

# JOURNAL OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

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WEDNESDAY, 11 APRIL 2018

The House met at 2:00 p.m.

## **Prayers**

## **Routine Proceedings**

## **Journals**

Journals for Friday, 6 April 2018 were adopted by the House without amendment.

Doors were opened

## **Matters of Privilege**

None

## **Statements by Members**

2:09 Kathleen Casey (Charlottetown-Lewis Point) congratulated Kiera Rigby on an outstanding career in academia and athletics at UPEI.

2:11 Leader of the Opposition recognized the anniversary of the Battle of Vimy Ridge which passed this Monday April 9<sup>th</sup>.

2:13 Jamie Fox (Borden-Kinkora) urged Government to reopen the jetty at the old Confederation Bridge fabrication yard to the public for fishing.

2:16

## **Questions by Members**

During Oral Question Period, Sidney MacEwen (Morell-Mermaid) used the words “for Christ’s sake”. Hon. Mr. Speaker found the use of the words to be unparliamentary and directed the Member to withdraw the words, which he did.

At the conclusion of Oral Question Period, Steven Myers (Georgetown-St. Peters), rising on a Point of Order, asserted that Hon. Jordan Brown (Justice and Public Safety and the Attorney) prejudged a trial currently before the courts and that given his responsibilities as Attorney General, the matter should be addressed. Hon. Mr. Speaker advised that he would take the matter under advisement and report back to the House.

Hon. Jordan Brown (Minister of Justice and Public Safety and Attorney General), rose on two matters:

- 1) On a Point of Privilege, he objected to comments made by Bush Dumville (West Royalty-Springvale), citing a breach of caucus confidentiality as a breach of privilege by referring to confidential meetings during his line of questioning during oral question period, and,
- 2) On a Point of Order, regarding the admissibility of questions from the Official Opposition that are outside the scope of ministerial responsibility.

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Bush Dumville (West Royalty-Springvale), rising on a Point of Privilege, asserted that he did not breach caucus confidentiality when asking his questions in the House as these were not caucus meetings but rather secret committee meetings. Hon. Mr. Speaker advised that he would take the matter under advisement and report back to the House.

### **Statements by Ministers**

3:00 Hon. Heath MacDonald (Finance) announced tax relief for Islanders.

3:03 Brad Trivers (Rustico-Emerald) and Hannah Bell (Charlottetown-Parkdale) added their comments.

3:05 Hon. Tina Mundy (Family and Human Services) announced supports for Islanders.

3:09 Darlene Compton (Belfast-Murray River) and Hannah Bell (Charlottetown-Parkdale) added their comments.

### **Presenting and Receiving Petitions**

None

### **Tabling of Documents**

Hon Richard Brown (Communities, Land and Environment), tabled by leave, Answer to Written Question No. 25.

Sidney MacEwen, tabled by leave, pictures and video footage of the Mount Stewart School gym floor.

Hon. Mr. Speaker, tabled by leave, the 2017 Annual Report for the Legislative Assembly of Prince Edward Island for the period ending December 31, 2017.

### **Reports by Committees**

None

### **Introduction of Government Bills**

None

### **Government Motions**

None

### **Orders Of The Day (Government)**

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3:16 The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Estimates in Committee, Kathleen Casey (Charlottetown-Lewis Point) took the Chair of the Committee to consider the Estimates for the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries.

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

### **Adjournment**

5:00 On Motion of Hal Perry (Tignish-Palmer Road), seconded by Kathleen Casey (Charlottetown-Lewis Point), the House adjourned until 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 12, 2018.

Charles H. MacKay  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly