

Tuesday, October 18, 2022

The House met at 1:30 p.m.

The Deputy Speaker (B. Warr) took the Chair.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Members' Statements

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Burin - Grand Bank (P. Pike) recognizing Deon Coza and Albert Parsons, originally from Point May, as the first players to become pro cornhole players outside the province of Ontario who have received contracts with the American Cornhole League.

The Member for Ferryland (L. O'Driscoll) recognizing Ron Doyle from the town of Petty Harbour-Maddox Cove on receiving the inaugural 60+ Atlantic Canada Achievement Award.

The Member for Terra Nova (L. Parrott) recognizing the South West Arm Academy school breakfast program and the success of their Walk for Breakfast fundraiser.

The Member for Exploits (P. Forsey) recognizing the 12th anniversary of the Botwood Mural Arts Society.

The Member for Cape St. Francis (J. Wall) recognizing Rita Manning of Torbay for 50 years of service with the Town of Torbay.

Ministerial Statements

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Minister of Immigration, Population Growth and Skills (G. Byrne) highlighting the funding provided to support women in skilled trade apprenticeships and the accomplishments of participants in the skills development program.

The Members for Cape St. Francis (J. Wall) and the Leader of the Third Party (J. Dinn) responded to the statement.

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Oral Questions

The House proceeded to Oral Questions.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Select Committees

There were no reports by Standing or Select Committees presented.

Tabling of Documents

Pursuant to subsection 10(2) of the *Engineers and Geoscientists Act, 2008*, to correct an error in the version tabled on October 13, 2022, the Minister of Digital Government and Service NL (S. Stoodley) retabled:

2021 Annual Report of the Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Newfoundland and Labrador.

With leave, the Member for Exploits (P. Forsey) tabled:

Lands Act Review Final Report, August 2015.

Notices of Motion

The Government House Leader (S. Crocker) gave notice they would on tomorrow introduce a bill entitled:

“An Act to Amend the Fishing Industry Collective Bargaining Act” (Bill 19).

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

THAT in accordance with Standing Order 65, the Public Accounts Committee shall comprise:

Member for Stephenville - Port au Port (T. Wakeham);
Member for Placentia - St. Mary's (S. Gambin-Walsh);

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Member for Baie Verte - Green Bay (B. Warr);
Member for Harbour Main (H. Conway Ottenheimer);
Member for Labrador West (J. Brown);
Member for Mount Pearl North (L. Stoyles); and
Member for St. George's - Humber (S. Reid).

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

THAT notwithstanding Standing Order 9, this House shall not adjourn at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, but shall continue to sit for the conduct of government business and, if not earlier adjourned, the Speaker shall adjourn the House at midnight.

Answers to Questions for Which Notice Has Been Given

There were no answers to questions for which notice had been given.

Petitions

The following Members presented petitions:

The Member for Grand Falls-Windsor - Buchans (C. Tibbs) regarding reforms to the moose licensing regulations with respect to persons with disabilities having the ability to designate another person to hunt the animal on their behalf.

The Member for Bonavista (C. Pardy) regarding cancelling the sugar sweetened beverage tax.

The Minister of Finance (S. Coady) replied to the petition.

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 a bill entitled "An Act to Amend the Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Act" (Bill 12).

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Pursuant to order and on motion, a bill entitled “An Act to Amend the Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Act” (Bill 12) was read the second time and, on motion, it was ordered that Bill 12 be referred to a Committee of the Whole on tomorrow.

Pursuant to notice, the Government House Leader (S. Crocker) moved the House not adjourn at 5:30 p.m.

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a bill entitled “Pay Equity and Pay Transparency Act” (Bill 3).

The Speaker left the Chair.

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

The Government House Leader (S. Crocker) moved that the Committee rise and report Bill 3 without amendment.

The Chair put the question on the motion.

The House divided.

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AYES	NAYS
S. Crocker	J. Dinn
J. Haggie	J. Brown
G. Byrne	L. Evans
B. Davis	
S. Coady	
P. Parsons	
E. Loveless	
K. Howell	
A. Parsons	
J. Hogan	
S. Stoodley	
D. Bragg	
J. Abbott	
P. Pike	
S. Gambin-Walsh	
S. Reid	
L. Stoyles	
B. Petten	
H. Conway Ottenheimer	
P. Dinn	
J. Dwyer	
P. Forsey	
L. O'Driscoll	
C. Pardy	
J. Wall	
C. Tibbs	
E. Joyce	
P. Lane	

The Chair declared the motion carried.

On motion, the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

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The Chair (B. Warr) reported the Committee of the Whole had considered the matters to them referred and had directed them to report the Committee had recommended, without amendment, a bill entitled:

“Pay Equity and Pay Transparency Act” (Bill 3).

The Speaker put the question and it was ordered the report be received and adopted.

On motion, it was ordered that Bill 3 be read the third time on tomorrow.

On motion, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, October 19 at 10 a.m.

Sandra Barnes

Clerk of the House of Assembly