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FRIDAY, 12 JULY 2019

The House met at 10:00 a.m.

Prayers

Routine Proceedings

Journals

Journals for Wednesday, 10 July, 2019 were adopted by the House without amendment.

Doors were opened

Matters of Privilege

None

Statements by Members

10:18 Hal Perry (Tignish-Palmer Road) highlighted the role of a Member of the Legislative Assembly.

Gordon McNeilly (Charlottetown-West Royalty) made a statement on the provincial budget.

Robert Mitchell (Charlottetown-Winsloe) urged government to follow through on its election promises.

10:25

Questions by Members

Before the start of Oral Question Period, Hon. Bloyce Thompson (Agriculture and Land, Justice and Public Safety and Attorney General) responded to questions taken as notice.

Statements by Ministers

11:06 Hon. Steven Myers (Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy) announced a new energy efficiency incentive called Winter Warming.

11:09 Steven Howard (Summerside-South Drive) and Robert Henderson (O'Leary-Inverness) added their comments.

Presenting and Receiving Petitions

None

Tabling of Documents

11:11 Hon. Brad Trivers (Education and Lifelong Learning, Environment, Water and Climate Change) tabled,

1st by leave, answers from Post-Secondary and SkillsPEI divisions of budget;

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2nd by leave, Early Childhood Education Report 2017.

Hon. Darlene Compton (Finance) tabled, by leave, answers to written questions Nos. 5-6.

Hon. Matthew MacKay (Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture) tabled, by Command, the 2018 Workers Compensation Board of PEI Annual Report, for the period ending December 31, 2018.

Hon. Bloyce Thompson (Agriculture and Land, Justice and Public Safety and Attorney General) tabled, by leave, responses to budget estimate questions of July 10, 2019.

Hannah Bell (Charlottetown-Belvedere) tabled, by leave, a written question to the Minister of Social Development and Housing.

Hon. Ernie Hudson (Social Development and Housing) tabled, by leave, answers to questions taken as notice during budget estimates on Thursday, July 12, 2019.

Reports by Committees

None

Introduction of Government Bills

None

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 Finance (completed); Interministerial Women's Secretariat (completed); Employee Benefits (completed); General Government (completed); and Interest Charges on Debt (completed).

After some time spent therein, Hon. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairperson reported that the Committee had gone into supply to be granted to Her Majesty and had come to certain resolutions thereon, which said resolutions she 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 Table and are as follows:

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

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ORDERED, that the Report of the Committee be adopted.

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The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Supplementary Estimates in Committee, Hal Perry (Tignish-Palmer Road) 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 year ending 31 March, 2018 and 31 March, 2019.

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:

APPROPRIATION ACT (CURRENT EXPENDITURES) 2019 (Bill No. 11)

Promoter: Hon. Darlene Compton
Chair: Hal Perry

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 (2)

Hannah Bell (Charlottetown-Belvedere)
Ole Hammarlund (Charlottetown-Brighton)

Yeas (23)

Cory Deagle (Montague-Kilmuir)
Sidney MacEwen (Morell-Donagh)
Hon. Premier
Hon. Darlene Compton (Finance)
Hon. James Aylward (Health and Wellness)
Hon. Steven Myers (Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy)
Hon. Jamie Fox (Fisheries and Communities)
Hon. Matthew MacKay (Economic Growth, Tourism and Culture)
Hon. Brad Trivers (Education and Lifelong Learning, Environment, Water, and Climate Change)

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Hon. Bloyce Thompson (Agriculture and Land, Justice and Public Safety and Attorney General)
Hon. Ernie Hudson (Social Development and Housing)
Heath MacDonald (Cornwall-Meadowbank)
Sonny Gallant (Evangeline-Miscouche)
Leader of the Third Party
Hon. Leader of the Opposition
Karla Bernard (Charlottetown-Victoria Park)
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)
Trish Altass (Tyne Valley-Sherbrooke)

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 2019 (Bill No. 15)

Promoter: Hon. Darlene Compton
Chair: Hal Perry

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 Bills were read a Third Time and Passed, with unanimous consent where required:

AN ACT TO AMEND THE REGULATED HEALTH PROFESSIONS ACT (Bill No. 5)

AN ACT TO AMEND THE DRUG COST ASSISTANCE ACT (Bill No. 6)

AN ACT TO AMEND THE HIGHWAY TRAFFIC ACT (Bill No. 7)

AN ACT TO AMEND THE VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (Bill No. 8)

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SUMMARY PROCEEDINGS ACT (Bill No. 9)

AN ACT TO AMEND THE TRESSPASS TO PROPERTY ACT (Bill No. 10)

AN ACT TO REPEAL THE GULF TRUST CORPORATION ACT (Bill No. 13)

AN ACT TO REPEAL THE BAILABLE PROCEEDINGS ACT (Bill No. 14)

AN ACT TO AMEND THE INCOME TAX ACT (Bill No. 12)

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Hon. Darlene Compton (Finance) then advised that Government had concluded the business it wished to conduct during the fall sitting.

Hon. Mr. Speaker advised the House that Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor of Prince Edward Island, had arrived at the Hon. George Coles Building to receive the House and their Address in Reply to Her Honour's Speech at the opening of the present Session and for the purpose of granting Royal Assent to Bills passed during this, the spring sitting of the First Session of the Sixty-sixth General Assembly. Hon. Mr. Speaker then left the Chair in anticipation of Her Honour's arrival in the Chamber.

Her Honour then proceeded to the Legislative Chamber, preceded by the Black Rod. Hon. Mr. Speaker reported that the House did this day wait upon Her Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor and presented their Address in Reply to Her Honour's Speech, and that she had been pleased to receive the same and given reply thereto assigned by Her Honour, all the Members of this House standing, and is as follows:

“Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly,

It is a pleasure for me to be with you to receive your address in reply to the Speech from the Throne with which I opened the present Session of the Legislative Assembly.

I thank you for the careful consideration which you have given to the matters contained in the Speech, as well as for the address which you have just presented to me.”

After greeting all Members of the Legislative Assembly, her Honour was seated. The Clerk advised the House as follows:

“May it please Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly has passed certain additional Bills during this the First Session of the Sixty-sixth General Assembly, and now begs Your Honour's consideration of the grant of Royal Assent for the following Bills:

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SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION ACT 2019 (Bill No. 15)

GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING STANDARDS ACT (Bill No. 101)

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

AN ACT TO AMEND THE EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS ACT (Bill No. 104)

AN ACT TO AMEND THE RENTAL OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY ACT (Bill No. 105)

Royal Assent was announced by the Hon. Lieutenant-Governor in the following words:

“In Her Majesty’s name, I assent to these Bills.”

Hon. Mr. Speaker then said:

“May it please Your Honour,

We, Her Majesty’s loyal and dutiful subjects of the Legislative Assembly of Prince Edward Island in session assembled, approach your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to Her Majesty’s person and Government. We do humbly beg for Your Honour’s acceptance of a Bill to be intituled

APPROPRIATION ACT (CURRENT EXPENDITURES) 2019 (Bill No. 11)

Thus placing at the disposal of the Crown the means by which Government can be made efficient for the service and welfare of the Province.”

To this Bill, Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk in the following words:

“The Honourable Lieutenant-Governor doth thank Her Majesty’s loyal and dutiful subjects, accepts their benevolence and assents to this Bill in Her Majesty’s name.”

[Appendix ??? – Progress of Bills – Page ???]

Her Honour was then pleased to address the House and commend all Hon. Members for the conscientious manner in which deliberations were conducted during this First Session of the Sixty-sixth General Assembly, wished all Members good health and prosperity and that peace and freedom for all people shall be more nearly achieved.

At the conclusion of the Address, Her Honour retired from the Chamber.

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Hon. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and, prior to adjournment, wished everyone a great summer.

Adjournment

1:00 On Motion of Sidney MacEwen (Morell-Donagh), seconded by Hon. Premier, the House adjourned until the call of the Speaker.

Joseph A. Jeffrey
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly