

JOURNAL OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY, 29 MAY 2018

The House met at 2:00 p.m.

Prayers

Routine Proceedings

Journals

Journals for Thursday, 24 May 2018 were adopted by the House without amendment.

Doors were opened

Matters of Privilege

None

Statements by Members

2:17 Alan McIsaac (Vernon River-Stratford) acknowledged the Fort Augustus Irish Descendants and the recent festivities on Prince Edward Island.

2:19 Allen Roach (Montague-Kilmuir) highlighted a letter by Dave Barrett, an Environmental Studies Lecturer at UPEI, outlining a quantitative analysis in support of the single use plastic bag ban.

2:22 James Aylward (Stratford-Kinlock) recognized Cecil Taylor on receiving Hockey Canada's Order of Merit Award for the Atlantic Region.

2:25

Questions by Members

Statements by Ministers

3:07 Hon. Chris Palmer (Economic Development and Tourism) recognized Tourism Week and the successful tourism industry on Prince Edward Island.

3:10 Steven Myers (Georgetown-St. Peters) and Hannah Bell (Charlottetown-Parkdale) added their comments.

3:14 Hon. Pat Murphy (Rural and Regional Development) announced the Souris Beach Gateway Park infrastructure project that will help improve and prosper the community.

Colin LaVie (Souris-Elmira) and Leader of the Third Party added their comments.

Presenting and Receiving Petitions

None

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Tabling of Documents

Hon. Heath MacDonald (Finance) tabled by leave, amendments to Bill No. 38.

Allen Roach (Montague-Kilmuir) tabled by leave, an article announcing Summerside restaurants cutting back on plastics.

Bush Dumville (West Royalty-Springvale) tabled by leave, a document urging Government not to privatize PEI Health Care.

Brad Trivers (Rustico-Emerald) tabled by leave, a map highlighting property excluded from amalgamation.

Hon. Jordan Brown (Education, Early Learning and Culture) tabled

1st by leave, an amendment to Bill No. 38;

2nd by leave, a Legislative Brief on Bill No. 38.

Reports by Committees

None

Introduction of Government Bills

None

Government Motions

None

Orders of the Day (Government)

The following Bill was read a Third Time and passed.

WORKERS COMPENSATION STATUTES AMENDMENT ACT (Bill No. 34)

The following Bill was read a Second Time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House:

APPROPRIATION ACT (CURRENT EXPENDITURES) 2018 (Bill No. 28)

Promoter: Hon. Heath MacDonald

Chair: Kathleen Casey

After some time spent therein, Hon. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairperson reported the Bill agreed to without amendment.

ORDERED, that the Report of the Committee be adopted.

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Hon. Robert Mitchell (Health and Wellness) moved that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House to take into consideration Supplementary Supply 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 considered the Supplementary Estimates which were required to carry on the public services of the Province of Prince Edward Island for the fiscal years ending 31 March 2017 and 31 March, 2018.

After some time spent therein, Hon. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairperson reported that the Committee had gone into the Supplementary Supply to be granted to Her Majesty and had come to certain Resolutions thereon, which said resolutions he was directed to report to the House whenever it should be pleased to receive the same.

ORDERED, that the Report of the Committee be now received.

The said Resolutions were severally read at the Clerk's Table and are as follows:

RESOLVED, that the following sums be granted and placed at the disposal of the Crown.

[Appendix ??? – Supplementary Estimates of Expenditures – Page ???]

ORDERED, that the Report of the Committee be adopted.

The following Bill was read a Second Time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House:

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION ACT 2018 (Bill No. 35)

Promoter: Hon. Heath MacDonald
Chair: Kathleen Casey

After some time spent therein, Hon. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairperson reported the Bill agreed to without amendment.

ORDERED, that the Report of the Committee be adopted.

The following Bill was further considered by a Committee of the Whole House:

ELECTORAL SYSTEM REFERENDUM ACT (Bill No. 38)

Promoter: Hon. Jordan Brown
Chair: Kathleen Casey

During Committee of the Whole House Hon. Paula Biggar (Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy) tabled the following documents: Referendum spending is a murky world – when it should be crystal clear; Referendum rules will ensure 'level playing field,' MacLauchlan says; and Vote Leave broke spending limits on industrial scale, says former staffer.

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During Committee of the Whole House Leader of the Third Party tabled a document: Summary of Third Party amendments to Bill 38.

After some time spent therein, Hon. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairperson reported Progress and begged leave to sit again, to which the House agreed.

ORDERED, that the Report of the Committee be adopted.

5:00 Hon. Mr. Speaker declared recess until 7:00 p.m.

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With the consent of the House, Hon. Mr. Speaker called:

Orders of the Day (Government)

The following Bill was further considered by a Committee of the Whole House:

ELECTORAL SYSTEM REFERENDUM ACT (Bill No. 38)

Promoter: Hon. Jordan Brown
Chair: Kathleen Casey

During Committee of the Whole House Hon. Chris Palmer (Economic Development and Tourism) tabled the following documents: Fair Vote Canada Compliance Agreement; and Information on the Director of Development and Election Readiness at Green Party of PEI.

During Committee of the Whole House Allen Roach (Montague-Kilmuir) tabled various documents referred to during debate on Bill No. 38.

During Committee of the Whole House Hon. Richard Brown (Communities, Land and Environment) tabled the following document: Article on Fair Vote Canada.

After some time spent therein, Hon. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairperson reported Progress and begged leave to sit again, to which the House agreed.

ORDERED, that the Report of the Committee be adopted.

The following Bill was further considered by a Committee of the Whole House:

PLASTIC BAG REDUCTION ACT (Bill No. 114)

Promoter: Allen Roach
Chair: Kathleen Casey

After some time spent therein, Hon. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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Steven Myers (Georgetown-St. Peters), rising on a Matter of Privilege, asserted that his privilege as a Member was infringed upon when the vote was called during Committee of the Whole House deliberations on the Bill before he, and other members of the House, had an opportunity to ask all of their questions on the bill.

In response, Hon. Mr. Speaker advised the House that he could not address a matter that had occurred in Committee of the Whole House unless it was reported back to him by way of a report from the Committee. Mr. Speaker stressed that this matter ought to have been resolved in the Committee of the Whole House.

The Chairperson reported the Bill agreed to with amendment.

ORDERED, that the Report of the Committee be adopted.

Adjournment

9:00 On Motion of Hon. Alan McIsaac (Agriculture and Fisheries), seconded by Hal Perry (Tignish-Palmer Road), the House adjourned until 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 30, 2018.

Charles H. MacKay
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly