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TUESDAY, 9 JULY 2019

The House met at 2:00 p.m.

## **Prayers**

## **Routine Proceedings**

## **Journals**

Journals for Thursday, 4 July, 2019 year were adopted by the House without amendment.

Doors were opened

## **Matters of Privilege**

None

## **Statements by Members**

2:17 Michele Beaton (Mermaid-Stratford) recognized Patti Larson, International multi-award winning author.

2:20 Cory Deagle (Montague-Kilmuir) congratulated Heather Savidant, Montague Sobeys grocery store manager, as a recipient of the 2019 Star Women in Grocery Award.

2:21 Heath MacDonald (Cornwall-Meadowbank) acknowledged Hannah MacLellan and the contribution she has made to improve the status of people with disabilities.

2:24

## **Questions by Members**

2:22 Before the start of Oral Question Period, Hon. Bloyce Thompson (Justice and Public Safety and Attorney General) responded to an oral question taken as notice.

## **Statements by Ministers**

3:05 Hon. Ernie Hudson (Social Development and Housing) welcomed new members joining the Poverty Reduction Council.

3:08 Hannah Bell (Charlottetown-Belvedere) and Heath MacDonald (Cornwall-Meadowbank) added their comments.

3:11 Hon. Matthew MacKay (Economic Growth, Development and Tourism) announced the opening of Lone Oak Brewery and Cidery at Gateway Village in Borden Carleton.

3:14 Ole Hammarlund (Charlottetown-Brighton) and Heath MacDonald (Cornwall-Meadowbank) added their comments.

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3:16 Hon. James Aylard (Health and Wellness) announced the Wellness Grant Program to help strengthen Island communities.

3:20 Michele Beaton (Mermaid-Stratford) and Gordon McNeilly (Charlottetown-West Royalty) added their comments.

### **Presenting and Receiving Petitions**

None

### **Tabling of Documents**

3:21 Hon. Leader of the Opposition tabled,

1<sup>st</sup>, by leave, 2019 Advocacy Action re: Increased funding for seniors needing hearing aids in PEI, signed petitions – Book 1;

2<sup>nd</sup>, by leave, 2019 Advocacy Action re: Increased funding for seniors needing hearing aids, signed petitions – Book 2;

3<sup>rd</sup>, by leave, 2019 Advocacy Action re: Increased funding for seniors needing hearing aids, letters of support and petition.

3:24 Leader of the Third Party tabled, by leave, documents related to the PC platform on affordable housing.

Hon. Steven Myers (Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy) tabled, by leave, answers to written questions from July 5, 2019.

Hon. Jamie Fox (Fisheries and Communities) tabled,

1<sup>st</sup> by leave, answers to questions taken as notice from budget estimates of July 5, 2019;

2<sup>nd</sup>, by leave, 2018-2019 Regional Economic Advisory Councils Activity Report.

Hon. Darlene Compton (Finance) tabled, by leave, a statement regarding the creation of an email account.

Hon. Brad Trivers (Education and Lifelong Learning, Environment, Water and Climate Change) tabled, by leave, answers to questions taken as notice.

Michele Beaton (Mermaid-Stratford) tabled,

1<sup>st</sup> by leave, a written question to the Minister of Finance;

2<sup>nd</sup> by leave, a written question to the Minister of Finance.

Gordon McNeilly (Charlottetown-West Royalty) tabled, by leave, a press release related to the PC platform on affordable housing.

**Reports by Committees**

None

**Introduction of Government Bills**

The following Bill was introduced and read a First Time:

**An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act** (Bill No. 12) by Hon. Darlene Compton (Finance).

**Government Motions**

None

**Orders of the Day (Government)**

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Estimates in Committee, Hal Perry (Tignish-Palmer Road) took the Chair of the Committee to consider the Estimates for Employment Development Agency (completed); Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture (completed); Tourism PEI (completed) and Agriculture and Land.

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.

**7:00 p.m.**

**Orders Other Than Government**

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

**AN ACT TO AMEND THE CLIMATE LEADERSHIP ACT** (Bill No. 102)

Promoter: Lynne Lund  
Chair: Hannah Bell

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

Hon. Mr. Speaker put the Question. A Recorded Division being sought, the names were recorded by the Clerk as follows:

Nays (6)

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Cory Deagle (Montague-Kilmuir)  
Hon. Darlene Compton (Finance)  
Hon. James Aylward (Health and Wellness)  
Hon. Steven Myers (Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy)  
Hon. Jamie Fox (Fisheries and Communities)  
Hon. Ernie Hudson (Social Development and Housing)

Yeas (18)

Sidney MacEwen (Morell-Donagh)  
Hon. Matthew MacKay (Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture)  
Hon. Brad Trivers (Education and Lifelong Learning, Environment, Water, and Climate Change)  
Hon. Bloyce Thompson (Agriculture and Land, Justice and Public Safety and Attorney General)  
Heath MacDonald (Cornwall-Meadowbank)  
Sonny Gallant (Evangeline-Miscouche)  
Leader of the Third Party  
Hon. Leader of the Opposition  
Karla Bernard (Charlottetown-Victoria Park)  
Hannah Bell (Charlottetown-Belvedere)  
Michele Beaton (Mermaid-Stratford)  
Robert Henderson (O'Leary-Inverness)  
Gordon McNeilly (Charlottetown-West Royalty)  
Hal Perry (Tignish-Palmer Road)  
Steve Howard (Summerside-South Drive)  
Lynne Lund (Summerside-Wilmot)  
Ole Hammarlund (Charlottetown-Brighton)  
Trish Altass (Tyne Valley-Sherbrooke)

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

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

### **GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING STANDARDS ACT (Bill No. 101)**

Promoter: Hon. Peter Bevan-Baker  
Chair: Hannah Bell

After some time spent therein, Hon. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairperson reported the Bill agreed to with amendment.

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

### **Motions Other Than Government**

Motion No. 21 (Improving Youth Access to Contraception) being again called, debate on the amendment to the amendment was resumed by Hon. Steven Myers (Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy).

There being no further speakers, Hon. Mr. Speaker put the Question which was **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** and resolved accordingly.

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There being no further speakers to the amendment, as amended, Hon. Mr. Speaker put the Question which was **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** and resolved accordingly.

Debate on the Main Motion, as amended, was continued by Hon. Brad Trivers (Education and Lifelong Learning, Environment, Water, and Climate Change) (8:16); and Hon. Leader of the Opposition (8:19).

There being no further speakers on the Main Motion, as amended, the Mover (Karla Bernard, Charlottetown-Victoria Park) (8:21) then closed the debate.

Hon. Mr. Speaker put the Question, which was **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** and resolved accordingly.

Robert Henderson moved (O'Leary-Inverness) moved, seconded by Heath MacDonald (Cornwall-Meadowbank), the following Motion (No. 29):

**WHEREAS**, cattle livestock represents in excess of \$29 million in annual farm cash receipts;

**AND WHEREAS**, there are in excess of 16,000 cattle processed on Prince Edward Island each year at the Atlantic Beef Products plant and other provincial abattoirs;

**AND WHEREAS**, Atlantic Beef Products is the only federally inspected meat plant in Atlantic Canada;

**AND WHEREAS**, sexting of semen in the dairy industry may improve beef breed opportunities;

**AND WHEREAS**, Prince Edward Island soils are in need of the micro nutrients provided by cattle manure to help improve soil fertility and sustainability;

**AND WHEREAS**, Prince Edward Island does not have the incinerator facilities to dispose of SRDM eligible cattle materials or components;

**AND WHEREAS**, there is a need for a price assurance program which would accommodate a forward contracting arrangement with Atlantic Beef Products or a price insurance scheme similar to what is offered in other provinces;

**AND WHEREAS**, there is unutilized pasture land on Prince Edward Island including former community pasture properties;

**AND WHEREAS**, there is a need to develop a livestock strategy that encompasses all stakeholders;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Legislative Assembly urges Government to facilitate the development of a cattle livestock strategy in consultation with industry stakeholders.

Debate was commenced by the Mover (8:25); continued by the Seconder (8:54); Hon. Bloyce Thompson (Agriculture and Land, Justice and Public Safety and Attorney General (8:57); and on his Motion, debate was adjourned.

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### **Adjournment**

9:00 On Motion of Sidney MacEwen (Morell-Donagh), seconded by Hon. Ernie Hudson (Social Development and Housing), the House adjourned until 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 10, 2019.

Joseph A. Jeffrey  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly