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The House met at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

The Member for Baie Verte – Springdale (Mr. Pollard) made a Statement to congratulate Terry Croucher, CEO of NLVC who has been inducted into the Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Commission Safety Charter.

The Member for Port au Port (Mr. Cornect) made a Statement to congratulate the Stephenville Rotary Club Music Festival Committee for their hard work in reviving the event and the award winners for their dedication and hard work.

The Member for Bonavista North (Mr. Cross) made a Statement to congratulate Jane Cooze who was declared the provincial champion at the Canadian Institute of Health Research Brain Bee at McMaster University.

The Member for Cartwright – L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Dempster) made a Statement to recognize Labrador South Homecare and Loving Hands Homecare for their service to their communities.

The Member for Kilbride (Mr. Dinn) made a Statement to congratulate all award winners honoured at the Harness Horse Owners Association Awards presentation on March 8th, 2014.

The Member for St. John's North (Mr. Kirby) made a Statement to recognize the hard work and dedication of all the volunteers who have organized the Prince of Wales Collegiate Safe Grad.

The Honourable the Minister Responsible for the Office of Public Engagement (Mr. Kent) made a Statement to recognize Sophie Harrington who was presented with a Governor General's Caring Canadian Award.

The Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Mr. Dalley) made a Statement to inform the House about Newfoundland and Labrador's official forest fire season which began on May 1 on the Island and will begin on May 15 in Labrador.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move, pursuant to Standing Order 11, that the House not adjourn at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon and that the House not adjourn at 10 o'clock in the evening on Thursday, May 15th, 2014.

The Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge

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Government to negotiate a fair deal with ambulance operators that ensures the safety of ambulance professionals and patients.

The Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to give serious consideration to repairing Route 440 at Hughes Brook hill.

The Member for St. John's Centre (Ms. Rogers) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reinstate the Family Violence Intervention Court.

The Member for Cartwright – L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Dempster) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to carry out a comprehensive feasibility study for a fixed link across the Strait of Bell Isle that would include a geological assessment and a full cost analysis.

The Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Mitchelmore) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to allocate funds to upgrade a section of Route 438.

The Member for Mount Pearl South (Mr. Lane) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to intervene in the matter and instruct the English School Board to develop more suitable options than those imposed by the Board to address overcrowding in St. Peter's Elementary and Mount Pearl Senior High.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) moved pursuant to Standing Order 32 that the Orders of the Day be read.

The Speaker put the question on the motion and declared the motion carried.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) moved, pursuant to Standing Order 11 that the House not adjourn at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon and that the House not adjourn at 10 o'clock in the evening.

The Speaker put the question on the motions that the House not adjourn at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon and at 10 o'clock in the evening and declared the motions carried.

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Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced on Second Reading of a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Student Financial Assistance Act" (Bill No. 16) and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced on the motion that the House concur in the Report of the Resource Committee and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate presently.

By agreement the proceedings were suspended at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon for the dinner break.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate commenced and concluded on the motion that the House concur in the Report of the Social Services Committee.

The Speaker (Mr. Wiseman) put the question on the motion that the House concur in the Report of the Social Services Committee and declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued and concluded on the motion that the House concur in the Report of the Resource Committee.

The Speaker (Mr. Wiseman) put the question on the motion that the House concur in the Report of the Resource Committee and declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued and concluded on Second Reading of a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Student Financial Assistance Act" (Bill No. 16) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 16 be now read the second time.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Student Financial Assistance Act" (Bill No. 16) was read the second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 16 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House now.

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House.

The Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Littlejohn took the Chair of Committee of the Whole House.

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

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The Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole (Mr. Littlejohn) reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the matters to them referred and had directed him to report that they had passed the Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Student Financial Assistance Act" (Bill No. 16) without amendment.

On motion the report of the Committee was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be read the third time on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 14th at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes, Clerk of the House of Assembly.