On motion the House adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.