The House met at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Members' Statements

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Terra Nova (L. Parrott) recognizing the passing of World War One veteran of the British Navy, Harold Chesley Bull, of Eastport.

The Member for Cape St. Francis (J. Wall) congratulating the Torbay Volunteer Fire Department on their 47th anniversary.

The Member for Baie Verte - Green Bay (B. Warr) recognizing the late Harold Small of Wild Cove, former Member of the House of Assembly for the former district of Baie Verte - White Bay.

The Member for Exploits (P. Forsey) recognizing Shealah Hart of Northern Arm, recently chosen by BGC Canada as one of this year's Regional Youth of the Year.

The Member for Labrador West (J. Brown) recognizing Josh Connors, originally from Labrador City, for their self-published play "Small Town Queer".

Ministerial Statements

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Minister of Environment and Climate Change (B. Davis) recognizing Environment Week and World Environment Day on June 5.

The Members for Torngat Mountains (L. Evans) and St. John's Centre (J. Dinn) responded to the statement.

The Minister of Education (T. Osborne) congratulating Ocean Whelan of St. John's, recipient of the first annual "Joanne Juteau Early Childhood Education Scholarship".

The Members for Conception Bay South (B. Petten) and St. John's Centre (J. Dinn) responded to the statement.

Oral Questions

The House proceeded to Oral Questions.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Select Committees

There were no reports presented by Standing and Select Committees.

Tabling of Documents

There was no tabling of documents.

Notices of Motion

The Government House Leader (S. Crocker) gave notice that they would move on tomorrow the following motion:

THAT the Member for Lake Melville (P. Trimper) be appointed Deputy Chair of Committees.

Answers to questions for which notice has been given

There were no questions for which notice had been given.

Petitions

The following Members presented petitions:

The Member for Humber - Bay of Islands (E. Joyce) regarding an independent investigation into the 2021 provincial general election.

The Member for Terra Nova (L. Parrott) (not certified) regarding addition of a left turning lane on the TCH at Thorburn Lake.

The Member for Labrador West (J. Brown) regarding affordable housing and assisted living facilities for seniors in Labrador West.

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The Member for Ferryland (L. O'Driscoll) regarding conditions of Route 10 from Trepassey to Peters River.

The Member for Lake Melville (P. Trimper) regarding establishment of a sexual assault nurse in Labrador.

The Minister of Women and Gender Equality (P. Parsons) replied to the petition.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Speaker called Orders of the Day.

Pursuant to notice the Government House Leader (S. Crocker) moved:

THAT under the authority of Standing Order 65, the Member for Carbonear - Trinity - Bay de Verde, the Member for Cartwright - L'Anse au Clair, the Member for Conception Bay South, the Member for Harbour Main and the Member for St. John's Centre shall comprise a committee and, in accordance with that Standing Order shall report, within the first 20 sitting days of appointment, lists of Members to compose the Standing Committees of the House referred to in Standing Order 65(1).

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to notice the Government House Leader (S. Crocker) moved:

THAT the Public Accounts Committee shall comprise:

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the Member for Placentia - St. Mary's (S. Gambin-Walsh); the Member for Baie Verte - Green Bay (B. Warr); the Member for St. George's - Humber (S. Reid); the Member for Mount Pearl North (L. Stoyles); the Member for Stephenville - Port au Port (T. Wakeham); the Member for Terra Nova (L. Parrott); and the Member for Labrador West (J. Brown).
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THAT the Privileges and Elections Committee shall comprise:

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the Member for Virginia Waters - Pleasantville (B. Davis);
the Member for Burin - Grand Bank (P. Pike);
the Member for St. Barbe - L'Anse aux Meadows (K.L. Howell);
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the Member for Grand Falls - Windsor - Buchans (C. Tibbs); and the Member for St. John's Centre (J. Dinn).

THAT the Standing Orders Committee shall comprise:

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the Member for Carbonear - Trinity - Bay de Verde (S. Crocker); the Member for Mount Scio (S. Stoodley); the Member for Windsor Lake (J. Hogan); the Member for Harbour Main (H. Conway Ottenheimer); and the Member for Labrador West (J. Brown).
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The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to notice and on motion, debate commenced and concluded on the motion standing in the name of the Government House Leader (S. Crocker):

THAT notwithstanding Standing Order 63, this House shall not proceed with Private Members' Day on Wednesday, June 2, 2021 but shall instead meet at 2:00 p.m. on that day for routine proceedings and the conduct of Government business, and that at 5:00 p.m. the Speaker shall then adjourn the House.

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to notice and on motion, the following bills were introduced and read the first time:

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A bill, "An Act To Amend The Vital Statistics Act, 2009 No. 2" (Bill 19);
A bill, "An Act To Amend The Securities Act" (Bill 16);
"An Act To Amend The Income Tax Act, 2000 No. 2" (Bill 15); and
A bill, "An Act To Amend The Lotteries Act" (Bill 18).
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On motion, it was ordered that the above-noted bills be read the second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate continued on the motion "That this House approves in general the budgetary policy of the Government" (Budget Motion) and, on motion, debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

On motion the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, June 2 at 10 a.m.

Sandra Barnes, Clerk of the House of Assembly.