

# JOURNAL OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

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FRIDAY, 2 DECEMBER 2016

The House met at 10:00 a.m.

## **Prayers**

## **Routine Proceedings**

## **Journals**

Journals for Wednesday, 30 November, 2016 were adopted by the House without amendment.

Doors were opened

## **Matters of Privilege**

None

## **Statements by Members**

10:27 Jordan Brown (Charlottetown-Brighton) acknowledged Joseph George Arsenault OPEI, CM, on being named a member of the Order of Canada.

10:28 Hal Perry (Tignish-Palmer Road) recognized Brian and Debbie Myers, owners of Myer's Welding in Tignish, who received the 2016 Award of Distinction at the recent CBDC West Prince Ventures Limited and Rural Action Breakfast mixer.

10:29 Colin LaVie (Souris-Elmira) recognized the work of the Souris Legion on the construction of a 28 stone panel memorial, which pays tribute to all veterans and RCMP officers from the Souris area.

10:32

## **Questions by Members**

Before the start of Oral Question Period, Hon. Robert Henderson (Health and Wellness) responded to an oral question taken as notice regarding walk-in clinics in Souris and tabled additional information.

## **Statements by Ministers**

11:13 Hon. Doug Currie (Education, Early Learning and Culture) announced new teaching and education assistant positions in the school system.

11:15 Steven Myers (Georgetown-St. Peters) and Leader of the Third Party added their comments.

11:18 Hon. Tina Mundy (Family and Human Services) recognized December 3 as the International Day of Persons with Disabilities.

11:21 Darlene Compton (Belfast-Murray River) and Leader of the Third Party added their comments.

11:23 Hon. Premier congratulated fourth year Doctor of Veterinary Medicine student, Elizabeth Moses, the recipient of the John J. Sark Memorial Scholarship at UPEI.

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11:26 Sidney MacEwen (Morell-Mermaid) and Leader of the Third Party added their comments.

11:28 Hon. Premier recognized the work of community volunteers, first responders, and transportation and utility workers who continue to serve Islanders affected by this week's power outages.

11:31 Steven Myers (Georgetown-St. Peters) and Leader of the Third Party added their comments.

### **Presenting and Receiving Petitions**

None

### **Tabling of Documents**

Matthew MacKay (Kensington-Malpeque) tabled, by leave, a letter dated November 29, 2016 from the Minister of Economic Development and Tourism's office.

11:36 Colin LaVie (Souris-Elmira) tabled, by leave, a written question to the Minister of Communities, Land and Environment.

### **Reports by Committees**

James Aylward (Stratford-Kinlock), Chair of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented a report of the said committee on Committee Activities and Review of Reports of the Auditor General.

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**ORDERED** that the Report of the Committee be received.

Speaking to the Motion for Adoption: James Aylward (Stratford-Kinlock) (11:37); Darlene Compton (Belfast-Murray River) (11:39); Steven Myers (Georgetown-St. Peters) (11:40); Bradley G. Trivers (Rustico-Emerald) (11:45); Sidney MacEwen (Morell-Mermaid) (11:49); Chris Palmer (Summerside-Wilmot) (11:54); Hon. Richard Brown (Workforce and Advanced Learning) (11:55); Bush Dumville (West Royalty-Springvale) (11:57); Colin LaVie (Souris-Elmira) (12:05); Leader of the Third Party (12:11); Jordan Brown (Charlottetown- Brighton) (12:15); and Matthew MacKay (Kensington-Malpeque) (12:20).

**ORDERED**, that the Report of the Committee be adopted.

Rising on a Point of Order, Steven Myers (Georgetown-St. Peters) objected to comments made by the Member from Charlottetown-Brighton during his remarks on the motion for the adoption of the Report respecting the conduct of certain Members of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts. Jordan Brown (Charlottetown-Brighton) clarified his remarks and apologized if his comments were interpreted as questioning the honour of Members of the Committee.

### **Introduction of Government Bills**

Bill introduced and read a First Time:

An Act to Repeal the Store Hours Act (Bill No. 55) by Hon. Premier.

### **Government Motions**

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None

### **Orders of the Day (Government)**

12:25 Hon. Alan McIsaac (Agriculture and Fisheries) moved, seconded by Hon. Allen Roach (Finance), that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House to further consider Capital Estimates to be granted to Her Majesty.

The House resolved itself into the said Committee, Kathleen Casey (Charlottetown-Lewis Point) took the Chair of the Committee, which further considered the Capital Estimates which were required to carry on the public services of the Province of Prince Edward Island for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2018, and also until the passage of the Capital Estimates for the fiscal year ending 31 March, 2019.

Hon. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairperson reported progress and asked leave to sit again, to which the House agreed.

### **Adjournment**

On Motion of Sonny Gallant (Government House Leader), seconded by Bush Dumville (West Royalty-Springvale), the House adjourned until 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 6, 2016.

Charles H. MacKay  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly