

Prince Edward Island

Daily Journal for the
Legislative Assembly for
Friday, December 1, 2006

The House met at 10:00 a.m.

PRAYERS

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Journals:

Journals for Wednesday November 29, 2006 were adopted by the House without amendment.

Doors were opened

Matters of Privilege:

Honourable Elmer MacFadyen (Community and Cultural Affairs), pursuant to Rule 44, objected to an erroneous media report concerning the implementation and application of a room tax.

Statements by Members:

10:16 Wes MacAleer (Charlottetown-Spring Park) made a Statement on the 19th annual Rotary Youth Parliament.

10:19 Beth MacKenzie (Park Corner-Oyster Bed) made a Statement congratulating Ashley Murphy, winner of the Miss Canada Galaxy beauty pageant.

Honourable Leader of the Opposition made a Statement recognizing Big Brothers-Big Sisters.

Questions by Members:

Statements by Ministers:

Honourable Premier made a Statement on the restoration of the Prince Edward Island evening CBC News to one hour.

Honourable Leader of the Opposition added his comments.

- 11:05 Honourable Chester Gillan (Health, Social Services and Seniors) made a Statement recognizing December 1 as World AIDS Day.
- 11:06 Honourable Leader of the Opposition added his comments.
- 11:09 Honourable Elmer MacFadyen (Community and Cultural Affairs) made a Statement announcing an Ethical Behaviour in Sport Policy and Reference Manual for Prince Edward Island.
- 11:11 Honourable Leader of the Opposition added his comments.
- 11:11 Honourable Chester Gillan (Health, Social Services and Seniors) made a Statement recognizing December 3 as United Nations International Day of Persons with Disabilities.
- 11:13 Honourable Leader of the Opposition added his comments.
- 11:14 Honourable Premier made a Statement updating the House on the federal/provincial fiscal imbalance.
- 11:17 Honourable Leader of the Opposition added his comments.
- 11:19 Honourable Michael Currie (Development and Technology) made a Statement on the “Host” booklet - A new guide for responsible entertaining.
- 11:20 Honourable Leader of the Opposition added his comments.

Presenting and Receiving Petitions:

There were none.

Tabling of Documents:

Honourable Elmer MacFadyen (Community and Cultural Affairs) tabled Ethical Behaviour in Sport Policy, dated September 2006.

Honourable Michael Currie (Development and Technology) tabled,

1st, by Command, the Annual Report of the Summerside Regional Development Corporation Ltd. for the period ending March 31, 2006.

2nd, by Command, the Annual Report of the Charlottetown Area Development Corporation for the period ending March 31, 2006.

Honourable Mildred Dover (Education and Attorney General) tabled, by Command, the Annual Report of the RCMP “L” Division, for the period ending March 31, 2006.

Reports by Committees:

Dr. David McKenna (Glen Stewart-Bellevue Cove), Vice-Chair of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented a Report of the said committee on Committee Activities.

(See Appendix E, Page ???)

ORDERED, that the Report be received.

Speaking on the Motion for adoption: Dr. David McKenna (Glen Stewart-Bellevue Cove); and Honourable Leader of the Opposition.

ORDERED, that the Report be adopted.

Helen MacDonald (St. Eleanors-Summerside), Chair of the Standing Committee on Privileges, Rules and Private Bills, presented a Report of the said committee on the Progress Report on the annotation and re-styling of the Rule Book.

(See Appendix F, Page ???)

ORDERED, that the Report be received.

Speaking on the Motion for adoption: Helen MacDonald (St. Eleanors-Summerside).

ORDERED, that the Report be adopted.

Introduction of Government Bills:

The following Bill was introduced and read a First Time:

An Act to Amend the Retail Business Holidays Act and the Employment Standards Act (Bill No. 14) by Honourable Mildred Dover (Attorney General).

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS:

Motion No. 19 (Federal Funding for Status of Women) being again called, debate was resumed by the Honourable Leader of the Opposition.

There being no further speakers, the Mover then closed the debate.

11:33 Honourable Mr. Speaker put the Question. A Recorded Division being sought, the names were recorded by the Clerk as follows:

Nays (1)

Honourable Leader of the Opposition

Yeas (18)

Beth MacKenzie (Park Corner-Oyster Bed)
Honourable Elmer MacFadyen (Community and Cultural Affairs)
Honourable Jamie Ballem (Environment, Energy and Forestry)
Wilfred Arsenault (Evangeline-Miscouche)
Honourable Jim Bagnall (Agriculture, Fisheries and Aquaculture)
Honourable Gail Shea (Transportation and Public Works)
Honourable Philip Brown (Tourism)

Cletus Dunn (Government House Leader)
Wayne Collins (Winsloe-West Royalty)
Dr. David McKenna (Glen Stewart-Bellevue Cove)
Wes MacAleer (Charlottetown-Spring Park)
Honourable Chester Gillan (Health, Social Services and Seniors)
Fred McCardle (Borden-Kinkora)
Eva Rodgerson (West Point-Bloomfield)
Honourable Mildred Dover (Education and Attorney General)
Helen MacDonald (St. Eleanors-Summerside)
Honourable Michael Currie (Development and Technology)
Honourable Mitch Murphy (Provincial Treasurer)

Motion was **CARRIED**.

ORDERS OF THE DAY - GOVERNMENT:

11:36 The following Bill was read a Second Time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House:

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT (Bill No. 11)

Promoter: Honourable Jamie Ballem
Chair: Eva Rodgerson

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

ORDERED, that the Report of the Committee be adopted.

11:46 The following Bill was read a Second Time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House:

AN ACT TO AMEND THE REAL PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX ACT (No. 2) (Bill No. 9)

Promoter: Honourable Mitch Murphy
Chair: Fred McCardle

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

ORDERED, that the Report of the Committee be adopted.

11:50 The Order of the Day being read for the Adjourned Debate on the Draft Address, Honourable Mr. Speaker called on Eva Rodgerson (West Point-Bloomfield) to resume the debate; and, on her Motion, debate was adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT:

12:00 On Motion of Cletus Dunn (Government House Leader), seconded by Beth MacKenzie (Park Corner-Oyster Bed), and with unanimous consent to allow for the 19th annual Rotary Youth Parliament, the House adjourned until 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 5, 2006.

Charles H. MacKay
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly