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# PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA

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#### OF THE FIFTY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

# **SESSION 2003**

Begun and holden at Halifax on Thursday, the fourth day of September in the year of Our Lord, two thousand and three in the fifty-second year of the reign of our Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth the Second, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom, Canada and Her Other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

# **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2003**

The House opened at 11:00 A.M.

{The First Session of the  $59^{th}$  General Assembly was opened on an overcast day.}

The Honourable The Premier read the following message from Her Honour, the Honourable Myra F. Freeman, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Nova Scotia:

"Hon. John F. Hamm Premier of Nova Scotia

# **GREETINGS:**

WHEREAS the present General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia was summoned to meet on Thursday, the fourth day of September next, then to be begun and held at Halifax, from which date the said General Assembly will meet for the dispatch of business;

**AND INASMUCH** as I cannot conveniently be present in the said Legislature until the Members who have been elected to serve in the House of Assembly have elected their Speaker;

**NOW THEREFORE** I have thought fit to require and command you, and do hereby require and command you, to convey and declare to the Members of the House of Assembly that I will defer declaring the causes for which I have summoned them to assemble until the House of Assembly has elected a Speaker who shall be presented in the said House for my approbation.

**GIVEN** under my Hand and Seal at Arms this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September, in the year of Our Lord two thousand and three in the 52<sup>th</sup> year of Her Majesty's Reign.

Myra A. Freeman Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia"

The Chief Clerk then tabled the Returns of the most recent General Election and reported that 52 members had taken the Oath and signed the Roll.

#### **ELECTION OF SPEAKER**

The Chief Clerk then stated that he would now accept nominations for the position of Speaker.

The Hon. The Premier then moved the nomination of Murray Scott, Member for Cumberland South for the Office of the Speaker.

There being no further nominations, the Chief Clerk declared Mr. Murray Scott, Member for Cumberland South, elected Speaker of the House of Assembly.

Mr. Speaker thereupon addressed Honourable Members as follows:

"I thank the House for the great honour that has been bestowed upon me today. I will do my best to uphold the prestige and high tradition of the Speaker's Office. I respectfully ask the assistance and co-operation of all Members, as I have had in the past."

#### ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader then called upon the Leaders of the three parties to bring the name of their nominee for Deputy Speakers forth.

The Hon. The Premier, submitted the name of Mr. James DeWolfe, Member for Pictou East.

Mr. Dexter, Leader of the New Democratic Party submitted the name of Ms. Joan Massey, Member for Dartmouth East.

Mr. Graham, Leader of the Liberal Party submitted the name of Mr. Russell MacKinnon, Member for Cape Breton West.

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the motion for the appointment for all three Deputy Speakers was carried.

At 11:15 a.m. Her Honour, the Honourable Myra A. Freeman, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Nova Scotia, came to the Chamber of the House of Assembly and took was seated in the Speaker's Chair.

The Hon. The Premier then addressed Her Honour as follows:

"May it please Your Honour, the House of Assembly, agreeable to Your Honour's command, has proceeded to the choice of a Speaker and has elected Murray Scott, Member for the electoral district of Cumberland South, to the Office and by its direction, I present him for the approbation of Your Honour."

The Lieutenant Governor: "I approve of the Speaker whom the House of Assembly has chosen."

Mr. Speaker then addressed Her Honour as follows:

"Your Honour's ready approval of the choice with which I have been honoured by the House, having constituted me, in due form Speaker of the House of Assembly, it has now become my duty in the name of the

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representatives of Her Majesty's loyal subjects, the people of this Province, respectfully to demand all their accustomed rights and privileges and that they shall have freedom of speech in their debates, that they may be free from arrest during their attendance in Parliament, and that I, as their Speaker, may have free access to Your Honour's person."

The Lieutenant Governor: "I most cheerfully grant your request and declare that this House is now in session."

# INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The Attorney General, pursuant to leave given, introduced the following bill and the same was, on motion, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

An Act Respecting Oaths of Office

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

# GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1 - Rules of the House: Chairman of Committees and Deputy Speaker {Rule 11} - Suspension - Hon. The Premier

Res. No. 2 - Standing Committees: Special Committee Appointed {Rule 60} - Hon. The Premier

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet September  $25^{\text{th}}$ , at 2:00 P.M.

{The First Session of the 59<sup>th</sup> General Assembly was ceremonially opened on a bright, sunny day.}

At 2:00 o'clock P.M. this day, the Members of the House of Assembly being present, Her Honour, the Honourable Myra A. Freeman, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Nova Scotia, came to the chamber of the House of Assembly, and being seated, was pleased to open the First Session of the Fifty-Ninth General Assembly with a speech as follows:

Mr. Speaker, Members of the Legislative Assembly, ladies and gentlemen:

Welcome to the first session of the Fifty-Ninth General Assembly of this historic House.

It has been almost six months to the day that My Government put forward its last Speech from the Throne. A time marked by the sad anniversaries of the Swiss Air Tragedy and the horrific events of September 11<sup>th</sup>, as well as the passing of Nova Scotians of great humanity, strength and kindness.

In a very short span of time, Nova Scotians said goodbye to both Margaret Savage, and our former Premier, Dr. John Savage. Their contribution to their province, their community and numerous charities brought literally thousands of Nova Scotians to this House. Nova Scotians who were moved - not just by their generosity in life, but by the strength they showed, knowing they faced death.

Both will long be remembered for their courage, their character, their commitment to their family and their province; for doing so much to support those in need both at home and abroad.

And on the same day this year, Nova Scotia lost two former members of this House. William (Bill) Campbell and Thomas Robert MacQueen will be remembered for their service to their province and their valuable contribution to public life.

Johnny Miles served his province in another way, bringing great pride to Nova Scotians as the two-time champion of the Boston Marathon.

Well over a half a century after his remarkable victories, Johnny Miles remains an inspiration to young athletes across our province.

Since this House last met, Nova Scotia also celebrated the accomplishments of Dr. Arnold Burden, Alex Colville, Shirley Elliott, Buddy MacMaster and Sister Dorothy Moore.

My Government thanks these distinguished Nova Scotians for their contribution to our province and congratulates them on being chosen as the latest recipients of the Order of Nova Scotia.

And recently, Nova Scotia welcomed home the men and women who proudly served a tour of duty as part of Operation Apollo.

My Government joins all Nova Scotians in thanking the crews of HMCS Iroquois and HMCS Fredericton, and all our military service men and women, for the personal sacrifices they make in serving their country abroad.

And of course, we are all extremely proud of Gary Beals.

Gary's giant talent and down-to-earth nature won the hearts of Nova Scotians and millions of Canadians from coast to coast.

My Government joins his family, the very proud community of Cherry Brook, and his many friends and fans, in wishing him all the best as he embarks on what is sure to be an amazing career.

We also salute the incredible talent of New Waterford's Richie Wilcox who was among the top 11 finalists.

These two young men, along with Nova Scotia's other top 100 Canadian Idol finalists, Kevin Murdock, David Anderson, Mark Marsman and Ryan Somers, show, that while we may be a small province, we're home to some very big talent.

As we begin the first session of our second mandate, My Government also congratulates the men and women who have once again been honoured with the confidence of their fellow Nova Scotians.

As well, we extend our sincere best wishes to the men and women who proudly served their province in this Legislature and who will now go on to serve Nova Scotia in new ways.

To all of the members who are taking their place in this House for the first time, you have been given a special honour to serve your province and to help your communities grow and thrive. It is an honour that relatively few have the privilege of knowing.

With it, comes the tremendous responsibility to put the interests of the people of Nova Scotia before all else.

My Government is confident that you will accept and live up to that responsibility and that our province will be all the better for it.

My Government is also pleased to welcome to this House Nova Scotia's first Minister Responsible for African-Nova Scotian Affairs. Another proud first, not just for our province but for our country.

# **OUR COMMON COMMITMENT**

Governing is always challenging. It is even more of a challenge, when no party has a clear majority.

And while many of us have come here with different views, we all share the common commitment to make Nova Scotia an even better place to live, work and raise a family.

A goal that requires a more vigorous spirit of cooperation.

My Government knows that in order for minority government to work, compromise must come before confrontation, principled action before political reaction.

We further understand that while every member of this House shares the responsibility for making this assembly work, Government must lead by example.

And we will.

We are committed to ensuring that where there is agreement, there will be progress. Where there are differences, there will be consultation, cooperation and reasoned compromise.

And while our political differences may be many, there are a number of important areas where we are in full agreement.

We all want minority government to work.

We all want to see Nova Scotia continue to grow and prosper.

We all want to do more to improve the quality of health and education, and to support those in need.

Moreover, we all know that in order for that to happen, we need to ensure that the hard won gains Nova Scotia achieved by overcoming 40 years of deficit spending are not put in peril.

We cannot risk, either the tangible benefits we now see as a result of Nova Scotia's improved credit ratings, or the less tangible, but equally real benefits, we know come from a new sense of optimism and confidence.

Minority government must be about compromise.

It cannot be about conceding ground on an issue of such vital importance to the future of Nova Scotia as balancing the budget.

An issue we all agree on.

Because, if we fail in this...if we fail where there is agreement, we will surely fail where there is not.

More importantly, we will fail the people of Nova Scotia in our common promise to them to put the greater long-term good, before our short-term partisan interests.

# MEETING THE CHALLENGE

Recently, My Government provided Nova Scotians with an update on the state of the province's finances. With revenues down and the cost of ensuring Nova Scotians have access to better health care up, the numbers reflect the need for all members of this House to show reason and patience when it comes to placing new spending demands on the taxpayer.

In short, the numbers present government with a bigger than expected challenge in meeting our fiscal target.

A challenge My Government will meet.

Just as we have over the past four years, we will continue to make the necessary investments to protect the health and well-being of Nova Scotians. And just as we have over the past four years, we will continue to make the necessary adjustments to protect the fiscal health of our province. Moreover, we will welcome and act on every reasonable suggestion that helps us achieve these, as well as other important goals that advance the interests of Nova Scotians.

One of the most important being the need to ensure Nova Scotia has a competitive tax environment. An environment that attracts investment, spurs consumer confidence, creates new jobs and generates the revenues needed to pay for vital public services over the long-term.

In June, my Government made the first down-payment on our commitment to improve Nova Scotia's competitive position, providing well over four hundred thousand Nova Scotians with a refund on their provincial income tax.

On January 1<sup>st</sup> of next year, Nova Scotians will begin taking home a bigger pay cheque as the 10 percent tax cut comes into full effect.

And while My Government fully recognized there are many demands upon the taxpayer, we also know that Nova Scotia's 40 year history of taxing, then spending, was a failure.

It failed working Nova Scotians. It failed their children and it failed our province.

Lower taxes will not.

Moreover, My Government believes that at a time when the economy both at home and abroad struggles through the after effects of SARS, Mad Cow disease and a sluggish North American economy, there is no better time to provide our economy with a much needed boost.

And there is no better way to do that, than by giving working families a break.

There is no better way to do that, than by sending a positive signal to the outside world that Nova Scotia has its fiscal house in order and its economic priorities straight.

To that end, My Government will also do more to support the men and women who drive our economic progress. The men and women who operate a small business, employ Nova Scotians, buy local goods and services and help generate the revenues government uses to provide the services we all rely on.

The second installment of our promised tax relief for small business will therefore come into effect, on time and as promised, as we once again increase the annual limit under which the small business tax rate applies.

We will also do more to ensure all Nova Scotia businesses, be they small or large, have greater opportunity to bid on government goods and services.

Again, as promised, a new Supplier Development Program will be up and running in short order to ensure there is greater outreach with Nova Scotia companies competing for government business. An initiative that demonstrates, not just My Governments's commitment to grow our economy, but our firm belief in the talent of our workforce and the quality of our products.

A message that we will aggressively share with others.

My Government knows that there is a need to continue to pursue new jobs based on sound business principles and solid business case analyses. We will therefore continue to support the successful efforts of Nova Scotia Business Incorporated and the Office of Economic Development which have helped diversify and strengthen our economy.

We also know that job gains in one area mean little if there are job losses in another. To that end, My Government will take steps to ensure that Nova Scotia's beef and cattle farmers receive more immediate assistance as they deal with the after-effects of Canada's mad cow scare.

In the final analysis, My Government knows that unless we actively promote and support our own success, and unless we take the necessary steps to grow Nova Scotia's economy, our losses will be measured not just in lay-offs, but in longer waits for health care, less money for our classrooms and fewer dollars for urgently needed road repairs.

In the end, My Government knows that a balanced budget, lower taxes, more support for small business and greater confidence in our province are all key to our economic growth and social progress.

# MORE SUPPORT FOR BETTER HEALTH CARE

My Government also knows that the ever-increasing cost of

providing Nova Scotians with access to high quality health care is eroding our capacity to make important investments in other areas. Our aging population, combined with some of the highest chronic disease rates in the country, continue to add huge pressures to our bottom line.

Knowing that health care is the number one concern of Nova Scotians, My Government is making adjustments in other spending areas so we can provide our hospitals with funding over and above the significant increases we are providing through multi-year funding.

The challenge we now face, is finding additional dollars to invest in a healthier population at a time when demands for hospital and longterm care continue to grow. It is a huge, but not insurmountable challenge.

A challenge that requires a renewed commitment on the part of everyone working within our health system to maximize the value of every health care dollar.

A challenge that requires a new understanding and commitment on the part of all Nova Scotians to make lifestyle choices that contribute to their own well-being.

A challenge that requires greater support from Ottawa.

My Government welcomed the increased contribution Ottawa made to health care following last year's First Ministers' meeting. We remain concerned, however, that it was a one time only contribution. There is no guarantee that future funding will either be forthcoming, or of an amount that will even begin to ease the pressures on our already overburdened health care system.

In fact, as we all know, Commissioner Romanow has made clear that even if Ottawa does come through with the full amount of its two billion dollar contingency fund, it will fall far short of what is needed.

My Government therefore urges all members of this House to speak with a united voice in our efforts to have the federal government to accept a greater share of its responsibility, for providing Nova Scotians, and all Canadians, with access to quality health care.

In return, My Government offers this commitment: just as we have in the past, every new dollar meant for health care will be spent on health care. And every dollar spent on health care will be used to

improve access to care, and to reduce wait times for diagnosis and treatment.

The investments have made, and will continue to make, through the federally-funded Medical Equipment Fund are one example of our commitment to ensure the dollars we receive are spent for the purposes for which they were intended. A new linear accelerator, new state of the art ultrasounds and digital X-rays will soon mean cancer patients, expectant moms and potential heart attack or stroke victims, along with hundreds of other Nova Scotians from one end of the province to the other, receive faster diagnosis and better treatment.

My Government also knows that beyond the immediate fiscal challenges of providing better health care to Nova Scotians, is the challenge brought about by new, potentially-deadly and highly contagious diseases.

We recognize that in the face of new diseases such as SARS, the legislation now in place to protect the health of Nova Scotians is no longer adequate. A new Health Protection Act will be introduced to strengthen Nova Scotia's capacity to respond to the widespread threat new and unforseen diseases pose to Nova Scotia's public health and safety.

As well, My Government will introduce legislation to provide greater support and comfort to Nova Scotians caring for a family member in the last stages of life. Our legislation will ensure that, immediately upon Ottawa proclaiming amendments to the Employment Insurance Act, Nova Scotians will be able to take time off work with benefits, but without the added stress or worry of whether their job is secure.

# PROTECTING YOUR INTERESTS

The legislative agenda My Government will pursue will also address other issues of concern to Nova Scotians. One of the most pressing being the need to ensure Nova Scotians have access to fair and affordable automobile insurance.

My Government has already taken a number of important steps in this regard, including implementing an eight month freeze on new auto rates, and putting a stop to discriminatory insurance practices based on age, gender and non-driving related claims.

We also broadly consulted both insurance consumers and

providers on the best way to achieve our promise of a 20 per cent reduction in insurance rates.

My Government believes that Nova Scotians cannot wait a year, or more, for a break on the high cost of car insurance.

With the support of this House, we will therefore provide relief to drivers, sooner rather than later, by introducing legislation that provides for a 20 percent reduction in premiums effective November 1<sup>st</sup> of this year.

My Government will also continue to work with our Atlantic partners to harmonize insurance laws across the region, and to carefully investigate the best way to ensure fair and affordable insurance is available to Nova Scotians in future.

As well, in response to the rising cost of liability insurance, additional amendments will be introduced to further protect many of Nova Scotia's dedicated and well-meaning volunteers from frivolous and unwarranted legal claims.

My Government also recognizes that large increases in property assessments driven by huge jumps in the market value of Nova Scotia land, particularly coastal land, are causing hardship for many of Nova Scotia families, including many seniors on fixed incomes.

As promised, following consultation with the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities, My Government will introduce legislation to establish a cap on annual assessment increases in cases where there has been little or no physical change to the property. Amendments to the Assessment Act will help many families struggling to keep up with the cost of maintaining their home. It will also help ensure many Nova Scotian families continue to enjoy land that has been in their family for generations.

We will also take steps to ensure the integrity of Nova Scotia's electoral system is protected. Nova Scotia's Electoral Reform Commission will be asked to make recommendations that will provide for a more accurate and complete list of eligible voters.

The legislation My Government will bring forward will protect the interests of voters, drivers, home and property owners, consumers, community-based organizations, volunteers, as well as the health and safety of our province. We will also introduced Sunday Shopping legislation that protects the interests of workers and small business owners.

My Government knows that many Nova Scotians hold strong and opposing views on this issue.

We also believe, that regardless of whether they are for or against Sunday Shopping, most Nova Scotians agree that collectively, they should have the ultimate and final say on whether or not it is permitted.

And they will.

As promised, legislation that provides for Sunday shopping the six weeks prior to Christmas, followed by a binding plebiscite next fall on whether it allowed year round, limited the pre-Christmas period, or not supported at all, will be introduced within days.

The legislation will include strong and clear provisions to protect worker rights. It will also ensure the interests of small business owners bound by retail lease agreements are protected.

My Government will also introduce legislation that acknowledges that a person's contribution to public service does not automatically disappear at the age of 65. Mandatory retirement will therefore be eliminated within the provincial civil service.

# THE NEXT STEPS

My Government sought a second mandate from the people of Nova Scotia based on an ambitious, but realistic four-year plan. A plan that acknowledged the need for action on many fronts.

The current session of the Legislature will demonstrate My Government's commitment to put our plan into action.

In addition to pursuing a busy legislative agenda, we will continue our efforts to provide Nova Scotians with better health care by moving forward with the next steps in our multi-year plan, Your Health Matters, including collecting, and broadly sharing information that can be used to reduce wait times for diagnosis and treatment - and training and recruiting more nurses, doctors and other vital health professionals.

We will also move forward with our plans to increase our

investment in healthy living; to introduce a Low Income Assistance Program for Diabetics; and to implement a comprehensive stroke strategy.

Initiatives that first and foremost address real needs, and last but not least, hold the potential to reduce demands on our health care system.

In addition, and as promised, My Government will continue to support the independence of Nova Scotians with disabilities by eliminating Registry of Motor Vehicle fees on Community-based Accessible Transportation, and by establishing a Wheelchair Recycling Demonstration project for young Nova Scotians.

My Government will also continue our efforts to help our children get off to the best possible start. To that end, we will begin the consultations needed to kick-start Ready to Learn. This voluntary, free pre-school program for children will be introduced in areas where access to structured day care is limited and access to school space is available.

An initiative that will better prepare our youngest children for a learning environment that My Government is determined to see does more to support the success of all our students.

We will therefore move forward with our plan to reduce class sizes in the early years, to provide more supports for special needs students, and to put more books in the classroom. We will also ensure greater accountability for results by providing parents with more and better information, and by continuing our efforts to implement a province-wide school accreditation program.

My Government is also committed to seeing that every region of Nova Scotia benefits from a growing economy. That is why we will make our promised investments in better roads and safer bridges, take additional steps to eliminate needless regulations and reduce red tape, implement the next steps in our economic growth and energy plan, and provide more young Nova Scotians with the opportunity to go to community college, to get a marketable trade, and to find a good job right here at home.

As well, in recognition of the increased pressures on many smaller communities resulting from urbanization, we will develop and implement a long-term strategy to help sustain and support struggling communities. A strategy that will be guided by input from Nova Scotians who, like My Government, know that Nova Scotia's smaller

communities not only contribute much to our quality of life, they help define the rich character of our province.

The urban trend has also bought new pressures to our cities, particularly our capital city. My Government remains committed to working with the Halifax Regional Municipality to identify and jointly support strategy to resolve the traffic problems arising from its fast growing population.

My Government also knows that urbanization, along with the need to create new jobs and generate new wealth, has put added pressure on our environment. We further know that Nova Scotia's economic progress cannot come at any price and that we have a responsibility to future generations to protect more of Nova Scotia's most valuable lands, such as Eigg Mountain and Gully Lake.

My Government will proceed with the process of designating these two sites as new candidate wilderness areas. As well, we will continue to work in partnership with organizations such as the Nature Conservancy of Canada to protect more of Nova Scotia's coastal lands and wilderness areas from development.

#### **CONCLUSION**

What My Government has outlined today are some of the highlights, not the sum total, of the actions we will take to stay in balance, stay competitive, and stay on course in our efforts to bring greater prosperity to our province.

And while we recognize that this legislature has changed a lot over the past few months, the priorities of Nova Scotians have not.

And neither has My Government's commitment to see that they are addressed in a fiscally responsible, fair and reasonable manner.

We will continue to live within our means, yet find the means, to improve the quality of health care we provide Nova Scotians, the quality of education we provide our children, and the level of prosperity we know is within reach.

And where we have the confidence and support of the members of this House, and for as long as we have the confidence and support of the members of this House, we will continue to move forward with our four year plan, knowing it is the right plan for Nova Scotia.

Thank You.

Her Honour was pleased to retire.

Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker then advised the House that Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor had been pleased to make a speech to the Members met in the General Assembly of which, for greater accuracy, he had obtained a copy which the Chief Clerk would now read.

On motion duly passed by the House, Her Honour's Speech was taken as read.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley moved the Address in Reply, which was seconded by Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East. A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Dexter, who adjourned the debate.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, September  $26^{th}$  at 10:00~A.M.

The House met at 10:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect, tabled a petition concerning the repaying of Abbey Road.

# PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, tabled the list of Standing Committees of the House.

# TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education tabled the Report of the BLAC Implementation Review Committee, September 2003.

# **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 3 - Hon. the Premier - saluting the crews of the HMCS Iroquois and HMCS Fredericton for their roles in Operation Apollo.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 4 - Hon. the Premier - congratulations to Gary Beals on his result on Canadian Idol.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 5 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Affairs - recognizing the work of the members of the BLAC Implementation Review Committee.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 6 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to the nominees of the Ernst and Young Atlantic Entrepreneur of the Year awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 7 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Health Promotion - saluting the Run Nova Scotia Team in reaching the 2003 Canadian Road Race Championships.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were introduced by the following Members' read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 1. An Act to Amend the Laws Respecting Automobile Insurance

(Hon. Mr. Russell - Minister of Transportation and Public Works)

No. 2. An Act to Amend Chapter 402 of the Revised Statutes, 19889, The Retail Business Uniform Closing Day Act; and Chapter 246 of the Revised Statutes 1989, The Labour Standards Code.

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 3. An Act to Amend Chapter 203 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, The Homes for Special Care Act, To Ensure the Fair Treatment of Residents of A Nursing Home or Home for the Aged or Disabled

(Mr. Dexter - Cole Harbour)

No. 4. An Act to Ensure the Lowest and Fairest Rates for Automobile Insurance through the Establishment of a Public Automobile Insurance Corporation

(Mr. Dexter - Cole Harbour)

# No. 5. An Act to Provide for the Elimination of the Provincial Harmonized Sales Tax on Family Essentials

(Mr. Dexter - Cole Harbour)

# NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 8 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to Sidney Crosby on his hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 9 - Mr. Graham, Leader of the Liberal Party - best wishes to the organizers of the Take Back the Night Rally and March.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 10 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - commending organizers and volunteers of the 2003 Canadian Laser Class sailing championships held this summer in Chester.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 11 - Ms. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - recognizing the work and dedication of workers and volunteers of Bryony House.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 12 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - re, the Minister of Human Resources be congratulated for placing the blame of government failures on the Premier.

Res. No. 13 Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - thanking Ken Margeson for his dedication re the Scouting movement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

- Res. No. 14 Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage advising the new member for Kings West to look before he leaps at further media opportunities.
- Res. No. 15 Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West urging the Premier to live up to his blue book promises.
- Res. No. 16 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore applauding the work of Heather Croke for her commitment to the Dartmouth Literacy Network.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

- Res. No. 17 Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre condemning the Board of Directors of the Cape Breton Development Corporation for refusing widows and pensioners their rightful access to funds they own.
- Res. No. 18 Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park commending those involved in completing the Mainland Common in Clayton Park.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 19 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to members of the Brookfield Golf Club and Fox Hollow owners for a great season.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

- Res. No. 20 Mr. MacDonell, Hants East urging government to show commitment to the agriculture industry suffering from a crisis that was not of their making.
- Res. No. 21 Mr. Gaudet, Clare congratulations to Sister Dorothy Moore on her Order of Nova Scotia award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 22 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - commending Shirley McNamara on helping the Richmond

County Literacy Network.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 23 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - urging government to lead the way to a cleaner, safer future by becoming a world leader in clean energy production.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 24 - Mr. Graham, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to organizers and volunteers of the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual The Word on the Street fair.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 25 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to the mayor and councillors of Lunenburg on the opening of the state of the art water treatment facility.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 26 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - urging the Minister of Community Services to ensure that the Captain William Spry Lodge is completed.

Res. No. 27 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - recognizing National Peace and Police Officers' Memorial Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 28 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Carl Upham on 40 years of exemplary employment with the Town of Truro.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 29 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - wishing success to

Principal Preston Lockhart , teachers and staff of the Northumberland Regional High School.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 30 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to Gary Smith for organizing the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Walk to D'Feet ALS.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 31 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance - congratulations to Andrew Childs on his win in the U.S. National Laser Sailing Championships.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 32 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to volunteers of Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 33 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Gary Beals of Cherry Brook on his outstanding success on Canadian Idol.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 34 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - recognizing Laura Harris on her golf success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 35 - Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview - congratulating Don and Devonna Edwards and Nimbus Publishing on the publication of The Little Dutch Village.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 36 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Marc Pyle on his achievements at the Swim Club National Championships.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 37 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Sue McDonell on her organizational skills.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 38 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Emily Stanley on winning the prestigious Walter H. Johnson Jr. Gold Award Scholarship.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 39 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - congratulations to Patricia Lewis on her Golden Apple Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 40 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - urging the House to endorse the development of the Bounty By Shellfish Inc. and 5M Aqua Farms Lt. mussel farm.

Res. No. 41 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Clary and Frances Coolen on their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 42 - Mr. Theriault, Digby- Annapolis - congratulations to the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary on their win at the Atlantic Region competition held in Halifax and wishing them continued success at the competition in Virginia in 2004.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 43 - Mr. David Allan Wilson - Sackville-Cobequid -

congratulations to Sackville Centennial School on promoting a healthy and safe environment .

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 44 - Mr. McNeil - Annapolis - congratulations to the 4-H program on its  $90^{th}$  Anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 45 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to St. Mary's Polish Church on its 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 46 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - urging government to establish a comprehensive youth education and employment strategy that will reverse the brain drain from Nova Scotia.

Res. No. 47 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to the Nova Scotia recipients of the Excellence In Action - Paralympic Awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 48 - Mr. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Membertou and the Cape Breton Growth Fund on working together towards a new trade and commerce centre.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 49 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to Sean Bennett and his teammates and coaches of the Hantsport Shamrocks on the successful baseball season.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 50 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to Barbra Cash and the parishioners of Sacred Heart for hosting the most successful

milling frolic to date.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 51- Ms. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - the Minister of Community Services should stop hiding behind the skirts of the Autumn House board.

Res. No. 52 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - reminding Nova Scotians of the government commitment that lower taxes will not come at the expense of vital services.

Res. No. 53 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - congratultions to the players, coaches and volunteers of the New Waterford baseball teams on their Nova Scotia Mosquito bantam and midget titles .

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 54 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - any reductions in health care services will be the result of government inaction and mismanagement.

Res. No. 55 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - government should lend hand in building a Dartmouth East community centre for the youth of the area.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 56 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - government should increase their contribution to the Halifax Harbour project.

No. 57, Mr. Samson, Victoria-The Lakes - ensuring that road tenders are let in the Fall so companies can plan for the Spring and Summer construction season.

Res. No. 58 - Mr. Theriault , Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to the Digby Regional High School Envirothon team on their excellent showing at the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Canon Envirothon.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

- Res. No. 59 Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic congratulations to the Yeadon family and the Mainland South Heritage Society for their research leading to the dedication of the Yeadon Family Cemetery.
- With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.
- Res. No. 60 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis acknowledging the organizers of the Halifax Forum's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.
- With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.
- Res. No. 61 Mr. Parker, Pictou West urging government to dedicate more of the gasoline tax to pay for road maintenance.
- Res. No. 62 Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley urging government to return funding to women's centres, transition houses and men's treatment programs.
- Res. No. 63 Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview government should suspend the issuance of tickets in Long Lake Provincial Park, re dogs not on a leash until after a public meeting.
- Res. No. 64 Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect urging the Minister to instruct his staff to review the need for a major upgrade to the Prospect Road.
- Res. No. 65 Mr. David Wilson, Sackville- Cobequid requesting the swift completion of the new Cobequid Community Health Centre.
- Res. No. 66 Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova requesting traffic lights to be installed at the Kytes Hill and Sydney-Glace Bay Highway intersection.
- Res. No. 67 Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North requesting full coverage of arthritis medication under the Pharmacare Program.
- With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.
- Res. No. 68 Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley congratulations to coaches, managers and players of the Noel Road

Pirates for an outstanding 2003 baseball season.

Res. No. 69 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - commending Ms. Mary Thompson of Yarmouth County, for promoting literacy.

Res. No. 70 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Dr. Henry Bishop, recipient of the inaugural Canadian National Griot Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 71 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - recognizing the government's tax scheme was supported by the NDP caused difficulties for families to afford access to public education in Nova Scotia.

# ADDRESS IN REPLY

On motion, the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply was then resumed. Some time was spent in such debate during which the following took part: Messrs. Dexter and Graham, who adjourned the debate.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to sit Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 A.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

# INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 6. An Act to Amend Chapter 377 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, The Public Service Superannuation Act

(Hon. Mr. Christie - Minister of Finance)

# STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. The Premier, rose to advise the House on the state of efforts to restore services and clean up in the wake of Hurricane Juan and to pay tribute to John Michael Rossiter, paramedic who lost his life in the line of duty.

Comments were made by Messrs. Dexter, David Allan Wilson and Graham.

# NOTICES OF MOTION

Res. No. 72 - Mr. David Allan Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - expressing sympathy to the family of paramedic John Rossiter and fellow paramedics.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 73 - Mr. Graham, Leader of the Liberal Party - extending condolences to family and friends of those who lost their lives during Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 74 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulating Premier Pat Binns and his colleagues on their return to government in PEI.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 75 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - giving thanks to all those who are helping Nova Scotians recover from the impact of Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 76 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to Wilma Conrod for her unselfish offer of a kidney to a co-worker.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 77 - Mr. Parent, King North - recognizing the work of Angela Gibson of the Kentville Police Force for her work promoting the new bullying help line.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 78 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - expressing gratitude to the dedicated health workers for helping those in need after Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 79 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - urging government to table the comprehensive roads policy that was promised in the 1999 Blue Book.

Res. No. 80 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - congratulations to President Paul Prince and the executive of the Dominion Minor Baseball for their dedication to the young people of Dominion.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 81 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - encouraging government not to cut library funding any further.

Res. No. 82 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - urging government to commit to including the agricultural sector in any plans for disaster relief related to Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 83 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Carolyn Thomas on her nomination of the Canadian National Griot Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 84 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - expressing thanks to the power crews from New England and New Brunswick for helping the recovery from Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 85 - Mr. H. David Wilson - acknowledging the dedication of the staff involved in the evacuation of patients from the VG Hospital after Hurricane Juan destroyed a portion of the roof.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 86 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Fairview - expressing thanks to EMO and Canadian Military for helping in the recovery in the aftermath of Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 87 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to Bruce Campbell on being named new head coach of the Cape Breton Molson Canadians.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 88 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - urging the Federal Minister of Fisheries and Oceans to come to the assistance of

Nova Scotians whose coastal communities have been battered by Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 89 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - urging the completion of the Northside complex.

Res. No. 90 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognizing the perseverance of Nova Scotians living along our coasts in the wake of Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 91 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - urging the Department of Transportation and Public Works to table their four year plan for the improvements of roads.

Res. No. 92 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to the Cape Breton Selects 16 and Under Girls Soccer Team for their fundraising efforts.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 93 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Dr. Henry Bishop on his nomination for the Canadian National Griot Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 94 - Mr. Graham, Leader of the Liberal Party - acknowledging the first responsibility is to address challenges to Nova Scotians in the aftermath of Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 95 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to Shawn Clarke on fifth place at Canadian Legion National Track Meet.

Res. No. 96 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to the Cumberland County ATV Club for hosting the Annual Children's Wish Foundation ATV Rally.

Res. No. 97 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to Russell Fisher on being honoured by the Library Board for 36 years of dedicated service.

Res. No. 98 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to Paul Giffin on placing first in the Springhill Centennial Club Championships.

Res. No. 99 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to Barry Patriquin on his wheelchair athletics success.

Res. No. 100 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to Rob Gogan on his golfing success.

Res. No. 101 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to Susan Belliveau on her Golden Quill Award.

Res. No. 102 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to Keith Bowman on being named 2003 Canadian Snowmobiler of the Year.

Res. No. 103 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to Dr. Robert Arnold Burden on receiving the 2003 Order of Nova Scotia.

# **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works, moved second reading of the following Bill:

# No. 1. Automobile Insurance Reform Act

A debate arose during which the following took part: Messrs. Steele, Samson and Mr. Corbett who adjourned the debate.

# **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, October

1st at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova, tabled a petition from residents of Victoria Heights Subdivision concerning the traffic connection with the Glace Bay #4 Highway.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville, tabled a petition calling for enhanced services for children with autism.

# **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 104 - Hon. Mr. Russell (on behalf of Hon. The Premier) - congratulations to Laura Regan on her acting success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 105 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - recognition of Adult Learning Week and lifelong learning.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 106 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to Dr. Murdock Smith on being named the top family physician.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 107 -Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - thanks to Alliance Atlantis Communications Inc. for donating their Academy Building to N.S.C.A.D.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 108 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - recognizing October 5<sup>th</sup> as Open Farm Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 109 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - thanking all federal, provincial-territorial colleagues on their efforts to ensure energy issues receive full attention.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 110 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Sister Dorothy Moore on receipt of An Order of Nova Scotia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 7. An Act to Amend Chapter 246 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, The Labour Standards Code; and Chapter 494 of The Vital Statistics Act

(Hon. Mr. Morash - Minister of Environment and Labour)

# NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 111 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to those responsible for efforts to protect and promote Mi'Kmaq culture.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 112 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - encouraging government to assist seniors with lack of power.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 113 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - recognizing the efforts of Darlene Ward for developing her job skills.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 114 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - commending the people of Dartmouth North for showing compassion.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 115 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - the NDP must clarify whether they are in favour of reducing insurance rates for Nova Scotians.

Res. No. 116 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester Musquodoboit Valley - expression of concern respecting proper aircraft surveillance for Canada.

Res. No. 117 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Clotilda Yakimchuk for her commitment and dedication.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 118 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - congratulations to Barbara LeBlanc on receipt of the la Medaille Leger Comeau.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 119 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - commending those organizing the Londonderry School Reunion.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 120 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage -

recognizing the efforts of peace and police officers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 121 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognition of the efforts of Gary Sawler.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 122 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - recognizing Pictou County Firefighters Assoc. on winning the fire department of the year award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 123 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - urging the government to assess how the Province prepared for Hurricane Juan.

Res. No. 124 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - acknowledging October 1 as the International Day of Older Persons.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 125 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Philip Clarke and David Meehan for their dedication to sustainable forest management.

Res. No. 126 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt - commending Richard Irving for his stewardship of the forests.

Res. No. 127 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - applauding Buddy MacMaster on being named to the Order of Nova Scotia.

Res. No. 128 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - congratulations to Jane MacDonald for her contributions re literacy.

Res. No. 129 - Hon. the Speaker - applauding Dr. Robert Arnold Burden's induction into the Order of Nova Scotia.

Res. No. 130 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - applauding Alex Colville on being named to the Order of Nova Scotia.

Res. No. 131 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - applauding Shirley Burnham Elliott on being named to the Order of Nova Scotia.

# **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Deveaux, House Leader for the Official Opposition called the following Resolutions:

Res. No. 17. CBDC: Pension Disbursement - Refusal Condemn

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Corbett, Hon. Mr. Christie, H. David Wilson, Dexter and Hon. Mr. Muir. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Res. No. 51. Autumn House Dispute: Commun. Serv. - Min. - Responsibility Assume.

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. M. MacDonald, Hon. Mr. Morse, Mr. MacKinnon and Ms. More. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

# **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

 $\,$  Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

## TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, tabled a report entitled: Impact of Proposed Reforms for Nova Scotia Private Passenger Automobile, Final Report to the Department of Environment and Labour, Province of Nova Scotia.

# **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notice was passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 132 - Hon. The Premier - congratulations to Margaret and Patrick McNair on receipt of the Governor-General's Caring Canadian Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 8. An Act to Amend Chapter 14 of the Acts of 2002, The Volunteer Protection Act

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 9. An Act to Amend Chapter 23 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, The Assessment Act

(Mr. Estabrooks - Timberlea-Prospect)

# NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 133 - Mr. Massey, Dartmouth East - ensuring public housing units have battery back-ups smoke detectors.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 134 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - recognizing the 245<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the First General Assembly of Nova Scotia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 135 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - recognizing Constable Darren Pelly on being an outstanding ambassador for the RCMP.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 136 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - congratulations to Darrell Cormier and staff of the Ardmore Tea Room for their generosity.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 137 - Mr. Graham, Leader of the Liberal Party - remembering Point Pleasant Park as it was.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 138 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to the Fisherman's Life Museum on its 25rh Anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 139 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to the Northumberland Fisheries Museum on its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 140 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - recognizing teachers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 141 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - commending Charlotte Smith on being named the Silver Cross Mother.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 142 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - congratulations to the Terrance Bay Telus Titans on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 143 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - government has failed to plan for a backlog of surgeries.

Res. No. 144 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to Kirk Swinimer and Tim Edwards on receipt of innovation awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 145 - Mr. David Allan Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - establishing a hot line to deal with price gouging.

Res. No. 146 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - the Digby Rock Quarry requires an environmental assessment.

Res. No. 147 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Brian MacLeod on his blind golfing skills.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 148 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - thanking those who have helped with protection of school resources.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 149 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to ACA Corporative on its 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 150 - Hon. Ms. Carolyn Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Ozzie Stiles on his Town Crier success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 151 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - calling upon government to support Pictou Academy.

Res. No. 152 - Mr. Graham, Leader of the Liberal Party - awaiting the restoration of the Public Gardens.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 153 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to the Lunenburg RCMP and Blockhouse and District Fire Department for their support of the COPS for Cancer event.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 154 - Mr. David Allan Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to Jeffrey Moore and Andrea Hollet on being chosen to attend a camp for burn survivors.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 155 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - congratulations to the group "Blou" on their achievement on receipt of le Prix Grand Pre.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 156 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to Greg Hadley on his athletic success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 157 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to the Terrance Bay Thunderbirds on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res., No. 158 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - government must fulfil its tax commitment to volunteer firefighters.

Res. No. 159 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - (on behalf of Mr. Speaker) - congratulations to Oxford Frozen Foods on its success with safety.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 160 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - recognizing the role of Community colleges play in preparing Nova Scotians for new employment opportunities.

Res. No. 161 - Hon. The Speaker - paying tribute to the efforts and sacrifices of peace and police officers.

Res. No. 162 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - applauding Mel Lively on being named a Nova Scotia Workplace Ambassador.

Res. No. 163 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - applauding Ronnie Jacquard on being named a Nova Scotia Workplace Ambassador.

Res. No. 164 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Jolynn Muise on being awarded the Alex MacDonald Ambassador Award.

Res. No. 165 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank) - applauding Luca Idzanovic on being named a Nova Scotia Workplace Ambassador.

## **EMERGENCY DEBATE**

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacDonell, Hants East, moved the order of business be adjourned to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely the plight of the cattle industry.

#### SPEAKER'S RULING

By agreement Mr. Speaker ruled that the matter would be dealt with at 6:00 P.M. this day.

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following Bill was then resumed:

## No. 1. Automobile Insurance Reform Act

The debate continued with the following: Messrs. Corbett, Graham, Dexter, MacKinnon, Epstein, Sampson, Deveaux, Manning MacDonald and Mr. MacDonell, who adjourned the debate.

## **EMERGENCY DEBATE**

As requested earlier by Mr. MacDonell, Hants East, the Emergency Debate began with the following taking part: Messrs. MacDonell, McNeil, Parker, Taylor, Glavine, Deveaux, Parent, MacKinnon and Hon. Mr. Fage.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 A.M.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

# TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour, tabled the Second Quarter 2003 Report of the Workers' Compensation Board.

#### STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, rose to announce to the House that help for those suffering from the aftermath of Hurricane Juan by allowing stores to open in affected areas on Sunday October  $5^{\rm th}$ .

Comments were made with Messrs. Deveaux, and Graham.

# **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notice was passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 166 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - thanking teachers for their service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 10. An Act to Amend Chapter 300 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, The Municipal Elections Act

(Hon. Mr. Barnet - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)

No. 11. An Act to Amend Chapter 77 of the Revised Statutes,

1989, The Collection Agencies Act; and Chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, The Consumer Creditors Conduct Act

(Hon. Mr. Barnet - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)

### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 167 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - calling for more information from Nova Scotia Power when future problems arise.

Res. No. 168 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - the Member for Kings North acknowledges the governments' failure to maintain and create jobs.

Res. No. 169 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - congratulations to the Calvin United Church on its 95<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 170 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - the NDP do not know the true cost of public auto insurance.

Res. No. 171 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, best wishes to Todd Flick in firefighter championships.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 172 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - paying tribute to Bob Quinn and the legends of rock music.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 173 - Ms. Whalen, Clayton Park - re the ill-advised rebate of \$155.00.

Res. No. 174 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice) - congratulations to the New Germany Medical Centre on its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 175 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - calling for financial relief for those suffering with diabetes.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 176 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - congratulations to the Liberal Party for their win in Ontario.

Res. No. 177 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to Erica Alex on her Tae Kwon Do success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 178 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Finishing Touch Hair Design on its 8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 179 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Dr. William Barker on being installed as President of Kings College.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 180 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy) - congratulations to Olive Hiscock on her 106<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 181 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to the Dartmouth Boys and Girls Club on their annual picnic.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 182 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Brooke Buckland on receipt of a nomination for a Griot Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 183 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Jenna Martin on her athletic success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 184 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour Eastern Passage - encouraging restoration of MacNab's and Lawlor's Island Park.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 185 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to Dr. Robert Arnold Burden on receipt of an Order of Nova Scotia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 186 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance - congratulations to Jake Gallagher on his athletic success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 187 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - calling for the designation of Eigg Mountain and Gully Lake as wilderness protection areas.

Res. No. 188 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - commending the Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations for understanding his role in protecting consumers.

Res. No. 189 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Richard Irving on receipt of an Woodlot owners' award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 190 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - congratulations to Step Child Care Centre.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 191 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - best wishes to the Windsor Hockey Heritage Society on developing a business plan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 192 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - recognizing Mulgrave as a great place to visit.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 193 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - calling for a remedy to the transportation issues affecting growth of Burnside Industrial and Business Park.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 194 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to Buddy MacMaster on receipt of an Order of Nova Scotia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 195 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to Branch 35 Westville R.C. Legion on its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 196 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - the Premier must explain why the seniors' have been misled re registry of motor vehicle fees.

- Res. No. 197 Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley encouraging the Department of Natural Defence to sign off on a request to allow for the Pictou County Reserve Militia to assist in the hurricane cleanup.
- Res. No. 198 Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay sympathies to the NDP for their status in Ontario.
- Res. No. 199 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Morton Simmonds on his nomination for a Griot Award.
- With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.
- Res. No. 200 Mr. Glavine, Kings West calling for improvements to the Ward Road.
- Res. No. 201 Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East recognizing the service of many members of the First Presbyterian Church in Hopewell.
- Res. No. 202 Mr. Parent, Kings North congratulations to online instructors at Kingstee who make online learning a success.
- Res. No. 203 Mr. Parent, Kings North congratulations to the organizers of the Kespuwick Community Congress.
- Res. No. 204 Mr. Parent, Kings North congratulations to Therese Forsythe on receipt of an honour.
- Res. No. 205 Mr. Parent, Kings North recognizing the work of Karen Robinson for her work on healthy schools.
- Res. No. 206 Mr. Parent, Kings North expressing appreciation to Wayne MacDonald for his commitment to his wife and to those with M.S.
- Res. No. 207 Mr. Parent, Kings North congratulations to Doug and Dawn Campbell on the success of Little River Kennels.
- Res. No. 208 Mr. Parent, Kings North congratulations to KLJ Field Services Inc. and Apple Valley Foods on winning Export Achievement Awards.
  - Res. No. 209 Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and

Public Works - congratulations to Mark Flynn on his boxing success.

Res. No. 210 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development (on behalf of Mr Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley) - encouraging the DND to support the request to allow the Pictou County Militia to assist in the hurricane cleanup.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# **PUBLIC BILLS**

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following Bill was then resumed:

## No. 1. Automobile Insurance Reform Act

The debate continued with Mr. MacDonell, Ms. Whalen, Messrs. David Allan Wilson, Colwell, Estabrooks, Theriault, Ms. M. MacDonald and Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. On a voice vote, the foregoing Bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to met Monday, October  $6^{\text{th}}$  at  $4{:}00~\text{P.M.}$ 

The House met at 4:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Parent, Kings North, tabled a petition calling for the re spelling of Scots Bay to Scott's Bay.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay, tabled a petition calling for monies respecting the Revitalization Project in Glace Bay.

# STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. The Premier rose to announce the retirement of Gordon Gillis.

Comments were made by Messrs. Dexter, Deveaux and Graham.

## GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 211 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - recognizing the staff of the Department of Public Works and Transportation.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 212 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Computers for Schools-Nova Scotia on its 10 years of work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 213 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognizing the work of Nova Scotia's Fire Service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 214 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to Imperial Oil on its injury free safety record.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 12. An Act to Amend Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1993, The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

(Mr. Samson - Richmond)

No. 13. An Act to Establish a Board to Distribute to Charities One Half of the Profits From the Sydney Casino.

(Mr. H. David Wilson - Glace Bay)

No. 14. An Act to Amend Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1993, The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

(Mr. Samson - Richmond)

# NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 215 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - recognizing the efforts of injured workers organizations in Nova Scotia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 216 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - recognizing the value of trades people.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 217 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - calling for no discrimination in compensating injured workers who suffer chronic pain.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 218 - Mr. Graham, Leader of the Liberal Party - recognizing the excellent work of architects, engineers, contractors and trades people.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 219 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to recipients of Wales Scholarships.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 220 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - recognizing the service of Dr. Lindsay Myers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 221 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to the CIBC Run for the Cure Campaign.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 222 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - recognizing those taking part in the Terry Fox Run.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 223 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - Liberals and Conservatives must recognize public auto insurance.

Res. No. 224 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax-Clayton Park - wishing

success to the organizers of the Tide Cup Under 14 Soccer Club Championships.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 225 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - commending the initiative respecting donation of seized fishing equipment to those in need.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 226 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - congratulations to recipients of MIANS Awards - Charlie A'Court.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 227 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - only the Liberal Party acknowledge the importance of the low income fuel assistance program.

Res. No. 228 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to the Colchester Regional Hospital Auxiliary for its work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 229 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - congratulations to those involved with the CIBC Run for the Cure event.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 230 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - condemning the government for not ensuring enough Nova Scotia content in the offshore.

Res. No. 231 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Lisa Wentzell and David and Ben Hebb on their pumpkin growing.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 232 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to David and Mrs. Meehan on receipt of a Woodlot award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 233 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - acknowledging the importance of Mental Illness Awareness Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 234 - Hon. M. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to organizers of the Quintessence Breast Feeding Challenge.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 235 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - calling for the Province to help HRM replant.

Res. No. 236 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to St. Augustine's Church on its stained glass window.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 237 - Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview - thanking grocery store employees and others who helped out on October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2003.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 238 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Charles Bishop on receipt of a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 239 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - saying farewell to Michael Nee and congratulations to Terri Quinlan.

Res. No. 240 - Ms. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to 4H

on hosting an event at Lawrencetown.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 241 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - calling for assessment legislation re unfair increases.

Res. No. 242 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - commending fishermen on their generosity.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No.243 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - Liberals and Conservatives should reconsider their plan re auto insurance.

Res. No. 244 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - recognizing Learning for Independent Living.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 245 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Shore - recognizing the work of the Nova Scotia Workers' Advisor's Program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 246 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax-Clayton Park - urging the government to advise the extent of the deficit.

Res. No. 247 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - congratulations to Universal Soul on receipt of a music award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 248 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Craig Smith on nomination for a Griot Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 249 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - making Nova

Scotia Power accountable to the people of HRM.

Res. No. 250 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - congratulations to Country Living Estates senior's Complex on its opening.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 251 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Monetta James on a Griot nomination.

Res. No. 252 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Daisy Wade on a Griot nomination.

Res. No. 253 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Edward Matwawana on a Griot nomination.

Res. No. 254 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Gordon Warrington on a Griot nomination.

#### **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, moved second reading of the following Bill:

# No. 2. Retail Business Uniform Closing Day Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Dexter, Graham, Ms. M. MacDonald, Messrs. Sampson, Deveaux, MacKinnon, Colwell, Pye, Ms. More and Mr. Gaudet, who adjourned the debate.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, October  $7^{\rm th}$  at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

# TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, tabled Amendments to the Civil Procedure Rules, dated May 30, 2003.

# STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, rose to announce to the House details of the second installment in funding for cattle producers and other farmers.

Comments were made by Messrs. MacDonell and McNeil.

## **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notice was passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 255 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - best wishes to Russell MacDonald on his appointment as Chef de Mission for the Nova Scotia 2005 Summer Games team.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 15. An Act Respecting Court Jurisdiction and the Transfer of Court Proceedings

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 16. An Act to Amend Chapter 8 of the Acts of 1990, The Emergency Measures Act

(Mr. Epstein - Halifax Chebucto)

# NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 256 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - calling for a review of offshore seismic testing.

Res. No. 257 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratultions to Acadia for receiving funding to study climate change.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 258 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to Brianna O'Brien on winning the Evening News Back to School Contest.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 259 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to the Walker family which has contributed to so many ways to brining together communities on the Bay Road with those of Mainland South.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 260 - Mr. Graham, Leader of the Liberal Party - recognizing the public service of Wendy Lill.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 261 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - calling for Members to visit Sherbrooke, Guysborough County this weekend.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 262 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - calling for improvements to the White Hill Road.

Res. No. 263 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to the Millville Octoberfest organizers and John MacKinnon on his prizewinning pumpkin.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 264 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - best wishes to Lucas Porter on his success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 265 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - congratulations to Lisa Vaughan on being inducted as Minister of St. Timothy's and St. Paul's.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 266 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - the Minister of Community Services must explain why funds provided to low income families for food spoiled by Hurricane Juan will be recovered next month.

Res. No. 267 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to Philip Clarke on receipt of a woodlot owner award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 268 - Mr. David Allan Wilson, Sackville Cobequid - congratultions to the Sackville Acadian Girls Softball Team on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 269 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to the Festival of Visual Arts Committee on its work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 270 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - covering wheelchairs under MSI.

Res. No. 271 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - congratulations to the Western Valley Midget Lacrosse squad on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 272 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - calling for the closing of the area known as Stone Fence to fishing.

Res. No. 273 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - congratulations to Colin Power on his soccer success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# **PUBLIC BILLS**

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following Bill was then resumed:

# No. 2. Retail Business Uniform Closing Day Act/Labour Standards Code Act

The debate continued with the following taking part: Messrs. Gosse, H. David Wilson, Epstein, Glavine, Ms. Raymond, Messrs. David Allan Wilson, Samson, Estabrooks, Ms. Massey, Messrs. MacDonell, Parker and Mr. Manning MacDonald who adjourned the debate.

# **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, October  $8^{\text{th}}$  at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

# TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, tabled the Annual Report of the Nova Scotia Provincial Health Council for the year ending March 31, 2003.

## STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services, rose to advise the House of the dedication and efforts of staff of his department following Hurricane Juan.

Comments were made by Ms. More and Mr. MacKinnon.

## GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 274 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognition of International Walk to School Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 275 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Erik Demaine on receipt of a MacArthur Fellowship.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 276 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognizing the Commitment of health care workers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 277 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of responsible for Emergency Measures Act - commending the H.R.M. emergency services for its work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 278 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Pamela Ring on receipt of a Literacy Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# NOTICES OF MOTION

Res. No. 279 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - remembering the life of Allan Proctor.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 280 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - remembering the contributions of Sadie Sampson.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 281 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - recognizing volunteers respecting "Rally in the Valley".

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 282 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - calling upon government to provide treatment for autism.

Res. No. 283 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Carol Stewart and Jill Smith on winning an Inns contest.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 284 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River Beaver Bank - commending the success of David Kikuchi and his teammates.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 285 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - calling for the reopening of Salt Springs Provincial Park to overnight camping.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 286 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - commending Marion Sanderson for her community service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 287 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - commending the St. Ann's Catholic Church Cemetery Committee on a successful potluck supper.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 288 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Evelyn Moraff-Davis on being inducted into the Cape Breton Business Hall of Fame.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 289 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - the Minister of Health must realize that wait lists are a concern.

Res. No. 290 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to the Apple Blossom Coop on its  $20^{th}$  anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 291 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to Gordon and Catherine MacKenzie on their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 292 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - commending organizers for making Windsor/West Hants an unforgettable place to visit on Thanksgiving Weekend.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 293 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - the Minister of Community Services must treat community services recipients as equals.

Res. No. 294 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Janet Hardy Callaghan on winning an oyster shucking competition.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 295 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to Stephanie Arsenault on joining the Oxford Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 296 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to Pat Boyce on his new position.

Res. No. 297 -Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to the Oxford Capital Theatre on its  $80^{\text{th}}$  anniversary.

Res. No. 298 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to the Oxford Ladies Auxiliary for their efforts following Hurricane Juan.

Res. No. 299 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to Katie Spicer on her soccer achievements.

### **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park , moved the following Resolution:

Res. No. 173 - Fin. - Financial Troubles: Tax Rebate - Causation

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Taylor, Chataway, Steele and MacKinnon. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Graham, Leader of the Liberal Party, moved the following Resolution:

 $\,$  Res. No. 246 - Fin. - Budget Balancing: Difficulties - Recognition Time Frame.

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Christie, Messrs. Steele, Samson and Hon. Mr. Barnet. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

# **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 12 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

# TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, tabled the Annual Report of the Public Trustee, for the year ending March 31, 2003.

## GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 300 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to David Beaton on his GED test results.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 301 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - thanking the Canadian Forces for their help in the Hurricane Juan cleanup.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

# No. 17. An Act to Amend Chapter 511 of the Revised Statute, 1989, The Youth Secretariat Act

(Mr. MacKinnon - Cape Breton West)

# NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 302 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition -

Conservative/Liberal partnership should drop their insurance scheme.

Res. No. 303 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Marc-Andre Fleury on his hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 304 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - supporting efforts of the Finance Minister for an adequately funded equalization program.

Res. No. 305 - Mr. David Allan Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to the Ladies Auxiliary or R.C.L. Branch 162 for helping out after Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 306 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to the Timberlea Mites on their softball success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 307 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to UCCB on the opening of the renovated Technology Training and Research Centre.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 308 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Valley soccer teams on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 309 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - thanks to the Nova Scotia Liquor Commission and the Resource Recovery Fund Board for a temporary recycling depot.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 310 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - acknowledging volunteers respecting breast cancer awareness and their fundraising.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 311 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - supporting those working hard to make our communities safer.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 312 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - thanking Hector Muise and others who are involved in Feeding Others of Dartmouth.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 313 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Dwight Ross Elementary School on achieving the designation of a Green School.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 314 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to Barb Little on the release of her two new books.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 315 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - commending CIBC for their community minded action following Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 316 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to M&S Food Services on the opening of their Amherst depot.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 317 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to the organizers of the Digby Area Health and Recreation Fair.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 318 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to the Cellar Door on its slo-pitch success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 319 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - recognizing the only opposition is coming from the Liberal Party.

Res. No. 320 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minster of Energy - recognition of the North Sydney Business Improvement and Development Association for creating its WEB Initiative Program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 321 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognition of the Celtic Colours International Festival.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 322 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Kelley Gallagher on her diving success.

Res. No. 323 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - thanking the United Commercial Travelers on the Success of their TV Bingo.

Res. No. 324 - Hon. the Speaker - thanking those involved in fire departments.

Res. No. 325 - Hon. the Speaker - extending congratulations to the teachers of Nova Scotia.

# **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following Bill was then resumed:

## No. 2 Retail Business Uniform Closing Day Act/Labour Standards Code Act

The debate continued with the following: Mr. Corbett and Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the Bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance, moved second reading of the following Bill:

#### No. 6. Public Service Superannuation Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Gosse, Ms. Whalen, Mr. Deveaux and Hon. Mr. Christie in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the Bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour, moved second reading of the following Bill:

## No. 7. Labour Standards Code/Vital Statistics Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Corbett, Manning MacDonald, Samson and Hon. Mr. Morash in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the Bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice), moved second reading of the following Bill:

#### No. 8. Volunteer Protection Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Deveaux, Samson and Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the Bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service

Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations moved second reading of the following Bill:

## No. 10. Municipal Elections Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond, Mr. Samson and Hon. Mr. Barnet in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the Bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following Bill:

## No. 11. Collection Agencies Act/Consumer Creditors' Conduct Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond, Mr. Sampson and Hon. Mr. Barnet in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the Bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice), moved second reading of the following Bill:

## No. 15. Court Jurisdiction and Proceedings Transfer Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Deveaux, Mr. Samson and Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the Bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

## ADDRESS IN REPLY

The adjourned debate on the Address in Reply was then resumed. The debate continued with Messrs. Parker, Hines, Theriault, Ms. Massey and Mr. Sampson who adjourned the debate.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the debate to meet Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development, rose to give thanks to those involved in the efforts in wake of Hurricane Juan and announced a \$10 million dollar program to assist those with uninsurable losses.

Comments were made with Messrs. Deveaux and Theriault.

## **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 326 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - recognizing October 12-18 as Veterinary Technicians Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 327 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - thanking teachers for support of programs helping students.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 328 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognizing October  $12^{\text{th}}$  as Volunteer Fire Service Recognition Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 329 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to James Annis on receipt of a GED Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 330 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health -

congratulations to Steve Snider on being named to the Board of Directors of the International Bridge, Tunnel and Turnpike Association.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 331 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - urging store owners to reverse any retribution against employees respecting not working on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 332 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - the government has no plan to save the Cape Breton and Central Nova Scotia Rail Line.

Res. No. 333 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - welcoming Polar Air Cargo Inc. on their service from Halifax to Belgium.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 334 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - congratulations to the Bay Road Fire Department for their response to Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 335 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - best of luck to the Halifax Dunbrack Under 14 Girls Soccer Team.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 336 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Michael Deveau on his mathematics success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 337 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - best wishes to all students, staff and parents of Halifax West High School.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 338 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - applauding Brian Lynk and his band West Avenue.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 339 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Jarred Baird on his javelin success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 340 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South Portland Valley - government must provide emergency assistance following the destruction of Hurricane Juan.

Res. No. 341 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Colin McKay for his service to Lake Echo.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 342 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - recognizing the IWK's efforts to be fair to all employees following Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 343 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to St. Mary's Anglican Church on its 100<sup>th</sup> annual turkey dinner.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 344 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The-Lakes -

congratulations to principal, staff and former students of Boularderie Elementary School on accomplishments respecting student government representatives.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 345 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to Barb Longmire and Chris Land on fundraising efforts for the IWK.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 346 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - best wishes to Allan Routledge and the Halifax Dunbrack Under 14 Boys Soccer Team.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 347 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - honouring Roxanne Sawler for her service to Lake Echo residents.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 348 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay , (on behalf of Mr. Samson, Richmond) - recognizing the perseverance of the residents of Richmond County in dealing with the government's neglect of the health care system.

Res. No. 349 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - acknowledging the generosity of West Nova fishermen.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 350 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay , (on behalf of Mr. Samson, Richmond) - acknowledging the Member for Halifax Fairview for showing his true party preference.

Res. No. 351 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Glenda MacDonald and Ozzy on their dog show success.

Res. No. 352 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - congratulations to the Metro Cape Breton Junior Chamber of Commerce on their success at the Junior Chamber National Convention.

Res. No. 353 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Kevin Chaisson and his team on bringing the Cape North Community Museum project to a successful conclusion.

## ADDRESS IN REPLY

On motion, the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply was then resumed: The debate continued with Messrs. Sampson, Dooks, Ms. More and Ms. Whalen, who adjourned the debate.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis, tabled a petition calling for funding for extra curriculum activities at Digby Regional High School.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following Bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, each without amendment:

#### No. 8. Volunteer Protection Act

## No. 15. Court Jurisdiction and Proceedings Transfer Act

And also the following Bills, with certain amendments:

## No. 7. Labour Standards Code/Vital Statistics Act

## No. 10. Municipal Elections Act

The foregoing Bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

## **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following Bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House:

## No. 7. Labour Standards Code/Vital Statistics Act

No. 8. Volunteer Protection Act

No. 10. Municipal Elections Act

#### No. 15. Court Jurisdiction and Proceedings Transfer Act

The foregoing Bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 354 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to those putting on a telethon in aid of the Public Gardens.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 355 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - remembering the life of the late Michael Ardenne.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 356 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognizing those who contributed to health care following Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 357 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - encouraging communities to take advantage of funding in celebrating the founding of l'Acadie.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 358 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Labour -

congratulations to EDM on its efforts to bid on the creation of the Olympic Forest Park in Beijing.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 359 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - recognition of emergency measure organizations.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

## No. 18. An Act to Amend Chapter 6 of the Acts of 2000, the Health Authorities Act

(Mr. H. David Wilson - Glace Bay)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 360 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to Halifax Athens United Senior Women's soccer Team on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 361 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - recognizing Cape Breton as the number 2 island in North America to visit.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 362 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - "people who live in glass houses should not throw stones," should be remembered by members for Clayton Park and Citadel.

Res. No. 363 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to St. James Anglican Church on its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 364 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - recognition of Home Support Workers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 365 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to Jack Johnson on receipt of agricultural honours.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 366 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to CKEC Radio on its  $50^{\text{th}}$  anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 367 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to James Graves on his driving success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 368 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - recognition of the Kingsport Community Association for its work on the beach and marina project.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 369 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Craig Slaunwhite on his athletic success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 370 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay -

congratulations to Rob MacNamara and others on attending the NHL open air game.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 371 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Emmons MacKay on his racing success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 372 - Mr Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to 587 Air Cadet Squadron on its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 373 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - wishing all the best to those involved with the Celtic Colours Festival.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 374 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to those involved in the Yarmouth Women's Auxiliary of the Yarmouth Regional Hospital Hullabaloo.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 375 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to Carolyn Mont and the CRAB apple project on their ECO packs.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 376 - Mr. Graham, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to those organizing the fundraising in aid of the Public Gardens.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 377 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Stewart Logan on receipt of a Princess Diana Humanitarian Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 378 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - recognizing the important work of the UNSM.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 379 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - congratulations to Adrian Francesutti, Susan Norris and Gary Hackett for the celebration of a rock depicting the Iroquois.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 380 - Ms. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to the Halifax Athens United Women's Soccer Team on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 381 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - recognizing the Members of the 84<sup>th</sup> Independent Field Battery for their work following Hurricane Juan.

Res. No. 382 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - recognizing the success of the Kings Transit system.

Res. No. 383 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - recognizing the work of the work of the volunteers of Fidelis House.

## ADDRESS IN REPLY

On motion, the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply was then resumed, the debate continued with: Ms. Whalen, Hon. Mr. Barnet and Mr. David Allan Wilson. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

## **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of

motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, October  $15^{\rm th}$  at  $2{:}00~{\rm P.M.}$ 

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 384 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy congratulations to St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church on its sesquicentennial.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 385 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - expressing gratitude to Dwight Bishop on his retirement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 386 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - urging Nova Scotians' to get their flu shots.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 387 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to those involved in the formation of the Destination Richmond Tourism Cooperative.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 388 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Hershey Canada and the Moirs plant on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 389 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community

Services - commending the Business Leadership Network for work with the disabled.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 390 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to the Greater Halifax Dartmouth YMCA's Newcomer Services Program on receipt of a Citation for Citizenship Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 391 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to the Atlantic Women in Law Enforcement Association for their contribution to safe communities.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

# No. 19. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, The Motor Vehicle Act

(Mr. MacKinnon - Cape Breton West)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 392 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to the Dartmouth Moosehead Dry on its baseball success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 393 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - best wishes to Kirk Johnson on his upcoming fight.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 394 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - members of the Liberal Party must clarify their position on equalization.

Res. No. 395 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - many people are still in need of assistance following Hurricane Juan.

Res. No. 396 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Gary Corsano on his appointment to the ECBC Board of Directors.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 397 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - recognition of Chief Brian MacLean on his retirement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 398 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to Kassy Gilkie on receipt of the Lady Baden-Powell Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 399 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to Carla Boudreau, Wanda Jerrett and Chris Holland on their success at the Junior Chamber National Convention.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 400 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar- Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognizing the contribution of the Nova Scotia Family Literacy Program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 401 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - the Minister responsible for Housing should acquire housing at Shannon Park.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 402 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - the government must provide financial support to students.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 403 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognizing Stan Chapman for his influence on fiddle music.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 404 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Frances Isnor on her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 405 - Ms. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Brandea Balcomb on receipt of a Duke of Edinburgh Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 406 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognizing the instructors of the Memorial High School's vocational programs.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 407 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Tourism and Culture - thanking those who attended the CORE Conference in Halifax.

Res. No. 408 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to the PAL (Physically Active Lifestyles) class at Springhill High School.

Res. No. 409 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to Kendra Mattinson on winning a talent contest.

Res. No. 410 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to Ryan

Lockhart on his Motocross success.

- Res. No. 411 Hon. the Speaker congratulations to Chris Legere on his win as Club Champion.
- Res. No. 412 Hon. the Speaker congratulations to the Church of the Nazarene's Kidz Korner group.
- Res. No. 413 Hon. the Speaker congratulations to Alan Ferguson on his shooting success.
- Res. No. 414 Hon. the Speaker congratulations to Heidi Fairbanks-Smith on her new position.
- Res. No. 415 Hon. the Speaker congratulations to the CIBC on its Run for the Cure.
- Res. No. 416 Hon. the Speaker congratulations to the children of the Advocate District School on their Terry Fox Walkathon.
- Res. No. 417 Hon. the Speaker congratulations the students of Parrsboro Regional Elementary School on their efforts to clean up their shoreline.
- Res. No. 418 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Lindsay Stewart on receipt of a Duke of Edinburgh Award.
- Res. No. 419 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Carrie Murray on receipt of a Duke of Edinburgh Award.
- Res. No. 420 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Kyle Hewey on receipt of a Duke of Edinburgh Award.
- Res. No. 421 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Abbigayle Henshaw on receipt of a Duke of Edinburgh Award.

## WRITTEN QUESTIONS

Pursuant to the order, the following Written Question was passed in at the Clerk's table:

Ques. No. 1 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West to the Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations re seniors rebate

respecting the cost of a safe driving program.

#### **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Pursuant to the order, Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham, moved the following Resolution:

Res. No. 282 - Autism Month (05/05): Gov't (N.S.) Mark.

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Hon. Mr. Muir, Messrs. Graham, Dexter and Mr. Parent. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

## PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect, moved second reading of the following Bill:

#### No. 9. Assessment Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Christie, Mr. Sampson, Ms. Raymond and Mr. Dooks, who adjourned the debate.

## **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition, tabled a petition calling for treatment for children with ASD.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following Bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment.

## No. 11. Collection Agencies Act/Consumer Creditors **Conduct Act**

The foregoing Bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

## TABLING REPORTS REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, tabled the Annual Report of the Nova Scotia Health Research Foundation 2002-03, entitled "Making Inroads".

#### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 422 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - wishing success to those working on BSE.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 423 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education congratulations to Eastern Shore District High School, students and staff for help following Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 20. An Act to Amend Chapter 10 of the Acts of 1994-95 Workers' Compensation Act; and Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1996, Occupational Health and Safety Act

(Hon. Mr. Morash - Minister of Environment and Labour)

No. 21. An Act to Amend Chapter 475 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, Trade Union Act; and to Repeal Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1997 (Second Session) Highway Workers Collective Bargaining Act

(Mr. Corbett - Cape Breton Centre)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 424 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - best wishes to Sidney Crosby.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 425 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to new Members of the Board of Directors of the Cape Breton Growth Fund.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 426 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - recognition of certain Rotarians for their service to the community.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 427 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - urging Nova Scotians to go to website <a href="www.flyourflag.ca">www.flyourflag.ca</a>.

Res. No. 428 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - the Premier must explain the dichotomy of his words and his actions.

Res. No. 429 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - recognizing Fire Chief Don Wadden and those who teach children about fire.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 430 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - congratulations to Tory Party Leader Mr. MacKay and Can. Alliance Leader Mr. Harper.

Res. No. 431 - Mr. H. Wilson, Glace Bay - acknowledging Pope John Paul II.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 432 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - condemning the federal government's lack of concern for Nova Scotians' seafood industry.

Res. No. 433 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - thanks to the Brunswick Street United Church for its contribution to the inner city.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 434 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - acknowledging the contribution of Shirley Jackson.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 435 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to those launching project Bovine Beauty.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 436 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to the Maitland and District Development Association for preserving links to the past.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 437 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - acknowledging the names of Neil Oliver, Randy Cummings and George Robertson being added to the Digby Fishermen's Memorial.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 438 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Art Dorrington on being inducted into the Atlantic City Hall of Fame.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 439 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - congratulations to all involved in the Public Gardens Restoration fundraising.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 440 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to the Department of Transportation and the Minister and staff on the New Margaree Harbour Bridge.

Res. No. 441 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Dave Gunning on being named Musician of the Year.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 442 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - government must initiate a comprehensive coastal protection policy.

Res. No. 443 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to the Allaways on the opening of the Acadian Maple

Product store.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 444 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to the owners of Longhorn Garden Market on the success of the organic enterprise.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 445 - Mr. Parent, Kings North -congratulations to Douglas Coldwell on the success of his book "The Love of Tollers".

Res. No. 446 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Cameron Jess on the publication of "Bearer of the Chosen Seed".

Res. No. 447 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - recognizing Elaine Scarrow and residents of Kentville who welcome people into the community.

Res. No. 448 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Rhianna Nicholson on her swimming success.

Res. No. 449 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - commending Southwest Early Childhood Intervention program coordinator Valerie Gullison-Surette and staff on the work of the agency.

Res. No. 450 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Constable Craig Smith on winning a Griot Award.

Res. No. 451 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Keegan Oakes on having his drawing selected as the Cape Breton Regional Police Safety Mascot.

#### **SPEAKER'S RULING:**

Mr. Speaker made the following ruling on a Point of Order made by the Member for Cape Breton West, re: Signature requirement on tabled letters and e-mails, made on a previous day:

On Tuesday, the 14<sup>th</sup> of October 2003, at the end of Question Period, the honourable member for Cape Breton West rose on a point

of order. The issue that the honourable member brought before the House was in regard to a letter that was tabled by the honourable member for Halifax Fairview. The honourable member for Cape Breton West cited section 498(1) in Beauchesne which states, "an unsigned letter should not be read in the House." He also further quoted section 498(3) which states, "when quoting a letter in the House, a member must be willing to either give the name of the author, or to take full responsibility for the contents."

The honourable House Leader for the Official Opposition stated that although the rules in Beauchesne state one thing, he felt that what has become a custom here in this House over the last number of years should be adhered to.

The honourable House Leader for the government party stated that in many cases a document itself is restricted by the person who has provided it to the member, and if it is not signed, in this particular case, it becomes a worthless document if he can't use it.

Historically in parliaments, only Ministers were able to table documents in the House. In some jurisdictions the rules remain strict in that regard, but in others, such as ours, practices have changed and private members can table some documents in the course of debate. I have looked at past rulings on this issue in this House and in other jurisdictions and have concluded that even in those jurisdictions that are more permissive about what can be tabled, the practice is that unsigned or unattributed documents should not be put before the House.

I refer to a ruling by a former Speaker on November 15, 1993. A member wanted to read from a letter and eliminate the identity of the person who wrote it. The Speaker interceded and stated that the reading of an anonymous letter is out of order, according to Beauchesne. He further stated that an unsigned letter should not be read in the House.

In that particular case, the letter was signed and was tabled with the signature, and therefore was allowed. This is the first time that I have had to rule in regard to a letter that has been brought before the House which is being tabled and whether it is in order. The rules of Beauchesne state quite clearly that an unsigned letter should not be read in the House and, in fact, a member must be willing to give the name of the author, or to take full responsibility for the contents,

if quoting from the letter. The letter that has been tabled in this House at this time has not been signed and, in fact, it appears that the information that would reveal the author has been omitted. Any document that is tabled not in its entirety is incomplete and therefore out of order. It is my ruling that the member who has tabled this document has to table to the House the letter in its full content, clearly indicating the author with their signature, or the letter will be withdrawn. In this particular case, the honourable member did not read directly from the letter. If he did, he would have to be willing to give the name of the author for the record, or to take full responsibility for the contents. In future, any member who is going to table or read a letter, or quote from a letter should first announce that it is, in fact, signed by the author.

A further issue that arises out of this point of order being brought to the House is that of electronic communication, or e-mails, which make up a great percentage of the correspondence between individuals today. MLAs would receive on a regular basis e-mails from constituents bringing forward issues and concerns. These e-mails, like other forms of correspondence, will make their way to this Legislature and ultimately will be tabled by MLAs. I will be requesting that all members of this House, when attempting to read from e-mails and/or table these forms of communication, that they first ensure that the name of the author is on the e-mail and that the MLA is prepared to disclose the identity of the author and to take full responsibility of the contents, before it is tabled in this House. Copies of this ruling are available for any members who wish to receive same.

#### **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour, moved third reading of the following Bill:

#### No. 7. Labour Standards Code/Vital Statistics Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the Bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the Bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the Bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader (on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice), moved third reading of the following Bill:

#### No. 8. Volunteer Protection Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Deveaux. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the Bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the Bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the Bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice), moved third reading of the following Bill:

## No. 15. Court Jurisdiction and Proceedings Transfer Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the Bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the Bill do pass and the title be as read by the clerk. Ordered that the Bill be engrossed.

#### ADDRESS IN REPLY

On motion, the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply was then resumed. The debate continued with Mr. McNeil, Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Messrs. Gosse and MacKinnon. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

#### **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following Bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment:

## No. 11. Collection Agencies Act/Consumer Creditors Conduct Act

The foregoing Bill was ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

#### **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

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Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, October  $20^{\text{th}}\,\text{at}$  3:00 P.M.

The House met at 3:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments reported that the Committee had met and considered the following Bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment:

## No. 6. Public Service Superannuation Act

The foregoing Bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

#### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 452 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - recognizing Public Libraries Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 453 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognizing Waste Reduction Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 454 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, (on behalf of Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture) - recognition of Pap Test Awareness Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 455 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance - recognition of Gaming Awareness Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 456 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to Seniors for Literacy Committee, on release of useful publications.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 457 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognition of Women's History Month in Canada.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 458 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognizing the efforts of Credit Unions.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 459 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - recognition of Foster Family Appreciation Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 22. An Act to Amend Chapter 396 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, The Remembrance Day Act

(Mr. Samson - Richmond)

No. 23. An Act to Amend Chapter 246 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, The Labour Standards Code; and Chapter 235 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, The Interpretation Act

(Mr. Samson - Richmond)

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 460 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - condolences on the death of Peter McGinn.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 461 - Mr. Graham, Leader of the Liberal Party - acknowledging the increasing problem of hunger in Nova Scotia.

Res. No. 462 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - recognizing the contributions of the late Peter McGinn.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 463 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - remembering the life of the late Stu Hart.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 464 - Mr. Graham, Leader of the Liberal Party - recognizing Small Business Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 465 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour (on behalf of Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture) - recognizing those involved with the Celtic Colours Festival.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 466 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - government must make workplace health and safety a priority.

Res. No. 467 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - recognizing Paul Martin's achievements.

Res. No. 468 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - recognizing the efforts of Jackie Stevens on sexual assault education.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 469 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants West - congratulations to Bob and Dawn Bona, owners of Enfield Home Hardware for their response to Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 470 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to the Stella Maris Parish Catholic Women's League on its  $50^{\rm th}$  anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 471 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to Karen O'Hara, Atlantic Fabrics and volunteers in making quilts for Tearmann House.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 472 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto, (on behalf of Ms. MacDonald, Halifax Needham) - the Member for King's North should spend more time doing his research.

Res. No. 473 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending award nominees respecting the Women of Excellence Awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 474 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River- Beaver Bank - recognition of the Halifax Town Clock on its 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 475 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - recognizing the service

of James M. MacConnell.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 476 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - recognizing the efforts of Emile Deveau and Carl LeBlanc in organizing the donation of lobster traps.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 477 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognition of those involved in the Skilled Trade Exploration Program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 478 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - calling for processing of applications of fishermen for disaster assistance.

Res. No. 479 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - the Premier must accept responsibility for lack of offshore development.

Res. No. 480 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to those involved with the Cobequid Multi Service Centre Walkathon.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 481 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Don McNeill and staff for response after Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 482 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - thanks to those who stress the early detection of cervical cancer.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 483 - Mr. Coldwell, Preston - recognition of the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Halifax Town Clock.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 484 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Dalhousie University on receiving recognition of its working environment.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 485 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - recognizing the depopulation as the greatest challenge in the regions affected.

Res. No. 486 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - recognition of the loss of the late Peter McGinn.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 487 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - the Minister of Treasury and Policy Board must reveal the truth re the province's finances.

Res. No. 488 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - recognition of National Foster Family Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 489 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - the Minister of Finance must table his plan to deal with the deficit.

Res. No. 490 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - declaring Remembrance Day a statutory holiday.

Res. No. 491 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - the decline in our youth population is an issue that cannot be ignored.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 492 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to John Morgan on becoming President of the UNSM.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 493 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - government must address the issue of depopulation.

Res. No. 494 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Jim Rideout on being a finalist in the Governor-General's Awards for Excellence in Teaching.

Res. No. 495 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - recognizing the efforts of a staff and volunteers of the Annapolis Valley Regional Library.

Res. No. 496 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Dr. James Gunn on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 497 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to James Burrill, Marc Chisholm, Laurel Halfpenny MacQuarrie and Pamela Williams on being appointed to the Bench.

#### **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour, moved second reading of the following Bill:

## No. 20. Workers' Compensation Act/Occupational Health and Safety Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Corbett, Colwell and Mr. Dexter, who moved adjournment of debate. On a recorded vote, there being 24 for the motion and 22 against, the debate was adjourned.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved third reading of the following Bill:

## No. 11. Collection Agencies/Consumer Creditors Conduct Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the Bill was forthwith

read a third time. Ordered that the Bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the Bill be engrossed.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, October  $21^{\rm st}$  at  $11:00~\rm A.M.$ 

The House met at 11:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following Bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with certain amendments:

#### No. 1. Automobile Insurance Reform Act

The foregoing bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

#### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 498 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance - congratulations to Andrew MacKay and William Reid Morden on receipt of honourary degrees.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 499 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - recognizing Nova Scotia's support to ensure a successful and competitive agriculture industry.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con

Res. No. 500 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognition of Waste Reduction Week and using alternatives to passenger automobiles.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con

Res. No. 501 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Membertou on receipt of a business

award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con

Res. No. 502 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance, (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education) - congratulations to Dalhousie and its researchers on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 24. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Motor Vehicle Act to Enable the Further Restriction of the Use of Diesel Engine Enhanced Braking Systems

(Mr. Steele - Halifax Fairview)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 503 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour Eastern Passage - congratulations to Mike Smith on his Gemini Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 504 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognition of Psoriasis Month and of Judy Meisner.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 505 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - commending Shelburne Community Health Board on planning for a clinic in Lockeport.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 506 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - Community Services must make funds available to the working poor for food.

Res. No. 507 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - government must ensure that health promotion and better prevention remain priorities.

Res. No. 508 - Mr. Langille, Colchester-North (on behalf of Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East) - congratulations to Sue Harrington and Lisa Mason for their volunteer commitment.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 509 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto (on behalf of Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham) - congratulations to Shelagh Mackenzie on receipt of an honorary degree.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 510 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to David Alexander Colville and Shirley Elliott on receipt of an Order of Nova Scotia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 511 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - congratulations to management and staff of Shoppers Drug Mart in Yarmouth and Barrington on fundraising efforts.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 512 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - congratulations to Timberlea Titans football coaches, players and supporters.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 513 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The-Lakes - encouraging the government to address Cape Breton concerns such as depopulation.

Res. No. 514 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to Constable Chris Friis and Halifax Regional Policing Services for protective policy measures.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 515 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - acknowledging the loss of the Scotia Fisheries Ltd. plant at Little River.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 516 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - recognizing the efforts of the Bras D'Or Lakes Stewardship Society.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 517 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - commending efforts to promote school bus safety.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 518 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Sheldon McCormick, Mark Brister and students from Sydney Academy on their debating success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 519 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognizing the efforts of Owen Hamlin and committee members raising money to save the fountain in Liverpool's Old Burial Grounds.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 520 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognizing

the craft shops along the Prospect Road on their Craft Crawl.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# **PUBLIC BILLS**

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following Bill was then resumed:

# No. 20. Workers' Compensation Act/Occupational Health and Safety Act

The debate continued with Messrs. Gosse, MacKinnon, MacDonell, Manning MacDonald, Epstein, Ms. Raymond, and Mr. Estabrooks who adjourned the debate.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, October  $22^{\text{nd}}$  at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

### TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, tabled the Annual Report of the Cumberland Health Authority for the year 2002-2003.

#### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 521 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - calling for the implementation of waste reduction strategies.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 522 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, (on behalf of Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources) - recognizing the Halifax Cornwallis Progress Club for their support of Phoenix youth programs.

With the unanimous consent of the House the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 523 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Health - congratulations to Ann Power on nomination for a Women of Excellence Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 524 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to Dr. Philip Hicks on being installed as President of Nova Scotia Agriculture College.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 525 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Richmond County on a health promotion award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 526 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance - congratulations to the top 101 companies in Atlantic Canada.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 527 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - recognition of the Aerospace and Defence Industries Association of Nova Scotia on signing an agreement with Nova Scotia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 528 -Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Lawrence Conrad on receipt of an entrepreneur award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 529 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognizing the efforts of Canadian Securities Administrators to raise awareness of investing concepts among young people.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 530 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance - congratulations to several Nova Scotia companies on their entrepreneurial spirit.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 531 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Co-ops for their efforts.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 532 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - the Canadian Alliance should demand Allan Rock's resignation due to offshore contracts awarded overseas.

Res. No. 533 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Media Spark Inc. on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 534 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to the new government in Newfoundland.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 535 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - recognizing the lifetime commitment of Donald Newcombe.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 536 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - the NDP must explain to industry how they propose to tax industry an additional 450 million dollars.

Res. No. 537 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Bill Higgins on is potato crop.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 538 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - government must take action to resolve staffing and funding for home care.

Res. No. 539 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Maritime Travel Inc. on being named a top employer.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 540 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to the Pictou Library and Innovation Centre and its supporters.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 541 - Mr. Theriault, Digby Annapolis - congratulations to Faith Turner-Anderson on winning a poster contest.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 542 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - the Minister of Community Services must commit to decreasing the number of those going hungry.

Res. No. 543 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - working with the farming community in trying to find a solution to the BSE crisis.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 544 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - urging government to table its plan to deal with the assessment issue.

Res. No. 545 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to youths with the Whitney Pier Youth Club on being chosen to spend a day in Disney World.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 546 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to the West Hants Thunder Mite Softball team on its success.

- Res. No. 547 Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to Mt. Denson Garden Club on expanding knowledge of gardening.
- Res. No. 548 Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - applauding the efforts of the Martock and Windsor Forks Women's Institute.
- Res. No. 549 Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy applauding Sister Dorothy Moore on being named to the Order of Nova Scotia.
- Res. No. 550 Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education congratulations to Mount Saint Vincent University graduates.
- Res. No. 551 Hon. The Speaker thanking all foster families in Nova Scotia.
- Res. No. 552 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Lesley Ross on her athletic achievements.
- Res. No. 553 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Nita Rushton on her heroism.
- Res. No. 554 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Kyle Purdy on his athletic achievements.
- Res. No. 555 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Stephen Boyce on his golfing success.
- Res. No. 556 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to George Goguen on being honoured for his contribution to the art world.
- Res. No. 557 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to all involved in the Ship's Company Theatre.
- Res. No. 558 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Katie Spicer on her soccer success.
- Res. No. 559 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to the Members of the River Hebert Women's dart league of Legion Branch 14.
- Res. No. 560 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Michelle Pieroway on her examination success.

Res. No. 561 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Megan Patriquin on winning Tri-County Idol.

Res. No. 562 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Phil Sprague on his tournament win.

#### **OPPOSITION MEMBERS BUSINESS**

Pursuant to the order, Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay, moved the following Resolution:

Res. No. 289 - Health - Wait List: Seriousness - Min. Realize

A debate arose during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Ms. M. MacDonald and Mr. Glavine. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park, moved the following Resolution:

Res. No. 489 - Fin. - Deficit: Action Plan - Table

A debate arose during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Christie, Messrs. Steele and Sampson. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

#### **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, October  $23^{\rm rd}$  at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy, tabled the Final Report of the Electricity Marketplace Governance Committee.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South, tabled a petition dealing with comfort allowances at Harbour Stone House.

#### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 563 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy recognizing the efforts of the Electricity Marketplace Governance Committee.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 564 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - recognizing the generosity of Walmart Canada and their support of the Red Cross in Nova Scotia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 565 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to schools participating in Nova Scotia Recycled Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 566 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic

Development - recognition of National Small Business Week and operators.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 567 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - applauding the Halifax Cornwallis Progress Club and winners of Women of Excellence Awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 568 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice) - congratulations to those responsible for a new web site respecting the courts.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 569 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to recipients of awards at the Nova Scotia Agricultural College.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following notices were introduced by the following Members' read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 25. An Act to Encourage Public Participation and Dissuade Persons From Bringing or Maintaining Legal Proceedings or Claims for an Improper Purpose and to Preserve Access to the Courts

(Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto)

No. 26. An Act to Provide For the Protection of Health

(Hon. Mr. D'Entremont - Minister of Agriculture And Marketing)

# No. 27. An Act to Amend Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, The Municipal Government Act

(Mr. Dexter - Leader of the Opposition)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 570 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage (on behalf of Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition) - honuoring those who have served in wars.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 571 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - the Premier's road to Damascus will be rough.

Res. No. 572 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - calling for the wearing a poppy as a sign of deep respect for those who lost their lives.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 573 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratultions to the Members of the South Maitland Historical Association for the realization of their hard work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 574 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Dr. Jim Gunn on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 575 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - recognizing the service

of the late Don Newcombe.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 576 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to the Nova Scotia Lighthouse Preservation Society for its work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 577 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The-Lakes, (on behalf of Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay) - the Minister of Health must apologize to the residents of the South West District Health Authority.

Res. No. 578 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognition of the Lunenburg Queens County Chapter of MADD.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 579 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Right Honourable Vincent Massey IODE for their dedication and hard work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 580 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to inductees into the Nova Scotia Sports Hall of Fame.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 581 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Charlie A'Court on his awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 582 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - the

Minister of Transportation and Public Works must list priorities for road improvements in Timberlea Prospect.

Res. No. 583 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to and recognizing the importance of the Digby Federation of Agriculture.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 584 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to the Cape Breton Selects Soccer Team on their efforts.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 585 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to Frank Chipman for opposing the tax cut.

Res. No. 586 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - the Minister of Transportation and Public Works must list the priorities for road improvements in Timberlea Prospect.

Res. No. 587 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Dr. Jim Gunn on winning the EXL Award..

Res. No. 588 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to the Bridgewater Fireman's Band on the release of their Christmas CD.

Res. No. 589 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognizing th dedication of Joan and Hub MacDonald.

Res. No. 590 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - acknowledging the lifelong contributions made by Frances Mills-Clements.

Res. No. 591 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognizing the teachers and staff at Parkview Education Centre and Bridgewater High School.

Res. No. 592 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester Musquodoboit Valley - best wishes to Mike Woodworth on his PhD.

Res. No. 593 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy -

congratulations to the YMCA Entrepreneur Centre in Glace Bay.

Res. No. 594 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Nova Scotian Griot Award winners.

Res. No. 595 - Hon. the Speaker - recognizing the volunteers involved with the new Community Centre in Springhill.

Res. No. 596 - Hon. the Speaker - congratulations to Lyle Patriquin on winning the Springhill Centennial Club Championship.

#### SPEAKER'S RULING

Hon. the Speaker made the following ruling regarding a Point of Order made on a previous day by Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South:

A matter arose for my consideration on Wednesday, October 22nd, 2003 following a question posed by the Honourable Member for Digby-Annapolis during Question Period. A question was placed to the Honourable Premier as to what he would do to ensure that persons named in a lawsuit brought by Global Quarry Products would have the right to free speech. The Chair ruled the question out of order and following Question Period submissions were made by several members following a Point of Order raised by the Honourable Member for Cape Breton South on this very same matter. I undertook to get back to the House following some research on my part.

The principle involved in all of this is known as the sub judice convention. There is no express rule of our House dealing with this situation. The fact that it is a convention indicates that it is based on usage. The convention is discussed in Beauchesne and in Marleau. While it is clear that it applies in criminal cases, there is some question as to whether discussion of civil matters before the Courts is to be prohibited in the House. It is abundantly clear that the convention where it does apply is for the protection of the parties to a lawsuit or case and to ensure that the interest of justice and fair play are protected.

In this particular situation, there is an originating notice and statement of claim issued out of the Supreme Court at Truro by a partnership known as Global Quarry Products against two individuals and a newspaper publisher. The action in essence is one of defamation and the Plaintiff relies on the Defamation Act of Nova Scotia. I might also point out that the Chief Law Officer of Nova Scotia, the Honourable Minister of Justice, advised the House that defamation actions in Nova Scotia are jury trials.

Marleau and Beauchesne reference the Report of the Special Committee on the Rights and Immunities of Members dated April 29th, 1977; this being a special committee of the federal House of Commons which looked in depth at the sub judice convention. To briefly summarize the Report in relation to civil matters I think it is fair to say that the Speaker should intervene only in exceptional cases and in doubtful cases, should rule in favour of debate and against the convention. The Special Committee did quote former U.K. Speaker Selwyn Lloyd who gave the opinion that only certain types of civil cases such as an action for defamation of character should be subject to the convention which applies in criminal cases. The Special Committee in the very last sentence of its report concluded "In the view of your Committee prejudice is most likely to occur in respect of criminal cases and civil cases of defamation where juries are involved".

In the view of the Chair, based on the facts as I have been able to determine them, including the fact that this is a civil matter of defamation where a jury will be involved, I must advise the Members that questions or discussion dealing with this particular case are sub-judice and that my decision of October 22, 2003 therefore shall stand. I thank the Members for their submissions.

# **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following Bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with certain amendments:

# No. 1. Automobile Insurance Reform Act

And also the following Bill, without amendment:

# **No. 6. Public Service Superannuation Act**

The following Bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

# **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5).**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, October  $24^{\rm th}$  at 9:00 A.M.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services, rose to speak of matters involving Foster Parents Appreciation Week.

Comments were made by Ms. More and Mr. M. MacDonald.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 597 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - urging all to take part in workshops re waste reduction.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 598 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Team Nova Scotia in Science Fair Competition.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 599 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister responsible for the Liquor Control Act - congratulations to Nova Scotia Liquor Corporation on its efforts to stop underage purchasing.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 600 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - recognizing Eskasoni on its Aquaculture success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 601 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and

Culture - recognizing volunteers who helped stranded bus passengers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 602 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Tourism and Culture) - recognizing Imperial Oil's commitment to grow a successful oil and gas industry in Nova Scotia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 28. An Act Respecting the Appointment and Duties of a Commissioner on Resources and Environment

(Mr. MacDonell - Hants East)

No. 29. An Act to Amend Chapter 179 of the Revised Statute 1989, The Forests Act

(Mr. MacDonell - Hants East)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 603 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to William Harnett and Metro Transit for their life saving action.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 604 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - urging full release of Accounting re the Sysco cleanup.

Res. No. 605 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - recognition of the

government's efforts re community colleges.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 606 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Edith Marie Myers on her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 607 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - promoting responsible gaming.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 608 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - recognizing the importance of female police officers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 609 - Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview - urging government to learn the lessons from decades of success with public auto insurance in Canada.

Res. No. 610 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - recognition of Celiac Awareness Month and recognition of the Halifax Chapter of the Celiac Association.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 611 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to volunteers making the programs of Kings county Learning Association possible.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 612 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley (on

behalf of Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic) - recognition of Public Library Week and congratulations to the Captain Spry Library.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 613 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Heather Topley on receipt of a science award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 614 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - congratulations to R.C.L. Branch 123 for their commitment.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 615 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - congratulations to R.C.L. Branch 156 for their commitment.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 616 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - recognizing that government should apologize to charity groups for denying them a source of funding.

Res. No. 617 - Hon. Mr. Fage. Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to the Nova Scotia Cooperative Council and Co-op on their success.

Res. No. 618 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - commending Stan Churchill on his kindness and generosity on his memorial garden.

Res. No. 619 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - recognizing the participants and organizers of New Glasgow's Wish maker Parade.

Res. No. 620 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - applauding the initiatives being undertaken by the Nova Scotia Tennis Association.

#### **PUBLIC BILLS**

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following Bill was then resumed:

# No. 20. Workers' Compensation/Occupational Health and Safety Act

The debate resumed with Mr. Estabrooks, Ms. Massey, Mr. Parker and Hon. Mr. Morash in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the Bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, October  $27^{\rm th}$  at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following Bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House.

# No. 2. Retail Business Uniform Closing Day Act/Labour Standards Code

The foregoing Bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House and with unanimous consent of the House, was added to the Order Paper for today.

#### STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development, rose to announce details of funds what will be paid to assist victim's of Hurricane Juan.

Comments were made by Messrs. Epstein and Manning MacDonald.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 621 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - supporting those celebrating the  $400^{\text{th}}$  anniversary of l'Acadie.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 622 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - recognizing fundraiser's for the new Bridgetown Fire Hall.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 623 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - acknowledging the Nova Scotia Community College for its critical role.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 624 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of African Nova Scotian Affairs - recognizing those associated with the Preston Area Board of Trade.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 625 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - recognizing the Apprenticeship Program and those utilizing same.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were introduced by the following Members' read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 30. An Act to Amend Chapter 246 of the Revised Statutes 1989, The Labour Standards Code

(Mr. M. MacDonald - Cape Breton South)

No. 31. An Act to Guarantee Equality of Treatment for All Sufferers of Hepatitis C.

(Mr. Dexter - Leader of the Opposition)

No. 32. An Act to Protect Civil Servants Who Disclose Government Wrong-doing

(Mr. Corbett - Cape Breton Centre)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the

Clerk's table:

Res. No. 626 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - calling for a halt to the budget cut affecting the Capital District Hospitals.

Res. No. 627 -Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - endorsing any move in helping ensure greater benefit to Nova Scotian offshore oil and gas workers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 628 - Mr. Chataway, Chester St. Margaret's - recognizing the role of the South Shore Safe Communities Association.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 629 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - congratulations to the Woodlawn Public Library on an outstanding year.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 630 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to the Halifax West Warriors on its soccer success.'

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 631 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - recognizing the efforts of MADD, Pictou County Chapter.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 632 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to Maxine Profitt, Richard Moulton and Lois Punshon on receipt of Duke of Edinburgh Awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 633 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - the government had hidden behind high freedom of information fees.

Res. No. 634 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to those participating in a charity softball event in Kentville.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 635 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - congratulations to Trinity United Church on its expansion.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 636 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to the University of Kings College Blue Devils on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 637 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - congratulations to Scouts Canada volunteers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 638 - Mr. David Allan Wilson, Sackville Cobequid - congratulations to Nicole Inamura on her new position as Executive Director of the Nova Scotia Federation of Acadian Parents.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 639 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to the Cape Breton Capers Womens soccer team on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 640 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to the Halifax East Hants Federation of Agriculture.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

- Res. No. 641 Ms. More, Dartmouth South Portland Valley the Minister of Community Services must work with the Board and employees of Autumn House.
- Res. No. 642 Mr. David Allan Wilson, Sackville Cobequid thanking volunteers of Beacon House.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 643 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - congratulations to Leonard Bugbee on receiving his life membership in Lionism.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

- Res. No. 644 Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries best wishes to the family on the passing of Donald Newcombe.
- Res. No. 645 Mr. Parent, Kings North welcoming FNF Canada to Kentville.
- Res. No. 646 Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of community Services best wishes to Owen Sponagle on his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- Res. No. 647 Hon. Mr. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources acknowledging Bob Chipman's fundraising efforts for breast cancer research.
- Res. No. 648 Hon. Mr Fage, Minister of Economic Development congratulations to organizations on receipt of ISO 9001:2000 Quality Management Support Standard accreditation.
- Res. No. 649 Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice congratulations to the Health Services Foundation of the South Shore on a successful fundraising.
- Res. No. 650 Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice congratulations to the Mahone Bay and Area Lions Club for efforts to

improve the lives of the disabled.

#### **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader ,moved third of the following Bill:

#### No. 1. Automobile Insurance Reform Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Corbett, Dexter, Samson, Steele, Graham and Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. On a recorded vote, there being 33 for and 14 opposed, the Bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the Bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the Bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance, moved third reading of the following Bill:

#### No. 6. Public Service Superannuation Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Gosse, Ms. Whalen and Hon. Mr. Christie in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the Bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the Bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the Bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, moved second reading of the following Bill:

#### No. 26. Health Protection Act.

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Deveaux, H. David Wilson, Epstein and Hon. Mr. MacIsaac in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the Bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

### **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following Bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment:

# No. 2. Retail Business Uniform Closing Day Act/ Labour Standards Code.

The foregoing Bill was ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

#### ADDRESS IN REPLY

The adjourned debate on the Address in Reply was then resumed. The debate continued with Ms. Raymond. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, October  $28^{\text{th}}$  at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South, tabled a petition opposed to a pit and quarry at Coxheath Hills.

# TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, tabled a report of the Advisory Committee, dated October 24, 2003 on The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, tabled the Financial Statements of the Guysborough Antigonish Strait Health Authority for the year ended March 31, 2003.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, tabled the 2003 Annual Report of the Pictou County Health Authority.

#### STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture, rose to announce that the marketing campaign "Right Here, Right Now" has received an award.

Comments were made by Messrs. David Allan Wilson and S. McNeil.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 651 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy congratulations to Dalhousie University on receipt of a donation of software from Schlumberger Information Solutions.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 652 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - applauding the Film Development Corporation and the Atlantic Film Festival for giving a chance to experience our talent.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 653 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - recognizing the increased commitment to offshore development and exploration.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 654 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Michelle Raymond and Heather Watts on the publication of a book on the Northwest Arm.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 33. An Act to Amend Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, The Municipal Government Act, to Expand Standing Before the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board

(Ms. Raymond - Halifax Atlantic)

No. 34. An Act to Provide for the Full Disclosure of User Fees

(Mr. Steele - Halifax Fairview)

### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 655 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition -

congratulations to Michelle Raymond on authoring a book on the Northwest Arm.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 656 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - the government must commit infrastructure funding for the Bridgetown Fire Hall.

Res. No. 657 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to Mulgrave Machine Works on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 658 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to the East Gore United Church on its 210<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 659 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - the Minister of Service Nova Scotia must protect Nova Scotians against fly by night educational promotions.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 660 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognizing those involved in the Patient Navigation program re cancer patients.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 661 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to the authors of "Slates to Computers".

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 662 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Reverend Jane Clattenburg on her Ministry.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 663 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Gloria Demers on being named Special Olympics Volunteer of the Year.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 664 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - the Minister responsible for the Residential Tenancies Act must provide comments made during a review to the Act.

Res. No. 665 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - the Minister of Finance and Leader of the NDP must advise their members of Public Accounts Committee they must not prevent Nova Scotians from learning the truth.

Res. No. 666 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognizing the significance of Chapel Island.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 667 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - the Minister of Transportation and Public Works must provide priorities for road improvements in Timberlea Prospect.

Res. No. 668 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - best wishes to Bellevieu Motors for the efforts re the "Run for the Cure" Campaign.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 669 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to MADD Canada for their efforts in Lunenburg and Queens Counties.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 670 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - government must review the Horse Island finfish Aquaculture project.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 671 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to the Beehive Adult Service Centre on its 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 672 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - best wishes to MADD Digby Chapter and volunteers on their red ribbon campaign.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 673 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to the Village of Kingston, Pine Ridge Middle School and Kingston Elementary for the Kids/Health Kids program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 674 - Mr. Theriault, Annapolis - best wishes to the Weymouth Kiwanis Club on its fundraising campaign.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 675 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - best wishes to the Multiple Sclerosis Society for a successful Christmas Card Campaign.

Res. No. 676 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - the Minister of Transportation and Public works must list the priorities for road improvements in Timberlea Prospect.

Res. No. 677 - Hon. the Speaker, congratulations to R.C.L. Branch 36 for their commitment.

Res. No. 678 - Hon. the Speaker, congratulations to R.C.L. Branch 45 or their commitment.

Res. No. 679 - Hon. the Speaker, congratulations to R.C.L. Branch 134 for their commitment.

Res. No. 680 - Hon. the Speaker, congratulations to R.C.L. Branch 17 for their commitment.

Res. No. 681 - Hon. the Speaker, congratulations to R.C.L. Branch 14 for their commitment.

Res. No. 682 - Hon. the Speaker, congratulations to R.C.L. Branch 4 for their commitment.

# **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, moved third reading of the following Bill:

# No. 2. Retail Business Uniform Closing Day Act/Labour Standards Code

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Corbett, Graham, Gosse, Sampson and Hon. Mr. Baker in Reply. On a recorded vote, there being all for and none opposed, the Bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the Bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the Bill be engrossed.

#### PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West, moved second reading of the following Bill:

# No. 17. Youth Secretariat Act

There being no debate, the Bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

#### **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, October  $29^{\text{th}}$  at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

# TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Taylor, Colchester Musquodoboit Valley, tabled the Agricultural Task Force on BSE Report.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, tabled the Annual Report of the Colchester-East Hants Health Authority, September 2003.

# **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 683 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to Brooke Taylor, Member for Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley on his 10 years in the House.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 684 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - encouraging hunters to make safety a priority.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 35. An Act to Amend Chapter 8 of the Acts of 1990, The Emergency Act

(Mr. Epstein - Halifax Chebucto(

No. 36. An Act Respecting the Protection of Medicare in Nova Scotia

(Mr. Dexter - Leader of the Opposition)

No. 37. An Act to Amend Chapter 3 of the Acts of 1987, the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia)

(Hon. Mr. Morash - Minister of Environment and Labour)

No. 38. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes 1989, The Motor Vehicle Act

(Mr. Pye - Dartmouth North)

No. 39. An Act to Provide for Accountability in Healthcare Spending

(Ms. M. MacDonald - Halifax Needham)

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 685 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - government must release the study on CBRM governance.

Res. No. 686 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - the Leader of the NDP and the Member for Chebucto should be chastised for their "trolling for power"

Res. No. 687 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - commending the training of the Members of the Cobequid and Onslow-Belmont Fire Brigades.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 688 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to the Eastern Passage Peewee Shanks on their baseball success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con

Res. No. 689 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to the St. Peter's Community Club on its 50 anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con

Res. No. 690 - Mr. Hines, Waverley - Fall River - BeaverBank - re the positive impact of the increase in average weekly earnings in Nova Scotia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con

Res. No. 691 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria The Lakes - congratulations to Jean McNeil on being nominated for a Governor-General's Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con

Res. No. 692 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to Mike Smith on his Gemini Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con

Res. No. 693 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - government should eliminate the deductible charged to those receiving assistance following Hurricane Juan.

Res. No. 694 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Thelma Coward-Ince on receipt of a degree from Mount Saint Vincent.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con

Res. No. 695 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - commending those responsible for a target range in Shelburne County

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con

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Res. No. 696 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - inviting the Irvings to go fishing with us the next we go angling.

Res. No. 697 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The-Lakes - congratulations to Gordon and Norma Patterson on their 44<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con

Res. No. 698 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - commending the Kentville Volunteer Fire Dept. on a new platform aerial ladder truck.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con

Res. No. 699 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - requesting legislation to deal with environmental Remediation of abandoned sites.

Res. No. 700 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to Joe Hines on his accomplishments.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con

Res. No. 701 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour Eastern Passage - congratulations to Clara MacCormack on her  $80^{\rm th}$  birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con

Res. No. 702 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - calling for the designation of the Herring Cove Backlands as a wilderness area under the Wilderness Areas Protection Act.

Res. No. 703 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - recognizing the value of a high school science course on agriculture.

Res. No. 704 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - thanking Enid Mitchelmore for her efforts providing a breast cancer group.

Res. No. 705 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Keith Surette on his 9-ball championship.

- Res. No. 706 Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy recognizing Cpl. Aloysius Roach and the brave men and women who serve as peacekeepers.
- Res. No. 707 Mr. Taylor, Colchester Musquodoboit Valley commending the prolific success of Gerald Muizelaar.
- Res. No. 708 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore applauding the initiative of the Oyster Pond Volunteer Fire Department.
- Res. No. 709 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore commending the hard work of the Musquodoboit Harbour Volunteer Fire Department.
- Res. No. 710 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore commending the hard work of the Chezzetcook Volunteer Fire Department.
- Res. No. 711 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore commending the initiative of the Ostrea Lake and Pleasant Point Volunteer Fire Department following Hurricane Juan.
- Res. No. 712 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore applauding the initiative of the Lawrencetown Beach Fire and Emergency Services following Hurricane Juan.
- Res. No. 713 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore acknowledging the efforts responsible for Sand Castle Day at Clam Harbour Beach.
- Res. No. 714 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore congratulations to Annie Abriel on her  $102^{nd}$  birthday.
- Res. No. 715 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore extending sympathy to the family of Pearl Wournell.

#### **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition, moved second reading of the following Bill:

# No. 3. Home for Special Care Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Mr. Graham and Ms. M. MacDonald. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

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Pursuant to the order the adjourned debate on the following Resolution was then resumed:

Res. No. 51 - Autumn House Dispute: Commun. Serv. Min. - Responsibility Assume.

The debate continued with the following Mr. Parker, Hon. Mr. Fage, Ms. Whalen and Mr. Corbett. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, October  $30^{\rm th}$  at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development, rose to announce details of activities of Nova Scotia Business Inc. and tabled their 2003 Annual Report.

Comments were made by Messrs. Epstein and Manning MacDonald.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries , rose to acknowledge the work of the BSE Task Force.

Comments were made with Messrs. MacDonell and McNeil.

#### TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, tabled the Annual Reports of South Shore Health 2002-2003 and the Annual Report of the Annapolis Valley Health, for the fiscal year 2002-2003.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education, tabled the Annual Report of the Nova Scotia Community College, 2002-2003.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 716 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Fisheries - reminding Nova Scotians to nominate persons for the Order of Nova Scotia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 717 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education -

congratulations to Literacy Nova Scotia on its efforts.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 718 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognizing National Down Syndrome Awareness Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 719 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to staff at the Natural Resources Centre for efforts to educate re severe weather events.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 720 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to the Highland Links Golf Course on its world ranking.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 40. An Act to Amend Chapter 23 of the Revised Statutes 1989, The Assessment Act

(Hon. Mr. Barnet - Minister of Service Nova Scotia And Municipal Relations)

No. 41. An Act to Amend Chapter 277 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, The Mechanics' Lien Act

(Mr. Dexter - Leader of the Opposition)

No. 42. An Act to Amend Chapter 401 of the Revised

Statutes, 1989, The Residential Tenancies Act, to Provide Fair Remedies for Tenants

(Ms. M. MacDonald - Halifax Needham)

No. 43. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1995-96
The Education Act, to Implement the
Recommendations of the Special Education
Implementation Review Committee

(Mr. Estabrooks - Timberlea Prospect)

No. 44. An Act to Restore the Legal and Environmental Rights of the People of Sydney

(Mr. Gosse - Cape Breton Nova)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 721 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - calling for whistleblowers legislation.

Res. No. 722 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - announcing Frito-Lays Cape Breton Sea Salt and Pepper chips.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 723 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to the Kinsmen Club of New Glasgow for donations to Summer Street Industries.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 724 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - urging the Member for Halifax Fairview to review his predictions re insurance and Liberals.

Res. No. 725 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park -

congratulations to the Metropolitan Immigrant Settlement Association for its commitment to newcomers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 726 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to volunteers with the Pictou County Ground Search and Rescue.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 727 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour Eastern Passage - calling for the grounding of Paul Martin.

Res. No. 728 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Pine View Farm on receipt of a business award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 729 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Robert Wilson and Thane Myers on a business award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 730 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to the East Preston United Church Laymen's Association on their work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 731 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to Tim Macumber on his softball success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 732 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - communities must be empowered to make local decisions.

Res. No. 733 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - we must ensure the inclusion of pork producers in the government's intervention in the agricultural crisis.

Res. No. 734 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratultions to Vernon Cornish on a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 735 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - congratulations to recipients of Manning Innovation Awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 736 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The-Lakes - calling for improvement to MacDonald Road, Scotch Lake.

Res. No. 737 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - recognizing the importance of broad band internet access.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 738 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - calling for funding for Family Services Association offices.

Res. No. 739 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - government should act on the BSE Task force recommendations.

Res. No. 740 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Province House staff of choice of a Christmas card.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 741 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to John Windebank on his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 742 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park -

congratulations to Christopher Boland on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 743 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Inverness on its 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 744 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - Liberals should be honest about their shortcomings.

Res. No. 745 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratultions to Wilbert Dearman and Borden Oakley on their volunteer service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 746 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congrats to Graeme and Barb Gladwin and staff on a business award.

Res. No. 747 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Oak Island Inn and Spa manager Helmuth Weigert and staff on recognition.

Res. No. 748 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognizing Michael Himmelman on his baseball success.

Res. No. 749 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognizing Jeff Bolivar for his political participation.

Res. No. 750 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognizing Sgt. Doug Rafuse for his service.

Res. No. 751 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognizing Michelle Hayward in establishing the Badminton Training Centre.

Res. No. 752 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - commending universities and colleges for their environmental concerns.

- Res. No. 753 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore commending the Oyster Pond Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary.
- Res. No. 754 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore commending the Ostrea Lake and Pleasant Point Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary.
- Res. No. 755 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore commending the Lawrencetown Beach Volunteer Fire Department and Emergency Services Ladies Auxiliary.
- Res. No. 756 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore commending the Musquodoboit Lions Club.
- Res. No. 757 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore commending the Musquodoboit Harbour Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary.
- Res. No. 758 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore commending the Chezzetcook Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary.
- Res. No. 759 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore commending the Lawrencetown Community Centre.
- Res. No. 760 Mr Samson, Richmond congratulations to Susan MacNeil and Sacred Heart on hosting a milling frolic.
- Res. No. 761 Mr. Samson, Richmond- congratulations to Marie Burke and Sacred Heart on hosting a milling frolic.
- Res. No. 762 Mr. Samson, Richmond acknowledging Margie Campbell's contribution to a milling frolic.
- Res. No. 763 Mr. Samson, Richmond acknowledging Cathy Johnston's contribution to a milling frolic.
- No. 764 Mr. Samson, Richmond acknowledging Louise Campbell's contribution to a milling frolic.
- No. 765 Mr. Samson, Richmond acknowledging Elizabeth MacNeil's contribution to a milling frolic.
- Res. No. 766 Mr. Samson, Richmond acknowledging Margaret Campbell's contribution to a milling frolic.

- Res. No. 767 Mr. Samson, Richmond acknowledging Carmaine Walker's contribution to a milling frolic.
- Res. No.768 Mr. Samson, Richmond acknowledging Theresa Cash's contribution to a milling frolic.
- Res. No. 769 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Valerie Fahey.
  - Res. No. 770 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Ron Ward.
- Res. No. 771 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Raelene Wilson.
- Res. No. 772 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Bill Hickey.
- Res. No. 773 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to congratulations to Grant MacDonald.
- Res. No. 774 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Oxford Elementary students.
- Res. No. 775 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Springhill Elementary students.
- Res. No. 776 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to inmates and staff of Springhill Correction facility.
- Res. No. 777 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Laurie Steward.
- Res. No. 778 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Mark Tanner.
- Res. No. 779 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Wentworth and Volunteer Fire Department.
- Res. No. 780 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to the Wild Blueberry and Maple Centre.
- Res. No. 781 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to the Springhill Youth Centre and Springhill Department of Leisure Services.

Res. No. 782 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Marion Murray on her  $90^{\text{th}}$  birthday.

Res. No. 783 - Mr. Hines, Waverley Fall River-Beaver Bank - congratulations to the Waverley Ratepayers Association on their volunteer work.

Res. No. 784 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - applauding the hard work of all Nova Scotia Blueberry harvesters.

### PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following Bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with certain amendments:

#### No. 15. Youth Secretariat Act

The foregoing Bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

# **ROYAL ASSENT**

At the hour of 3:09 p.m. this day, Her Honour, the Honourable Myra A Freeman, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Nova Scotia, came to the Chamber of the House of Assembly and seated in the Chair was addressed by Mr. Speaker as follows:

"May it please Your Honour, the General Assembly of the Province has at its present Session passed certain Bills to which in the name and on behalf of the General Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent:

Her Honour was then pleased to give her assent to the following Bills:

#### No. 1 - Automobile Insurance Act

No. 2 - Retail Business Uniform Closing Day Act/Labour Standards Code

# No. 6 - Public Service Superannuation Act

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- No. 7 Labour Standards Code/Vital Statistics Act
- **No. 8 Volunteer Protection Act**
- **No. 10 Municipal Elections Act**
- No. 11 Collection Agencies Act/Consumer Creditors Conduct Act
- No. 15 Court Jurisdiction and Proceedings Transfer Act

Her Honour was then pleased to retire.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Hon. the Premier then moved that the House adjourn to meet again at the call of the Speaker.

The House reconvened at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Parker, Pictou West, tabled a petition concerning the condition of the West Branch Road.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Colwell, Preston, tabled a petition requesting street lights in Porter's Lake.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Parent, Kings North, tabled a petition calling for the ban of video lottery terminals.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East, tabled a petition calling for the ban of video lottery terminals.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacDonell, Hants East, tabled a petition respecting the condition of roads at Northfield, Hants County.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay, tabled a petition concerning a public inquiry respecting the New Waterford Consolidated Hospital.

# TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, Hon. The Speaker, tabled the Annual Report of the Office of the Ombudsman, January 1, 2001 to March 31, 2003.

# STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. The Premier rose to remember the accomplishments of the late Robert Lorne Stanfield.

Comments were made by Messrs. Dexter and Gaudet.

# **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 785 - Hon. The Premier - saluting the memory of Dr.

John Savage and his late wife Margaret.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 786 - Hon. The Premier - commending the work of the Member of Halifax Citadel.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 787 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance - urging the federal government to heed warnings on funding health care.

Res. No. 788 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Colleen Jones and her team on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 789 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to the curling rink of Mark Dacey on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 790 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - supporting efforts of the government supporting retro activity of the National Sex Offender Registry.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 791 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - celebrating "L'Année de l'Acadie" and the contributions of Acadians.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 792 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - applauding those involved with the production Snakes

and Ladders.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 793 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Michael Duck on receipt of a business award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 794 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to inductees into the Junior Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 45. An Act to Amend Chapter 376 of the Revised Statues of 1989, the Public Service Act, to Protect the Taxpayers of Nova Scotia

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 46. An Act to Amend Chapter 376 of the Revised Statues of 1989, the Public Service Act, to Establish the Office of Health Promotion

(Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald - Minister of Tourism and Culture)

No. 47. An Act to Establish the Council of Atlantic Premiers

(Hon. The Premier)

No. 48. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1995-96, the Education Act

(Hon. Mr. Muir - Minister of Education)

No. 49. An Act to Amend Chapter 17 of the Acts of 1998, the Mi'kmaq Education Act

(Hon. Mr. Muir - Minister of Education)

No. 50. An Act to Amend Chapter 4 of the Acts of 1994, the Credit Union Act

(Hon. Mr. Morash - Minister of Environment and Labour)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 795 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - opposing Clifford Frame's application to open a mine.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 796 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - remembering those who died during the Holocaust.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 797 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - best wishes to George Canyon.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 798 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to Stora Enso on its safety record at the Port Hawkesbury mill.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 799 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - expressing

sympathy to the late Rhoda Snow's family.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 800 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - congratulations to Dr. F.R. MacKinnon on his many contributions.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 801 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to the Halifax Public Libraries on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 802 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to the Jill Mouzar rink on their curling success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 803 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Ross Haynes on his Q.C.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 804 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to the Lake Echo Lioness Club on its  $25^{\text{th}}$  anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 805 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to Tatamagouche Elementary School on providing a grave marker for a veteran.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 806 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - congratulations to the Colleen Jones curling rink on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 807 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - recognizing the importance of consultation re health care wait times.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 808 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - best wishes to the King's County Museum and the King's County Historical Society on their respective anniversaries.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 809 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to the Heatherbell Pipe and Drum Band on its  $40^{th}$  anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 810 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to Daniel J.E. Canning on his weightlifting success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 811 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - acknowledging the life of Sister Peggy Butts.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 812 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to the Steering Committee for Knowledge is Power for its work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 813 - Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel - congratulations to St. F.X. X-Men on their hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 814 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - recognition of the new correctional facility at Yarmouth.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 815 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - recognizing John Hubba Parris on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 816 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to Craig Harding on being appointed a Chief Crown Attorney.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 817 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Ron Harrie on his retirement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 818 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to the St. F.X. X-Men on their hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 819 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Andy Conrad and the Sackville Blazers Junior B hockey team.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 820 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - recognizing the contributions of Charlotte Van Mil and Jim Isenor.

Res. No. 821 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Canadian Ski Patrol system on their dedication.

Res. No. 822 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - calling for upgrading of the New Waterford Consolidated Hospital's ventilation system.

# **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 37. Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia) Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Corbett, MacKinnon, Hon. Mr. Clarke, Messrs. Estabrooks, Samson, Deveaux, Epstein and Ms. Massey, who adjourned the debate.

# **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, April  $16^{\text{th}}$  at 9:00 A.M.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Parker, Pictou West, tabled a petition calling for paving of a road in Pictou and Colchester Counties.

# TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour, tabled the Annual Report for Workers' Compensation Board, 2003.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 823 - Hon. The Premier - recognizing the significance of Holocaust Memorial Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 824 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance - recognizing the late Arnold Sarty.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 825 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognizing the World Women's Hockey Championship.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 826 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minster of Transportation and Public Works - recognizing the Department of Transportation and others who are improving transportation infrastructure.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 827 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognizing the late Angela Vecchio-Ozmon.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 828 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice) - recognition of Law Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

# No. 51. An Act to Establish a Provincial Acadian Day

(Hon. Mr. d'Entremont - Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 829 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - urging the Premier to undertake an independent study on auto insurance.

Res. No. 830 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Rhonda and Lynn Crawford on receipt of a human rights award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 831 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - applauding Stephen Harper for providing Nova Scotia with a prominent role in the Conservative Party of Canada.

Res. No. 832 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - thanking volunteers with the Canadian Cancer Society.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 833 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to the Municipality of Guysborough on its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 834 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - recognition of the contribution being established by the Rosalin Nickerson Care Fund.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 835 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Eva Naugle on receipt of a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 836 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Sidney Crosby on hockey awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 837 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Gordon Stobbe on the release of his new CD.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 838 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - congratulations to Rudy Pilche on induction into the Cape Breton Sports Hall of Fame.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 839 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - applauding the efforts of the Creamery Square Project Committee.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 840 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to John Cross for his dedication to the credit union movement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 841 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - Liberalism is neither right nor left but central.

Res. No. 842 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Geraldine and Orval Browning on receipt of a Pineapple Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 843 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Elmsdale Lumber on receipt of awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 844 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank - congratulations to graduates of Sackville High of 1993.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 845 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - congratulations to Ellenvale Junior High School on its fundraising auction.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 846 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to radio station C-100 on receipt of awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 847 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - complimenting Krista Briggs on establishing a structured preschool schedule for

children.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 848 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - affirming support for the free and open practice of religious beliefs.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 849 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to those involved with the Eastern Shore Mariners Hockey tournament.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 850 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - commending the mayor, council and resident's of Clark's Harbour for their interest in baseball.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 851 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to the Single Parent Centre on its post-partum program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 852 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to Kolin Holliday on his wrestling success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 853 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - best wishes to Jessica Romo on her dream of becoming a politician.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 854 - Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview - thanking Shawn Graham for his position on public auto insurance.

Res. No. 855 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to Richmond County on its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 856 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to The Sailloft on being chosen to attend a trade mission.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 857 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to certain persons participating in a snowmobiling relay in support of breast cancer.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 858 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - best wishes to the Dartmouth Choral Society on its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 859 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance - congratulations to Ken Dodsworth on his volunteer work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 860 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to Stephanie MacNeill and Joan Smith on representing Canada at a Guides conference.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 861 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to members of Community Services Committee for its forum on family violence.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 862 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to the Mouzar rink on its curling success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 863 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - commending Scott Banfield for his commitment to public safety.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 864 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to Stephen Harper on his success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 865 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to the Rosedale Home for Special Care on its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 866 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Jamie Crane and Scott Gilliard on their electoral success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 867 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognition of the Daffodil Campaign of the Canadian Cancer Society.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 868 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - remembering the sacrifices of our veterans.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 869 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Jamie Corlett on receipt of a Black Belt.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 870 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Emily Reid on receipt of a Duke of Edinburgh Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 871 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Claudette Tufts on receipt of a Pineapple Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 872 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Atlantic Plumbing and Heating in Head of Jeddore.

Res. No. 873 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Barry's Septic in Lake Charlotte.

Res. No. 874 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Big Shot Lanes Ltd. in Musquodoboit Harbour.

Res. No. 875 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Coastal Roofing in Oyster Pond Jeddore.

Res. No. 876 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Cousin's Service Centre Ltd. in West Chezzetcook.

Res. No. 877 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbourbest wishes to the Municipality of the District of Guysborough on its  $125^{\rm th}$  anniversary.

# **PUBLIC BILLS**

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

# No. 37. Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia) Act

The debate resumed with Ms. Massey, Messrs. Pye, MacDonell,

David A. Wilson and Hon. Mr. Morash in Reply. The bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 40. Assessment Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond, Messrs. Sampson, Estabrooks and Colwell, who adjourned the debate.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, April  $19^{\text{th}}$  at 4:00 P.M.

The House met at 4:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Parker, Pictou West, tabled a petition from those calling for a ban on VLTs.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley, tabled a petition from those opposed to Inglewood Farms spreading sludge.

# **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 878 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education) - recognizing efforts to promote education in science.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 879 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Sydney Academy on receipt of funds for its music program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 880 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - saluting the efforts of Maritime Forces Atlantic.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 881 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognition of Cape Breton as a tourism location.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 882 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Ocean Nutrition for their dedication to health.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 883 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to IMP Group International Inc. and Secunda International Inc. on being named two best managed companies.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

# No. 52. An Act to Set Criteria for Prioritizing Road Improvement Projects

(Mr. Parker - Pictou West)

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 884 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to Donald Harris, Melvin Harris and Lloyd Eisner on being honoured.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 885 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - recognition of the Father John G. Webb Scholarship.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 886 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - recognizing the Fireman's Prayer.

Res. No. 887 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - recognizing the contributions of Michael Hewitt.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 888 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - recognizing the efforts of Daisy Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 889 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - recognizing the efforts of the Minister of Transportation re repair of Route 4.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 890 - Mr. MacDonnell, Hants East - congratulations to East Hants Sportsplex and Chinese and Swedish World Women's Hockey teams.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 891 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognition of Cheryl Walker on her volunteer work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 892 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - recognition of the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Municipality of St. Mary's.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 893 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - congratulations to St. Pat's teams on basketball success.

Res. No. 894 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing the Eastern Shore Ground Search and Rescue on opening new headquarters.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 895 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - applauding the achievements of Elaine Young.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 896 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - remembering the late Edna May Peppard.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 897 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - acknowledging volunteers and the Cumberland County United Way.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 898 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to Howard Van Allen on receipt of a heritage award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 899 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to John Martin School on its Arts for Peace program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 900 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to inductees into the Nova Scotia Forestry Hall of Fame.

Res. No. 901 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - commending the achievements of retiring Fire Chief Donnie Hale.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 902 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - recognizing those who participated in Earth Day Celebrations at the Whitney Pier Youth Club.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 903 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to the Women's Place Resource Centre on its work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 904 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Dalhousie Tiger's athlete Adrienne Power.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 905 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - recognizing Sgt. Ray Russell on his retirement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 906 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - government has an obligation re affordable housing.

Res. No. 907 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - appreciation to Burton Russell for his efforts to preserve the history of sport in N.S.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 908 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognition

of St. Nicholas Anglican Church.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 909 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - recognition of National Secretary Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 910 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - applauding firefighters of Barrington, Barrington Passage and Port Clyde and Chief John Nickerson for their bravery.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 911 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - recognizing the Coastal Communities Network.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 912 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour recognizing the efforts of Guysborough County members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers for fundraising.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 913 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - recognition of Education Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 914 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - recognition of the work of Pastor Lennett J. Anderson.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 915 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognition of the Diman Association of Canada.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 916 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - recognizing John Comeau, Marci Lin Melvin and Burt Goodwin for their generosity to help families suffering from a fire loss.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 917 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - recognizing the volunteer work of Roy Whynot.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 918 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - complementing the work of emergency responders at a train derailment at Sutherlands River.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 919 - Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel - congratulations to Stephanie Hughes on her swimming success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 920 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognition of Cst. Robyn Atwell for her service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 921 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Paul Demone on his volunteer service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 922 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to

Ashley Daigneault on receipt of a Duke of Edinburgh Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 923 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - recognizing the flip flop of the Leader of the NDP.

Res. No. 924 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - recognizing the volunteer service of Barbara Miller.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 925 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - commending Bass River Fire Department.

Res. No. 926 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - commending Debert Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 927 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - commending Five Islands District Fire Department.

Res. No. 928 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - commending North River and District Fire Department.

Res. No. 929 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - commending Tatamagouche Fire Department.

Res. No. 930 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - commending Economy Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 931 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - commending Great Village and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 932 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - commending Onslow-Belmont Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 933 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - commending Valley-Kemptown and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 934 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - recognizing Anne Muise and participants of the St. John Ambulance dog therapy program.

Res. No. 935 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - calling for the scrapping of the gun registry.

Res. No. 936 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Family Fries Restaurant.

Res. No. 937 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Eastern Shore Law Centre.

Res. No. 938 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing DeMone Monument & Granite Products Ltd.

Res. No. 939 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Belle's Barber Shoppe.

Res. No. 940 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Pettipas Septic & Plumbing Service.

#### **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

#### No. 40. Assessment Act

The debate resumed with the following, Messrs. Colwell, Parker, Ms Whalen, Messrs. Pye, MacKinnon, Epstein, MacDonell and Hon. Mr. Barnet in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Parker, Pictou West, tabled a petition protesting spot checks on vehicles.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Colwell, Preston, tabled a petition calling for a boundary change in the Cherrybrook area.

## TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, tabled the Amendments to the Civil Procedure Rules, Pursuant to the Judicature Act on November 17, 2003.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. The Speaker tabled the Nova Scotia Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Review Office, Annual Report 2003.

## **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 941 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance

"Mr. Speaker, I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall:

- (1) read and table the message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor transmitting the Estimates of Sums required for the service of the province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2005, for the consideration of this House;
- (2) table the Estimate Books;
- (3) table the Crown Corporation business plans;
- (4) table the Estimate and Crown Corporation business plan resolutions;
- (5) deliver my Budget Speech; and

move that the Estimates of Sums required for the service of the province, for the fiscal year ending March 31,
 2005, being Supply to be granted to Her Majesty, and the Crown Corporation business plans be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Supply.

Mr. Speaker, for the information of the House, the budget will be presented on Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> of this week."

Res. No. 942 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Marilyn Webster on receipt of an education award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 943 - Hon. Mr Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognition of the service of Michael Hewitt.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 944 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to those developing a website template for municipal government.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 945 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognizing the efforts of Halifax's Arcadia Entertainment.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 946 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - recognition of Foster Family Recruitment Week and foster families.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 53. An Act to Amend Chapter 4 of the Acts of 1994-95, the Gaming Control Act

(Mr. McNeil, Annapolis)

No. 54. An Act to Amend Chapter 35 of the Acts of 1881, an Act to Incorporate Saint Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, of Chester, Lunenburg County

(Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's)

No. 55. An Act to Authorize the Municipality of the District of Chester to Provide a Retiring Allowance for Barry Lenihan

(Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's)

No. 56. An Act to Amend Chapter 148 of the Acts of 1930, an Act to Incorporate the Nova Scotia Fish and Game Protective Association and County or District Fish and Game Associations

(Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley)

No. 57. An Act to Amend Chapter 62 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Cemetery and Funeral Services Act

(Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 947 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to the fans of the Montreal Canadiens.

Res. No. 948 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - calling for an employment strategy for youth.

Res. No. 949 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - calling for tax relief for farmers and woodlot owners.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 950 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to the Cole Harbour District High School Wrestling Team.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 951 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - recognition of the King's Mutual Insurance Company on its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 952 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - applauding a step taken by the federal government under the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Accord.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 953 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to breeders and owners of the N.S. Duck Tolling Retriever.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 954 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - honouring fire departments in the province.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 955 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to the Canadian Lebanon Society on its success.

Res. No. 956 - Mr Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - congratulations to Tyler Richards and Irvine Carvery on basketball recognition.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 957 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to the Digby High School Envirothon Team.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 958 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - congratulations to the Shelburne Bantam "A" Flames on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 959 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to organizers of the River John Winter Carnival.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 960 - Mr. Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay recognition of National Medical Laboratory Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 961 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - encouraging discussions with the Turks and Caicos to become part of N.S.

Res. No. 962 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to Chris Saulnier on receipt of a Duke of Edinburgh Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 963 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to

Constable Robbie Baird and honouring his service to his community.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 964 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - congratulations to Michael Blades on his skeet success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 965 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - recognition of Fabry Disease and funding therapy re same.

Res. No. 966 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - calling for support for independent slaughterhouse owners.

Res. No. 967 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - applauding Pictou County for its cost competitiveness.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 968 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - recognition of volunteers in Cape Breton.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 969 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - recognition of firefighters Ron LeRue and Bob Pattison.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 970 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - recognition of firefighters Allan Ball and Roger Bourque.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 971 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - recognizing Pictou County Celebrating Women Committee.

Res. No. 972 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - applauding the Thorburn Atom B Golden Hawks.

Res. No. 973 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - commending Anita McIntyre and husband Tom.

Res. No. 974 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - recognizing Sidney Crosby.

Res. No. 975 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to the Eastern Shore Mariners Atom AA hockey team.

Res. No. 976 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Jupiter Foundation Ltd.

Res. No. 977 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Down East Carpet Centre.

Res. No. 978 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Budget Glass and Mirror.

Res. No. 979 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Bernfield Kennels Ltd.

Res. No. 980 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Aquaprime Mussel Ranch.

Res. No. 981 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Zack Knol on an award.

Res. No. 982 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Springhill Highcrest Nursing Home on their commitment to the community.

Res. No. 983 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Andrew Bragg on an award.

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 46. Public Service Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Gosse, H. David Wilson, Ms. M. MacDonald, Mr. Graham, Ms. More, Mr. Sampson, Ms. Raymond, Ms. Massey, Messrs. Pye, MacKinnon and Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### No. 47. Council of Atlantic Premiers Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Sampson and Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### No. 48. Education Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Estabrooks, McNeil, Gosse and Mr. MacKinnon, who adjourned debate.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Services Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 57. Cemetery and Funeral Services Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

## **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, April  $21^{\rm st}$  at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Parker, Pictou West, tabled a petition concerning problems in the West River Estuary.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect, tabled a petition calling for a plebiscite on VLTs.

## PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with certain amendments:

## No. 57. Cemetery and Funeral Services Act

The foregoing bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

## STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Geston, Minister of Human Resources, rose to announce protection for civil servants who report wrong doing.

Comments were made by Messrs. Gosse and Samson.

## **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 984 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of L.P.N.s and R.N.s attending a conference.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 985 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - welcoming Mark Cullen and his message re composting.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 986 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - calling for amending conditional sentence provisions in the Criminal Code.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 987 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - remembering the late Angus L. MacDonald.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 58. An Act to Amend Chapter 277 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Mechanics' Lien Act

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 59. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1994-95, the Environment Act

(Mr. Pye - Dartmouth North)

No. 60. An Act to Amend Chapter 87 of the Acts of 1915, an Act respecting the Antigonish Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company; and Chapter 105 of the Acts of 1981, an Act to Confer Additional Powers Upon Antigonish Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company

(Hon. Mr. MacIsaac - Antigonish)

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 988 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - government must end use of seniors savings for long term care.

Res. No. 989 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - Nova Scotians are not fooled by Geoff Regan's efforts to divert attention from the federal scandal.

Res. No. 990 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Pictou County municipalities for a regional approach to EMO.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 991 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - government should apologize for their tax cut.

Res. No. 992 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Duncan Smith on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 993 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - government must provide funding for enzyme replacement therapy.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 994 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Middleton Regional High School teams on success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 995 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - congratulations to those involved with the Shelburne County Nature and Birding Festival.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 996 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations

to those involved with the acquisition of an MRI unit in Cape Breton.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 997 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - demanding the government to use any money from Ottawa for health care.

Res. No. 998 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - applauding the kindness of the gift provided by Julien's Bakery.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 999 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to Paul Josey for his perseverance and commitment to duty.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1000 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - NDP were participants in the Tory tax scheme.

Res. No. 1001 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - calling for discussions with the Turks and Caicos becoming part of N.S.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1002 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - recognition of Open House and Creative Arts Exhibit at the Scott's Bay Cap Site Community Hall.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1003 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to Kelly Moore on her position as President of the Association of Interior Designers of N.S.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1004 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - recognizing the commitment of the Northern Yacht Club on rebuilding.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1005 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Matt Climie on his hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1006 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Blisse and Chloe Comstock, Paige Mattie and Jill Mouzar on their curling success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1007 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - recognizing Ellen Whitman for her efforts to acknowledge dedicated science teachers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1008 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - recognizing Hillcrest Academy teacher John MacKay.

Res. No. 1009 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - commending Terry Comeau and staff operating Jungle Jim's restaurant.

Res. No. 1010 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Fred Burke on being named male senior athlete for the year.

Res. No. 1011 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to students in grade 7 from Parrsboro Regional High School winning a recyclable art contest.

Res. No. 1012 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to certain grade 11 students at Parrsboro Regional High School winning recyclable art contest.

Res. No. 1013 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Carla Black on the opening of Carla's Flowers.

Res. No. 1014 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Josh Best on recognition in a recycling contest.

Res. No. 1015 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Monica Gough on receipt of a bursary.

Res. No. 1016 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Luke Downing on receipt of a bursary.

Res. No. 1017 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to David Fox on receipt of an acting award.

Res. No. 1018 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to students at the N.S. Community College, Springhill Campus, for supporting the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Res. No. 1019 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Bud and Cathy Anderson on receipt of a Chamber of Commerce award.

Res. No. 1020 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Betty Adams on receipt of a volunteer award.

Res. No. 1021 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Rev. Frank Likely on becoming a member of the Canadian Police Chaplain Association.

#### **OPPOSITION MEMBERS BUSINESS**

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis, moved the following Resolution:

Res. No. 493 - Econ. Dev. - Rural Depopulation - Action

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Fage, Messrs. Epstein and Glavine. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes, moved the following Resolution:

Res. No. 485 - Econ. Dev. - Rural Depopulation: Challenge -

# Recognize

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Clarke, Messrs. MacDonell, Parker and Colwell. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

## **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, April  $22^{\rm nd}$  at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### **GOVERNMENT MOTIONS**

Pursuant to the notice tabled on April 20, 2004, the Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance, moved the following Resolution:

Res. No. 941 - Estimates: Referral to the Committee of the Whole House on Supply.

The Honourable Member tabled the message from the Lieutenant Governor, the Estimates Books, the Government Business Plan, the Crown Corporation Business Plans and the Estimates Resolutions.

"Mr. Speaker, pursuant to a notice of motion given by me on April 20, 2004, and the Rules and Forms of Procedure of the House of Assembly, I have the honour, by command, to present a message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Nova Scotia, relating to the Estimates of Sums required for the service of the province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2005 which is:

'I hereby transmit Estimates of Sums required for the Public Service of the province, for the year ending March 31, 2005, and in accordance with the Constitution Act, 1867, recommend them together with the Budget Address of my Minister of Finance and any resolutions or bills necessary or advisable to approve the Estimates and implement the budget measures to the House of Assembly.

(Signed) Myra A. Freeman Lieutenant Governor

Halifax, Nova Scotia April 22, 2004"

The Honourable Member then delivered his Budget Speech and moved that the Estimates of Sums required for the service of the Province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2005, be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Supply. A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Steele, who adjourned the debate. **NOTICES OF MOTION** 

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1022 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - re recognition of Earth Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1023 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - encouraging the Premier to consider whether he can keep his commitments.

Res. No. 1024 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank - congratulations to Sheila Campbell for her achievements.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1025 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - recognizing Bill Gerrior.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1026 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to Halifax International Airport on receipt of awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1027 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to Halifax International Airport on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1028 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - thanking volunteers during volunteer week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1029 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park -

congratulations to Park West School on its annual Multicultural Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1030 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - commending Jon Carey for his public service.

Res. No. 1031 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Gladys and Leo Slaunwhite on their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1032 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - recognition of the Carleton Gunning Cove Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1033 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - congratulations to the Cape Breton Junior Chamber of Commerce in pressing for action re the Tar Ponds and coke ovens cleanup.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1034 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Gloria Demers on receipt of a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1035 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Jillian Eisnor on receipt of a nomination for an entrepreneurial award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1036 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Jessica West on receipt of a Duke of Edinburgh Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1037 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to St. F.X. X-Men basketball team on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1038 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to Rindress & Gavina MacKenzie on their 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1039 - Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel - recognizing those who support the principles of Earth Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1040 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Constable Shaun Carvery on being honoured.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1041 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of National Medical Laboratory Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1042 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of organ and tissue donation.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1043 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to Mike Laffin on his birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1044 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to John Larson and Privateers Harley-Davidson.

#### **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved third reading of the following bill after the House consented to waive the Committee of the Whole House stage:

## No. 57. Cemetery and Funeral Services Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Corbett and MacKinnon and Hon. Mr. Barnet in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

#### No. 48. Education Act

The debate resumed with Messrs. MacKinnon, David A. Wilson, Colwell and Ms. Massey, who adjourned the debate.

## **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, April  $23^{rd}$  at 9:00 A.M.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1045 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance - urging Ottawa to include all revenue sources in determining the levels of transfers to the province.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1046 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - congratulations to the New Waterford Credit Union for fundraising for Safe Grad program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1047 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to students and organizers of 440 Productions for their commitment to our veterans.

Res. No. 1048 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - congratulations to Michael Townsend in constructing the best outdoor rink in N.S.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1049 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - acknowledging the accomplishments of the late Jack Canfield.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1050 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - recognizing the work of the Atlantic Burn Camp.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1051 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - commending the Guysborough Regional Development Authority for promoting Guysborough County.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1052 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - thanking those involved with the Adopt-a-Musician program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1053 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to the Glace Bay Lions Club on the success on collecting stuff toys.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1054 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - paying tribute to the Trenton and Thorburn Fire Departments members ready to assist in rescues.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1055 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - saluting the seniors of N.S. for persistance respecting ending the use of life savings to pay for health care in nursing homes.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1056 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Emily Reid on receipt of a Duke of Edinburgh Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1057 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to the Health Services Foundation of the South Shore for efforts to help improve health programs.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1058 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - government must designate Gully Lake and Eigg Mountain as wilderness protection areas.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1059 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - recognizing the donations by farmers of surplus beef.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1060 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to Tom Sherman on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1061 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - recognition of the volunteer service of Syd Gosley.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1062 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to Paul Gidney on powerlifting success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1063 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Geston, Minister of Human Resources - recognition of the volunteer service of Helen Naugler.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1064 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to 3 Dolphins on their 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1065 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Judy Steele on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1066 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - applauding the creative minds of Susan Borgersen and Russell Barton.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1067 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to the Cavalier Drive School skipping team on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1068 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Constable Jonathan Jefferies for his service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1069 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - encouraging the federal government to become a real partner in health funding.

Res. No. 1070 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Sarah Drake on her athletic success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1071 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - minister

responsible must assure of resources for the Provincial Nominee Program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1072 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - recognition of Doris Rose Wournell for her volunteer service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1073 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - best wishes on the kitchen party fundraiser to be held by the Glace Bay Radio Club.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1074 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Constable Charles Bruce for his service.

Res. No. 1075 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resourcs - congratulations to Dr. Anthony Atkinson and Mary McIntyre on their excellent work.

Res. No. 1076 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - applauding staff for making Halifax International Airport such a significant entity on the world level.

Res. No. 1077 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to organizers of 440 Productions and students for their commitment to veterans.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## **GOVERNMENT MOTIONS**

On motion, the adjourned debate on the following Resolution was then resumed:

No. 941 - Estimates: CWH Referral

The debate resumed with Mr. Steele and Ms. Whalen. The

Estimates were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole on Supply.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, April  $26^{\text{th}}$  at  $2{:}00~\text{P.M.}$ 

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Parker, Pictou West, tabled a petition concerning the condition of the Whitehill Road.

## TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance, tabled the Supplement to the Public Accounts, fiscal year ending March 31, 2003.

## **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1078 - Hon. The Premier - congratulations to the Colleen Jones rink on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1079 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to Saint Mary's University on receipt on a productivity award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1080 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - congratulations to the Department of Energy for its promotion of wise energy use.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1081 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to the Mark Dacey rink on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1082 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to Jodi Heys and Mike Kellock on Paramedic Awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

## No. 61. An Act to Amend Chapter 466 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, The Theatres and Amusements Act

(Ms. Massey - Dartmouth East)

## No. 62. An Act Respecting Certain Financial Measures

(Hon. Mr. Christie - Minister of Finance)

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1083 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to the Jones and Dacey curling teams.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1084 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - government must remove tourism ads from The Swan.

Res. No. 1085 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - wishing those in the Eastern Shore lobster fishing a bountiful season.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1086 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham -

congratulations to those involved with the North End Outdoor rink.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1087 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to the Dalhousie Faculty of Medicine International Health Office and students for their contribution.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1088 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Jennifer Brine on her athletic success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1089 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Ted Burgess on his volunteer service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1090 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to the Laymen's Council of the African United Baptist Association on its  $50^{\text{th}}$  anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1091 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to South Shore Health for efforts to improve health services.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1092 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to J.L. Illsley on their being honoured by the Viewfinders Film Festival.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1093 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - recognition of cancer awareness month and volunteers for the Canadian Cancer Society.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1094 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Bob Crowe for his volunteer service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1095 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Q104 for its fundraising.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1096 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to Linda Hefler on receipt of a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1097 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Matt McCullough on his fundraising efforts.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1098 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - urging the government to take steps to reduce tuition fees.

Res. No. 1099 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to the Glace Bay Minors Pee Wee A team on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1100 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to Rebecca Jane Douglass on her volunteer service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1101 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Wayne Adams on receipt of an Order of Canada.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1102 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - thanking Jack Yazer for his community work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1103 - Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel - congratulations to the Colleen Jones rink and the Mark Dacey rink.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1104 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to the Sir John A MacDonald Improv team on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1105 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - recognition of the Annual Day of Mourning and the efforts of the Cape Breton District Labour Council.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1106 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Mark Davis on his computer brilliance.

Res. No. 1107 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - commending the medal winners from the Shelburne Figure Skating Club.

Res. No. 1108 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Shawn Clarke on his athletic success.

Res. No. 1109 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Ryan Carmichael on his athletic success.

Res. No. 1110 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Rob Henderson on his athletic success.

Res. No. 1111 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Grade 12 Entrepreneur Class of Parrsboro High School.

Res. No. 1112 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Jeffrey Harrison and Wes Herrett on their athletic success.

Res. No. 1113 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing JC Excavating in East Chezzetcook.

Res. No. 1114 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Sammy Keizer Automotive in Musquodoboit Harbour.

Res. No. 1115 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Musquodoboit Harbour Barber.

Res. No. 1116 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing M.L. DeBaie Construction in Head of Jeddore.

Res. No. 1117 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Live Wire Appliance Service in Musquodoboit Harbour.

Res. No. 1118 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Warner Vineyards on an award winning product.

#### SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY

On motion that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply, a debate arose during which the following took part: Messrs. Estabrooks, Sampson, MacKinnon and Taylor. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the motion carried.

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the following resolution was called:

No. E9, relating to the Department of Health. ADJOURNED.

On motion the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress and begged leave to sit again.

#### **PUBLIC BILLS**

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

# No. 48. Education Act

The debate resumed with Messrs. Glavine, MacDonell, Ms. M. MacDonald, Messrs. Deveaux, Pye and Hon. Mr. Muir in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 49. Mi'kmaq Education Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. MacDonell, Theriault, Sampson, MacKinnon and Hon. Mr. Muir in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### No. 50. Credit Union Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Steele, Mr. M. MacDonald and Hon. Mr. Morash in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 51. Provincial Acadian Day Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Deveaux, Samson, MacKinnon and Hon. Mr. d'Entremont in Reply. The

question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, April  $27^{\rm th}$  at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour, tabled a petition opposed to the adoption of recommendations of the Voluntary Planning Off-Highway Vehicle Task Force.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour, tabled a petition from members of the Chedabucto A.T.V. Association.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 63. An Act to Amend Chapter 155 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, The Executive Council Act, and Chapter 376 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, The Public Service Act

(Mr. M. MacDonald - Cape Breton South)

No. 64. An Act to Establish a Transportation Authority for the Capital Region

(Hon. Mr. Russell - Minister of Transportation and Public Works)

No. 65. An Act to Provide Accountability for the Expenditure of Taxes on Gasoline and Diesel Oil

(Mr. MacKinnon - Cape Breton West)

# NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1119 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - remembering the life of the late Rev. Anselme Chiasson.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1120 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Annette Dugas for her volunteer services.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1121 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to the Minister of Health on having a small communications department.

Res. No. 1122 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - urging the federal government to affirm its responsibilities for 70% of the Tar Pond Cleanup.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1123 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Constable Benny Kirton for his community services.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1124 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank - congratulations to LeGay Fiberglass of Waverley on being recognized as one of the 50 Best Managed Companies.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1125 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - marking the National Day of Mourning for those injured or killed on the job.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1126 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Gordie Patchett on his wrestling success.

Res. No. 1127 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - congratulations to the Lockport Regional High School Senior Boys Basketball team.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1128 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Brad and Beth Pye on the birth of a child.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1129 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to Matthew McCarlie on his wrestling success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1130 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Donna and Andy on their recognition by the music industry.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1131 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - commending the multi-service office, St. Paul's and the children of the Chebucto Boys and Girls Club on maintaining a website.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1132 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Roland Deveau on being elected president of French speaking lawyers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1133 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to the Liverpool Lions Club on its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Res. No. 1134 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Ruth Stirling for her volunteer service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1135 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Crossley Carpet Mills on an environmental award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1136 - Hon. Mr. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Alice Leverman on receipt of Canadian Council of Health Services Accreditation.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1137 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Kelli McHugh on her athletic success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1138 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Cassa Business Equipment Ltd. on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1139 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Ridgecliff Middle School on its Heritage Fair.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1140 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Tim Ackles and Gary Duff for their community service.

Res. No. 1141 - Hon. The Speaker - applauding the initiative of Dr. Andrea Barry.

Res. No. 1142 - Hon. The Speaker - applauding Nova Scotia's maple syrup industry.

Res. No. 1143 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Century 21 ABC Realty in Lake Charlotte.

Res. No. 1144 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Handyman Services in Musquodoboit Harbour.

Res. No. 1145 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing EE Enterprises in Musquodoboit Harbour.

Res. No. 1146 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Bud Chambers Construction in Musquodoboit Harbour.

Res. No. 1147 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to the 14 Mobius Award winners.

Res. No. 1148 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to the staff of the Eco-Efficiency Centre on receipt of a national award.

# SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY

On motion that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply, a debate arose during which the following took part: Messrs. Corbett, M. MacDonald and Hon. Mr. Baker. The question being put by Mr. Speaker the motion carried.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion the adjourned debate on the following Resolution was then resumed:

No. E9, relating to the Department of Health. ADJOURNED.

On motion the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress and begged leave to sit again.

# **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### No. 58. Mechanics' Lien Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Dexter, Samson, Colwell and Hon. Mr. Baker in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 62. Financial Measures (2004) Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Steele, who adjourned debate.

#### PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 54. Saint Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church Incorporation Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 55. Lenihan (Municipality of the District of Chester) Retiring Allowance Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 56. Nova Scotia Federation of Anglers and Hunters Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 60. Antigonish Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

# **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West, tabled a petition calling for improvements to Highways 4 and 327.

# TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance, tabled the Annual Report of the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission for the year 2003.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, tabled the Minister's Report to Nova Scotians: Confident Change for Quality Care for the year 2003-04.

# STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, rose to announce to the House additional beds for Northwood Manor in Halifax.

Comments were made by Ms. M. MacDonald and Mr. H. David Wilson.

# **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1149 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to those receiving Q.C.'s.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1150. Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognition of those killed or injured on the job and calling for a reduction of injury and illness.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1151 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - remembering the late Colin Stewart for his services re conservation.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1152 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy recognition of research and development in the energy sector.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

# No. 66. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, The Motor Vehicle Act

(Mr. David A. Wilson - Sackville-Cobequid)

# NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1153 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - paying tribute to those who lost their lives in the workplace.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1154 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - calling for a policy to prevent deduction of health and safety fines from income tax.

Res. No. 1155 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Joe Surette on his election as President of the Rotary Club of Kentville.

Res. No. 1156 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - congratulations to OneLight Theatre on their work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1157 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Penney MacDonald on receipt of a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1158 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Alf Hopkins on the birth of a grandchild.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1159 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to the 144<sup>th</sup> Airfield Engineering Flight Pictou County on their new building addition.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1160 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to the Minister of Tourism and Culture for removing N.S. ads from "The Swan".

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1161 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to Hubert Pothier for his 45 years in business.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1162 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - honouring those who made the ultimate sacrifice in the Battle of the Atlantic.

Res. No. 1163 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - encouraging all to participate in the World Acadian Congress.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1164 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Keith Beaver on receipt of a coaching award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1165 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Constable Spencer Colley for his community service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1166 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Megan Corkum on her singing success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1167 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Dwight Ross Elementary School on receipt of an environmental award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1168 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - realizing the potential of Cape Breton.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1169 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Linda Hefler on her volunteer service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1170 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education -

congratulations to Keith MacKenzie on being named to the Truro Sport Heritage Society Honour Roll.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1171 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Toad's Cycle Works on its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1172 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - calling upon the federal government for funds for the Alexander Graham Bell Museum.

Res. No. 1173 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Rita Landgraf and Jonathan Risser on their skills success.

- Res. No. 1174 Mr. Parent, Kings North congratulations to Matthew Nunn and James Nunn on representing N.S. at the Canada-wide Science Fair.
- Res. No. 1175 Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - thanking all members of the South Shore Regional Hospital Auxiliary for their dedication.
- Res. No. 1176 Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne saluting the creativity of staff and volunteers of the Western Counties Regional Library.
- Res. No. 1177 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to the friends of Spring House for their commitment.
- Res. No. 1178 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Stacey Carter on her basketball achievements.
- Res. No. 1179 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Andrew Ellis on his basketball achievements.

Res. No. 1180 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Daniel Davis on his basketball achievements.

Res. No. 1181 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Tyler Collins on his basketball achievements.

Res. No. 1182 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Springhill/Oxford area Kidney Foundation for their work.

Res. No. 1183 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Katie's Farm Organic Dog Bakery in Clam Harbour.

Res. No. 1184 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Lyle's Locksmithing in Chezzetcook.

Res. No. 1185 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Pitchers Barber Shop in East Chezzetcook.

Res. No. 1186 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Nova Scotia Land Surveyor in Lake Charlotte.

Res. No. 1187 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - congratulations to Peter Herbin for being named Provincial Representative Volunteer 2004.

#### **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect, moved the following Resolution:

Res. No. 1098 - Educ.: Student Debt/Tuition - Reduce

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Glavine, Graham, Hon. Mr. Muir, Mr. Gosse and Ms. Raymond. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacDonell, Hants East, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 52. Road Improvements Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. MacDonell, MacKinnon, Hon, Mr. Russell and Mr. Parker. The debate

was deemed to be adjourned.

# **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, April  $29^{\text{th}}$  at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne, tabled a petition calling for a financial aid package for Nova Scotia fish plant workers.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy, tabled a petition concerning the ending of family violence.

# TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works, tabled the Report of the Chief Electoral Officer on Recommended Changes to the boundary between the Electoral Districts of Bedford and Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank.

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1188 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to the Eastern Passage Education Centre Phoenix hockey team.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1189 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - government must provide leadership in the economy.

Res. No. 1190 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to the Hilden Fire Brigade for their services.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1191 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Nadine Wood on her opportunity to try out for the National Women's Baseball team.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1192 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to the Clare Acadiens Bantam team on their hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1193 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - urging the Prime Minister to call an election.

Res. No. 1194 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to the Knox Amateur Dinner Theatre Players on their latest production.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1195 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - urging the Prime Minister not to appoint any further N.S. representatives to the Senate.

Res. No. 1196 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - calling for an accounting of management irregularities at the N.S. Liquor Corporation.

Res. No. 1197 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - recognizing the  $125^{\rm th}$  anniversary of the Municipality of the District of Yarmouth.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1198 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - reaffirming the Romanow Commission's recommendation re capacity and accessibility.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1199 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - committing to the reality of student debt burden.

Res. No. 1200 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - best wishes to students at Memorial Composite High School on being selected for the Canadian Skills Competition.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1201 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - congratulations to the Dominion Community Hawks Club for their work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1202 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to the Digby Fire Department auction on receipt of an environmental award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1203 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Chris Stanley on his hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1204 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - commending the Arnell's for donating lands to the N.S. Nature Trust.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1205 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - recognizing the anniversary of the loss of HMCS Athabaskan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1206 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Gestson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Mae Forbes for her volunteer service.

Res. No. 1207 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - recognition of the volunteer service of Doris MacKaracher.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1208 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - complimenting those involved with the Pictou County Hip Hop Hooray event.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1209 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Sarah Jean Lees and Mary White on being chosen for a 4-H exchange.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1210 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Martin Houle on his hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1211 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to those honoured by the Bay Road Fire Department.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1212 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to William Muir on a volunteer award.

Res. No. 1213 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to Ruby Kaiser on a volunteer award.

Res. No. 1214 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to Evangeline Breen on a volunteer award.

Res. No. 1215 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to Roger Williams on a volunteer award.

Res. No. 1216 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour -

- congratulations to Lawrence Munroe on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1217 Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries congratulations to Peter Hansen on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1218 Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources congratulations to Lois LeCaine on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1219 Mr. Parent, Kings North congratulations to Linda Brehaut on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1220 Mr. Parent, Kings North congratulations to George Foote on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1221 Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne congratulations to Blair Brown on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1222 Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne congratulations to Norma McGray on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1223 Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne congratulations to Elaine Moore on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1224 Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne congratulations to Annie Bower on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1225 Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne congratulations to Verna Nickerson on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1226 Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour congratulations to Eugene Penney on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1227 Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour congratulations to Barbara Foley on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1228 Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources congratulations to Lois Richard on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1229 Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture congratulations to Annie Rose Chiasson on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1230 Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture congratulations to Tim Thompson on a volunteer award.

- Res. No. 1231 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Edith Purdy on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1232 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to John Lucas on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1233 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Jean Dickson on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1234 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing ICON Electric and Control Inc.
- Res. No. 1235 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing the importance of RESPECT Day.
- Res. No. 1236 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Justin Embree on an award.
- Res. No. 1237 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Matt Ellis on an award.
- Res. No. 1238 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Shelby McPhee on an award.
- Res. No. 1239 Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley commending the Upper Stewiacke Fire Department.
- Res. No. 1240 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley commending the Brookfield Fire Department.
- Res. No. 1241 Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley commending the Middle Musquodoboit Fire Department.
- Res. No. 1242 Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health congratulations to Suzanne Swaine for representing N.S. at the Canada-Wide Science Fair.
- Res. No. 1243 Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health congratulations to Adam Hinchey for representing N.S. at the Canada-Wide Science Fair.
- Res. No. 1244 Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education congratulations to Jenna McNeil for representing N.S. at the Canada-Wide Science Fair.

- Res. No. 1245 Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education congratulations to Megan Crouse for representing N.S. at the Canada-Wide Science Fair.
- Res. No. 1246 Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education congratulations to Krystal-lynn Laforest for representing N.S. at the Canada-Wide Science Fair.
- Res. No. 1247 Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education congratulations to Rachel Ritacco for representing N.S. at the Canada-Wide Science Fair.
- Res. No. 1248 Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources congratulations to Aaron LeBlanc for representing N.S. at the Canada-Wide Science Fair.
- Res. No. 1249 Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour congratulations to Geoffrey Mason for representing N.S. at the Canada-Wide Science Fair.
- Res. No. 1250 Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson congratulations to Luke Rae and Matthew Baxter for representing N.S. at the Canada-Wide Science Fair.
- Res. No. 1251 Mr. Parent, Kings North congratulations to Ian Dugas and Jaime McDonald for representing N.S. at the Canada-Wide Science Fair.
- Res. No. 1252 Mr. Parent, Kings North congratulations to Julia Frenette for representing N.S. at the Canada-Wide Science Fair.
- Res. No. 1253 Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's commending the Black Point Fire Department.
- Res. No. 1254 Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's commending the Chester Basin Fire Department.
- Res. No. 1255 Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's commending the District 1 Blandford Fire Department.
- Res. No. 1256 Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's commending the Hubbards Fire Department.
  - Res. No. 1257 Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's -

commending the Seabright Fire Department.

Res. No. 1258 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - commending the Western Shore Fire Department.

Res. No. 1259 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - commending the New Ross Fire Department.

Res. No. 1260 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - commending the Chester Fire Department.

Res. No. 1261 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - congratulations to Chris Swim on his ingenuity.

Res. No. 1262 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to the Rubber Association of Canada and encouraging all to practice tire safety.

#### SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY

On motion that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply, a debate arose during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond, Messrs. Gaudet and Parent. The question being put by Mr. Speaker the motion carried nem con.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the adjourned debate of the following Resolution was then resumed:

No. E9, relating to the Department of Health. STOOD.

On motion the following Resolution was called:

No. E29, relating to the Senior Citizens' Secretariat. CARRIED.

On motion, the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress and begged leave to sit again.

### **PUBLIC BILLS**

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed.

# No. 62. Financial Measures (2004) Act

The debate resumed with Mr. Steele and Ms. Whalen, who adjourned the debate.

# **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, April  $30^{\text{th}}$  at 9:00 A.M.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

# TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. The Speaker tabled the Public Prosecution Service, Annual Report for April 2002 - March 2003.

# **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1263 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognizing the contribution of coaches and athletes.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1264 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of Opposition - best wishes to George Canyon.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1265 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to the Clare Acadiens Midget A team on its hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1266 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to L'Association Radio-Clare on its new web site.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1267 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Glenn Martin on carrying on the Frieze and Roy store in Maitland.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1268 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - honouring Wayne Roach and individuals in the RCMP detachment at Lake Echo.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1269 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Port Williams Women's Institute on its 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1270 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Stanley Graham on his 95<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1271 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - commending the Minister of Environment and Labour on extending the deadline re the use of bio-solids.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1272 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - recognizing Alexander G. Donaldson for his volunteer work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1273 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - recognizing the accomplishments of Dana Bentley.

- Res. No. 1274 Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley urging the Liberal Party to reconsider its stand on portable daycare spaces.
- Res. No. 1275 Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova congratulations to Jerry Holland Jr. for his commitment to his community.
- With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.
- Res. No. 1276 Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect congratulations to organizers of a Special Olympics hockey marathon.
- With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.
- Res. No. 1277 Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works congratulations to St. Clair Patterson on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1278 Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works congratulations to Dorothy Shay on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1279 Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works congratulations to William Spurr on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1280 Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health congratulations to Ted Cogan on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1281 Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's congratulations to Cheryl Scott on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1282 Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education congratulations to Duane Diamond on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1283 Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education congratulations to Elizabeth Thomsen on a volunteer award.
- Res. No. 1284 Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley congratulations to Ruth Matheson on a volunteer award.
  - Res. No. 1285 Mr. Dooks, Easter Shore recognizing Bakers

Point Fisheries in East Jeddore.

Res. No. 1286 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Chezz Excavating in West Chezzetcook.

Res. No. 1287 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Double D Construction in Upper Lakeville.

Res. No. 1288 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Jerry's Septic Tank Pumping Service in Chezzetcook.

Res. No. 1289 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - recognizing Chris Sullivan and Motor Mart for its support of Ducks Unlimited.

Res. No. 1290 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - thanking Wayne McCormick for his service to the Village of Bible Hill.

Res. No. 1291 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to Sean Gordon on his selection to represent N.S. at the Canada-Wide Science Fair.

Res. No. 1292 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Julie Best on a basketball award.

Res. No. 1293 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Shelby MacPhee on skating achievements.

Res. No. 1294 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Bruce MacLennan on a lighting designer award.

Res. No. 1295 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Patti Gilroy on a basketball award.

Res. No. 1296 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Nick Giffin on receipt of a Top Scholar Athlete Award.

#### SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY

On motion, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole on Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion the following Resolution was called:

No. E3, relating to the Department of Education. ADJOURNED.

On motion, the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress and begged leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, May  $3^{\rm rd}$  at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacDonell, Hants East, tabled a petition concerned about the condition of the King and Cross Roads, Upper Kennetcook.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay, tabled a petition calling for the funding of a Methadone clinic in Cape Breton.

# **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1297 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - remembering those lost in the Battle of the Atlantic.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1298 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to Neil LeBlanc on receipt of an honourary degree.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1299 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognition of North American Occupational Safety and Health Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1300 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - recognition of Motorcycle Awareness Month.

Res. No.1301 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - recognition of National Forest Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1302 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognition of Drinking Water Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1303 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - recognition of John Chataway for his heroic efforts in delivering medicine.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 67. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 (1992 Supplement) of the Revised Statues of 1989, The House of Assembly Act

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 68. An Act to Implement the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment in Matters Specific to Aircraft Equipment

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 69. An Act to Amend Chapter 73 of the Acts of 1972, An Act to Incorporate the Halifax-Dartmouth United Appeal

(Mr. Taylor - Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley)

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1304 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to George Canyon.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1305 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - recognition of Joseph Howe.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1306 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to George Canyon.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1307 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - remembering journalists who have lost their lives.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1308 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognition of award winners "Rebels With A Cause".

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1309 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank - recognition of those receiving honours from the Governor-General for a daring rescue.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1310 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - best wishes to Lana Grant on her music career.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1311 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Keith Cox on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1312 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - expressing sorrow on the loss of Scott Fraser.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1313 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Wilfred Creighton on his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1314 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - recognition of Mental Health Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1315 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to award winners at Kentville Lodge Number 58.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1316 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - recognition of the service of the late Dr. Ian Stewart Robb.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1317 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Tina Comeau on a nomination for a newspaper award.

Res. No. 1318 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to Chester Save Easy for its community service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1319 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to Central Spryfield Elementary School on the success of their Spring Fair.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1320 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - acknowledging the contributions of Maggie's Place.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1321 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - encouraging the awareness of motorcycles.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1322 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to the Pictou County Rivers Association on their show.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1323 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to Robin Smith on his stand re V.L.T.'s.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1324 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance - congratulations to Parker Street Food and Furniture Bank on their success.

Res. No. 1325 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Ness Timmons on a coaching award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1326 - Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel - recognition of the freedom of the press and journalists.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1327 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to the Africville Lakers on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1328 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to Brian Wong and students on their Tae Kwon Do success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1329 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - recognition of National Hospice Palliative Care Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1330 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Gary Myra on his fundraising.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1331 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognition of National Forest Week.

Res. No. 1332 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Lesley Bonang.

Res. No. 1333 - Hon. The Speaker - commending the Westchester Fire Department.

Res. No. 1334 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Andrew Ellis on a basketball award.

Res. No. 1335 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Jonathan Chapman on a basketball award.

Res. No. 1336 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Mary Ann Gilbert on her service to the Ladies Auxiliary, R.C.L. Branch 45.

Res. No. 1337 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Melissa Ellis on her service to the Ladies Auxiliary, R.C.L. Branch 45.

Res. No. 1338 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Diane Barre on her service to the Ladies Auxiliary, R.C.L. Branch 45.

Res. No. 1339 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Ship Harbour Auto and Excavating.

Res. No. 1340 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Peter S. Conrod Construction Ltd.

Res. No. 1341 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Porters Lake Chiropractic Health Centre.

Res. No. 1342 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Sure Air Systems Ltd.

Res. No. 1343 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing R&B Gutter Services.

## SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY

On motion that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply, a debate arose during which the following took part: Messrs. David A. Wilson, Colwell and Mr. Chataway. The question being put by Mr. Speaker the motion carried.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the adjourned debate on the following Resolution was then resumed:

No. E3, relating to Department of Education. ADJOURNED.

On motion, the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress and begged leave to sit again.

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

# No. 62. Financial Measures (2004) Act

The debate resumed with Ms. Whalen, Ms. More, Mr. M. MacDonald, Ms. Massey, Mr. Sampson and Mr. MacDonell, who adjourned the debate.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, May  $4^{\text{th}}$  at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment:

No. 49. Mi'kmaq Education Act

No. 50. Credit Union Act

No. 51. Provincial Acadian Day Act

The foregoing bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

## GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1344 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of World Asthma Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1345 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognition of Composting Awareness Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1346 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to winners of Taste of Nova Scotia awards.

Res. No. 1347 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - taking steps to reduce fire hazards on properties.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1348 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognizing Gaelic Awareness Month.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1349 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Irene Wilkinson who is teaching respect to youth.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1350 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to Nancy Clarke on her career success in the face of adversity.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1351 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - calling upon the federal government to build supply vessels in Canada.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1352 - Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel - congratulations to the new student council at Sacred Heart School of Halifax.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1353 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Brian and Edna Newcombe on being named as finalists for the

Outstanding Young Farmers Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1354 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Knights of Columbus Eastern Passage for organizing a Blue Mass.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1355 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Melissa Wood on receipt of a Community College Gold Medal.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1356 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Lynn MacKay for her service to the people of Eastern Passage, Cow Bay and Shearwater.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1357 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - commending the Minister of Natural Resources and representatives of Emera for listening to the concerns of small businesses.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1358 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - urging legislation re gasoline prices.

Res. No. 1359 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - remembering the public service of the late Dan Watters.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1360 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to those involved with the Sydney Mines Junior High School Heritage Fair.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1361 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to the directors of the Rawdon Hills Health Centre for taking the initiative to provide low cost self-help medical care.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1362 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Sharon and Stanley Gould and family on receipt of a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1363 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - acknowledging volunteers involved with the Cops for Cancer event for their fundraising.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1364 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to fish harvesters in the Gulf Nova Scotia area for certification of the professional designation.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1365 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to the Motor Mart Mariners on their hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1366 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to La Baie en Joie on their dance success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1367 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley -

congratulations to the Heritage Credit Union on its 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary and to John Holm and Holly Brown.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1368 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - correcting the statements of William Houston re the origin of hockey.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1369 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - recognizing the true legacy of Neil LeBlanc.

Res. No. 1370 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to recipients of Sydney and Area Chamber of Commerce Excellence in Business Awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1371 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Floyd Gaetz on receipt of a business achievement award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1372 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - Minister of Education must take the time to read "The Lives of Dalhousie University - Lord Dalhousie's College".

Res. No. 1373 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequidurging Nova Scotians to prepare for emergencies.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1374 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to Audrey Facey on receipt of a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1375 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Agnes Cipak on her 79<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1376 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Mike Martin on his body building success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1377 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - nominating the Minister of Finance for the International Bureaucratese Award.

Res. No. 1378 - Hon. The Speaker - commending the River Hebert Fire Department.

Res. No. 1379 - Hon. The Speaker - commending the Southampton Fire Department.

Res. No. 1380 - Hon. The Speaker - commending the Fox River-Port Greville-Wards Brook Fire Department.

Res. No. 1381 - Hon. The Speaker - commending the Collingwood and District Fire Department.

Res. No. 1382 - Hon. The Speaker - commending the Oxford Fire Department.

Res. No. 1383 - Hon. The Speaker - commending the Springhill Fire Department.

Res. No. 1384 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Nancy Lobban.

Res. No. 1385 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Cameron Seafoods.

Res. No. 1386 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Down

East Starter and Alternator Services.

Res. No. 1387 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing General Contracting in Lake Charlotte.

Res No. 1388 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Chezzetcook Towing and Recovery.

## SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY

On motion that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply, a debate arose during which the following took part: Mr. Gosse and Hon. Mr. Barnet. The questions being put by Mr. Speaker the motion carried.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the adjourned debate on the following Resolution was then resumed:

No. E3, relating to Department of Education. ADJOURNED.

On motion the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress and begged leave to sit again.

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

## No. 62. Financial Measures (2004) Act

The debate resumed with Messrs. Dexter, Gaudet and Mr. Pye, who adjourned the debate.

# **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, May  $5^{\text{th}}$  at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Glavine, Kings West, tabled a petition in support of a full interchange at the Ben Jackson Road and highway connector.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1389 - Hon. The Premier - honour D-Day veterans.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Comments were made by Mr. Dexter and Mr. Gaudet.

Res. No. 1390 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - applaud Mainland North Local Committee on Drug Awareness for it's youth anti-smoking contest.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 70. An Act to Amend Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, the Municipal Government Act; Chapter 300 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Municipal Elections Act; and Chapter 302 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Municipal Grants Act

(Hon. Mr. Barnet - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1391 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of Opposition - congratulations to King's-Edgehill rugby team on CAIS Championship.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1392 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating winners of the Mainland North Anti-smoking Poster campaign.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1393 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - calling on federal Transportation Minister to eliminate security charges for air travellers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1394 - Ms. Massey - discontinue the way the home care assessment is currently done.

Res. No. 1395 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Captain Mark Johnson and Preston/Westphal Royal Canadian Army Cadets for their work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1396 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - Nova Scotia blind sided by cuts in federal transfer payments.

Res. No. 1397 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - honouring Roy Rushton for his dedicated service for veterans.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1398 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Anne-Marie Comeau for her honourary degree.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1399 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to the First United Church on its' 77<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1400 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - urge Minister of Community Services to address the issue of hungry children at school.

Res. No. 1401 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Allison Maher for her winning letter re her adoptive mother.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1402 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Emily Petley-Jones and the Annapolis Garrison volleyball team on their provincial championship.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1403 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - applauding the efforts of the South Shore Wildlife Association for their white elephant banner.

Res. No. 1404 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to the Bridgeport School for their Cape Breton Junior High "C" Basketball Championship.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1405 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to the Calais Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion on their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Res. No. 1406 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - applaud the efforts of the Pictou East Unit of the Canadian Cancer Society on their 13<sup>th</sup> ecumenical church service.

- Res. No. 1407 Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley congratulate Margot Begin and Rosalie Prest of the Colchester Regional Development Agency for their work.
- Res. No. 1408 Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources congratulations to Stephen Hatt of Yarmouth KIA.
- Res. No. 1409 Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources recognize efforts of the South Shore Health and the Department of Health on the new Women's and Children's Centre.
- Res. No. 1410 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Kendra Mattinson on her singing dreams.
- Res. No. 1411 Hon. The Speaker commending the Parrsboro Fire Department.
- Res. No. 1412 Hon. The Speaker commending the Leicester Fire Department.
- Res. No. 1413 Hon. The Speaker commending the Joggins Fire Department.
- Res. No. 1414 Hon. The Speaker commending the Advocate and District Fire Department.
- Res. No. 1415 Hon. The Speaker commending the Wentworth Fire Department.
- Res. No. 1416 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognize the contributions of Original Meats and Video in Musquodoboit Harbour.
- Res. No. 1417 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognize the contributions of Walter's Garage and Muffler Shop in Musquodoboit Harbour.
- Res. No. 1418 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognize the contributions of Eastern Shore Auto and RV in Musquodoboit Harbour.
- Res. No. 1419 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognize the contributions of Webbers Store and Motel in Lake Charlotte.
- Res. No. 1420 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognize the contributions of Bluenose Well Drilling Ltd in Mineville.

- Res. No. 1421 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Coach Mike Fry and the Annapolis Garrison volleyball team on their provincial championship victory.
- Res. No. 1422 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Sue Langpap and the Annapolis Garrison volleyball team on their provincial championship victory.
- Res. No. 1423 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Alie LeBlanc and the Annapolis Garrison volleyball team on their provincial championship victory.
- Res. No. 1424 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Amy Berry and the Annapolis Garrison volleyball team on their provincial championship victory.
- Res. No. 1425 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Danielle Carriere and the Annapolis Garrison volleyball team on their provincial championship victory.
- Res. No. 1426 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Amy Dowling and the Annapolis Garrison volleyball team on their provincial championship victory.
- Res. No. 1427 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Beth Hudson and the Annapolis Garrison volleyball team on their provincial championship victory.
- Res. No. 1428 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Amanda Todd and the Annapolis Garrison volleyball team on their provincial championship victory.
- Res. No. 1429 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Courtney Janes and the Annapolis Garrison volleyball team on their provincial championship victory.
- Res. No. 1430 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Erin Garner and the Annapolis Garrison volleyball team on their provincial championship victory.
- Res. No. 1431 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Morissa Halliday and the Annapolis Garrison volleyball team on their provincial championship victory.

Res. No. 1432 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Kristy Isles and the Annapolis Garrison volleyball team on their provincial championship victory.

Res. No. 1433 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to the CEC Reach for the top team for winning the provincial championship.

## **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Pursuant to the order, Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 63. Executive Council Act/Public Service Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Fage, Messrs. Parent, MacDonell, Epstein and Mr. Sampson. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 65. Gasoline Tax Accountability Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Russell, Mr. Parker and Mr. Glavine. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

## **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, May  $6^{\text{th}}$  at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

## TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour, tabled the Report of the Superintendent of Pensions on the Administration of the Pension Benefits Act for the year ending March 31, 2003 and A Guide for Private Well Owners.

#### STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources, rose to report on performance pay in the public service.

Comments were made by Messrs. Gosse and MacKinnon.

## **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1434 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - acknowledging the importance of an agreement respecting international students graduating from our universities.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1435 - Hon. The Premier - remembering the life of Bill Lydon.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1436 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognizing Mental Health Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1437 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health -

congratulations to those who gave health care materials to Cameroon.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1438 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Lunenburg Academy on its Celebration of Learning.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

# No. 71. An Act to Amend Chapter 99 of the Acts of 1951, an Act to Incorporate the Nova Scotia Drama League

(Mr. Chataway - Chester-St. Margaret's)

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1439 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to "Rebels With a Cause".

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1440 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Tanya Hines on receipt of an academic medal.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1441 - Hon. The Premier - applauding the 4 minute mile of Roger Bannister.

Res. No. 1442 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Caldwell Road Elementary School on their DARE project.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1443 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Sandy Bentley on her volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1444 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to the N.S. Forest Products Association and Redcliff Middle School on their tree planting effort.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1445 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Joan Tomlinson on receipt of a tourism award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1446 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - honouring the service of Dr. Wilfred Creighton.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1447 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to the Group of Nine for representing the interests of Nova Scotia's seniors.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1448 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Shawn McNamara and team of volunteers for their work.

Res. No. 1449 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - Premier must explain the gap between his words and actions re VLT's.

Res. No. 1450 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to CBC on their Halifax Explosion website.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1451 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - calling for regulations respecting the spreading of bio-solids.

Res. No. 1452 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Allison Maher, Mary and Brian Norman on a special Mother's Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1453 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to Dan Boyd on his community service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1454 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to John Ryan on receipt of a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1455 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Jimmy Flynn on his career.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1456 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Gerald Doucet on his book.

Res. No. 1457 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to the Hadassah-Wizo Bazaar committee on their successful 36<sup>th</sup> bazaar.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1458 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to St. Mary's and Dalhousie for promoting diversity throughout Atlantic Canada.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1459 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - congratulations to the Town of Wolfville on receipt of a Canadian Cancer Society Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1460 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Spencer Scott and Brookside Junior High on a poster contest.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1461 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Homburg Investment Inc and Richard Homburg on their generosity.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1462 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognizing the contribution of Antigonish to the political landscape.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1463 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - Minister of Transportation must acquaint himself with the story of London Bridge.

Res. No. 1464 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice -

congratulations to Terry G. Conrad on his volunteer service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1465 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - government must provide funding for palliative care services.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1466 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to John Stanfield on his hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1467 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Lloyd McRae for his efforts re the history of the St. Margaret's Bay Masters Hockey League.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1468 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to CKBW on receipt of a journalism award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1469 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - extending a warm welcome to Los Aragoncitos musicians.

Res. No. 1470 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Billy McNutt on being named Rookie of the Year.

Res. No. 1471 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the McMillan family on the contribution to the Springhill Community Centre.

Res. No. 1472 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Rev. Charlotte Ross on receipt of the Mayflower medal.

Res. No. 1473 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Lillian

Porter on receipt of a pin of appreciation.

Res. No. 1474 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Audrey Phinney on receipt of a pin of appreciation.

Res. No. 1475 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Clara Pettigrew on receipt of a pin of appreciation.

Res. No. 1476 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Edith Purdy on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 1477 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Parrsboro Zellers Hockey team.

Res. No. 1478 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Luke Perrin on his powerlifting medal.

Res. No. 1479 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Luke Perrin on his powerlifting achievements.

Res. No. 1480 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Kidson Excavation in Lake Charlotte.

Res. No. 1481 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing M&G Sons Auto Salvage in Lake Charlotte.

Res. No. 1482 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Manny Baker Carpentry in Oyster Pond.

Res. No. 1483 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Narrows Point Construction.

Res. No. 1484 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Periwinkle Photographic Services in Musquodoboit Harbour.

# SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY

On motion that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply, a debate arose during which the following took part: Ms. Massey, Mr. M. MacDonald and Mr. Dooks. The question being put by Mr. Speaker the motion carried.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the adjourned debate on the following Resolution was resumed:

No. E3, relating to Department of Education. STOOD.

On motion, the following Resolutions were called:

No. E4, relating to Department of Education. STOOD.

No. E2, relating to Department of Community Services. ADJOURNED.

On motion the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress and begged leave to sit again.

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

## No. 62. Financial Measures (2004) Act

The debated was resumed with Ms. M. MacDonald, Mr. Theriault and Hon. Mr. Christie in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### No. 61. Theatres and Amusements Act.

A debate ensued, during which the following took part: Mr. MacKinnon and Ms. Massey in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

## **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, May  $7^{\text{th}}$  at  $9{:}00$  A.M.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

## TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, tabled the Terms of Reference: Review of Events around Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (CJD) in Nova Scotia.

## GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1485 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to the N.S.A.C. Class of 2004.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1486 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - recognition of International Youth Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 72. An Act to Amend Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1993, the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 73. An Act Respecting the Administration of Justice

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 74. An Act Respecting Municipal Taxation of Oil Refineries and Liquid Natural Gas Plants

# (Hon. Mr. Barnet - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1487 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - affirming the urgent priority of occupational health and safety.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1488 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - government must protect the well-being of N.S. workers at Aliant.

Res. No. 1489 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - recognition of Mother's Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1490 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - wishing all a happy Mother's Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1491 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - government must support aquaculture.

Res. No. 1492 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Armand Goodick for his volunteer services.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1493 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Jeffrey Dugas on his bowling success.

Res. No. 1494 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - recognition of the 4-H program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1495 - Mr. Parker, Kings North - wishing Grace Parker a happy Mother's Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1496 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - recognition of North American Occupation Health and Safety Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1497 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to coach and Kings-Edgehill High School Division 1 Hockey team on their success.

Res. No. 1498 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - recognizing the good work of Grade 1 class of Mrs. Pemberton.

Res. No. 1499 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - recognizing the popularity of the Annual Birthplace of Hockey Tournament at Windsor.

Res. No. 1500 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - commending the Hantsport Fire Department.

Res. No. 1501 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Grade 2 class of Parrsboro Elementary for their donation to Mozambique.

Res. No. 1502 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Oxford Lady Golden Bears.

Res. No. 1503 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Stephen Osler on receipt of a set designer award.

Res. No. 1504 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Oxford students on their skiing success.

- Res. No. 1505 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Oxford area youth for raising money to combat poverty and hunger.
- Res. No. 1506 - Hon. The Speaker congratulations to students and staff of Oxford Regional Elementary School for their "Helping Hands" program.
- Res. No. 1507 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to the Oxford Lady Golden Bears basketball team.
- Res. No. 1508 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to the Parrsboro novice hockey team.
- Res. No. 1509 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to the Parrsboro RCMP and Advocate District School on a drug and alcohol awareness program.
- Res. No. 1510 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Grade 8 and 9 students and instructors at Parrsboro Regional High School on creation of a website.
- Res. No. 1511 Mr. Parent, Kings North congratulations to recipients of honourary degrees from Acadia.
- Res. No. 1512 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Power Accounting Services Ltd in Musquodoboit Harbour.
- Res. No. 1513 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Rolling Stone Construction Carpentry in Musquodoboit Harbour.
- Res. No. 1514 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Shop the Shore in Musquodoboit Harbour.
- Res. No. 1515 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Taylor Timber Mart in Musquodoboit Harbour.
- Res. No. 1516 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Tradewinds Realty Inc. in Head of Jeddore.

## SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion the adjourned debate on the following Resolution was then resumed:

No. E2, relating to Department of Community Services. ADJOURNED.

On motion the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress and begged leave to sit again.

## PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 69. United Way of Halifax Region Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. More, Mr. MacKinnon and Mr. Taylor in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 71. Theatre Nova Scotia Incorporation Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. David A. Wilson, Mr. MacKinnon and Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

## **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment.

## No. 71. Theatre Nova Scotia Incorporation Act

The foregoing bill was ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 17. Youth Secretariat Act

There being no debate, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 68. International Interest in Mobile Aircraft Equipment Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Deveaux, Mr. MacKinnon and Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, May  $10^{\text{th}}$  at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

## TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, tabled the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Advisory Committee Report.

## GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1517 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Sheree Fitch on receipt of an honourary degree from Acadia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1518 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - respecting the memory of those who died at Westray.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1519 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to David Byrne, Matthew Stanley and Chester Weatherby on receipt of awards from Mount A.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1520 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognition of Rebels With a Cause.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1521 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - recognition of National Police Week.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

# No. 75. An Act Respecting the Representation of Students in the Governance of Universities

(Mr. Glavine - Kings West)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1522 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Martin Walsh on his volunteer service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1523 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to Gordie Sampson on the release of his new CD.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1524 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to those involved with the All Terrain Vehicle Run on Saturday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1525 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - calling for new regulations re bio-solids.

Res. No. 1526 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax-Clayton Park - congratulations to Eco Kids Environment Club at Grosvenor Wentworth School.

Res. No. 1527 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank - congratulations to Darrell Patriquin on being honoured with a Snowmobile Association of N.S. Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1528 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - congratulations to Alexander Theriault and Katherine Lines on receipt of awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1529 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Lawrencetown, HRM on its  $250^{\text{th}}$  anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1530 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - commending Brittany Rafuse on winning a scholarship award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1531 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to the Dartmouth Choral Society for its work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1532 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Acadia University on its reduction of waste program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1533 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Alma Lucas on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Res. No. 1534 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to the UCCB Women's Soccer Team on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1535 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to Andre White on his boxing success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1536 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to Michael Muise and Colin MacNeil for their bravery.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1537 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Justin Munden on his hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1538 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to Rev. Anselme Chiasson for his service to Acadians.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1539 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Denny Clyke on being named to the Honour Roll of the Truro Sport Heritage Society.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1540 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Maria MacMillian on being chosen as an exchange student.

Res. No. 1541 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of the service of Father Christian Nwatarali.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1542 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Duane Van Snick on receipt of the Doubleday Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1543 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to paramedics on Long and Brier Islands.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1544 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to the Halifax Regional Fire and Emergency Service on its 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1545 - Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel - nomination of Joseph Howe as Greatest Canadian.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1546 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Yvonne Martin, Carol Hampsey, Gwen Merriam and Ruth Marsman on their curling success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1547 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - recognition of National Nursing Week.

Res. No. 1548 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Capt. Dick Steele on his rhododendrons.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1549 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - commending the Windsor Fire Department.

Res. No. 1550 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - applauding the curling team of RaeWinklear, Don Baker, Colin Purdy and Bill McConnell.

Res. No. 1551 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - commending the efforts of Peter Gibson.

Res. No. 1552 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - recognizing the contributions put forth by so many for a new library in Windsor.

Res. No. 1553 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Siggie & Tammy's Hairstyling.

Res. No. 1554 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Rose's Esthetics.

Res. No. 1555 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Eastern Shore Self Storage.

Res. No. 1556 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Mike Cox Real Estate Ltd.

Res. No. 1557 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Precision Small Engine Repair.

Res. No. 1558 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Nick Zollner on receipt of a basketball award.

Res. No. 1559 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Jean Dickson on receipt of a volunteer award.

Res. No. 1560 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Amber Eason on receipt of a volunteer award.

Res. No. 1561 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Mosher family and GJDE Enterprises on its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Res. No. 1562 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Grade 6 class of Junction Road Elementary School on their peace garden.

Res. No. 1563 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Ship's Company Theatre on their achievements.

Res. No. 1564 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Calvin Siddall on receipt of a volunteer award.

Res. No. 1565 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Kate Spicer on her soccer success.

Res. No. 1566 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Springhill Fencebusters on their dedication and hard work.

Res. No. 1567 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Touch on Wood on receipt of an environmental award.

#### SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY

On motion that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply, a debate arose during which the following took part: Ms. M. MacDonald, Mr. Graham and Mr. Taylor. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the motion carried.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion the adjourned debate on the following Resolution was then resumed:

No. E2, relating to Department of Community Services. ADJOURNED.

On motion, the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress and begged leave to sit again.

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 70. Municipal Law Amendment (2004) Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond, Messrs. Sampson, MacKinnon, Parker, Colwell, Ms. Whalen and Hon. Mr. Barnet in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 67. House of Assembly Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 74. Oil Refineries and L.N.G. Plants Municipal Taxation Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond, Mr. Sampson, Ms. Whalen and Hon. Mr. Barnet in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 72. Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Deveaux, Samson and Hon. Mr. Baker in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 73. Justice Administration Amendment (2004) Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Deveaux, Samson and Hon. Mr. Baker in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

## **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment:

## No. 49. Mi'kmaq Education Act

No. 50. Credit Union Act

## No. 51. Provincial Acadian Day Act

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Parent, Kings North, tabled a petition concerning the condition of Rawding Road.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacDonell, Hants East, tabled a petition concerning the condition of Rockwell Drive.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, tabled a petition calling for the use of Pockwock trails for users of recreational vehicles.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour, tabled a petition concerning the white tail deer in North Queens County.

#### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1568 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of National Nursing Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1569 - Hon. The Premier - remembering the late  $\mathop{\rm Eric}\nolimits$  Kierans.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1570 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - commending all involved with the wind energy project at Pubnico.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 76. An Act to Amend Chapter 197 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Health Services and Insurance Act

(Ms. Whalen - Halifax Clayton Park)

No. 77. An Act to Amend Chapter 22 of the Acts of 1996, the Animal Cruelty Prevention Act, and to Amend Chapter 504 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Wildlife Act

(Mr. MacKinnon - Cape Breton West)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1571 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - regretting the comments of the Province's representation at the CAMPUT conference.

Res. No. 1572 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Denise Haynes on her racquetball success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1573 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - congratulations to Janet Taylor on being named Fire Chief.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1574 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Paulette Harvey on receipt of a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1575 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic

Development - recognizing the contribution of first responders.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1576 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - congratulations to those who contributed to the Abilities Foundation fundraiser.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1577 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to the volunteers recognized by the Halifax North Volunteer Recognition Committee.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1578 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - calling for a rollback of E.I. premiums.

Res. No. 1579 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Billy MacDonald and Annette Poirier for their work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1580 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - requesting the cost of the "community use of schools" policy.

Res. No. 1581 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Maynard Williams on his election as President of the N.S. Automobile Association.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1582 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Rev. Bernard O'Connor on his appointment to the Vatican.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1583 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to the

N.S. School Board Association on its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1584 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank - congratulations to Craig Garson on induction into the American College of Trial Lawyers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1585 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to those responsible for a library at Prospect.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1586 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - thanking volunteers who assist the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1587 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Dexter MacIntyre on his promotion of a healthy lifestyle.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1588 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - recognition of Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1589 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to the Lunenburg County Community Health Board for their efforts to improve lifestyles.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1590 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Amanda MacLeod on her literacy contest success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1591 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Sackville Heights Junior High Film Club on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1592 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - recognition of National Nurses Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1593 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to students at Lunenburg on success in the Green Office Challenge.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1594 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to Queen's County Historical Society on hosting the Champlain 400 Festival in Queens County.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1595 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - supporting the House of Commons Agricultural Committee in their pursuit of financial records.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1596 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to RCMP and Warren's Trucking on their commitment to driving safety.

Res. No. 1597 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Courtney Clayton on winning a Wendy's Classic Achievers scholarship.

Res. No. 1598 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Harbour View Convenience & Video.

Res. No. 1599 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Assure Drive Driving School.

Res. No. 1600 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Hilltop Child Care Centre.

Res. No. 1601 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Seaforth Plumbing and Heating.

Res. No. 1602 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing The Bear Den Café.

Res. No. 1603 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Oxford youth hosting a fundraising barbeque.

Res. No. 1604 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Springhill Ladies Golden Eagles on their success.

Res. No. 1605 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Springhill Ladies Golden Eagles on their basketball title.

Res. No. 1606 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Springhill/Oxford area Kidney Foundation.

Res. No. 1607 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Springhill Baptist Church youth group on fundraising.

Res. No. 1608 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Springhill High Golden Eagles on their success.

Res. No. 1609 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Steeves family and the 1859 Springhill Army Cadet Squadron for their donations.

Res. No. 1610 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Ashley Stonehouse on being chosen to represent Springhill in a program at Ottawa.

#### SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY

On motion that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply, a debate arose during which the following took part: Ms. More, Mr. Glavine and Hon. Mr. Clarke. The question being put by Mr. Speaker the motion carried.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the adjourned debate on the following Resolution was then resumed:

No. E2, relating to Department of Community Services. STOOD.

On motion, the following Resolution was called:

No. E32, relating to Department of Transportation and Public Works. ADJOURNED.

The Chairman of the Sub-Committee reported that the Committee had concluded its consideration of the Estimates referred to it. All Resolutions were then carried in the Committee.

The Committee rose and reported approval of all Estimates referred to it. On the motion of concurrence, the same was carried and the Supply Resolutions are as follows:

**HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY** 

**NOVA SCOTIA** 

**SESSION 2004** 

**RESOLUTIONS ON ESTIMATES** 

#### AND CROWN CORPORATION BUSINESS PLANS

## FOR FISCAL YEAR

### APRIL 1, 2004 - MARCH 31, 2005

- E1. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$40,796,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, pursuant to the Estimate and the business plans of the Nova Scotia Crop and Livestock Insurance Commission, the Nova Scotia Farm Loan Board and the Nova Scotia Fisheries and Aquaculture Loan Board be approved.
- E2. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$694,145,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Community Services, pursuant to the Estimate and the business plan of the Nova Scotia Housing Development Corporation be approved.
- E3. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$1,002,848,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Education, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E4. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$206,531,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Assistance to Universities, Department of Education, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E5. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$7,350,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Energy, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E6. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$26,152,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Environment and Labour, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E7. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$14,134,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Finance, pursuant to the Estimate and the business plans of the Nova Scotia Government Fund Limited and the Nova Scotia Power Finance Corporation be approved.

- E8. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$1,007,112,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Debt Servicing Costs, Department of Finance, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E9 RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$2,341,690,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Health, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E10. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$99,626,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Justice, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E11. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$59,322,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Natural Resources, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E12. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$3,650,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Communications Nova Scotia, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E13. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$782,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Emergency Measures Organization of Nova Scotia, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E14. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$15,300,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Executive Council, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E15. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$239,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the FOIPOP Review Office, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E16. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$7,890,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Government Contributions to Benefit Plans, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E17. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$1,764,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Human Rights Commission, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E18. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$18,218,000 be granted

- to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Legislative Services, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E19. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$756,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Nova Scotia Advisory Council on the Status of Women, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E20. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$25,000,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Nova Scotia Business Inc., pursuant to the Estimate and the business plan for Nova Scotia Business Inc. be approved.
- E21. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$299,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Nova Scotia Police Commission, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E22. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$1,581,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Nova Scotia Securities Commission, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E23. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$2,882,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E24. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$38,798,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Office of Economic Development, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E25. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$18,500,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Office of Health Promotion, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E26. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$2,300,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Office of the Auditor General, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E27. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$915,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Office of the Ombudsman, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E28. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$14,500,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Public Prosecution Service, pursuant to the Estimate.

- E29. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$772,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Senior Citizens Secretariat, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E30. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$92,352,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, pursuant to the Estimate and the business plan of the Nova Scotia Municipal Finance Corporation be approved.
- E31. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$41,055,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Tourism, Culture and Heritage, pursuant to the Estimate and the business plan of the Art Gallery of Nova Scotia be approved.
- E32. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$241,009,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Transportation and Public Works, pursuant to the Estimate and the business plan of Sydney Environmental Resources Ltd. be approved.
- E33. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$56,474,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Restructuring Costs, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E34. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$10,000,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Debt Retirement Plan, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E35. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$250,000,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Capital Purchase Requirements, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E36. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$111,187,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Sinking Fund Instalments and Serial Retirements, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E37. RESOLVED, that the business plans of the Nova Scotia Film Development Corporation, the Nova Scotia Innovation Corporation, the Trade Centre Limited and the Waterfront Development Corporation be approved.

- E38. RESOLVED, that the business plan of the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission be approved.
- E39. RESOLVED, that the business plan of the Nova Scotia Gaming Corporation be approved.
- E40. RESOLVED, that the business plan of Nova Scotia Harness Racing Incorporated be approved.
- E41. RESOLVED, that the business plan of the Nova Scotia Liquor Corporation be approved.
- E42. RESOLVED, that the business plan of Rockingham Terminal Inc. be approved.
- E43. RESOLVED, that the business plan of the Sydney Environmental Resources Ltd./Sydney Steel Corporation be approved.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced by the following Member, and read a first time:

# No. 78. An Act to Provide for Defraying Certain Charges and **Expenses of the Public Service of the Province**

(Hon. Mr. Christie - Minister of Finance)

On a recorded vote on second reading, there being 40 for the motion and 10 opposed, the bill was forthwith read a second time and upon the motion for third reading was read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

#### **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, May 12th at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview, tabled a petition calling for the withdrawal of Clause 46 in Bill 62.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, tabled a petition calling for road improvements to the Sweetland/Farmville Road.

## PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendments:

## No. 67. House of Assembly Act

# No. 68. International Interests in Mobile Aircraft Equipment Act

The foregoing bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

### TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works, tabled the Surplus Crown Property Disposal Report, for the period April 1, 2003 - March 31, 2004.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, tabled the Nova Scotia Real Estate Commission, Annual Report 2003.

# **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1611 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to École Rockingham School for recognizing Acadian culture and heritage.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1612 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to the Mission staff of N.S. for the 2005 Canada Summer Games.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1613 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of the service of the Sisters of Saint Martha.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1614 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - calling for a second look at separation distances for spreading bio-solids from wells.

Res. No. 1615 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to those involved with the Tar Pond Cleanup.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1616 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Phillip Brown on his success at the Canadian Special Olympic Winter Games.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1617 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Peter Hogg on his retirement.

Res. No. 1618 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - extending appreciation for nurses.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1619 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Nathan Whitty on his hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1620 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - congratulations to the Middleton and Area Nursing Home Society for their efforts.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1621 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - supporting those involved in Police Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1622 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to Jason Rafuse on his success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1623 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Sheldon McCormick on debating success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1624 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Penny Doherty and staff on their excellence in special education.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1625 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank - congratulations to Wendy and Harold Nesbitt on their Motorcycle Tour Guide of Nova Scotia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1626 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Audrey White on receipt of a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1627 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to volunteers involved with the Halifax Mainland North Volunteer Recognition Committee.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1628 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Ray and Kevin Marchand for their generosity.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1629 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to the Municipality of Pictou County on its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1630 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to D.M. Reid Jeweller's owner David Reid on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1631 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - calling upon government to end the discriminatory policies re income assistance.

Res. No. 1632 - Hon. The Premier - congratulations to the students of A.G. Baillie Memorial Elementary School on their Intermediate Band.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1633 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - congratulations to St. Pats on their model parliament.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1634 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - acknowledging the Halifax West Ecumenical Food Bank.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1635 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - congratulations to Gladys Bower on her 106<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1636 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to the Ross Creek Centre for the Arts on its work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1637 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to the Riverport Elementary School on its Spring Fair.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1638 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Wayne Manuel for his dedication to fastball.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1639 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to

those involved in the Fox Brook Run.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1640 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - calling for regulations re emissions from coal-fired generators.

Res. No. 1641 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to those involved with the Lunenburg-Queens Volunteer Extravaganza.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1642 - Mr. David A. Wilson - Sackville-Cobequid - condemning the government for failing to support the cultural community.

Res. No. 1643 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - best wishes to those involved in the Sheila and Stephanie Allt Memorial Soccer Tournament.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1644 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to groups assisting the Canadian Cancer Society in Pictou County.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1645 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Geston, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Pauline May Himmelman on a volunteer award.

Res. No. 1646 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - recognizing the fundraising efforts of Rachel Selig.

Res. No. 1647 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - complementing the Town of Amherst on its water protection plan.

Res. No. 1648 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova

Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Ashton Julien for his film work.

Res. No. 1649 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Brad Long for his film work.

Res. No. 1650 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Brenna Dixon for her film work.

Res. No. 1651 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Courtney Jobe for her film work.

Res. No. 1652 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Geoff Matheson for his film work.

Res. No. 1653 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to J. McKenna for his film work.

Res. No. 1654 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Jeff Ellerback for his film work.

Res. No. 1655 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Mark Doucette for his film work.

Res. No. 1656 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Matthew Graca for his film work.

Res. No. 1657 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Shaun McCab for his film work.

Res. No. 1658 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Jenn Margeson for his film work.

Res. No. 1659 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Harbour

Fish & Fries.

Res. No. 1660 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Fraser's Wide Plank Flooring Inc.

Res. No. 1661 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Shelter Cove Marine.

Res. No. 1662 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing PhysioLink in Porters Lake.

Res. No. 1663 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Wrecks R Us in Lake Charlotte.

Res. No. 1664 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing General Carpentry and Stairways.

Res. No. 1665 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Chezz Excavating.

Res. No. 1666 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Porters Lake Pub and Grill.

Res. No. 1667 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Jeddore Variety.

Res. No. 1668 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Steve Wood on a volunteer award.

Res. No. 1669 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Doug Wortman on an award.

Res. No. 1670 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Don Wood for his service.

Res. No. 1671 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Samantha Welsh on an award.

Res. No. 1672 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Marion Wasson on her service.

Res. No. 1673 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to David Towns on his generosity.

Res. No. 1674 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Oxford on its centennial.

Res. No. 1675 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to R.H. Thompson on an award.

# **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 21. Trade Union Act/Highway Workers Collective Bargaining Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Russell, Hon. Mr. Morash, Messrs. MacKinnon, Parker and Ms. Bolivar-Getson. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 66. Motor Vehicle Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Russell, Mr. Colwell and Mr. Corbett. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

## **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, May  $13^{\text{th}}$  at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview, tabled a petition calling for the withdrawal of Clause 46 of Bill 62.

## PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Baker, the Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with certain amendments:

No. 26. Health Protection Act

No. 46. Public Service Act

No. 48. Education Act

No. 61. Theatres and Amusements Act

The foregoing bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

## TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, tabled the Business Plan 2004-2005 of Agra Point International.

## **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1676 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - calling for a select committee on Petroleum pricing.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1677 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Jane Wright on her success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1678 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Maurice Comeau for his community involvement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1679 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognizing the Scottish Parliament on its 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1680 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to graduates of the Officer Safety Instructor Course.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 79. An Act Respecting the Price of Petroleum Products

(Hon. Mr. Barnet - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)

No. 80. An Act Respecting Fair-marketing Practices in the Sale of Gasoline and Diesel Oil

(Mr. Dexter - Leader of the Opposition)

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1681 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Jeremy White on his boxing success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1682 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Marc Robichaud on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1683 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Ada R. Young on her  $75^{th}$  birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1684 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - calling for more protected areas of crown land.

Res. No. 1685 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Don Hyslop on his retirement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1686 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to the Kentville Advertiser on being nominated for an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1687 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - urging all federal parties to implement the Romanow recommendations.

Res. No. 1688 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Jason Verran and Sackville Blazers on their hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1689 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Milton MacKenzie on his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1690 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - government must provide respect to students.

Res. No. 1691 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - condemning the Department of Community Services for action on May 13, 2002 against child protection workers.

Res. No. 1692 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - Minister of Community Services must consult with Women's Centres Connect on how best to spend funds for affordable housing.

Res. No. 1693 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - welcoming Newpark Drilling Fluids to the Superport Marine Terminal in Mulgrave.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1694 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - commending the Group of Nine for their determination seeking progress in implementing Romanow recommendations.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1695 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Jeff McRuer for his volunteer service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1696 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to the Westville Police Department on ensuring a safe community.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1697 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations

to the Ladies Auxiliary Royal Canadian Legion Branch 12 on its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1698 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to the Rainbow Riders gymnastic team.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1699 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Eric Pothier and staff for their service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1700 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Larry Gniewek for his volunteer service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1701 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognizing the perseverance of the staff of the Tri County Women's Centre.

Res. No. 1702 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Ruth Anne Sutherland for her good work in Zambia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1703 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to Dartmouth High School on its model parliament.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1704 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Tina Comeau on being named a finalist for a newspaper award.

Res. No. 1705 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human

Resources - acknowledging the efforts of groups assisting community members in improving their health.

Res. No. 1706 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - wishing all anglers a successful season.

Res. No. 1707 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - recognizing the value of Loonie Lunches.

Res. No. 1708 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Douglas Roy Slack on his dedication to Widow's Son Masonic Lodge #48.

Res. No. 1709 - Hon. The Speaker - offering support for all police officers, departments and services.

Res. No. 1710 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Harbour Rentals and Marine Ltd.

Res. No. 1711 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Chickadees for Family Dining.

Res. No. 1712 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing D&L Leslie Electrical.

Res. No. 1713 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing The Marine Drive Publisher.

### **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendments:

# No. 67. House of Assembly Act

### No. 68. International Interests in Mobile Aircraft Equipment

# Act

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, May  $14^{\text{th}}$  at 9:00 A.M.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West, tabled several petitions calling for the removal of Clause 46 from Bill 62.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour, tabled a petition concerning the provision of the drug ERT for Fabry's Disease.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Colwell, Preston, tabled a petition calling for repair of O'Connell Drive.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notice was passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1714 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Wayne Barrett on his retirement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

# No. 81. An Act to Amend Chapter 199 of the Revised Statutes 1989, the Heritage Property Act

(Mr. Sampson - Victoria-The Lakes)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1715 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Sonia Ferguson on receipt of a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1716 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - the Member for Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley is providing more effective opposition than the NDP.

Res. No. 1717 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - re the true commitment of the federal government re the Tri-County Women's Centre.

Res. No. 1718 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - recognition of the Topshee Memorial Fund Contribution.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1719 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Nina Adams and Opal Cain for their community work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1720 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - congratulations to Kenney and Ross Ltd. on an export achievement award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1721 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to the Chebucto Head Light group and Dr. Annelise Chapman.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1722 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - Member for Cape Breton Nova must acknowledge that the Cape Breton Victoria School Board is short of money.

Res. No. 1723 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Evan Warner on winning a scholarship from Toyota.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1724 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Branch 128 Whitney Pier Legion on the memory of D-Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1725 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - respecting priorities of the government.

Res. No. 1726 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Vera M. McGregor on her 75<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1727 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Carlos de Carvalho and Beatrice Brushett on receipt of awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1728 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Karen Robinson on receipt of a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1729 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Ron Fielding on being named to the Truro Sport Heritage Society Honour Roll.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1730 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Kathy Blois on receipt of a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1731 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South -

Premier must be permitted to read letters that are copied to him.

Res. No. 1732 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Bridgewater High School for hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1733 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - NDP should give 48 hours notice before propping up a government.

Res. No. 1734 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Ridgecliff Middle School on its fundraiser.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1735 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Miguel Eduardo Zequeira Palacios and the Los Aragoncitos band.

Res. No. 1736 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Alexis Gonzales Fernandez and the Los Aragoncitos band.

Res. No. 1737 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Nardeivis Aquilar Alfonso and the Los Aragoncitos band.

Res. No. 1738 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to José Carlos Hernandez Matamoros and the Los Aragoncitos band.

Res. No. 1739 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to José Lozano Hernadez and the Los Aragoncitos band.

Res. No. 1740 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Tania Beatriz Valdez Vega and the Los Aragoncitos band.

Res. No. 1741 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Alain Robles Valero and the Los Aragoncitos band.

Res. No. 1742 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Luis Noel Hernandez Noa and the Los Aragoncitos band.

Res. No. 1743 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Monica Gonzales Rodriguez and the Los Aragoncitos band.

- Res. No. 1744 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Michel Camilo Beltran Dorticos and the Los Aragoncitos band.
- Res. No. 1745 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Laura del Carmen Morales Rodriguez and the Los Aragoncitos band.
- Res. No. 1746 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Wilfredo Milian Valdés and the Los Aragoncitos band.
- Res. No. 1747 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Ivan Garcia Bauta and the Los Aragoncitos band.
- Res. No. 1748 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Emilia Bondarenko and the Los Aragoncitos band.
- Res. No. 1749 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Diamela Prado Naranjo and the Los Aragoncitos band.
- Res. No. 1750 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Teresita Menendes and the Los Aragoncitos band.
- Res. No. 1751 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Graciela Rodriguez Rruz and the Los Aragoncitos band.
- Res. No. 1752 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Rosa Maria Vidal Garcia and the Los Aragoncitos band.
- Res. No. 1753 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations congratulations to Eugene and Beryl Roberts on their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.
- Res. No. 1754 Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East commending the Westville Special Olympic Curling team.
- Res. No. 1755 Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East congratulations to Thorburn Consolidated School for creativity.
- Res. No. 1756 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to the Correctional Services Exemplary Service Bar award recipients.
- Res. No. 1757 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to the Correctional Services 35-Year Long Service Award recipients.
  - Res. No. 1758 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to the

Correctional Services 25-Year Long Service Award recipients.

Res. No. 1759 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Correctional Services 40-Year Service Medallions award recipients.

Res. No. 1760 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Correctional Services 15-Year Long Service Award recipients.

Res. No. 1761 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Correctional Services 15-Year Long Service Award recipients.

Res. No. 1762 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Correctional Services 10-Year Pins recipients.

Res. No. 1763 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Correctional Services retirement recipients.

Res. No. 1764 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Correctional Services retirement recipients.

Res. No. 1765 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Correctional Services Exemplary Service Medal recipients.

Res. No. 1766 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Correctional Services 25-Year Pins award recipients.

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education, moved third reading of the following bill:

# No. 49. Mi'kmaq Education Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. MacDonell and Hon. Mr. Muir in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 50. Credit Union Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. M. MacDonald and Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 51. Provincial Acadian Day Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Gaudet, Steele, Samson and Hon. Mr. D'Entremont in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works, moved third reading of the following bill:

# No. 67. House of Assembly Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works, moved third reading of the following bill:

# No. 68. International Interests in Mobile Aircraft Equipment Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 79. Petroleum Products Pricing Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Steele, Samson, MacDonell, Gaudet, Colwell and Hon. Mr. Barnet in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 64. Capital Region Transportation Authority Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Pye, who adjourned the debate.

## **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommend the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment:

No. 46. Public Service Act

No. 48. Education Act

### No. 61. Theatres and Amusements Act

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview, tabled a petition calling for the withdrawal of Clause 46 of Bill 62.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. McNeil, Annapolis, tabled a petition calling for a ban of VLT's.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley, tabled a petition calling for fuel regulations.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. McNeil, Annapolis, tabled a petition concerning cutbacks at Sherbrooke Village Restoration.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with amendments:

## No. 73. Justice Administration Amendment (2004) Act

The foregoing bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

# TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources, tabled the Votes for Women: A Political Guidebook.

## STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources, rose to speak of women in elected office.

Comments were made by Ms. More and Ms. Whalen.

# **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1767 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - regretting the loss of Constable Bruce Miller.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1768 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - commending those responsible for the change in the provincial Design Requirements Manual.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1769 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Rosemary and Mac MacIsaac on their sales success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

# No. 82. An Act to Amend Chapter 55 of the Acts of 1963, the Halifax Regional Water Commission Act

(Mr. Hines - Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank)

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1770 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to winners of Better Newspaper Awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1771 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - calling upon the Conservative Party to put the interests of farmers and consumers first.

Res. No. 1772 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - encouraging all to keep our highways safe.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1773 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to Angela Isenor on her newspaper award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1774 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Astral Drive Junior High Badminton Team on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1775 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to those responsible for the Supercities Walk for MS.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1776 - Hon. The Premier - congratulations to Aleta Williams for her service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1777 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to Steve Giles on his athletic success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1778 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sheila States on her retirement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1779 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank - congratulations to St. Thomas Anglican Church for their efforts.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1780 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to the N.S. Co-operative Council on its growing strength.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1781 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations on Tae Kwon Do success by the Berwick Tae Kwon Do Club.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1782 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Gordon Harvey on his teaching award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1783 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to the organizers of the Pictou County Curl for Cancer event.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1784 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to the Fields Brothers for their land donation and to N.S. Nature Trust.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1785 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Ronald Butch Williams on being named Coach of the Year.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1786 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - Liberals in Ottawa should spend the dollars they have taken on gasoline for Highway 101 twinning.

Res. No. 1787 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - commending the government for recruiting an anesthesiologist for the South Shore.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1788 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to the Bridgewater Bulletin on receipt of newspaper awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1789 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid recognizing May 16<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> as EMS Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1790 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - acknowledging the role of the federal government in improving and enhancing the agenda of public health.

Res. No. 1791 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Eastern Passage Education Centre on its wrestling success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1792 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to the Morrison Junior High School Cheerleaders on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1793 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice -

congratulations to Donna Hatt on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1794 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to Paul Black and wife on the birth of a child.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1795 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - calling for a moratorium on basalt mining on the North Mountain.

Res. No. 1796 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - encouraging Ottawa to give more accurate information on cow belching.

Res. No. 1797 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to several firefighters in the Canadian Fire Service receiving medals.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1798 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - supporting Jean Claude Roy and members of Societé Promotion Grand Pré.

Res. No. 1799 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to award recipients of 2741 Eastern Marine Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps - Musquodoboit Harbour 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Ceremonial Review.

Res. No. 1800 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to 1859 Springhill Royal Canadian Army Cadets on receipt of awards.

Res. No. 1801 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Josh Best on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 1802 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Cape Chignecto Provincial Park on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 1803 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to people of Joggins and the Joggins' Fossil Cliffs on being placed in a list of World Heritage Sites.

Res. No. 1804 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to John

Johnson on being the owner of a System Care franchise.

Res. No. 1805 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Alexandra Odlin on receipt of a prize.

Res. No. 1806 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to 2553 Oxford Royal Canadian Army Cadets on receipt of awards.

Res. No. 1807 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to several parties for their response to an ammonia leak at Oxford Frozen Food.

Res. No. 1808 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Oxford Save Easy on receipt of an award.

#### **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with certain amendments:

## No. 26. Health Protection Act

Also, the following bill, without amendment:

# No. 73. Justice Administration Amendment (2004) Act

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

## No. 64. Capital Region Transportation Authority Act

The debate resumed with Mr. Pye and Mr. David A. Wilson,

who adjourned the debate.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, May  $18^{\rm th}$  at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Samson, Richmond, tabled a petition calling for the paving of the Cap Rouge Road.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre, tabled a petition calling for the upgrading of the Mahon Road, Lingan.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West, tabled a petition calling for the withdrawal of Clause 46 of Bill 62.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Samson, Richmond, tabled a petition calling for the repair of the Lower River Inhabitants Road.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendments:

# No. 70. Municipal Law Amendment (2004) Act

The foregoing bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South, on behalf of Mr. H. David Wilson, the Chairman of the Committee on Private and Local Bills, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendments:

# No. 54. Saint Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church Incorporation Act

- No. 55. Lenihan Retiring Allowance Act
- No. 56. Nova Scotia Federation of Anglers and Hunters Act
- No. 60. Antigonish Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company

#### Act

## No. 69. United Way of Halifax Region Act

The foregoing bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with amendments:

#### No. 40. Assessment Act

The foregoing bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1809 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1810 - Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to Cooke Aquaculture on its juvenile cod development.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1811 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - recognition of the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of incorporation of municipal government.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1812 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health -

recognition of EHS Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1813 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Community Links and others who are committed to reducing injury among seniors.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 83. An Act to Require the Taking of Blood Samples to Protect Victims of Crime, Emergency Service Workers, Good Samaritans and Other Persons

(Mr. Langille - Colchester North)

No. 84. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Motor Vehicle Act

(Mr. Deveaux - Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage)

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1814 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to honourary degree recipients of St. Mary's.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1815 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - calling for recall legislation in Saskatchewan.

Res. No. 1816 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Amy Cotton on her athletic success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1817 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Astral Drive Junior High School Cheerleading Team on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1818 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - Premier's comments are politically motivated re power rates.

Res. No. 1819 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - encouraging the cutting of federal tax on the fuel excise tax.

Res. No. 1820 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to the Eastern Lodge R.A.O.B. for its service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1821 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Maskwa Aquatic Club on its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1822 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to the Kentville and District Kinsman Club on its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1823 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to Eva Marie Gray on her production Lights, Camera, Action.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1824 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Dr. Joyce Ross on her retirement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1825 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to Rose Sutherland Carter on the publication of her book.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1826 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - urging the federal Liberals to make commitments to bank rules which ensure jobs in local branches.

Res. No. 1827 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Justin Gauthier on his hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1828 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank - congratulations to Lockview High School Senior Concert Band on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1829 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Sue McRuer on her volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1830 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to the Saint Francis de Sales Catholic Women's League for their work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1831 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to Father Leo Maillet on his 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in the priesthood.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1832 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - calling for repaving of Highway 4 at Mt. Thom.

Res. No. 1833 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - commending the efforts of volunteers involved with the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1834 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to the late Bob Nelson for his firefighting service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1835 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Duggah MacNeil for his dedication.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1836 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Joyce Grant-Smith on the launch of her book.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1837 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Barbara Hilburt on her service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1838 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid congratulations to R.C.L. Calais Branch 162 on its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1839 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing East Preston Daycare Centre.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1840 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - commending St. Joseph's Elementary for making their school more tolerant.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1841 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognizing D-Day veterans.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1842 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to the Premium Group on its  $20^{\text{th}}$  anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1843 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - HRM and the Province must identify streets to be paved in 2004.

Res. No. 1844 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to John Drish on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1845 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - thanking Kynock Resources for their generosity.

Res. No. 1846 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - thanking Squires Construction for their generosity.

Res. No. 1847 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - thanking Mike Johnston for his

generosity.

- Res. No. 1848 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking Roofmasters for their generosity.
- Res. No. 1849 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking The Roofing Connection for their generosity.
- Res. No. 1850 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking Anchor Plumbing for their generosity.
- Res. No. 1851 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - thanking Mapleleaf Seamless Eavestroughing for their generosity.
- Res. No. 1852 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking T. Power Painting for their generosity.
- Res. No. 1853 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking Halifax Insulators for their generosity.
- Res. No. 1854 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - thanking A. Sinclair Construction for their generosity.
- Res. No. 1855 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking Traditional Cabinets for their generosity.
- Res. No. 1856 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - thanking Wacky's Carpet and Flooring for their generosity.
- Res. No. 1857 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking Taskmasters Contracting for their generosity.
- Res. No. 1858 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking NFL Heating for their

generosity.

- Res. No. 1859 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking Envirowaste for their generosity.
- Res. No. 1860 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking Lakeland Drywall for their generosity.
- Res. No. 1861 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking Vern Kynock for his generosity.
- Res. No. 1862 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking Ray Grabo for his generosity.
- Res. No. 1863 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking John Masters for his generosity.
- Res. No. 1864 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking Hugh Smith for his generosity.
- Res. No. 1865 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking Sheldon DeRoach for his generosity.
- Res. No. 1866 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking Dario Deremigio for his generosity.
- Res. No. 1867 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking Mitten Vinyl Inc. for their generosity.
- Res. No. 1868 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - thanking Greg Burke Electrical for their generosity.
- Res. No. 1869 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations thanking D.C. Siding for their generosity.

- Res. No. 1870 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the District of Argyle well.
- Res. No. 1871 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the District of Barrington well.
- Res. No. 1872 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the District of Chester well.
- Res. No. 1873 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the District of Clare well.
- Res. No. 1874 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the County of Colchester well.
- Res. No. 1875 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the County of Cumberland well.
- Res. No. 1876 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the District of Digby well.
- Res. No. 1877 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the District of East Hants well.
- Res. No. 1878 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the County of Antigonish well.
- Res. No. 1879 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the County of Annapolis well.
- Res. No. 1880 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the District of Guysborough well.

- Res. No. 1881 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the County of Inverness well.
- Res. No. 1882 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the County of Kings well.
- Res. No. 1883 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg well.
- Res. No. 1884 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the County of Pictou well.
- Res. No. 1885 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the County of Queens well.
- Res. No. 1886 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the County of Richmond well.
- Res. No. 1887 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the District of Shelburne well.
- Res. No. 1888 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the District of Yarmouth well.
- Res. No. 1889 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the County of Victoria well.
- Res. No. 1890 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the District of West Hants well.
- Res. No. 1891 Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - wishing the Municipality of the District of St. Mary's well.

Res. No. 1892 - Hon. The Speaker - applauding the work of Susan Belliveau.

Res. No. 1893 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Vera McGregor on her 75<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Res. No. 1894 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Fred and Marion Laybolt on their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Res. No. 1895 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Robert and Doreen McKay on their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Res. No. 1896 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Kenneth and Hilda Palmer on their  $65^{th}$  anniversary.

Res. No. 1897 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Edmund and Sheila Faulkner on their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Res. No. 1898 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Bub and Maureen Russell on their  $50^{\text{th}}$  anniversary.

Res. No. 1899 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - thanks to volunteers of Jeddore United Baptist Church.

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

#### No. 64. Capital Region Transportation Authority Act

The debate resumed with Mr. David A. Wilson, Mr. MacKinnon and Ms. Massey, who adjourned the debate.

## **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendments:

- No. 40. Assessment Act
- No. 54. Saint Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church Incorporation Act
- No. 55. Lenihan Retiring Allowance Act
- No. 56. Nova Scotia Federation of Anglers and Hunters Act
- No. 60. Antigonish Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company Act
- No. 69. United Way of Halifax Region Act
- No. 70. Municipal Law Amendment (2004) Act

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

## PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 82. Halifax Regional Water Commission Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Deveaux and Mr. Hines in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

## PRIVATE MEMBERS PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### No. 84. Motor Vehicle Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr.

Samson, Hon. Mr. Russell and Mr. Deveaux in Reply. The question being put forth by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

# **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, May  $19^{\rm th}$  at  $2{:}00$  P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview, tabled a petition calling for the withdrawal of Clause 46 of Bill 62.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Parker, Pictou West, tabled a petition calling for a full interchange at the Ben Jackson Road and Highway 101.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West, tabled a petition concerning the rate increase in the Public Service Pension.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's, tabled a petition calling for the paving of Crouchers Point Road, Glen Haven.

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic, tabled a petition calling for road and sidewalk improvements in Halifax Atlantic.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Hon. Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, each with certain amendments:

No. 58. Mechanics' Lien Act

No. 62. Financial Measures (2004) Act

# No. 74. Oil Refineries and L.N.G. Plants Municipal Taxation Act

The foregoing bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House.

#### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1900 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to the Sackville Rivers Association on nomination for an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1901 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to those involved with the Western Area Showcase concert.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1902 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - acknowledging the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the N.S. Construction Safety Association.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1903 - Hon. The Premier - recognition of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Pictou County Farmer's Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

# No. 85. An Act Respecting the Royal Canadian Legion and Philip and Gail Huston Property in Tatamagouche

(Mr. Langille - Colchester North)

# **NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1904 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage -

congratulations to Marion Webb on her retirement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1905 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Tyrone Gardiner on induction into the World Boxing Hall of Fame.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1906 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - acknowledging the volunteer effort as Canso celebrates its 400<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1907 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to members of the Urban Farm Museum Society of Spryfield.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1908 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - less speed means more fuel savings.

Res. No. 1909 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to students at Sutherland's River for their work for the N.S. Heart and Stroke Foundation.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1910 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to athletes Corey Smith, Deirdre Gormley and coach Harvey Bate for their contributions.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1911 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Family and Children Services of Annapolis County for their work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1912 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - calling for the maintenance of the Shunt Rail Service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1913 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to Community Links and its partners as they enter the third phase of their falls prevention initiative.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1914 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Tony McGrath and Dawn Crowe on their marriage.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1915 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - wishing success to Subtotal POS founders Daryl Fraser and Mark Connors.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1916 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to Mary Bourgeois on the 50<sup>th</sup> issue of BIANS News.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1917 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to George Foote on his volunteer service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1918 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - remembering the late Bruce Murray.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1919 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Paul Flemming on receipt of a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1920 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Marti Walker on her volunteer service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1921 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - the Leader of the Opposition's words were a flop.

Res. No. 1922 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to Wade Taylor on earning a Merit Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1923 - Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview - Liberal statements and promises cannot be trusted.

Res. No. 1924 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - NDP must always remain in Opposition.

Res. No. 1925 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Dustin Sutherland on his athletic success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1926 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to the NDP for rejecting the candidacy of Michelle Dockrill.

Res. No. 1927 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to Monsignor Gerald LeBlanc on being named a Prelate of Honour.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1928 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to volunteers involved with Liverpool's International Theatre Festival.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1929 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - calling for opposition to the federal gun registry.

### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Res. No. 1930 - Hon. The Premier - congratulations to Matthew Day on his fundraising.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

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Res. No. 1931 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - wishing Herbert Eagle a happy 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Res. No. 1932 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Larry Powell on receipt of a newspaper award.

Res. No. 1933 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Karen McNamara on receipt of a newspaper award.

Res. No. 1934 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Alan Knowles on receipt of a newspaper award.

Res. No. 1935 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - commending Kirk Starratt on his work ethic.

Res. No. 1936 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - commending Bill Clarke for his outstanding work.

Res.No. 1937 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Claudette MacKenzie on recognition from the Family Caregivers of N.S.

Res. No. 1938 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to all CAN-

U students on receipt of their certificates.

- Res. No. 1939 Mr. Parent, Kings North congratulations to Yvonne Martin rink on their success.
- Res. No. 1940 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Susan Belliveau on her outstanding work.
- Res. No. 1941 Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East congratulations to the staff of the Pictou Advocate on their success.
- Res. No. 1942 Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East commending those involved with a transportation workshop.
- Res. No. 1943 Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East applauding the efforts of the N.S. Safety Council, Wayne Westaway and Pictou County bikers.
- Res. No. 1944 Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East applauding the efforts of the Pictou County Chamber of Commerce and Stellarton N.S.C.C. students on a business directory update.
- Res. No. 1945 Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East applauding Guiding volunteers.
- Res. No. 1946 Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park acknowledging the contributions of Carroll Coffill.
- Res. No. 1947 Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park acknowledging the contributions of Jocelyn Croox.
- Res. No. 1948 Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park acknowledging the contributions of George Dickey.
- Res. No. 1949 Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park acknowledging the contributions of Mary Smith.
- Res. No. 1950 Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park congratulations to Christopher Photopoulis.
- Res. No. 1951 Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park congratulations to Luke Hacquebard.
  - Res. No. 1952 Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park -

congratulations to Kelsea Black.

Res. No. 1953 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Jennifer Fitzpatrick.

Res. No. 1954 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Kaylin Dean.

Res. No. 1955 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Andrew Williamson.

Res. No. 1956 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Emma Delory.

#### **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### No. 76. Health Services and Insurance Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Ms. More and Mr. Graham. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. McNeil, Annapolis, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### No. 53. Gaming Control Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Sampson, Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Mr. Pye and Mr. Graham. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

#### **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, May  $20^{\text{th}}$  at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park, tabled a petition concerning therapy for those with autism.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's, tabled a petition calling for repairs to Highway 329.

#### TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education, tabled the Nova Scotia Teachers College Foundation, Annual Report, January 2004.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance, tabled the Order in Council No. 2004-13, January 23, 2004 and the Public Health and Administration Chart, to replace chart on page 13 of the 2004-05 Budget Address.

#### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1957 - Hon. The Premier - thanking staff of the Legislature.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1958 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to those involved with Techsploration.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1959 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to aquaculture sector.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1960 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to those involved in the Bluenose International Marathon.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1961 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald - Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to the Town of Lunenburg for recognizing the importance of improved health.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

# No. 86. An Act to Prohibit the Taking of a Photograph with a Camera Phone in a Prohibited Place

(Mr. MacKinnon - Cape Breton West)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1962 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - remembering the late Tony Randall.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1963 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Senator Al Graham on his retirement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1964 - Hon. The Premier - recognition of the 100<sup>th</sup>

anniversary of the Stellarton Amateur Athletic Association.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1965 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - remembering the late Lauchie MacLeod.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1966 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - recognition of the job done by child care professionals.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1967 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to the Kentville Advertiser on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1968 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to the Shearwater MFRC on its learning and growing puppets initiative.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1969 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - making student employment a priority.

Res. No. 1970 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to Terri Clark on her success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1971 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Warren MacPhee on his 85<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1972 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to those involved with the Department of Education model legislature.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1973 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank - congratulations to the Fall River Rebels on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1974 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - N.S. must reduce greenhouse gases.

Res. No. 1975 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - N.S. must continue efforts to get the U.S. border open re cattle.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1976 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Sidney Crosby on his success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1977 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - congratulations to those involved with the Black Basketball Association tournament.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1978 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to Martin MacDonald for his community service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1979 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - paying tribute to Wilber McCoombs..

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1980 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - calling for a review of the grant application of the Child Development Centre.

Res. No. 1981 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - requesting help for service stations.

Res. No. 1982 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - recognition of the AgriDome.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1983 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to John Ryan on being honoured by Dalhousie.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1984 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - calling for a meeting with the Eastern Woodlands Metis Nation of N.S.

Res. No. 1985 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to William Roblee on his community service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1986 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to the Whitney Pier 587 Air Cadet Squadron on its 50 years.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1987 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - Department of Justice must develop a plan to deal with crime.

Res. No. 1988 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to Kristina van Eden on her athletic success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1989 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to Michael Kennedy on his debating success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1990 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations on Indian Brook on a new RCMP facility.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1991 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - would the NDP explain why they support a large oil company.

Res. No. 1992 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to the TASA Atom A Ducks on hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1993 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to the PTO of Astral Drive Elementary School on its fundraising.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1994 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - NDP supports a subsidy for Imperial Oil.

Res. No. 1995 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to David Parks on his 65<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1996 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Bob Beaton on his retirement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1997 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and

Labour - expressing sympathy to the family of the late Lauchie MacLeod.

Res. No. 1998 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to winners at the Tri-County District School Board Regional Heritage Fair.

Res. No. 1999 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to 92 Chebogue Sea Cadets Corps on its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Res. No. 2000 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to participants in the 4-H weekend.

Res. No. 2001 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - commending Dan McFadyen.

Res. No. 2002 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - applauding the positive outlook as expressed by the head of the Sydney and Area Chamber of Commerce.

Res. No. 2003 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognizing Tanya Felix.

Res. No. 2004 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Allie Praught.

Res. No. 2005 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to those planning the multi-purpose centre at Liverpool.

Res. No. 2006 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to the Carleton Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 2007 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to the Yarmouth Association for Community Residential Options.

Res. No. 2008 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Dr. Shelagh Leahey.

Res. No. 2009 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to recognizing the contributions of the South West Health Palliative Care Working Group.

- Res. No. 2010 Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture congratulations to Dr. Mark Bennett and Nurse Practitioner Mary Anderson.
- Res. No. 2011 Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour congratulations to Bowater Mersey on its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- Res. No. 2012 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Stephen Dobson and Andrew Moore.
- Res. No. 2013 Hon. The Speaker thanking Fred Smith for his service.
- Res. No. 2014 Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources congratulations to those participating in the Call to Remembrance competition.
- Res. No. 2015 Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources recognizing the Parkview Education Centre Wrestling team.
- Res. No. 2016 Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources congratulations to several Bridgewater and area Kinsmen Cadets.
- Res. No. 2017 Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources thanking volunteers supporting Lunenburg-Queens Big Brothers/Big Sisters.
- Res. No. 2018 Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources thanking Sue Smith.
- Res. No. 2019 Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley recognizing Professors Ringaswami Rajaiman and Duane Guernsey.
- Res. No. 2020 Mr. Parent, Kings North congratulations to Grant Fawcett.
- Res. No. 2021 Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy best wishes to Adline Purves.
- Res. No. 2022 Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy recognizing career opportunities in the energy sector.
  - Res. No. 2023 Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy -

recognizing the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Sydney Mines and District Community Centre.

Res. No. 2024 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Farmers Dairy Truro Cheese Division.

Res. No. 2025 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Shawna Blois.

Res. No. 2026 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to the Cobequid Cougars boys basketball team.

Res. No. 2027 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to the Agricultural College.

Res. No. 2028 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to the Truro Scotiabank branch.

Res. No. 2029 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to the United Way of Colchester County.

Res. No. 2030 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - applauding the designs of Bernadette Jordan and Barbara Wentzel.

Res. No. 2031 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to staff of Lunenburg Progress-Enterprise and Lighthouse Log.

Res. No. 2032 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to William Roblee.

Res. No. 2033 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - best wishes to David Parks.

Res. No. 2034 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - commending staff of the Yarmouth Vanguard.

Res. No. 2035 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - applauding staff of The Reporter.

Res. No. 2036 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to staff of Inverness Oran.

Res. No. 2037 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - recognizing Jeanette

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Res. No. 2038 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance - applauding the efforts of Glen Dexter and Frank Garner.

Res. No. 2039 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - thanking Brian D'Entremont and staff.

Res. No. 2040 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to Jamie Fraser and Charlotte Reid.

Res. No. 2041 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Jeddore Lodge and Cabins.

Res. No. 2042 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Len's Aluminum Welding and Fabrication.

Res. No. 2043 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Faulkner Insurance Agency.

Res. No. 2044 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Forest Hill Drug Mart.

Res. No. 2045 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Magneto Inductive Systems Ltd.

Res. No. 2046 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Toddy's Restaurant & Lounge.

Res. No. 2047 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Salmon River House & Country Inn.

Res. No. 2048 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Currie's Insurance.

 $\,$  Res. No. 2049 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Tin Roof Enterprises.

Res. No. 2050 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Lakeview Home Hardware.

Res. No. 2051 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Unicorn Cottage Feline Boarding.

- Res. No. 2052 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Eastern Shore Optical.
- Res. No. 2053 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing C thru Us.
- Res. No. 2054 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing The Eastern Shore Observer.
- Res. No. 2055 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Union Print.
- Res. No. 2056 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Lakeville Lumber & Portable Milling.
- Res. No. 2057 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing J's Fresh Cup and Laundromat.
- Res. No. 2058 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing KC Carpet Sales.
- Res. No. 2059 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Auto Wheels in Motion.
- Res. No. 2060 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Bakers Bent Wrench Ultramar Service Station.
- Res. No. 2061 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Budget Glass.
- Res. No. 2062 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Black Street Gallery.
- Res. No. 2063 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Country Classic Cuts.
- Res. No. 2064 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing D K's Cycle Supplies.
- Res. No. 2065 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing D & L Nurseries.
- Res. No. 2066 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Darr Welding and Fabricating Ltd.

- Res. No. 2067 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Eastern Shore Auto Sales and Repair.
- Res. No. 2068 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Hilltop Childcare Centre.
- Res. No. 2069 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Home Hardware Building Centre.
- Res. No. 2070 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Mark Fuels Ltd.
- Res. No. 2071 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Mr. Pizza.
- Res. No. 2072 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Musquodoboit Harbour Irving.
- Res. No. 2073 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Napa Auto Parts.
- Res. No. 2074 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Old Time Friends Antiques, Collectibles and Dolls.
- Res. No. 2075 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Old Anderson House Craft Shop and Gallery.
- Res. No. 2076 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Ongs Restaurant.
- Res. No. 2077 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing On-Site Mobile Service.
- Res. No. 2078 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Rowlings Funeral Home.
- Res. No. 2079 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Seacoast Escapes.
- Res. No. 2080 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Toulany's Meat Market.
- Res. No. 2081 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Wild Grape Florals.

Res. No. 2082 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Sherry's Fish and Chips.

Res. No. 2083 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Shore Print.

Res. No. 2084 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Siteman's Petro Can.

Res. No. 2085 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Aquaprime Mussel Ranch.

Res. No. 2086 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Cedar Living Ltd.

Res. No. 2087 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing E & F Webber Lakeside Park Ltd.

Res. No. 2088 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing A 1 Lakeview B&B.

Res. No. 2089 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Community Rental and Sales.

Res. No. 2090 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing ChemTech Services Ltd.

Res. No. 2091 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Maritime Greetings Inc.

Res. No. 2092 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Lorette's Automotive Repair and Welding.

Res. No. 2093 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Eastern Shore Auto Salvage.

Res. No. 2094 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Memories Trophies, Engraving and Gifts.

Res. No. 2095 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Ol Post Office Convenience Store.

Res. No. 2096 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Gaetz Custom Homes.

- Res. No. 2097 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing The Elephant's Nest.
- Res. No. 2098 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Atlantic Water Supply.
- Res. No. 2099 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Cousin's Service Centre Ltd.
- Res. No. 2100 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Marine Drive Courier.
- Res. No. 2101 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Ezra Electric.
- Res. No. 2102 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing G & R Woodworking.
- Res. No. 2103 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore recognizing Pettipas Pumping and Septic Service.
- Res. No. 2104 Mr. Parent, Kings North congratulations to Ken MacPherson.
- Res. No. 2105 Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services recognizing the Coldbrook Lions Club.
- Res. No. 2106 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Girouard/Giroir/Gerrior family reunion.
- Res. No. 2107 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Godin family reunion.
- Res. No. 2108 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Granger family reunion.
- Res. No. 2109 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Guillot family reunion.
- Res. No. 2110 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Haché family reunion.
- Res. No. 2111 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Harrington family reunion.

- Res. No. 2112 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Harris family reunion.
- $\,$  Res. No. 2113 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Hebert family reunion.
- Res. No. 2114 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Henry family reunion.
- $\,$  Res. No. 2115 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Hubbard family reunion.
- Res. No. 2116 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Jacquard family reunion.
- Res. No. 2117 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Jeddry family reunion.
- Res. No. 2118 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Johnson/Jeansonne/Jeanson family reunion.
- Res. No. 2119 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Kinney family reunion.
- Res. No. 2120 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Labine family reunion.
- Res. No. 2121 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Landry family reunion.
- Res. No. 2122 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the LeBlanc family reunion.
- Res. No. 2123 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Lefave family reunion.
- Res. No. 2124 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Léger family reunion.
- Res. No. 2125 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Lejeune (dit Briard) family reunion.
- Res. No. 2126 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Levangie/Lavandier family reunion.

- Res. No. 2127 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Maillet family reunion.
- Res. No. 2128 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Mallet family reunion.
- Res. No. 2129 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Martin family reunion.
- Res. No. 2130 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Mazerolle family reunion.
- Res. No. 2131 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Melanson family reunion.
- Res. No. 2132 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Muis/Muise/Meuse family reunion.
- Res. No. 2133 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Moulaison family reunion.
- Res. No. 2134 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Paon family reunion.
- $\,$  Res. No. 2135 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Pellerin family reunion.
- Res. No. 2136 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Pettipas family reunion.
- Res. No. 2137 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Poirier family reunion.
- Res. No. 2138 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Pothier/Pottier family reunion.
- Res. No. 2139 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Prince family reunion.
- Res. No. 2140 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Richard family reunion.
- Res. No. 2141 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Robichaud/Robicheau family reunion.

- Res. No. 2142 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Roy family reunion.
- Res. No. 2143 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Saindon/Sindon family reunion.
- Res. No. 2144 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Samson family reunion.
- Res. No. 2145 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Saulnier family reunion.
- Res. No. 2146 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Savoie family reunion.
- Res. No. 2147 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Surette family reunion.
- Res. No. 2148 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Thériault family reunion.
- Res. No. 2149 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Thibeau/Thibeault family reunion.
- Res. No. 2150 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Thibodeau family reunion.
- Res. No. 2151 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Trahan family reunion.
- Res. No. 2152 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Vacon family reunion.
- Res. No. 2153 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Allain family reunion.
- Res. No. 2154 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Amirault family reunion.
- Res. No. 2155 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Arsenault family reunion.
- Res. No. 2156 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Aucoin family reunion.

- $\,$  Res. No. 2157 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Babin family reunion.
- Res. No. 2158 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Babineau(x) family reunion.
- Res. No. 2159 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Barillot family reunion.
- Res. No. 2160 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Bastarache/Basque family reunion.
- Res. No. 2161 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Belliveau/Béliveau/Bélivos/Bélivo family reunion.
- Res. No. 2162 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Benoit/Bennett family reunion.
- Res. No. 2163 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Berthier/Burkey family reunion.
- Res. No. 2164 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Blanchard family reunion.
- $\,$  Res. No. 2165 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Bonnevie family reunion.
- Res. No. 2166 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Boucher family reunion.
- Res. No. 2167 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Boudreau family reunion.
- Res. No. 2168 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Bourgeois family reunion.
- Res. No. 2169 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Bourque/Bourg family reunion.
- $\,$  Res. No. 2170 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Breau family reunion.
- Res. No. 2171 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Broussard/Brossard family reunion.

- Res. No. 2172 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Chiasson family reunion.
- Res. No. 2173 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Clairmont family reunion.
- Res. No. 2174 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Comeau family reunion.
- Res. No. 2175 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Cordeau family reunion.
- Res. No. 2176 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Cormier family reunion.
- Res. No. 2177 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Corporon family reunion.
- Res. No. 2178 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Cottreau family reunion.
- Res. No. 2179 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Crochet family reunion.
- Res. No. 2180 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Daigle family reunion.
- Res. No. 2181 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the David family reunion.
- Res. No. 2182 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the DeCoste family reunion.
- Res. No. 2183 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Delorey/DesLauriers family reunion.
- Res. No. 2184 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the D'Entremont family reunion.
- Res. No. 2185 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the d'Eon family reunion.
- Res. No. 2186 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Deveau family reunion.

- $\,$  Res. No. 2187 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the deVillier family reunion.
- $\,$  Res. No. 2188 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Doiron family reunion.
- Res. No. 2189 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Doucet family reunion.
- Res. No. 2190 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Dugas family reunion.
- Res. No. 2191 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Dulong family reunion.
- Res. No. 2192 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Dupuis family reunion.
- Res. No. 2193 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Fitzgerald family reunion.
- Res. No. 2194 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Forest family reunion.
- Res. No. 2195 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Fougere family reunion.
- Res. No. 2196 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Frotten family reunion.
- Res. No. 2197 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Gallant family reunion.
- Res. No. 2198 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Gaudet family reunion.
- Res. No. 2199 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Gautreau family reunion.
- Res. No. 2200 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Gauvin family reunion.
- Res. No. 2201 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to the Geddrey/Guidry family reunion.

- Res. No. 2202 -Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park acknowledging the contributions of David Harrison.
- Res. No. 2203 Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park acknowledging the contributions of Marguerite Ainsworth.
- Res. No. 2204 Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services sympathies to the family of the late Chester Lightfoot.
- Res. No. 2205 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour congratulations to Delaney Chisholm
- Res. No. 2206 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Ryan MacNeil.
- Res. No. 2207 Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park acknowledging the contributions of Anthony Metlege.
- Res. No. 2208 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Mushaboom Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2209 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Seven Communities Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2210 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Sheet Harbour Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2211 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Moser River and District Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2212 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Chedabucto Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2213 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Ecum Secum Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2214 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Guysborough Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2215 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Hazel Hill and District Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2216 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Larrys River and District Fire Department.

- Res. No. 2217 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Little Dover Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2218 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Mulgrave Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2219 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Canso Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2220 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the District 6 Fire Department of Guysborough.
- Res. No. 2221 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Erinville Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2222 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Mooseland Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2223 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Islandview Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2224 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Liscomb Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2225 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Tangier and Area Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2226 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Whitehead Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2227 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Sherbrooke and Area Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2228 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Seashore and Area Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2229 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Manchester-Boylston Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2230 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the Harbourview Fire Department.
- Res. No. 2231 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending the St. Mary's and District Fire Department.

#### **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment:

No. 58. Mechanics' Lien Act

No. 62. Financial Measures (2004) Act

# No. 74. Oil Refineries and L.N.G. Plants Municipal Taxation Act

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on this day.

#### **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, moved third reading of the following bill:

### No. 26. Health Protection Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Deveaux, Samson and Hon. Mr. MacIsaac in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved third reading of the following bill:

#### No. 40. Assessment Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond, Messrs. Sampson, Estabrooks, Colwell, MacKinnon and Hon. Mr. Barnet in Reply. On a recorded vote, there being 36 for the motion and 12 against, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture, moved third reading of the following bill:

#### No. 46. Public Service Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Gosse and Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education, moved third reading of the following bill:

#### No. 48. Education Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Estabrooks, MacKinnon and Hon. Mr. Muir in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved third reading of the following bill:

### No. 70. Municipal Law Amendment (2004) Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, moved third reading of the following bill:

#### No. 73. Justice Administration Amendment (2004) Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Samson and Hon. Mr. Baker in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, moved third reading of the following bill:

#### No. 58. Mechanics' Lien Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Dexter, Samson and Hon. Mr. Baker in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance, moved third reading of the following bill:

#### No. 62. Financial Measures (2004) Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Steele, Ms. Whalen, Mr. Samson and Hon. Mr. Christie in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnett, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved third reading of the following bill:

# No. 74. Oil Refineries and L.N.G. Plants Municipal Taxation Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. M. MacDonald, Colwell, Samson, Dexter, MacKinnon and Hon. Mr. Barnet in Reply. On a recorded vote, there being 25 for the motion and 21 against, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

#### PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's, moved third reading of the following bill:

# No. 54. Saint Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church Incorporation Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 55. Lenihan (Municipality of the District of Chester) Retiring Allowance Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley, moved third reading of the following bill:

#### No. 56. Nova Scotia Federation of Anglers and Hunters Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Antigonish, moved third reading of the following bill:

### No. 60. Antigonish Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley, moved third reading of the following bill:

#### No. 69. United Way of Halifax Region Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

#### PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East, moved third reading of the following bill:

#### No. 61. Theatres and Amusements Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

#### ROYAL ASSENT

At the hour of 6:00 p.m. this day, Her Honour, the Honourable Myra Freeman, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Nova Scotia, came to the Chamber of the House of Assembly and seated in the Speaker's Chair, was addressed by Mr. Speaker as follows:

"May it please Your Honour, the General Assembly of the Province has at its present Session passed certain bills to which in the name and on behalf of the General Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's assent."

Her Honour was then pleased to give her assent to the following bills:

An Act to Amend the Youth Secretariat Act

An Act to Amend the Mi'kmaq Education Act

An Act to Amend the Credit Union Act

An Act to Establish a Provincial Acadian Day

An Act to Amend the Cemetery and Funeral Services Act

An Act to Amend the House of Assembly Act

An Act to Implement the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment in Matters Specific to Aircraft Equipment

An Act to Provide for the Protection of Health

An Act to Amend the Assessment Act

An Act to Amend the Public Service Act, to Establish the Office of Health Promotion

An Act to Amend the Education Act

An Act to Amend an Act to Incorporate Saint Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, of Chester, Lunenburg County

An Act to Authorize the Municipality of the District of Chester to Provide a Retiring Allowance for Barry Lenihan

An Act to Amend an Act to Incorporate the Nova Scotia Fish and Game Protective Association and County or District Fish and Game Associations

An Act to Amend the Mechanics' Lien Act

An Act to Amend an Act Respecting the Antigonish Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and an Act to Confer Additional Powers upon Antigonish Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company

An Act to Amend the Theatres and Amusements Act

**An Act Respecting Certain Financial Measures** 

An Act to Amend an Act to Incorporate the Halifax-Dartmouth United Appeal

An Act to Amend the Municipal Government Act, the Municipal Elections Act, and the Municipal Grants Act

An Act Respecting the Administration of Justice

An Act Respecting the Municipal Taxation of Oil Refineries and Liquified Natural Gas Plants

An Act to Provide for Defraying Certain Charges and Expenses of the Public Service of the Province

Mr. Speaker then addressed Her Honour as follows:

"Your Honour, having been graciously pleased to give your assent to the bills passed during the present Session, it becomes my agreeable duty on behalf of Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, Her faithful Commons of Nova Scotia, to present to Your Honour a Bill for the appropriation of Supply granted in the present Session for the support of the Public Service and to request Your Honour's assent thereto."

The said Bill, entitled "An Act to Provide for Defraying Certain Charges and Expenses of the Public Service of the Province" was then handed to Her Honour and she replied as follows:

"In Her Majesty's name I thank Her loyal subjects, I accept their benevolence, and I assent to this Bill."

Her Honour was then pleased to retire.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Speaker then asked all Members to face the flag and join him in singing the National Anthem.

Honourable The Premier then said:

"Mr. Speaker and Members of the House of Assembly, I move that this Assembly be now adjourned, to meet again at the call of the Speaker."

The House thereupon adjourned to meet again at the call of the Speaker.

The House reconvened at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes, tabled a petition calling for a second ambulance north of Cape Smokey.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Langille, Colchester North, tabled a petition calling for changes to penalties for drunk driving.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, reported on behalf of Hon. Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendments:

#### No. 84. Motor Vehicle Act

The foregoing bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2232 - Hon. The Premier - remembering the late Robert McCleave.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2233 - Hon. The Premier (on behalf of Hon. The Speaker) - recognition of the opening of the Dr. Carson & Marion Murray Community Centre.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2234 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation

and Public Works - remembering the late Norman Spence.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2235 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - concern over use by businesses of a flag resembling the Dutch flag.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2236 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - best wishes to the U.N.S.M. on its 99<sup>th</sup> conference.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2237 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - urging the federal government and P.S.A.C to settle their labour dispute.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2238 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - applauding the work of federal mediators in resolving the Aliant strike.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2239 - Hon. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to the U.N.S.M. in taking a role in ensuring women participants in municipal politics.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2240 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minster of Tourism and Culture - saluting the organizers of the Parade of Sail.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2241 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - best wishes to Jerry Pye.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2242 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Gary Beals on the release of his CD.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2243 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - saluting those who assisted following Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 87. An Act Respecting Electricity

(Hon. Mr. Clarke - Minister of Energy)

No. 88. An Act to Protect Residential Communities from Quarries

(Mr. M. MacDonald - Cape Breton South)

No. 89. An Act to Amend Chapter 231 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, The Insurance Act

(Mr. Dexter - Leader of the Opposition)

No. 90. An Act to Amend Chapter 4 of the Acts of 1995, The Highway 104 Western Alignment Act

(Hon. Mr. Russell - Minister of Transportation and

**Public Works**)

No. 91. An Act to Amend Chapter 475 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, The Trade Union Act

(Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West)

No. 92. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, The Motor Vehicle Act

(Hon. Mr. Russell - Minister of Transportation and Public Works)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2244 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - calling upon the federal government to change the funding formula to address inequities.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2245 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - admonishing the Minister of Community Services for failing to provide shelter to low income Nova Scotians in all areas of the province.

Res. No. 2246 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - government must order the banking industry to pay workers compensation premiums.

Res. No. 2247 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - calling for amendments to the residential Tenancies Act to force landlords to pay compensation to displaced tenants.

Res. No. 2248 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to George Canyon on his success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2249 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to the

Demos and Susan Smith family and honouring their history.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2250 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - using monies to keep emergency rooms open 24 hours per day.

Res. No. 2251 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to Aleah Lomas on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2252 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - calling for a ban on spraying on Crown lands.

Res. No. 2253 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Dwight Ross Elementary on being nationally recognized.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2254 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - calling for not spraying with the chemical Vision.

Res. No. 2255 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to those organizing the Oktoberfest in Tatamagouche.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2256 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Rebecca Coady on her athletic achievement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2257 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - government must implement environmental and energy efficiency recommendations of the Select Committee on Petroleum Product Pricing.

Res. No. 2258 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's (on behalf of Mr. Parent, Kings North) - congratulations to the Annapolis

Valley Team which participated in the 2004 International Children's Games.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2259 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to the Dartmouth Lions Head Labatt Blues Fast Pitch team on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2260 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - government must prioritize improvements for secondary roads.

Res. No. 2261 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - commending those working on renovations of the Chester United Baptist Church.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2262 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Beth Brydon on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2263 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - thanking those who tried to reopen the Woodside Day Care Centre.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2264 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - commending the organizers of the 2004 Pictou-North Colchester Exhibition.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2265 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognition of the service of the No. 2 Construction Battalion C.E.F.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2266 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - thanking all municipal candidates for putting their names forward.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2267 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Doug Boyce on the release of his book.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2268 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Duncan Roderick MacKay on receipt of a Caring Canadian Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2269 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequidurging government to provide a 24 hour emergency room at the Cobequid Health Centre.

Res. No. 2270 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - thanking Condo Sarto for his service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2271 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - Minister of Human Resources must bring forward Whistleblower legislation.

Res. No. 2272 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - recognition of Frasers Grocery owners on their retirement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2273 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - Minister of Environment and Labour must consider the impact of outdoor solid wood burning appliances on the environment.

Res. No. 2274 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to the Merchant Navy veterans for their bravery.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2275 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid (on behalf of Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect) - congratulations to Caitlin Ulrich on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2276 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - commending the work of the Old Barns Progressive Conservatives.

Res. No. 2277 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Springhill/Oxford area Kidney Foundation on their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

# **PUBLIC BILLS**

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

# No. 64. Capital Region Transportation Authority Act

The debate resumed with Ms. Massey, Ms. Whalen and Mr. Dexter, who adjourned the debate.

#### **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

## TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, tabled the Annual Report of the Law Reform Commission of Nova Scotia, April 1, 2003 to March 31, 2004.

# GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2278 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to recipients of the Order of Nova Scotia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2279 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - applauding the advent of the infrastructure program for farmers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2280 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Dalhousie University on its ranking for post doctoral studies.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2281 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - commending government staff for their United Way support.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2282 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - recognition of Open Farm Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2283 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to the Amherst High School track and field team and coach Mike Roach.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2384 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to C-Vision on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 93. An Act Respecting the Municipal Taxation of a Natural Gas Distribution System

(Hon. Mr. Barnet - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)

No.94. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Motor Vehicle Act

(Mr. Parker - Pictou West)

No.95. An Act to Amend Chapter 6 of the Acts of 2001, the Land Registration Act

(Hon. Mr. Barnet - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)

No.96. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 (1992 Supplement) of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the House of Assembly Act

(Mr. MacKinnon - Cape Breton West)

No.97. An Act to Change the Name of the University College

of Cape Breton and to Amend Chapter 484 of the Revised Statues of 1989, the University College of **Cape Breton Act and Related Statues** 

(Hon. Mr. Muir - Minister of Education)

No.98. An Act to Amend Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, the **Municipal Government Act** 

> (Hon. Mr. Barnet - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)

No.99. An Act to Amend Chapter 494 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Vital Statistics Act

> (Hon. Mr. Barnet - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)

No.100. An Act to Amend Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, the **Municipal Government Act** 

(Mr. Glavine - Kings West)

# NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2285 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - condolences to the family of the late Roy Marchand.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2286 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West condolences to the family of the late Roy Marchand.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2287 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to Tatamagouche Elementary School on its school ranking.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2288 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax - Minister of Economic Development must explain what he will do re out-migration.

Res. No. 2289 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - calling upon the Conflict of Interest Commissioner to initiate an investigation re the Minister of Natural Resources.

Res. No. 2290 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to the N.S. Lighthouse Preservation Society on its service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2291 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - thanks to students retiring from and now serving on the Halifax Regional School Board.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2292 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South (on behalf of Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay) - congratulations to the A.L.S. Society.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2293 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to those involved with the International Burn Camp Conference.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2294 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - encouraging the use of transportation other than cars.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2295 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - re lack of a health care plan.

Res. No. 2296 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to the Pictou County Firefighters Assoc. on fundraising for muscular dystrophy.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2297 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - recognition of Open Farm Day and of farmers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2298 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to the Worden family on its reunion.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2299 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Mahone Bay on its recycling initiative.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2300 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to the Morden Christ Church on its  $150^{\rm th}$  anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2301 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - Minister of Environment and Labour must review outdoor wood burning appliances.

Res. No. 2302 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Tyler Williams on his hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2303 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank - congratulations to Cheema Canoe Club on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2304 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to the Multicultural Assoc. of N.S. retiring employee Barbara Campbell.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2305 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - commending those involved with the Let's Drive Green emissions clinic.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2306 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - expressing gratitude to volunteers of the Canadian Red Cross Society helping those ravaged by hurricanes.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2307 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - Dept. of Education must include an auditorium in the new school on the Halifax Peninsula.

Res. No. 2308 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Danica Pottie upon being named Ambassador to Cambodia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2309 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to Maritime Paper Products Ltd. on its expansion.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2310 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to the Cape Breton Ground Search and Rescue Association on its  $35^{\rm th}$  anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2311 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Joyce Murphy on her 80th birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2312 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Alex Creamer on his award.

Res. No. 2313 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Terry Arthurs on his award.

Res. No. 2314 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank congratulations to David Kikuchi on his Olympic performance.

Res. No. 2315 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank congratulations to Jillian D'Alessio.

Res. No. 2316 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank congratulations to Richard Dalton.

Res. No. 2317 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank congratulations to Karen Funeaux.

Res. No. 2318 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank congratulations to Laszio (Csom) Latorovski.

Res. No. 2319 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank congratulations to Mike Scarola.

#### **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works, moved second reading of the following bills:

#### No. 90. Highway 101 Western Alignment Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Parker, Mr. MacKinnon and the Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

# No. 92. Motor Vehicle Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Parker, MacKinnon, Steele, Ms. Whalen, Ms. Raymond, Messers. David A. Wilson, Colwell, Deveaux, Graham, Pye and the Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, September  $27^{\rm th}$  at  $4{:}00~P.M.$ 

The House met at 4:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition, tabled a petition for changes to regulations regarding cosmetic pesticides, herbicides and fungicides.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West, tabled a petition calling for road improvements in Inverness County.

## **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2320 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to Chelsey Gotell on her athletic success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2321 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognition of those promoting Active Awareness Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2322 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - recognition of Police and Peace Officers National Memorial Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2323 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - recognition of Communications Nova Scotia staff.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2324 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works (on behalf of The Premier) - remembering the late

Archie Fader.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2325 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations on the opening of the North Preston Community Centre.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2326 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - recognizing the importance of the Amber Alert Program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2327 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - commending those who support festivals and events.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 101. An Act to Amend Chapter 376 of the Revised Statues of 1989, the Public Service Act, to Establish the Office of African Nova Scotian Affairs

(Hon. Mr. Barnet - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)

No. 102. An Act to Amend Chapter 6 of the Acts of 1994-95, the Maintenance Enforcement Act

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 103. An Act to Amend Chapter 393 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Regulations Act

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 104. An Act to Amend Chapter 8 of the Acts of 1990, the Emergency Measures Act

(Mr. Dexter - Leader of the Opposition)

No. 105. An Act to Amend Chapter 380 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Public Utilities Act

(Mr. Corbett - Cape Breton Centre)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2328 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognition of the Festival of the Bays and organizers of same.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2329 - Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel - recognition of the Word on the Street Book and Magazine Fair.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2330 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to Edna Harding on receipt of a Caring Canadian Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2331 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - recognition of Continuing Care staff and volunteers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2332 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - the government must bring in legislation to enhance the film tax credit.

Res. No. 2333 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to those making the Unicorn Theatre a success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2334 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - recognition of the  $75^{\text{th}}$  birthday of Dan Yakimchuk.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2335 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - recognition of the Coastal Discovery Centre.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2336 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to the Creamery Square Association for their efforts.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2337 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - calling for a full review of the basis for property tax assessments.

Res. No. 2338 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - calling upon the Minister of Finance to place the well-being of families over efforts to fatten the coffers.

Res. No. 2339 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Debra Crowell on her award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2340 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Amy Grant on raising awareness of students with disabilities.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2341 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - calling upon

the Premier to launch an investigation on a conflict of interest issue.

Res. No. 2342 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Eric Bonnell on receipt of a medal of bravery.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2343 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley congratulations to Dave Webber on his golfing success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2344 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - Minister of Health must realize we need a long term vision.

Res. No. 2345 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognition of Arthritis Awareness month and Queens County volunteers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2346 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition recognition of the efforts of Jamie Baillie.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2347 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - NDP must explain where they stand on the protection of heritage property.

Res. No. 2348 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's thanking Earl Joey Carver, Little Buddy and Dale Joudrey for their musical skills.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2349 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham recognition of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Halifax North Memorial Library Women's Group.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2350 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - calling for repairs to the Catalone-Main-a-Dieu Road.

Res. No. 2351 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - recognition of Elmsdale Lumber Company for its work re workplace literacy.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2352 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to David MacDonald on his achievements.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2353 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to the staff and volunteers of the North Dartmouth Echo.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2354 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to the Board of the N.S. Home for Coloured Children.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2355 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - congratulations to recipients of the Canada Millennium Scholarship Foundation Excellence Awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2356 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - thanking Doris and Jerry Gass and others making the Brockside Bike Park a reality.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2357 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to Elizabeth Brown and others on the success of the Waterfront Market in Liverpool.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2358 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to the Halifax International Airport Authority for their commitment.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2359 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - encouraging turning off idling cars.

Res. No. 2360 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to All Saints Hospital Foundation for its contribution to the Dr. Carson and Marion Murray Community Centre.

Res. No. 2361 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Bud and Kathy Anderson on their dedication to the children of Springhill.

Res. No. 2362 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to organizers and participants for the ATV Rally and Music Festival.

Res. No. 2363 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Robert Black on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 2364 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Allen Boland on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 2365 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to Chuck and Gayle Baltjes-Chataway.

### **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 87. Electricity Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs.

Corbett, MacKinnon, Epstein, Samson, Sampson and Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply, on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Clarke. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### No. 99. Vital Statistics Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond, Mr. Sampson and Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 98. Municipal Government Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Colwell and Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

### No. 95. Land Registration Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond, Mr. Sampson, Mr. Parker and Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 93. Gas Distribution System Municipal Taxation Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond, Mr. Sampson and Hon. Mr. Barnet in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, September  $28^{\text{th}}$  at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect, tabled a petition concerning road condition in Terence Bay and Lower Prospect.

## TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, tabled the Law Reform Commission of Nova Scotia, Third Party Rights, August 2004.

#### STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, rose to announce a 10 million dollar loan program to assist cattle and sheep farmers.

Comments were made by Messrs. MacDonell and McNeil.

## **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2366 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - recognition of the Canadian Red Cross Disaster Preparedness Campaign.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2367 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - honouring fisherman who have lost their lives at sea.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2368 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to the African United Baptist Association on its 151st Session.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2369 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - saluting those who support the elderly.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 106. An Act to Amend Chapter 197 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Health Services and Insurance Act

(Ms. M. MacDonald - Halifax Needham)

No. 107. An Act to Monitor the Prescribing of Certain Drugs

(Hon. Mr. MacIsaac - Minister of Health)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2370 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to George Fralic on his cross-country bike trip.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2371 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - regarding the contribution policies of the NDP.

Res. No. 2372 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank - calling upon the federal Minister of Justice to get serious about youth crime.

Res. No. 2373 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - remembering the caring response of the QEII staff following Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2374 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - Minister of Education must address issue of children attending school without breakfast.

Res. No. 2375 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to the Upper Stewiacke Volunteer Fire Department on their fundraising.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2376 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - urging turning off of idling engines.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2377 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Dr. Mary Brooks on her recognition with a Fulbright Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2378 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - requestion the federal Minister of Justice to take another look at the Youth Criminal Justice Act.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2379 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to the MacKay family and all participants in the Green Hill Terry Fox run.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2380 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Dr. Gail Dinter-Gottlieb on being installed as President of Acadia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2381 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Jamie Ellison on his horticultural efforts.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2382 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - recognition of the Dartmouth North Community Carnival.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2383 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to those taking part in Best Buddies.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2384 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Tiffany Boudreau for her dedication to the Guide organization.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2385 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to George Canyon on the release of his new CD.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2386 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - Minister of Transportation and Public Works must table his long-term strategy for highway maintenance and service needs.

Res. No. 2387 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to those who participated in the 20<sup>th</sup> Canadian Student Leadership Conference in B.C.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2388 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to search teams on their training expedition in Debert.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2389 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Professor David Devine on his tenure as the James R. Johnston Chair in Black Canadian Studies.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2390 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - remembering the life of the late Betty Smith.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2391 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Linda Veinnotte, Laurie Falkenham and Paula Rhyno on their "We've got you covered" program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2392 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - supporting public meetings concerning gaming in N.S.

Res. No. 2393 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - best wishes to Jan Moire on her goal to participate in the Joints in Motion Marathon.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2394 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Jenna Martin on her athletic prowess.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2395 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to Ashley Richardson on her skills as a coach.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2396 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Ted Germaine on his ECMA Award.

Res. No. 2397 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to the Kai Shin Eastern Shore Karate Club on its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Res. No. 2398 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - commending employees at Canadian Seabed Research on their education initiative.

Res. No. 2399 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to students, the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries and the Eastern Shore Outdoor Heritage Society on efforts to protect our natural resources.

Res. No. 2400 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - commending Chelle Smith and Amy Sampson for their heroic efforts.

Res. No. 2401 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Stacey Carter on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 2402 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Cody Wood and the Fundy Area Soccer Club on its victory.

Res. No. 2403 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Roy Winters on receipt of well deserved medals.

Res. No. 2404 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Erica Wilson on her achievements.

Res. No. 2405 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Ryan Willigar on his athletic achievements.

# **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### No. 102. Maintenance Enforcement Act.

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Deveaux, Samson, Ms. M. MacDonald, Ms. Whalen, Messrs. Gosse, Pye, MacKinnon, MacDonell and Hon. Mr. Baker in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### No. 101. Public Service Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. M. MacDonald, Messrs. Colwell, Gosse, Sampson, MacKinnon and Hon. Mr. Barnet in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 103. Regulations Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Deveaux, Graham, Epstein, MacKinnon and Hon. Mr. Baker in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

# No. 64. Capital Region Transportation Authority Act

The debate resumed with Mr. Dexter, who adjourned the debate.

#### **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. McNeil, Annapolis, tabled a petition calling for improvements to the Middle Road, Annapolis County.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Colwell, Preston, tabled a petition calling for an end to the disposal of industrial waste products on farmland in Lower Truro.

# TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Hon. The Premier tabled the opinion of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner concerning Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources.

## GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2406 - Hon. The Premier - remembering the devastation of Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2407 - Hon. The Premier - remembering the late John Brother MacDonald.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2408 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to HRM for diversifying the HRM Fire Service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2409 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education -

acknowledging students and staff at Avon View High School.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2410 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to law enforcement and other justice partners who keep our communities as safe as possible.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2411 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to MedMira on donating HIV test kits.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2412 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Algeron Smith and Larissa Downey on receipt of scholarships.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2413 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of Continuing Care Month.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2414 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - recognizing the N.S. Community College system and best wishes to the staff and students of the Strait Area Campus.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 108. An Act to Amend Chapter 122 of the Acts of 1926,

An Act to Incorporate the Chester Yacht Club

(Mr. Chataway - Chester-St. Margaret's)

No. 109. An Act Respecting Mental Health

(Hon. Mr. MacIsaac - Minister of Health)

No. 110. An Act for the Protection of Persons in Care

(Ms. M. MacDonald - Halifax Needham)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2415 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - thanking emergency personnel who put their lives in danger.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2416 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - recognition of peace officers and police officers who have lost their lives.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2417 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulation to those responsible for new long-term care beds at Grandview Manor.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2418 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to Marilyn More on becoming a grandparent.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2419 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - acknowledging David Harris on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2420 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - congratulations to the residents of Beaver Bank-Kinsac on the opening of a community centre.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2421 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - congratulations to the Halifax Regional Professional Firefighters Association for its service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2422 - Mr. Sampson - Victoria-The Lakes - recognition of the understanding between the Mi'kmaq and the Province of N.S.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2423 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Murray Salsman on his volunteer work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2424 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - government must announce its plans to help Nova Scotians deal with the price of petroleum products.

Res. No. 2425 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to the Scotia Soccer Club Under 16 Tier 2A Girls team on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2426 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to all members of the Halifax Regional Fire Service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2427 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Anne MacMaster and Sharon McKenna on the launch of their book.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2428 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - extending thoughts and prayers to those who died as a result of Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2429 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Brian MacLeod on his golfing success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2430 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Craig Langille on his baseball success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2431 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to the late John Zwicker and Frances Zwicker on receipt.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2432 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to the Cumberland Regional Health Authority and Cumberland Regional Library for being part of the "Read to Me" program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2433 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - applauding Dave Landry for raising awareness of Acadian culture.

Res. No. 2434 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour -

- congratulations to St. Mary's Tourism Association and Historic Sherbrooke Village on the Sherbrooke Show and Shine.
- Res. No. 2435 Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect congratulations to Heather MacFarlane on receipt of a Lieutenant-Governor award.
- Res. No. 2436 Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect congratulations to Michael McCarther on receipt of a Lieutenant-Governor award.
- Res. No. 2437 Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minster of Natural Resources congratulations to Mayor Charles Crosby on becoming President of the U.N.S.M.
- Res. No. 2438 Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources congratulations to the Yarmouth Gateways baseball team.
- Res. No. 2439 Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture congratulations to the Mayor and Council of Port Hawkesbury for creating an environment of opportunity.
- Res. No. 2440 Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture commending the Simpson family for choosing the Strait area for its gypsum operation.
- Res. No. 2441 Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour congratulations to the staff of The Advance for their work.
- Res. No. 2442 Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works congratulations to the coach and the Windsor Bluefins Swim Team.
- Res. No. 2443 Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works recognizing Jamie Braham.
- Res. No. 2444 Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works commending Staff Sgt. Harry Ullock for his contribution to law enforcement.
- Res. No. 2445 Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works commending those repairing the Three Mile Plains Community Hall.

- Res. No. 2446 Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy congratulations to Joseph O'Toole.
- Res. No. 2447 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Frank White on receipt of a Lieutenant-Governor award.
- Res. No. 2448 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Dan Calder and his students on a film award.
- Res. No. 2449 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to John Caulfield on his tennis victory.
- Res. No. 2450 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to John Caulfield and the Fundy Area Soccer Club on its victory.
- Res. No. 2451 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Susan Clarke on receipt of an award.
- Res. No. 2452 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Danielle Grandy.
- Res. No. 2453 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Sacha O'Regan.
- Res. No. 2454 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Nicole Castilloux.
- Res. No. 2455 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Sarah Charlton.
- Res. No. 2456 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Julia Dean.
- Res. No. 2457 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Alyssa Hennigar.
- Res. No. 2458 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Kaila Hoar.
- Res. No. 2459 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Ashley Johnson.
- Res. No. 2460 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Lauren Keen.

- Res. No. 2461 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Amanda Pilgrim.
- Res. No. 2462 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Rachael Shrum.
- Res. No. 2463 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Ali Smith.
- Res. No. 2464 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Amie Stevens.
- $\,$  Res. No. 2465 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Ashley Westhaver.
- Res. No. 2466 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Kim White.
- Res. No. 2467 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Kayla Withrow.
- Res. No. 2468 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Nicole Wright.
- Res. No. 2469 Mr. McNeil, Annapolis congratulations to Courtney Stevens.

# **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 104. Emergency Measures Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Fage, Mr. Graham, Mr. Dexter and Hon. Mr. Muir. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Pursuant to the order, Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham, moved the following resolution:

Res. No. 2247 - Serv. N.S. & Mun. Rel.: Residential Tenancies  $\operatorname{\mathsf{Act}}$  -  $\operatorname{\mathsf{Amend}}$ 

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Barnet, Mr. Sampson, Ms. Raymond and Hon. Mr. Morse. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

# **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, October  $1^{\rm st}$  at 9:00 A.M.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition, tabled a petition calling for government to cover the cost of applied behaviour analysis.

## TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance, tabled the Public Accounts for the Fiscal Year 2003-2004.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2470 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Buddy MacMaster on his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2471 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education (on behalf of Hon. The Premier) - recognition of Treaty Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 111. An Act Respecting the Office of Acadian Affairs and the Delivery of French-Language Services by the Public Service. Loi concernant l'Office des affaires acadiennes et al prestation par la fonction publique de services en français

(Hon. Mr. D'Entremont - Minister of Agriculture

and Fisheries)

No. 112. An Act Respecting the Selection of Senators

(Mr. Parent - Kings North)

No. 113. An Act to Amend Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1990, the Children and Family Services Act

(Mr. Deveaux - Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage)

No. 114. An Act to Establish Helmet Safety Awareness Week

(Mr. H. David Wilson - Glace Bay)

No. 115. An Act Respecting the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission

(Hon. Mr. Muir - Minister of Education)

No. 116. An Act to Amend Chapter 260 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Liquor Control Act

(Ms. Massey - Dartmouth East)

No. 117. An Act Respecting the Provision of Ambulance Services and Emergency Health Services

(Hon. Mr. MacIsaac - Minister of Health)

No. 118. An Act to Protect Residential Communities from Strip Mines

(Mr. MacKinnon - Cape Breton West)

No. 119. An Act Respecting the Administration of Agriculture

(Hon. Mr. D'Entremont - Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries)

No. 120. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1994-95, the Environment Act (Mr. Colwell - Preston)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2472 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - Minister of Health must advise where autism is on the health care priorities list.

Res. No. 2473 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to Michel Samson and Claudine Bardsley on their marriage.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2474 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Roxanne Robinson and others for their dedication to Christmas Daddies.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2475 - Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel - congratulations to Michael Bawtree and Trevor Adams on the launch of their books regarding Joseph Howe.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2476 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - recognition of Treaty Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2477 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Chris Wall on his hockey success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2478 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova

Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Jillian D'Alessio and her teammates on their Olympic effort.

Res. No. 2479 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Trevor Adams and Michael Bawtree on their literacy achievements.

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 107. Prescription Monitoring Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Epstein, Ms. M. MacDonald, Mr. H. David Wilson and Hon. Mr. MacIsaac in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 97. University College of Cape Breton Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Estabrooks and Mr. H. David Wilson, who adjourned debate.

#### PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Langille, Colchester North, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 85. Legion-Huston Property in Tatamagouche Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Private and Local Bills Committee.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 108. Chester Yacht Club Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith

read a second time and ordered referred to the Private and Local Bills Committee.

# PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 96. House of Assembly Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered Committee on Law Amendments.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, October  $4^{\text{th}}$  at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay, on behalf of the Chairman of the Committee on Private and Local Bills reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration, without amendment:

## No. 82. Halifax Regional Water Commission Act

The foregoing bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Hon. Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment:

No. 92. Motor Vehicle Act

No. 93. Gas Distribution System Municipal Taxation Act

No. 98. Municipal Government Act

No. 103. Regulations Act

And also the following bill, with amendments:

No. 90. Highway 104 Western Alignment Act

The foregoing bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

#### TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, tabled the Public Trustee, Annual Report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004.

#### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2480 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - best wishes to MPs working with minority government.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2481 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognizing those involved in attempting to eradicate breast cancer.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2482 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognition of need for fire safety.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2483 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Mount Saint Vincent University and the Advisory Council on the Status of Women for providing a campaign school for women.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2484 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Elmsdale Lumber and Minas Basin Pulp & Power Co. Ltd. on receipt of awards regarding literacy.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2485 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to the Wentworth Valley Development Authority receipt of a nomination for an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2486 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - recognizing volunteers who put together the Provincial 4-H Show.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2487 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to the police chiefs and police board members as they meet to discuss policing issues.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2488 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Dwight Ross Elementary and Tatamagouche Elementary on receipt of recognition as top schools.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2489 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to Dr. Alex Gillis on receipt of an Alumnus Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2490 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources) - congratulations to David Spencer on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 121. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Motor Vehicle Act

(Ms. Whalen - Halifax Clayton Park)

# No. 122. An Act to Amend Chapter 8 of the Acts of 1998, the Municipal Government Act

(Ms. Raymond - Halifax Atlantic)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2491 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Mike Eddy on being elected President of the Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2492 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Annette Verschuren on being installed as Chancellor of the U.C.C.B.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2493 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to those making the Big Bike for Stroke event a success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2494 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - saying thank you to the Expos.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2495 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to Christopher MacNeil on his dedication.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2496 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - commending those working on the new inpatient palliative care unit at the Aberdeen

Hospital.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2497 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - congratulations to the North End Walkers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2498 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - supporting an all party committee to examine gambling.

Res. No. 2499 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to the community of Canaan for working together for their community.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2500 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - showing support of P.S.A.C.

Res. No. 2501 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Laura Harris on her golfing success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2502 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour (on behalf of Mr. Langille, Colchester North) - recognition of Peacekeeper's Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2503 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - calling for a community centre in Dartmouth East.

Res. No. 2504 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to Sustainable Community Development on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2505 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to organizers of the Musquodoboit Valley Blue Grass Festival.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2506 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - calling for road and bridge repairs in Halifax Atlantic.

Res. No. 2507 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis (on behalf of Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel) - congratulations to the organizers of the CIBC Run for the Cure.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2508 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - recognition of Waverley Gold Rush Days.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2509 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Tom and Lori Miller for their woodlot management.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2510 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - acknowledging the contributions of women to the history of Canada.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2511 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to the Big Bike for Stroke fundraiser in Queens County.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2512 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to those in Dartmouth celebrating Joseph Howe.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2513 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to Dr. Rose MacKay on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2514 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - acknowledging the Montreal Expos.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2515 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - remembering the late Chester Sanford.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2516 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - calling for a speed zone at the Mennonite school on the Black Rock Road.

Res. No. 2517 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to the K-9 unit of the Cape Breton Regional Police.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2518 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Andea Brown and Chelsea Owen on success in a poster contest.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2519 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Reg Knight for his service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2520 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Dr. Ron MacCormick on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2521 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - recognition of the Dartmouth Family Centre on its new location.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2522 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - offering assistance with a \$1200.00 deductible is unrealistic for many families.

Res. No. 2523 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognition of the efforts of Travis Humphrey.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2524 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - applauding the efforts of N.S. Power crews following Hurricane Juan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2525 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to all those in the Strait area developing the first locally owned natural gas utility.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2526 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - applauding Curves in Liverpool for dedication to raising money for the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Res. No. 2527 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - applauding the Region of Queens for dedication to raising money for the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

#### **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 117. Emergency Health Services Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. M. MacDonald, Mr. H. David Wilson, Mr. David A. Wilson, Messrs. Sampson, Parker, MacKinnon, Pye, Steele and Hon. Mr. MacIsaac in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 115. Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Estabrooks, Glavine, MacKinnon and Hon. Mr. Muir in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, moved second reading of the following bill:

### No. 109. Mental Health Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. M. MacDonald and Mr. H. David Wilson. The Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, moved adjournment of debate on the bill.

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

# No. 97. University College of Cape Breton Act

The debate resumed with Messrs. H. David Wilson, Gosse, MacKinnon, Sampson, Glavine, Hon. Mr. Clarke, Messrs. M. MacDonald, Corbett and Hon. Mr. Muir in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of

Agriculture and Fisheries, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 111. French Language Services Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Deveaux, Gaudet and Hon. Mr. d'Entremont in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 119. Agriculture Administration Amendment (2004) Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. MacDonell, Mr. McNeil and Hon. Mr. d'Entremont in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, October  $5^{\text{th}}$  at 11:00 A.M.

The House met at 11:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. The Premier, rose to announce the passing of Cyril Reddy, who died October 5, 2004.

Comments were made by Mr. Corbett and Mr. Gaudet. The House observed one minute of silence.

## **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2528 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of Mental Illness Awareness Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2529 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - recognition of the 2004 Canadian Offshore Resources Exhibit and Conference.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2530 - Hon. Mr. Morash - congratulations to the N.S. Sustainable Communities Initiative.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2531 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health (on behalf of Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture) - applauding organizations hosting the Insight International Problem Gambling Conference.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2532 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education) - recognition of World Teachers Day and Nova Scotia teachers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 123. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Motor Vehicle Act

(Mr. McNeil - Annapolis)

No. 124. An Act to Amend Chapter 197 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Health Services and Insurance Act

(Ms. M. MacDonald - Halifax Needham)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2533 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - thanks to all involved in the 4-H Show.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2534 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to the CIBC Run for the Cure in Cape Breton.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2535 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to the Kids First Family Resource Centre on its  $10^{\rm th}$  anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2536 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - recognition of the Maritime Fiddle Festival and Kellie Tanner.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2537 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognition of Jack Graham's contribution to tennis.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2538 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - thanking Larry and Yvonne Knowles for their kindness and generosity.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2539 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - recognition of the potential for biotechnology in N.S.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2540 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Annette Tidd and Deborah Foster on their lawn bowling success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2541 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to the sponsors of the 2004 East Coast Truckers Reunion.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2542 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - calling for amendments to the Residential Tenancies Act to require annual inspections.

Res. No. 2543 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South -

congratulations to Sheldon McCormick and Ryan MacLeod on debating success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2544 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to Pictou County Minor Hockey Association on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2545 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Barnes Variety store on its opening.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2546 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - recognition of teachers in N.S.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2547 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - congratulations to the Sydney Mines Ramblers on its baseball success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2548 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to Michael Bawtree and the Dartmouth Historical Association on the first Joseph Howe Fellowship Award presentation.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2549 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - recognizing compulsory daily exercise for elementary students.

Res. No. 2550 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - recognition of Roy Maltby on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2551 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - recognition of the 35<sup>th</sup> reunion of the Cape Breton Highlanders.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2552 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognition of the work of the N.S. Nature Trust.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2553 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Alex Quinn on winning a Mary Kay Cadillac.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2554 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - recognition of community newspapers in N.S.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2555 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - acknowledging the importance of Mental Illness Awareness week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2556 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognition of Lynda Noble and those involved with the Pinedale Park Skateboard Park.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2557 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognition of John Hatsis for his dedication.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2558 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to the Metropolitan Immigrant Settlement Association.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2559 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - thanking all involved in encouraging Lightbridge to open a call centre in Liverpool.

Res. No. 2560 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - commending the Queens County Victorian Order of Nurses and the Queens County Crime Prevention program in assisting seniors.

Res. No. 2561 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Jeanna Fletcher on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 2562 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Ken Ferguson on rifle shooting success.

Res. No. 2563 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Alan Ferguson on receipt of a Lieutenant-Governor's Award.

Res. No. 2564 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Megan Dowe on receipt of a reading award.

Res. No. 2565 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Matt Gamblin on being named to the Basketball Nova Scotia Juvenile Men's team.

#### **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment:

No. 82. Halifax Regional Water Commission Act

No. 84. Motor Vehicle Act

No. 90. Highway 104 Western Alignment Act

No. 92. Motor Vehicle Act

No. 93. Gas Distribution System Municipal Taxation Act

No. 98. Municipal Government Act

No. 103. Regulations Act

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

#### PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 116. Liquor Control Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. MacKinnon, Hon. Mr. Fage, Ms. M. MacDonald, Ms. Whalen, Mr. Colwell and Ms. Massey in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### No. 121. Motor Vehicle Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Parker, Hon. Mr. Russell, Mr. Deveaux, Mr. David A. Wilson and Ms. Whalen in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

## **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of

motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, October  $6^{\text{th}}$  at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South, tabled a petition opposed to a rock quarry in Coxheath.

## PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Hon. Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendments:

# No. 96. House of Assembly Act

#### No. 99. Vital Statistics Act

The foregoing bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2566 - Hon. The Premier - wishing the Captain and crew of HMCS Chicoutimi well.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2567 - Hon. The Premier - congratulations to students of schools who walked or biked to school.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2568 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognition of Person's Day and Women's History Month.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2569 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognizing Breast Feeding Awareness Week and participants of breast feeding challenges.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2570 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - recognition of the bravery of Robert Lange.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2571 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Chris McNeil on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2572 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Professor David Divine on his new role.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2573 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - congratulations to the late Jim Ritcy on receipt of an O.T.A.N.S. Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2574 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development (on behalf of Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health) - recognition of the Nova Scotia Association of Hospital Auxiliaries for its work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2575 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognizing the importance of the health of our children.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2576 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognizing the services of the late Kathryn Benson-Logan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2577 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - recognition of the Brunswick Street United Church and Mission and Gus and Lana Pendleton.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 125. An Act Respecting Mandatory Testing and Disclosure to Protect Victims of Crime, Emergency Service Workers and Other Persons

(Mr. Langille - Colchester North)

No. 126. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1994-95, the Environment Act, Respecting Quarries

(Ms. Massey - Dartmouth East)

No. 127. An Act to Amend Chapter 32 of the Acts of 1991, the Pictou Regional Development Commission Act

(Hon. The Premier - Pictou Centre)

No. 128. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1994-95, the Environment Act, Respecting Waste Electronic Equipment

(Ms. Massey - Dartmouth East)

### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2578 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to Tim Labrador on receiving a senior woodsman championship.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2579 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - supporting the residents of Coxheath respecting a quarry.

Res. No. 2580 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - congratulations to Ken Burrows for his invention.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2581 - Mr. MacDonell - congratulations to those celebrating the  $50^{\text{th}}$  anniversary of the first rural high school in Hants County.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2582 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Anne-Marie Comeau on receipt of an Order of Nova Scotia.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2583 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to the Guysborough County Trails Association on developing a trail.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2584 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - government must apologize to women for failing to make a serious commitment to encouraging women to run for political office.

Res. No. 2585 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - Premier must explain why government is allowing strip mining in Brick Grove and Port Morien.

Res. No. 2586 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - best wishes to Stephanie Toole on her marathon run.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2587 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - government must remove fines for less than 24 hour notice of cancellation of home care services.

Res. No. 2588 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Wayne Boucher on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2589 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - applauding Wayne Boucher and Jackie Laybolt for their contribution as business owners.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2590 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to the Fultz Corner Restorations Society on its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2591 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Jane Purves on her new position.

Res. No. 2592 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to the LaHave Summer Workshop organizers on another successful event.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2593 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to

Lana MacEachern and others who contributed to Storm 3.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2594 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Crossley Carpet Mills on their ingenuity.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2595 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to those organizing the Hébert family reunion.

Res. No. 2596 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to the Municipality of the County of Inverness on its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Res. No. 2597 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - applauding the initiatives of the Leminster Vaughan Hospital Auxiliary.

Res. No. 2598 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - recognizing the achievements of the Martock 4-H Club.

Res. No. 2599 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - commending Windsor resident Penny Taylor.

Res. No. 2600 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - applauding the efforts of KLJ Field Services.

Res. No. 2601 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognizing the dedication of Earl Vickers.

Res. No. 2602 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Lisa Cameron on her first CD.

Res. No. 2603 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - commending the Margaree-Lake Ainslie Heritage River Society for its diligence.

Res. No. 2604 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Danielle Muise on her drawing success.

- Res. No. 2605 Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture congratulations to Collie MacDonald on his bravery.
- Res. No. 2606 Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture thanking those involved in moving the Malagawatch United Church.
- Res. No. 2607 Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture recognizing the service of Warden A.J. MacDougall.
- Res. No. 2608 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to all staff of community newspapers.
- Res. No. 2609 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to the Hanna family on receipt of a woodlot award.
- Res. No. 2610 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Kris Legere on his golfing success.
- Res. No. 2611 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Sandy Livingston on his racing success.
- Res. No. 2612 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Larry MacLellan on his artistic achievements.
- Res. No. 2613 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Dave Dinaut for 35 years of service to the Parrsboro schools.

## **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Pursuant to the order, Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 88. Protection from Quarries Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Morash, Hon. Mr. Morse, Hon. Mr. Russell, Mr. Gosse, Mr. Dexter, Mr. Theriault and Hon. Mr. Clarke. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel, moved the following resolution:

 $\label{eq:Res.No. 2498 - Gambling - Consultation: All-Party Comm. - Appoint$ 

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Christie, Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Mr. Pye and Ms. Whalen. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

# **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2614 - Hon. The Premier - remembering the late Lt. Chris Saunders.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2615 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - remembering the late Lt. Chris Saunders.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2616 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - remembering the late Chris Saunders.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2617 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to those encouraging fitness and healthier lifestyles in Cape Breton.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2618 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - congratulations to Metro Community Housing Assoc. on its  $30^{\text{th}}$  anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2619 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Dalhousie University on being ranked high in a research survey.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2620 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - congratulations to Irving Shipbuilding on its safety record.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2621 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - wishing a happy Thanksgiving weekend.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2622 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Brandy Callahan and Kaleb Simmonds on their music success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

# No. 129. An Act to Amend Chapter 340 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Pension Benefits Act

(Hon. Mr. Morash - Minister of Environment and Labour)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2623 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to Eric Bonnell on winning the Carnegie Medal of Heroism.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2624 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Steve Giles on his canoeing career.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2625 - Hon. The Premier - congratulations to the Impaired Drivers Interdiction Team.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2626 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to Gordie Gosse on being honoured for his baseball success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2627 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - urging the Minister of Transportation and Public Works to sign the new federal-provincial highway agreement.

Res. No. 2628 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - commending N.S. chicken farmers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2629 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to National Gypsum on 50 years of operation.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2630 - Mr. MacNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to the Bridgetown Boys Under 14 Tier 2A soccer team on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2631 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to the Ernst Family on the release of their cd.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2632 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - congratulations to Rotary International and the Dartmouth Rotary Club on their service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2633 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - best wishes to James Hazelton on his skating competitions.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2634 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - remembering the late Shirley Gay LeCain.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2635 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - best wishes to the runners at Cunard Junior High.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2636 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to all graduates of North Preston.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2637 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to Cst. Howie Dunbar on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2638 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to the Oddfellows Nursing Home in Pictou for protecting their residents.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2639 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - calling for repair of the Sydney-Louisbourg Highway.

Res. No. 2640 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to the St. Margaret's Bay World Tuna Flat Rowing Society on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2641 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to the North Woodside Community Association for their vision.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2642 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore (on behalf of Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour) - congratulations to the Canadian Christmas Tree Growers Association on their field day event.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2643 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to Sandra Everett for her school board service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2644 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to the Piper's Picnic volunteers on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2645 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Dr. Ron MacCormick on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2646 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - congratulations to those responsible for the new Wesleyan

Church in North Alton.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2647 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Jim MacFarlane on his retirement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2648 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Wade Taylor on receipt of a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2649 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Michelle Longaphy on winning the Zach Warden Bursary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2650 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - recognizing Whitman Giffen for dedication to his church.

Res. No. 2651 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Lisa Wentzell on her pumpkin and squash growing success.

Res. No. 2652 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Matthew Corkum on his squash growing success.

Res. No. 2653 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to David Hebbson on his squash growing success.

Res. No. 2654 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Roger Wentzell on his pumpkin growing success.

Res. No. 2655 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to

Coach Winston Clements.

Res. No. 2656 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Thomas Ripley.

Res. No. 2657 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Matthew Piche.

Res. No. 2658 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Nicholas Perrot.

 $\,$  Res. No. 2659 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Tye Borden.

Res. No. 2660 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Geoff Burke.

Res. No. 2661 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Jeff McNeil.

Res. No. 2662 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Gregory McOrmand.

Res. No. 2663 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Tyler Clements.

Res. No. 2664 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Jordan Saunders.

Res. No. 2665 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Billy Adams.

Res. No. 2666 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Matthew Roscoe.

Res. No. 2667 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to David Richardson.

Res. No. 2668 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Thane Stevenson.

Res. No. 2669 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Garrett DeCoste.

Res. No. 2670 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Seth Warren.

Res. No. 2671 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Jacob Meisner.

Res. No. 2672 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Dennis Frost.

Res. No. 2673 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Darcy Gogan.

Res. No. 2674 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - commending the Strait Highlands Regional Development Authority for the role they have played.

Res. No. 2675 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Katherine Henwood on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 2676 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to John Henwood on 30 years of service to Parrsboro.

Res. No. 2677 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Ralph Hayden on his appointment.

Res. No. 2678 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Bruce Graham on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 2679 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Lindsay Johnston on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 2680 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to D & J Home Hardware on donating supplies to build soccer nets.

### PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, moved the following bill be recommitted to Committee of the Whole House on Bills:

No. 84. Motor Vehicle Act

#### **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with amendments:

## No. 84. Motor Vehicle Act

The foregoing bill was ordered to be read a third time on this day.

And also the following bills, without amendment:

### No. 96. House of Assembly Act

## No. 99. Vital Statistics Act

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

### **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 90. Highway 104 Western Alignment Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Parker, Mr. MacKinnon and the Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

### No. 92. Motor Vehicle Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Parker, Mr. MacKinnon and the Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 93. Gas Distribution System Municipal Taxation Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond, Mr. MacKinnon and the Hon. Mr. Barnet in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 98. Municipal Government Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 103. Regulations Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Deveaux, Mr. MacKinnon and the Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

### PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver

Bank, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 82. Halifax Regional Water Commission Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond, Ms. Whalen and Mr. Hines in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 127. Pictou Regional Development Commission Act

There being no debate, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

## PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Langille, Colchester North, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 125. Mandatory Testing and Disclosure Act

A debate ensued during which Mr. David A. Wilson, Mr. H. David Wilson, Mr. Estabrooks and Mr. Langille in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

## **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, October  $8^{\text{th}}$  at 9:00 A.M.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Hon. Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendments:

#### No. 102. Maintenance Enforcement Act

# No. 115. Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission Act

And also the following bills, each with certain amendments:

No. 95. Land Registration Act

No. 101. Public Service Act

No. 107. Prescription Monitoring Act

No. 116. Liquor Control Act

No. 121. Motor Vehicle Act

The foregoing bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

# **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2681 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations and best wishes to Ray Ivany.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

# INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 130. An Act Respecting the Legal Profession

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 131. An Act Respecting Policing in Nova Scotia

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 132. An Act to Amend Chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Amusement Devices Safety Act

(Mr. Gosse - Cape Breton Nova)

No. 133. An Act to Amend Chapter 27 of the Acts of 1998, the Wilderness Areas Protection Act

(Ms. Whalen - Halifax Clayton Park)

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2682 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - best wishes to Ray Ivany.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2683 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to Ray Ivany.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2684 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to Dale O'Connor and participants in the Guysborough Walk for Liver.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2685 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - thanking the Pubnico West residents on promoting Acadian culture.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2686 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - calling upon government to protect the Blue Mountain Birch Cove Lakes wilderness area.

Res. No. 2687 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognizing the N.S. Dental Association for its commitment to safety of Nova Scotians.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2688 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - congratulations to Kristopher Knowles on his promotion of organ donor awareness.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2689 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to the Valley Regional Hospital on its literacy program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2690 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to farmers taking part in Open Farm Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2691 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - recognizing the bravery of Master Corporal David Michael Pawulski.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2692 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - congratulations to East Dartmouth Boys and Girls Club award recipients.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2693 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - Minister of Natural Resources must explain why strip mining in Birch Grove is encouraged.

Res. No. 2694 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to Upper Stewiacke Fire Department on its success at the Firefighter's Combat Challenge.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2695 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic supporting the establishment of residents associations.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2696 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Mitchell Hunter on his music career.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2697 - Mr. Parker, Kings North - calling for the repair at Eureka-Churchville of a bridge.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2698 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to Jamie Fraser on receipt of a 4-H scholarship.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2699 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to Mermaid Theatre and Dartmouth Heritage Museum Society on their creative partnership.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2700 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - commending the acts of bravery of Master Corporal Joseph Carl Steeve Bedard and Sergeant Joseph Andre Hotton.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2701 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - encouraging women to attend a free cancer clinic in Queens County.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2702 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - recognizing the important service of the Eastern Shore Wildlife Rehabilitation Center.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2703 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - remembering the late Raleigh Orr.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2704 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - the Liberal Party is being consistent on its stand re V.L.T. use and gambling addiction.

Res. No. 2705 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - calling for adequate funding of the N.S. Art Gallery.

Res. No. 2706 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to the Howell family on their service to the Scout movement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2707 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to the Terence Bay Lighthouse Committee.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2708 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to the Dartmouth Boys and Girls Club on its  $40^{th}$  anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2709 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - Minister of Community Services must undertake a plan to install battery operated smoke detectors in public housing.

Res. No. 2710 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to the SS Atlantic Heritage Park Society for its Chowder and Chat initiative.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2711 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to the NDP Women's Rights Committee for supporting women candidates.

Res. No. 2712 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to volunteers at the C.A.P. site in River John.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2713 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - best wishes to Mildred Williams on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Res. No. 2714 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - best wishes to Jana Colwill and Natlie Dockrill in figure skating endeavours.

Res. No. 2715 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to Bob MacRae, Everett Bandoux and former service men who fought and kept Nazi forces out of Britain.

Res. No. 2716 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to Robert Ferguson, Stephen Nicholson and the membership of St. John Ambulance Division 701.

Res. No. 2717 - Hon. The Speaker - calling for the promotion of

fire safety.

Res. No. 2718 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Sarah Laurie on her athletic achievements.

Res. No. 2719 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Sarah Laurie on her javelin gold medal.

Res. No. 2720 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Tori Harrison on receipt of a reading club prize.

Res. No. 2721 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Carley Leuchler on receipt of a reading club prize.

Res. No. 2722 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to participants in the CIBC Run for the Cure in Cumberland County.

Res. No. 2723 - - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the N.S.C.C. Cumberland Campus on the opening of their renovated campus.

#### **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 129. Pension Benefits Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Epstein, Mr. MacKinnon and Mr. Steele, who adjourned the debate.

#### **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 P.M.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's, tabled a petition calling for upgrading the Canaan Road.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works, tabled a petition calling for a public apology from the Leader of the Opposition.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes, tabled a petition calling for paving of Hilltop Crescent, MacDonald Street and Upper Twining Street.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with amendments:

# No. 111. French-language Services Act

The foregoing bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

#### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2724 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance - endorsing Responsible Gaming Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2725 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - recognition of Veterinary Technicians.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2726 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to those who took action to prevent fire loss at Sir Charles Tupper School.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2727 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - congratulations to graduates of an Auto Parts and Inventory Control Training program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2728 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - Leader of the Opposition must apologize to seniors at 72 Tremain Crescent in Windsor.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 134. An Act to Authorize a Marketing and Promotions Levy in the Town of Yarmouth and the Municipality in the District of Yarmouth

(Hon. Mr. Hurlburt - Yarmouth)

No. 135. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 (1992 Supplement) of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the House of Assembly Act

(Hon. Mr. Russell - Minister of Transportation and Public Works)

No. 136. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1994-95, the Environment Act

(Ms. Massey - Dartmouth East)

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2729 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - recognizing the public service of Elizabeth Weir.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2730 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - recognition of Hugh Matheson on being inducted into the N.S. Sports Hall of Fame.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2731 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - urging the government to exempt the HRM pension from the solvency test.

Res. No. 2732 - Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel - government must take action to address the lack of support for students in Physical Education and the Performing Arts.

Res. No. 2733 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to those cleaning up Melmerby Beach.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2734 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Lena Cameron and her lawn bowling team.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2735 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - calling for meaningful, serious warnings to be included in PR materials for gamblers.

Res. No. 2736 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - congratulations to organizers of an event to assist children with special needs.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2737 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - congratulations to the 1<sup>st</sup> Woodlawn Scout Troop on its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2738 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Gerry MacMillan on his induction into the N.S. Sports Hall of Fame.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2739 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - best wishes to the Kings Historical Society and Landforth Atlantic Area Training Centre Detachment Aldershot on their anniversaries.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2740 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - Minister of Education must see to it that school construction plans maintain or improve opportunities.

Res. No. 2741 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - welcoming Dr. Ken D. Paul to N.S.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2742 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - applauding the initiative of Ray Penny.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2743 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - recognition of breast cancer survivors who will be participating in Shanghai.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2744 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - calling for funds to allow the Law Amendments Committee to meet in Cape Breton.

Res. No. 2745 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - commending those in Queens County assisting seniors.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2746 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to the Dartmouth Mariners Peewee Triple A Baseball team.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2747 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Team Diabetes Canada for a successful year.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2748 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to those raising funds to assist Joey Ward.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2749 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to Adam Gaines on his successful brain surgery.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2750 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to fire fighters and fire departments in Digby County on their firefighter competition achievements.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2751 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to the Whitney Pier Society for the Arts.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2752 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Jake Spinney on his football success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2753 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Doug Branscombe, Phil Hammond and the staff of HRM Recreation Department for work for the Arthritis Society.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2754 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - appreciation for home support workers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2755 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - recognition of the service of Wilfred Warner.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2756 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - NDP has only been able to follow this Session, not lead it.

Res. No. 2757 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - congratulations to New Waterford Homemakers on their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2758 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sunflower Natural Foods.

Res. No. 2759 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sgt. Max Hartley.

- Res. No. 2760 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Const. Winnel Jackson.
- Res. No. 2761 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Chelsea Owen.
- Res. No. 2762 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Const. Marshall Williams.
- Res. No. 2763 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Milton Williams.
- Res. No. 2764 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Cedric Upshaw.
- Res. No. 2765 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Jason Reid.
- Res. No. 2766 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Lawrence Tench.
- Res. No. 2767 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Craig Upshaw.
- Res. No. 2768 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Paul Crawley.
- Res. No. 2769 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Winston Jackson.
- Res. No. 2770 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Layton Johnson.
- Res. No. 2771 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Sinclair Williams.
- $\,$  Res. No. 2772 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Dennis Kelsey.
- Res. No. 2773 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Desmond Lambert.
- $\label{eq:Res.No.2774-Mr.Colwell, Preston-congratulations to Jules \\ Edy Laraque.$

- Res. No. 2775 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Sgt. Don MacLean.
- Res. No. 2776 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Const. Donna Lee Paris.
- Res. No. 2777 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Jason Shannon.
- Res. No. 2778 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Dean Simmonds.
- $\,$  Res. No. 2779 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Andre Thompson.
- Res. No. 2780 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Brian Johnston.
- Res. No. 2781 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to High Tide Eco Management.
- Res. No. 2782 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Tina Cane.
- Res. No. 2783 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Cheapy Tire, King Marketing Ltd.
- Res. No. 2784 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Glace Bay Recycling.
- Res. No. 2785 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Region Six Solid Waste Management.
- Res. No. 2786 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Grace Proszynska.
- Res. No. 2787 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to The Eco-Efficiency Centre.
- Res. No. 2788 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to Touch on Wood.
- Res. No. 2789 Mr. Colwell, Preston congratulations to ChemEx Dalhousie University.

 $\,$  Res. No. 2790 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Acadia University.

Res. No. 2791 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Adnea Brown.

## **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendments:

No. 95. Land Registration Act

No. 101. Public Service Act

No. 102. Maintenance Enforcement Act

No. 107. Prescription Monitoring Act

No. 115. Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission Act

No. 116. Liquor Control Act

No. 121. Motor Vehicle Act

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### No. 131. Police Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Pye, MacKinnon, MacDonell, Deveaux, Ms. Raymond and Mr. Steele. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 135. House of Assembly Act

There being no debate, the question was put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

#### No. 129. Pension Benefits Act

The debate resumed with Messrs. Steele, Corbett, Colwell, Ms. Whalen and the Hon. Mr. Morash in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

### PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 132. Amusement Devices Safety Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. M. MacDonald and Mr. Gosse in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

## **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of

motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, October  $13^{\rm th}$  at  $2{:}00~\text{P.M.}$ 

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay, tabled a petition calling for "Cape Breton" to be included in the name of the university known as U.C.C.B.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2792 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education congratulations to Dr. Mary Brooks on receipt of a Fulbright Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2793 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - recognition of National Gypsum (Canada) Ltd. on its 50th anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2794 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - calling for organ and tissue donations.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2795 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - acknowledging the optimism of the Bank of Montreal with respect to N.S.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2796 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education congratulations to those promoting the program "Tackling Bullying". With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 137. An Act to Amend Chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Day Care Act

(Mr. M. MacDonald - Cape Breton South)

No. 138. An Act to Amend Chapter 475 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Trade Union Act

(Mr. Langille - Colchester North)

No. 139. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Motor Vehicle Act

(Mr. Sampson - Victoria-The Lakes)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2797 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - government must ensure accountability for school fees and fundraising.

Res. No. 2798 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to the CIBC Run for the Cure volunteers and sponsors in Church Point and West Pubnico.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2799 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - Congratulations to Mark Foote on his Nike Run Down performance.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2800 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Tom Harnes and Directors of The Beacon for Creating a Wall of Recognition.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2801 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Cory McBean on his environmental awareness.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2802 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognition of the life of John Jennex.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2803 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to thet group Beyond Ash on its success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2804 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - urging government to take responsibility for the affairs of the Province.

Res. No. 2805 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - thanks to Helen Crawley for her work with the Dartmouth Boys and Girls Club.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2806 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - calling for a tax deduction for teachers.

Res. No. 2807 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to Sandy Morash for her hard work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2808 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - NDP

Caucus must explain why they are prepared to increase property taxes in Metro.

Res. No. 2809 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - congratulations to Clifton and Catherine Nickerson on their 74<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2810 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries (on behalf of Mr. Parent, Kings North) - congratulations to Edna Kenney on her literary award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2811 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to the Bridgewater Kinsmen Army Cadet Corp.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2812 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - recognition of Lawrence Mawhinney on his  $25^{\rm th}$  year as Mayor of Lunenburg.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2813 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - applauding Day and Ross Transportation Group for their confidence in the N.S. economy.

Res. No. 2814 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Professor David Devine on the launch of his tenure.

Res. No. 2815 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Algeron Smith on his career.

Res. No. 2816 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Larissa Downy on her career.

Res. No. 2817 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Melissa Mills for her interest in a reading program.

Res. No. 2818 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Mayor Bill Mont on receipt of a golden scroll.

Res. No. 2819 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Seamus Moore for his interest in a reading program.

Res. No. 2820 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to David (Pidge) Morris on his 40 years as a barber.

Res. No. 2821 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Adam Nicholson for his interest in a reading program.

Res. No. 2822 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Kyle O'Brien for his interest in a reading program.

Res. No. 2823 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Oxford Regional High School on receipt of a physical education award.

# **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Pursuant to the order, Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### No. 124. Health Services and Insurance Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Mr. H. David Wilson and Mr. MacDonell. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic, moved the following Resolution:

Res. No. 2542 - Serv. N.S. & Mun. Rel.: Residential Tenancies Act - Amend

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Barnet, Mr. Sampson and Mr. Pye. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

## **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of

motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, October  $14^{\rm th}$  at  $12{:}00$  Noon.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. McNeil, Annapolis, tabled a petition calling for long term care facilities in Middleton.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East, on behalf of Hon. The Speaker, tabled a petition calling for support of the River Hebert CPR Van.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture, tabled a petition calling for a dialysis unit in Inverness Consolidated Memorial Hospital.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. H. David Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Private and Local Bills, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration, with amendments:

## No. 85. Legion-Huston Property in Tatamagouche Act

And also the following bills, without amendments:

No. 71. Theatre Nova Scotia Incorporation Act

No. 108. Chester Yacht Club Act

## No. 127. Pictou Regional Development Commission Act

The foregoing bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

The Hon. Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with certain amendments:

#### No. 132. Amusement Devices Safety Act

And also the following bill, without amendments:

### No. 135. House of Assembly Act

The foregoing bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

## TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, tabled the Guysborough Antigonish Strait Health Authority - Annual Report 2003-2004.

## STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. The Premier, announced an airline crash at Halifax International Airport and the loss of life.

Comments were made by Mr. Dexter and Mr. Gaudet.

## **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2824 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to the Retail Council of Canada for their stand regarding inappropriate video games for children.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2825 - Hon. The Premier - recognition of George Canyon.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2826 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to James Bower and others on receipt of woodlot awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

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Res. No. 2827 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to the Imperial Oil Ltd. Refinery on its new investment.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2828 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance - congratulations to Women of Excellence Award winner Vicki Harnish.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2829 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, on behalf of Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minster of Human Resources - congratulations to Women of Excellence Award winners.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2830 - Hon. The Premier - recognition of the service of Jamie Baillie.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2831 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - recognition of David Driscoll and Sandra Everett for their service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 140. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1997 (Second Session), the Highway Workers Collective Bargaining Act

(Mr. Parker - Pictou West)

No. 141. An Act to Provide Access to Defibrillators

# (Mr. H. David Wilson - Glace Bay)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2832 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to Amy Croft on her fundraising.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2833 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberals - congratulations to Ed Lorraine on induction into the Atlantic Agricultural Hall of Fame.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2834 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - reminding the Leader of the NDP of his deal with the government on Labour Standards.

Res. No. 2835 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - recognizing the different work of those working at the crash scene at the Halifax International Airport.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2836 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to the Eastern Passage Fast Path Panthers and coaches on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2837 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Citizen's on Patrol for their work.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2838 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to those involved with the North Colchester Rivers Restoration Project.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2839 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - urging government to improve wages and working conditions to those providing home support care.

Res. No. 2840 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - honouring Senior Deacon Albert Colley.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2841 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour commending those preserving the memory of those who lost their lives on the Acadia Seahawk.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2842 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to St. John Ambulance 701 Pictou County for their service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2843 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to Dr. Laurie MacNeil on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2844 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - welcoming Canada AM to Lunenburg.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2845 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - congratulations to all those involved in "The Voice" for a job well done.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2846 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to Maritime Drilling School on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2847 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Beth Brydon on receipt of a scholarship.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2848 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Lloyd Matheson for his public service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2849 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - acknowledging public libraries.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2850 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Truro on the opening of a new Civic Hall.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2851 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - regarding the possibility of retaining the St. Pat's High auditorium.

Res. No. 2852 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to the Digby Area Theatre Society on presenting the Joseph Howe speech recreation.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2853 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - Member for Richmond to advise whether he has changed his name.

Res. No. 2854 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to South Shore Health on its "Step Into Fitness" program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2855 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Arthur Campbell for organizing Remembrance Day ceremonies.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2856 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Vicki Harnish on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2857 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Christine Hendren for her fundraising.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2858 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - Premier does not have control over his Cabinet.

Res. No. 2859 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to Mary Daigle for her service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2860 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to those involved with the Fairways Fore Health Care Charity Golf Tournament.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2861 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to all boxers with the Tommy Gordon Club.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2862 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - congratulations to recipients of Women of Excellence Awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2863 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to Lloyd M. Bourinot.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2864 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Brooke Buckland.

Res. No. 2865 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Family Matters.

Res. No. 2866 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Nictaux firefighters.

Res. No. 2867 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Jessica Pelton.

Res. No. 2868 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Andrew Theunissen.

Res. No. 2869 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Robbie Hannam.

Res. No. 2870 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to A.J. Harris.

Res. No. 2871 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Devrie Oxner.

Res. No. 2872 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Shelley Empey.

Res. No. 2873 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley -

commending volunteers of the Cobequid Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre.

Res. No. 2874 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley warmest wishes to the Hilden Fireside Group.

Res. No. 2875 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Jake Mattinson and the Fundy Area Soccer Club.

Res. No. 2876 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Springhill Knights of Columbus Council 4302.

Res. No. 2877 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the King Street Market in Parrsboro.

Res. No. 2878 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Alan Ferguson on his marksmanship.

Res. No. 2879 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Danica Deveaux on her musical success.

Res. No. 2880 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Barry Patriquin on his athletic achievements.

## PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Yarmouth, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 134. Yarmouth Marketing and Promotions Levy Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Pye, Mr. McNeil, Mr. MacKinnon and Hon. Mr. Hurlburt in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Private and Local Bills Committee.

## PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Langille, Colchester North, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 138. Trade Union Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Corbett, M. MacDonald, MacKinnon and Mr. Dooks on behalf of Mr.

Langille in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

#### **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment:

No. 71. Theatre Nova Scotia Incorporation Act

No. 85. Legion-Huston Property in Tatamagouche Act

No. 108. Chester Yacht Club Act

No. 111. French-language Services Act

No. 127. Pictou Regional Development Commission Act

No. 132. Amusement Devices Safety Act

No. 135. House of Assembly Act

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on this day.

# **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved third reading of the following bill:

# No. 95. Land Registration Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 96. House of Assembly Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

## No. 99. Vital Statistics Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved third reading of the following bill:

#### No. 101. Public Service Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. M. MacDonald, Mr. Colwell and Hon. Mr. Barnet in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture, on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, moved third reading of the following bill:

# No. 102. Maintenance Enforcement Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture, on behalf of the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, moved third reading of the following bill:

# No. 107. Prescription Monitoring Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, moved third reading of the following bill:

# No. 111. French-language Services Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Deveaux, Mr. Samson, Ms. Massey, Ms. Raymond, Mr. David A. Wilson and the Hon. Mr. D'Entremont in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture, on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education, moved third reading of the following bill:

# No. 115. Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

# PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 116. Liquor Control Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 121. Motor Vehicle Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

## **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Res. No. 2881 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - referral of funding for Committee on Law Amendments trip to Internal Economy Board.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 71. Theatre Nova Scotia Incorporation Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Langille, Colchester North, moved third reading of the following bill:

# No. 85. Legion-Huston Property in Tatamagouche Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 108. Chester Yacht Club Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

# No. 127. Pictou Regional Development Commission Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

# **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, October  $15^{\rm th}$  at 9:00 A.M.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park, tabled a petition from those opposed to the spraying of Vision.

## PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with certain amendments:

No. 119. Agriculture Administration Amendment (2004) Act

No. 125. Mandatory Testing and Disclosure Act

No. 131. Police Act

And also the following bill, without amendments:

No. 87. Electricity Act

The foregoing bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

#### STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, rose to acknowledge the passing of Shirley Elliott, former Legislative Librarian. The House observed one minute of silence.

## GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2882 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - recognition of the reading program "Read to Me".

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2883 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognition of Waste Reduction Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 142. An Act to Amend Chapter 197 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Health Services and Insurance Act

(Mr. H. David Wilson - Glace Bay)

No. 143. An Act to Dissolve the Ladies Golf Association of Nova Scotia and to Repeal Chapter 128 of the Acts of 1973, the Ladies Golf Association of Nova Scotia Act

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Lunenburg)

# NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2884 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to the Ryan's Cones fastball team.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2885 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberals - congratulations to Philippe Comeau for his volunteer services.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2886 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - commending the work of those volunteers raising funds for a new activity centre at Camp Jordan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2887 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to John Morrison for his entrepreneurial spirit.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2888 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to members and supporters of Team Spence in walk to eradicate ALS.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2889 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - thanking Bridgewater Rotarians for their donation of a defibrillator.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2890 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Connor Pace on his hole in one.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2891 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - acknowledging the work of the Heart and Stroke Foundation of N.S.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2892 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to the Lunenburg Rotary Club on their fundraising.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2893 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid (on behalf of Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North) - commending the MacCullough family for their crusade against violence.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2894 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - wishing success to John Levy and team in Coast Guard Auxiliaries competition.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2895 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to Whitestone Developments for their support of worthy projects.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2896 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - commending those involved with the Commitment to Parents initiative.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2897 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Betty's Cards and Gifts on its 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2898 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - supporting medical checkups.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2899 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - recognizing the value of regulating professional counsellors.

Res. No. 2900 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Mary MacDougall on her 105<sup>th</sup> birthday.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2901 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - congratulations to Jerry Blumenthal on his public service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2902 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to the St. Margaret's Bay Breakers on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2903 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to David Jackson and Jenette Frelick on their marriage.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2904 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to the Prospect Bantams baseball team on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2905 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - calling upon the Department of Education to ensure there is no loss of facilities for the new peninsula high school in Halifax.

Res. No. 2906 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberals - best wishes to René LeBlanc.

Res. No. 2907 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberals - best wishes to Benoit Comeau.

 $\,$  Res. No. 2908 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Sara St. Peter.

Res. No. 2909 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to staff of Scotiabank.

Res. No. 2910 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Corey

Scott.

Res. No. 2911 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Spencer's Island Lighthouse.

Res. No. 2912 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Saundra Spence.

Res. No. 2913 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Wentworth Fire Department.

Res. No. 2914 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Thomas Robert Black.

Res. No. 2915 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Roderick Boland.

Res. No. 2916 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Stacey Marie Carter.

Res. No. 2917 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Alan Murray Ferguson.

Res. No. 2918 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Jeanna Lynn Fletcher.

Res. No. 2919 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Katherine Diane Henwood.

Res. No. 2920 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Lindsay Marie Johnston.

Res. No. 2921 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Christine McClelland.

Res. No. 2922 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Bradley Stewart Morris.

## PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova, moved third reading of the following bill:

# No. 132. Amusement Devices Safety Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr Russell, Mr. Estabrooks and Mr. Gosse in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 135. House of Assembly Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 110. Protection for Persons in Care Act

There being no debate, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

# **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 130. Legal Profession Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Deveaux, Mr. Samson, Ms. M. MacDonald, Mr. Epstein and the Hon. Mr. Russell in Reply. The bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered to the Committee on Law Amendments.

# **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendments:

# No. 119. Agriculture Administration Amendment (2004) Act

# No. 125. Mandatory Testing and Disclosure Act

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, October  $18^{\rm th}$  at  $5{:}00$  P.M.

The House met at 5:00 P.M.

Prayers.

## PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's, tabled a petition calling for improvements to the Mill Lake Road.

## PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Hon. Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, each with certain amendments:

No. 110. Protection for Persons in Care Act

No. 138. Trade Union Act

No. 130. Legal Profession Act

And also the following bill, without amendment:

No. 117. Emergency Health Services Act

The foregoing bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

# TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture, tabled the following reports:

Nova Scotia Health Research Foundation Annual Report 2003-2004 - Building Capacity: Now and in the Future

Capital Health Report to the Community 2003-2004

Cape Breton District Health Authority - On the Road to... Better Health: Annual Report 2003-2004

South Shore Health - Partnering with Our Community: Reflections 2003-2004

Pictou County Health Authority 2004 Annual Report

Annapolis Valley Health 2003-2004 Annual Report

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour, tabled the Workers' Compensation Board, Second Quarter 2004 report.

## STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Deputy Premier, rose to announce the death of Dr. Shirley Elliott, former Legislative Librarian.

Comments were made by Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition and Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberals. The House observed one minute of silence.

## **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2923 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader - thanks to staff of the House.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2924 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - recognition of small business.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2925 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - recognition of foster families.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2926 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Olympic athletes.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2927 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to candidates in the municipal elections.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2928 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - recognition of Chief Justice Glube.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2929 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy recognition of those involved with renovation month.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2930 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - thanking all those involved with Tackling Bullies.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2931 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - thanking Stan Surette for his service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2932 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - recognition of the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Supreme Court of N.S.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2933 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Doreen Paris, Judy Hughes and Flo MacPherson on their service. With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2934 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - acknowledging the contribution TD Bank Financial Group.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

## NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 2935 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - encouraging pap tests.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2936 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - thanks to Wayne Gaudet for his service as Interim Leader.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2937 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - thanks to Wayne Gaudet for his service as Interim Leader.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2938 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - recognition of Shirley Elliott.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2939 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to Lewis Sawmill on its accident-free record.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2940 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - commending law enforcement personnel.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2941 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - best wishes to the Garden family.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2942 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognition of Persons Day.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2943 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Heather Patterson and Ron Lightburn on their book.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2944 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - recognition of local heritage societies.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2945 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to the Cottars.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2946 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - recognition of the Pictou County Hip Hop Hooray auction.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2947 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to new mayor and council of Pictou.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2948 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberals - congratulations to the Clare Shopper and Lobster Bay Shopper.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2949 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - congratulations to IODE on 50 years of service in Sydney Mines.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2950 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to organizers of the Eastern Shore Business Rally.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2951 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to Leon Carter on golf success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2952 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Jana Miller on her music success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2953 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - recognition of foster families.

Res. No. 2954 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - recognizing the Minister of Transportation and Public Works for responding to Resolution 4082 of May 27, 2002.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2955 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to

all those involved with municipal elections.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2956 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to R.C.L. Calais Branch on their participation in Remembrance Day ceremonies.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2957 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to the PDD Autism Society of Cape Breton and others dealing with the problem of autism.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2958 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognition of Citizenship Week and welcoming new Canadians.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2959 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognition of Leo Toulany and family.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2960 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to Dr. Mark Fletcher.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2961 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - regarding reduction in poverty.

Res. No. 2962 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - recognition of Pictou County 4-H member Robert Lavers.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2963 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - recognition of the late Winnie Costley Lecky.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2964 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to the late Kay and Simon Haddad.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2965 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - extending appreciation to the Western Valley.

Res. No. 2966 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to students at Yarmouth Consolidated Memorial High School for serving the community.

Res. No. 2967 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - acknowledging Aaron Leblanc on receipt of a medal.

Res. No. 2968 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - commending Danny and Joanne McCoul.

Res. No. 2969 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to the Thorborn Ladies Fastpitch team.

Res. No. 2970 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - commending Jenna Duggan and Lindsay Feit.

Res. No. 2971 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - recognizing the contribution of Pierrette d'Entremont.

Res. No. 2972 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to Matthew Hill on his wrestling success.

Res. No. 2973 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to Richmond County Councillors.

Res. No. 2974 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to Steve Sampson and his family.

- Res. No. 2975 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to Alvin Martell and his family.
- Res. No. 2976 Mr. Samson, Richmond congratulations to John Boudreau and his family.
- Res. No. 2977 Mr. Gaudet, Clare best wishes to the Parish Council and Sainte Marie Parish Museum Committee.
- Res. No. 2978 Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour recognizing the Cross-Canada bicycle journey of George Fralic.
- Res. No. 2979 Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour congratulations to Daniel Whynot on receipt of a scholarship.
- Res. No. 2980 Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour congratulations to Sarah Bolivar on receipt of a scholarship.
- Res. No. 2981 Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour congratulations to Chelsea Meisner on receipt of a scholarship.
- Res. No. 2982 Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour congratulations to Graham Muise on his mathematics achievements.
- Res. No. 2983 Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour recognizing the efforts of the Hospital Hustle Committee.
- Res. No. 2984 Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour recognizing the efforts of Big Brothers/Big Sisters in Queens County.
- Res. No. 2985 Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour recognizing Bowater Mersey on their 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- Res. No. 2986 Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy congratulations to the Cape Breton Search and Rescue Association on their 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- Res. No. 2987 Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley congratulations to the South Colchester Academy Wolves on soccer success.
  - Res. No. 2988 Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human

Resources - celebrating the accomplishments of Canadian and Nova Scotian women.

- Res. No. 2989 Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect congratulations to the Holt family of Hatchet Lake.
- Res. No. 2990 Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect congratulations to R.C.L. Branch McDonald #156 for their commitment.
- Res. No. 2991 Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect congratulations to R.C.L. Branch Atlantic #153 for their commitment.
- Res. No. 2992 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore congratulations to Ted Germaine on his ECMA award.
- Res. No. 2993 Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice recognizing the efforts of Voluntary Planning's task force on Off-Highway Vehicles.
- Res. No. 2994 Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour congratulations to Norm Izzard on receipt of a service award.
- Res. No. 2995 Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's congratulations to Cliff Dauphinee on his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- Res. No. 2996 Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development congratulations to Geoff and Evlynn McAloney on the birth of twins.
- Res. No. 2997 Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to the Cape Breton Regional Development Authority for hosting a national development conference.
- Res. No. 2998 Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services condolences to the family of Dr. Shirley Elliott.
- Res. No. 2999 Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture commending the Strait Highlands Regional Development Authority for their work.
- Res. No. 3000 Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture congratulations to the N.S. participants in the 2004 Canadian Sprint Canoe/Kayak Championships.

- Res. No. 3001 Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development congratulations to the Mansour family on their store's  $80^{\text{th}}$  anniversary.
- Res. No. 3002 Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development welcoming Rev. Larry and Marsha Wilson to Amherst.
- Res. No. 3003 Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development congratulations to Barry Helm on being honoured.
- Res. No. 3004 Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development congratulations to Pugwash volunteers in saving a cemetery.
- Res. No. 3005 Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development congratulations to the Amherst Rotary Club on their work regarding the former Knights of Pythias field.
- Res. No. 3006 Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development regards to Nova Scotia's exporting companies.
- Res. No. 3007 Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development recognizing the value of partnership involving regional development authorities.
- Res. No. 3008 Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development recognizing the Tender Opportunities Notification Service.
- Res. No. 3009 Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development recognizing the value of the credit union system.
- Res. No. 3010 Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development congratulations to Nova Scotia's co-operatives.
- Res. No. 3011 Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development congratulations to Charlene Tuttle, Dawn Smith, Gerald Read and Gord Hebert.
- Res. No. 3012 Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development congratulations to members of the Amherst Fire Fit team.
- Res. No. 3013 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to those making the All-Saints helipad a success.

- Res. No. 3014 Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries thanking Eugene Doucette for his service.
- Res. No. 3015 Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services extending gratitude to foster parents.
- Res. No. 3016 Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour congratulations to Bill White on receipt of an award.
- Res. No. 3017 Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park congratulations to Bert Frizzell on his new position.
- Res. No. 3018 Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources applauding the Yarmouth Motor Mart Mariners.
- Res. No. 3019 Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy congratulations to Kim Lake, Nancy Devoe, Mary Beth LeBlanc, Dr. Stephanie Langley and Dr. Joan Salah.
- Res. No. 3020 Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne best wishes to Barbara Conrad of Clark's Harbour.
- Res. No. 3021 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to John Henderson for his service.
- $\,$  Res. No. 3022 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Ralph Mitchell for his service.
- Res. No. 3023 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Kristopher Steliga on his achievements.
- Res. No. 3024 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Chief Warrant Officer Erich Steeves on her new position.
- Res. No. 3025 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Springhill High School students participating in a model United Nations.
- Res. No. 3026 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Springhill Library on its reading program.
- Res. No. 3027 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Frank Joseph White on receipt of an award.
  - Res. No. 3028 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Charlotte

and Larry Strathearn and staff on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 3029 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Brittani Purcell on being crowned First Princess at the Cumberland County Exhibition.

Res. No. 3030 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Dave Quigley on his achievements.

Res. No. 3031 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Allison Rector on her achievements.

Res. No. 3032 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Gina Reid on soccer success.

Res. No. 3033 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to River Hebert Elementary School, students and teachers on their dedication.

Res. No. 3034 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the River Hebert lady Raiders.

Res. No. 3035 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Sherri Rushton on receipt of a bursary.

Res. No. 3036 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Scotiabank Oxford employees for their donation.

Res. No. 3037 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Doug and Ellen Bray on their recent designation.

Res. No. 3038 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to John Ferguson.

Res. No. 3039 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Brad Carty.

Res. No. 3040 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Dr. Kenneth McRae.

Res. No. 3041 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Charlotte States.

Res. No. 3042 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Gary Dunfield and Andrew Steeves of Gaspereau Press.

Res. No. 3043 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to recognizing the efforts of Stephanie Toole.

Res. No. 3044 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to the Kentville Agricultural Centre, Phyllis Patterson and family and Dr. Roy Bush.

## PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 143. The Ladies Golf Association of Nova Scotia Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered that the bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole House by agreement.

## **CWH ON BILLS**

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills:

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, each without amendment:

No. 87. Electricity Act

No. 110. Protection for Persons in Care Act

No. 130. Legal Profession Act

No. 131. Police Act

No. 138. Trade Union Act

No. 143. The Ladies Golf Association of Nova Scotia Act

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on this day.

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, moved third reading of the following bill:

# No. 119. Agriculture Administration Amendment (2004) Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. MacDonell, Mr. McNeil and the Hon. Mr. D'Entremont in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

# No. 87. Electricity Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Corbett, Samson, Epstein, MacKinnon, MacDonell and the Hon. Mr. Clarke in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, moved third reading of the following bill:

#### No. 131. Police Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. MacKinnon and the Hon. Mr. Baker in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 130. Legal Profession Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr.

Deveaux, Mr. Samson and the Hon. Mr. Baker in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

#### PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 143. The Ladies Golf Association of Nova Scotia Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

## PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Langille, Colchester North, moved third reading of the following bill:

# No. 125. Mandatory Testing and Disclosure Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. David A. Wilson and Mr. Langille in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 110. Protection for Persons in Care Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. H. David Wilson and Ms. M. MacDonald in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Langille, Colchester North, moved third reading of the following bill:

## No. 138. Trade Union Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Dexter, Mr. M. MacDonald and Mr. Langille in Reply. On a recorded vote, there being 37 for the motion and 9 opposed, the Bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

# **QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER**

The following questions were submitted:

- W.Q. No. 2 Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham to the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, regarding arthritis medications.
- W.Q. No. 3 Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova to the Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources, regarding placement of post-secondary graduates.
- W.Q. No. 4 Mr. MacDonell, Hants East to the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, regarding Hepatitis C and tainted blood victims.
- W.Q. No. 5 Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley to the Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services, regarding child poverty.
- W.Q. No. 6 Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North to the Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services, regarding housing stock at Shannon Park.
- W.Q. No. 7 Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect to the Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education, regarding minority teachers.
- W.Q. No. 8 Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham to the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, regarding a suicide prevention strategy.
- W.Q. No. 9 Mr. MacDonell, Hants East to the Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, regarding funding for the N.S. Federation of Agriculture.
- W.Q. No. 10 Mr. MacDonell, Hants East to the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works regarding Department of Transportation operations in Hants East.

- W.Q. No. 11 Mr. Parker, Pictou West to the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works regarding a bridge at Lyons Brook.
- W.Q. No. 12 Mr. Parker, Pictou West to the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, regarding e-coli counts in Pictou area.
- W.Q. No. 13 Mr. Parker, Pictou West to the Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of the Environment and Labour regarding an environmental problem in Pictou area.

# **ROYAL ASSENT**

Her Honour, the Honourable Myra Freeman, Lietenant-Governor of the Province of Nova Scotia, came to the Chamber of the House of Assembly and seated in the Speaker's Chair, was addressed by Mr. Speaker as follows:

"May it please Your Honour, the General Assembly of the Province has, in its present session, passed certain bills to which, in the name and on behalf of the General Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent."

Her Honour was then pleased to give her assent to the following bills:

- No. 71. Theatre Nova Scotia Incorporation Act
- No. 82. Halifax Regional Water Commission Act
- No. 84. Motor Vehicle Act
- No. 85. Legion-Huston Property in Tatamagouche Act
- No. 87. Electricity Act
- No. 90. Highway 104 Western Alignment Act
- No. 92. Motor Vehicle Act
- No. 93. Gas Distribution System Municipal Taxation Act
- No. 95. Land Registration Act

No. 96. House of Assembly Act

No. 98. Municipal Government Act

No. 99. Vital Statistics Act

No. 101. Public Services Act

No. 102. Maintenance Enforcement Act

No. 103. Regulations Act

No. 107. Prescription Monitoring Act

No. 108. Chester Yacht Club Act

No. 110. Protection for Persons in Care Act

No. 111. French-language Services Act

No. 115. Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission Act

No. 116. Liquor Control Act

No. 119. Agriculture Administration Amendment (2004) Act

No. 121. Motor Vehicle Act

No. 125. Mandatory Testing and Disclosure Act

No. 127. Pictou Regional Development Commission Act

No. 130. Legal Profession Act

No. 131. Police Act

No. 132. Amusement Devices Safety Act

No. 135. House of Assembly Act

No. 138. Trade Union Act

# No. 143. The Ladies Golf Association of Nova Scotia Act

Her Honour was then pleased to retire.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Speaker then asked all Members to rise and join him in the singing of the National Anthem.

The Hon. The Premier then moved that the House adjourn to meet again at the call of The Speaker.

Roderick K. MacArthur, Q.C. Chief Clerk, House of Assembly

### MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY First Session of the Fifty-Ninth General Assembly **Speaker: The Honourable Murray Scott**

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Argyle	Hon. Chris d'Entremont
Bedford	Hon. Peter Christie
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Cape Breton North	Hon. Cecil Clarke
Cape Breton Nova	Gordie Gosse
Cape Breton South	Manning MacDonald
Cape Breton West	Russell MacKinnon
Chester-St. Margaret's	John Chataway
Clare	Wayne Gaudet
Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley	Brooke Taylor
Colchester North	Bill Langille
Cole Harbour	Darrell Dexter
Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage	Kevin Deveaux
Cumberland North	Hon. Ernie Fage
Cumberland South	Hon. Murray Scott
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Dartmouth North	Jerry Pye
Dartmouth South-Portland Valley	Marilyn More
Digby-Annapolis	Harold Theriault
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Guysborough- Sheet Harbour	Ron Chisholm
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Halifax Chebucto	Howard Epstein
Halifax Citadel	Danny Graham
Halifax Clayton Park	Diana Whalen
Halifax Fairview	Graham Steele
Halifax Needham	Maureen MacDonald
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Neil Ferguson: Assistant Clerk Noel Knockwood: Sergeant-at-Arms

# APPENDIX A REPORTS, COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF

The following is a complete list of all Reports, both tabled during the Session and passed in the Clerk's Office and deemed to be tabled following the Session:

2004 Performance Report and 2005 Business Plan
Office of the Auditor General March 8, 2005
A Guide for Private Well Owners
Environmental Monitoring & Compliance
(Hon. Mr. Morash)
Agra Point International
Business Plan 2004-2005
(Hon. Mr. D'Entremont) May 13, 2004
Annapolis Valley Health
2002-03 Annual General Report
(Hon. Mr. MacIsaac) October 30, 2003
Annapolis Valley Health
Annual Report, 2003-2004
(Hon. Mr. MacIsaac) October 18, 2004
Agricultural Task Force
on Bovine Spongiform Encephalopthy
Report, October 2003 (Mr. Taylor) October 29, 2003
Annual Accountability Report
for the fiscal year 2003-2004 December 23, 2004
Assessment of Pilot Governance Structure
Report, 2003
<b>Atlantic Lottery Corporation</b>
Annual Report, 2003-04 July 13, 2004
Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Board
Annual Report, 2003-04 July 5, 2004
Cape Breton District Health Authority
On the Road to Better Health
Annual Report 2003-2004
(Hon. Mr. MacIsaac) October 18, 2004
Capital Health
Report to the Community 2003-2004
(Hon. Mr. MacIsaac) October 18, 2004
Civil Procedure Rules, Amendments made
Pursuant to the Judicature Act on Nov 17, 2003
(Hon. Mr. Baker)
Civil Procedure Rules, Amendments made
Pursuant to the Judicature Act on May 30, 2003
(Hon. Mr. Baker) October 7, 2003
Colchester East Hants Health Authority

Annual Report, 2002-2003
(Hon. Mr. MacIsaac) October 29, 2003
Commission of Inquiry on Remuneration of Elected Provincial
Officials, December 2003 (The Speaker). December 10, 2003
Council of Atlantic Premiers, Report
For 2001-2003 February 17, 2004
Crown Corporation Business Plans
Fiscal Year 2004-2005 (Hon. Mr. Christie) April 22, 2004
Cumberland Health Authority
Healthy Communities for a Healthy Future
Annual Report 2002-2003
(Hon. Mr. MacIsaac) October 22, 2003
Education, Department of
Report of the BLAC Implementation Review Committee
September 2003 (Hon. Mr. Muir) September 26, 2003
Electricity Marketplace Governance Committee
Final Report (Hon. Mr. Clarke) October 23, 2003
Estimates, Province of Nova Scotia
Fiscal Year 2004-2005 (Hon. Mr. Christie) April 22, 2004
Estimates, Province of Nova Scotia - Supplementary Detail
Fiscal Year 2004-2005 (Hon. Mr. Christie) April 22, 2004
FOIPOP Advisory Committee Report: Government Response
(Hon. Mr. Baker)
FOIPOP Advisory Committee Report: Government Response
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<b>(C)</b>	- Correspondence
<b>(D)</b>	- Document
(HB)	- Handbook
(L)	- List
( <b>M</b> )	- Magazine Article
(Mem)	- Memorandum
(N/C)	- Newspaper Clipping
( <b>P</b> )	- Paper/Papers on
(PH)	- Photos
(PR)	- Press Release
$(\mathbf{Q})$	- Questionnaire
( <b>R</b> )	- Report
$(\mathbf{S})$	- Statistics
(SR)	- Status Report
( <b>W</b> )	- Website Excerpt
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- (N/C) Farmers concerned about mad cow compensation, Taylor says (Oct 2/03)
- (C) From John MacDonell, Hants East to Hon. Murray Scott, Speaker (Oct 2/03)
- (S) Number of Farms and Total Net Income of Farm Operators (Oct 2/03)
- (PR) North American Meat Processors Association on BSE Crisis(Oct 2/03)
- (PR) Manitoba to Expand Short-Term Action Plan on BSE (Oct 2/03)
- (C) From Doug Bacon, President of the Nova Scotia Federation of Agriculture to Hon. Chris d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries (Oct 3/03)
- (D) Statement for Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries (Oct 7/03)
- (R) Pork Nova Scotia/NS Agriculture and Fisheries Joint

- Committee on the Future of the Nova Scotia Hog Industry (Oct 8/03)
- (N/C) N.S. government neglecting agricultural industry (Oct 8/03)
- (C) Ministerial statement for Dept of Agriculture and Fisheries (Oct 30/03)
- (N/C) Aquaculture industry faces challenges (May 11/04)
- (P) Statement by Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries (Sept 28/04)

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- (C) From Jane Fitzgerald, Executive Director of Family & Children's Services to Lyn Barrett, Executive Director of Autumn House/Men's Intervention Program (Oct 1/03)
- (N/C) Housing Authority won't pay for smoke detectors; Neighbours say small expense could save lives (Oct 7/03)
- (C) From Manning MacDonald, MLA Cape Breton South to Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services (Oct 29/03)
- (C) From Albert Bourgeois to Manning MacDonald, MLA Cape Breton South (Oct 29/03)
- (C) From Marian Tyson , Deputy Minister of Community Services to Daniel Criss, Acting President of the Hope Farm Society (April 20/04)
- (N/C) Advertisement for Community Services One phone call can change a child's life a child who needs you today (April 22/04)
- (W) Former U.S. President And 4,000 Volunteers To Build 150 Houses With Low-Income Mexican Families (May 4/04)
- (N/C) Seniors feel trapped without an elevator (May 5/04)
- (R) Canada-Nova Scotia Affordable Housing Agreement (Sept 23/04)
- (S) Funding and Occupancy Rates by Transition House (Sept 28/04)
- (Mem)- From Jane Fitzgerald, Executive Director of Family & Children's Services Regarding Women's Centres & Transition Houses (Sept 28/04)
- (PH) Photos of conditions at a senior home (Oct 6/04)
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- (P) Since July 1999 6000 jobs were lost in Cape Breton (April 22/04)
- (S) Population Changes By County and Region, 1986-2002 (April 29/04)

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- (C) From Gordon MacIver, Director of Education to Hon. The Premier (Oct 15/03)
- (D) Mi'kmaq Education Act (Oct 15/03)
- (D) Speech-Language Pathology Therapy Guidelines (Oct 15/03)
- (C) From Hon. Muir, Minister of Education to Mr. Estabrooks, MLA for Timberlea-Prospect (Oct 21/03)
- (P) Responses to questions from the Budget Debate 2003 (Nov 21/03)
- (D) Tuition fees (April 15/04)
- (N/C) Students panhandle to protest 4% tuition increase (April 15/04)
- (S) Average College Tuition Fees and Funding per Capita for Community Colleges, by Province 1990-91 to 2001-02 (April 15/04)
- (N/C) School board ponders impact of ending fees (April 20/04)
- (C) From Carole Olson, Superintendent of Halifax Regional School Board to Bill Estabrooks, MLA Timberlea-Prospect (April 20/04)
- (R) Halifax Regional School Board Community Access to Schools Policy (April 22/04)
- (C) From Dennis Cochrane, Deputy Minister of Department of Education to Carol Olson, Superintendent of Halifax Regional School Board (April 22/04)
- (N/C) Students panhandle to protest 4% tuition increase (April 28/04)
- (A) Do the Skyrocketing Costs of university have you down? (April 28/04)
- (N/C) University grads sink deeper into debt (April 28/04)
- (N/C) Grammar dismissed as 'drill and kill'; If students aren't taught the fundamentals, what use is the province's reading and writing strategy? (April 30/04)

- (S) Department of Education: Acadian & French Language Services - Reorganization of Responsibilities to C.S.A.P./Public Schools as at April 1, 2004 (April 30/04)
- (L) Math Team (April 30/04)
- (Mem)- Elementary Literacy Assessment Procedures for Parental Requests (April 30/04)
- (S) Gap Analysis of Students Waiting for Service (May 3/04)
- (N/C) Higher education pays off for women, U.S. study reveals (May 4/04)
- (D) Ministers' Items from Budget Debates 2004 (May 6/04)
- (M) Report Card on Canada's Schools (May 6/04)
- (C) From Tom Welch to Hon. The Premier (May 12/04)
- (D) Order in Council Approval of Certain Commercial Activities Respecting Advertising Posters in Schools made by the Governor in Council pursuant to Section 64A of Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1995-96, the *Education Act* (Sept 29/04)
- (N/C)- University name without place disappointing (Oct 1/04)
- (N/C) Cost-cutter campus; Manitoba's among most affordable universities (Oct 4/04)
- (N/C) Growth looms large in Clayton Park West; Development, traffic, parkland biggest issues for residents of new district (Oct 4/04)
- (C) Letters regarding name change of University College of Cape Breton (Oct 4/04)
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- (R) Expanding Their Universe, Reshaping The Future; A
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- (PR) Disaster Assistance Program Announced (Oct 1/03)
- (P) Saturday, September 27, ATV News with Peter Mallette (Oct 1/03)
- (PR) Preparing for Hurricane Season (Oct 1/03)
- (PR) Provincial Non Essential Employees to Stay Home

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- (PH) Photo showing damage from Hurricane Juan (Oct 1/03)
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- (N/C) Hurricane Juan chugs toward province (Oct 1/03)
- (PR) Directors of Emergency Management Meet in Halifax (Oct 1/03)
- (C) From Sandra Fisher to Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister responsible for the *Emergency Measures Act* (Oct 2/03)
- (N/C) Generations will miss out on Point Pleasant's treasures (Oct 2/03)
- (W) Hurricane Kate, October 2, 2003 Track Forecast (Oct 2/03)
- (B) Do I Qualify for Disaster Financial Assistance? A guide for individuals and small business (Oct 10/03)
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- (D) In the eye of hurricane Juan (April 21/04)
- (C) From Mike Myette, Deputy Director to Joseph Duggan (April 21/04)
- (PH) Photo of a house from Hurricane Juan (May 6/04)
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- (C) Re: Richard Bonner's application for Disaster Financial Assistance Arrangements (May 19/04)
- (C) From Kenneth Barbour to Councillor Stephen Adams (May 20/04)
- (C) From Ken Retson, J.D. Irving Limited (Sept 29/04)

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- (D) Section of Workers' Compensation Act (Oct 21/04)
- (R) Presentation to Cabinet Automobile Insurance (April 15/04)
- (C) From Carla Heggie, FOIPOP Administrator to

- Joanna Redden, NDP Caucus Office (April 21/04)
- (B) Stream India; A Lower Cost, High-quality eCRM Services Option (April 22/04)
- (PR) Community Update: Stream's Cape Breton Contact Center Site (April 22/04)
- (PR) Cape Breton Workers Betrayed Again (April 22/04)
- (C) From Doug Murphy, A/Superintendent of Insurance to David Simpson, Facility Association (April 27/04)
- (C) Letters regarding the *Pension Benefits Act* (May 5/04)
- (PR) From the Cape Breton Injured Workers' Association, Mainland Injured Workers' Association and Pictou County Injured Workers' Association regarding the "Chronic Pain Regulations" (May 13/04)
- (C) From Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour to Bruce Wildsmith, Watford and Area Concerned Citizens (May 19/04)
- (Mem)- Regarding Comments on Proposed Harvest of Squirreltown (180 ha) Crown Land, Annapolis County (May 19/04)
- (C) From Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Environment and Labour to Howard Windsor, Deputy Minister of Transportation and Public Works (May 20/04)
- (C) Letters regarding Chronic pain (May 20/04)
- (C) From Hon. Mr. Clarke, MLA for Cape Breton North to Councillor Claire Dethridge (Sept 23/04)
- (C) From Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour to Mr. Gordie Gosse, MLA Cape Breton Nova (Oct 6/04)
- (C) From Rick Clarke, President of Nova Scotia Federation of Labour, CLC to Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Environment and Labour (Oct 8/04)
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- (S) What \$6m per Year Means (Oct 12/04)
- (C) From Michael Lawlor, Pension Representative regarding Pension Regulation Changes (Oct 12/04)
- (C) From Phil McNulty, President of the Halifax Professional Firefighters regarding Pension Regulation Change (Oct 12/04)

- (P) The impact of the "solvency test" under the *Pension Benefits Regulations* on Nova Scotia universities (Oct 12/04)
- (N/C) WCB premiums may rise for firms outside of N.S.; Move will aid local business, generate revenue -Premier (Oct 12/04)
- (C) Letters regarding Pension Regulation Changes (Oct 12/04)
- (C) From Henry Krawagna, Manager of Employee Benefits regarding pension plans (Oct 13/04)
- (P) Form 9: Application to a Financial Institution for Payment of Temporary Income from a LIF (Oct 13/04)
- (C) From Judy Demyen, London Life to Wayne Fanning (Oct 13/04)

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- (D) Resolution No. 173 and No. 246 (Oct 8/03)
- (PR) Government Committed to a Balanced Budget Department of Finance (Oct 9/03)
- (W) Remarks by the Hon. Neil LeBlanc, Nova Scotia Minister of Finance (Oct 9/03)
- (R) Who Really Benefits from Nova Scotia's Income Tax Cut: The Distribution of the Nova Scotia Tax Cut by Income (Oct 9/03)
- (S) Revenue Sources (Oct 14/03)
- (C) From John Manley, Federal Minister of Finance to Danny Graham, Leader of the Liberal Party (Oct 15/03)
- (N/C) Income tax cut panned; Tories would have to borrow to fulfil promise, Graham claims (Oct 29/03)
- (PR) Congratulations Nova Scotia (Oct 29/03)
- (N/C) Tax cut could get the chop (April 20/04)
- (S) Cape Breton Employment Characteristics (April 22/04)
- (D) Resolutions on Estimates and Crown Corporation Business Plans for Fiscal Year April 1, 2004 - March 31, 2005 (April 22/04)
- (D) Message from Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor relating to the Estimates (April 22/04)
- (S) CIBC World Markets: Provincial Budget Briefs (April 28/04)
- (PR) CME very disappointed with the Government's

- **Budget for 2004-2005 (April 29/04)**
- (P) Briefing Note: Status of HST Exemptions (May 4/04)
- (S) Salaries and Bonuses of some Department of Finance employees (May 6/04)
- (C) From Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance to Hon. Mr. Goodale, Federal Minister of Finance

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- (S) Future Care Costs (Oct 2/03)
- (W) IWK Health Centre Position Vacancies (Oct 9/03)
- (C) From the Deputy Minister of Health to Lori Errington, NDP Caucus Office (Oct 14/03)
- (A) Hospital Update from Capital Health (Oct 15/03)
- (D) Hansard Excerpt from Supply April 7/03 (Oct 15/03)
- (P) IWK Health Centre Position Vacancies (Oct 16/03)
- (C) From Peter Dawson regarding his autistic daughter (Oct 16/03)
- (D) Applied Behavioral Analysis (Oct 21/03)
- (D) Intervention Methods (Oct 21/03)
- (P) The Neuro Development Delay Sub-Committee (Oct 22/03)
- (D) A CAYAC Model for Enhancing Services in Nova Scotia for Children Under Six Years of Age With Special Needs (Oct 22/03)
- (W) Job Fair Halifax, Nova Scotia (Oct 22/03)
- (Mem)- To CEHHA Staff & Physicians regarding Business Planning Update (Oct 23/03)
- (W) Colchester East Hants Health Authority Current Vacancies (Oct 23/03)
- (R) Staff Replacement Tracking Form (Oct 28/03)
- (C) From Linda MacNeil, President of CAW-Canada, Local 4600 to John Malcom, Chief Executive Officer, Cape Breton District Health Authority (Oct 29/03)
- (C) From Heather de Berdt Romilly, Capital Health to Joanna Redden, NDP Caucus (Oct 29/03)
- (D) Status of Recruitment Strategies at Capital Health (Oct 29/03)
- (D) Better. Faster Health Care. Healthier Nova Scotians. (Oct 29/03)
- (R) South Shore Health Reflections 2002-2003, Report to the Community (Oct 30/03)
- (D) Client Report Trace Elements (Oct 30/03)
- (C) From Joan Jessome, President of NSGEU to Hon.

- Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health (Oct 30/03)
- (N/C) Updated QEII procedures make woes unlikely (April 4/04)
- (S) Seniors' Savings Identified to Pay for Long Term Care, 2003 (April 15/04)
- (Mem)- From Guysborough Antigonish Strait Health Authority regarding Weekend Closure - Strait Richmond PCU (April 20/04)
- (W) Report links cancer spending, survival rates (April 21/04)
- (D) Documents tabled during Supply (April 26/04)
- (PR) Plan for Affordable Nursing Home Care Released Department of Health (April 27/04)
- (W) New kind of plague (April 27/04)
- (S) Do seniors in other provinces pay less for residential care services? (April 27/04)
- (C) From Hon. MacIsaac, Minister of Health to George Archibald, Chair, Nova Scotia Region of the Canadian Diabetes Association (April 28/04)
- (W) Drug advisory: oxycodone hydrochloride (OxyContin) (April 28/04)
- (C) From Randall Nuss to Darrell Dexter & Regina James (April 29/04)
- (A) Mobile Care (May 5/04)
- (A) Canadian Diagnostic Centres Limited (May 5/04)
- (P) Nursing Home Care and Independent Living (May 6/04)
- (S) Inventory of Funded Palliative Care Services in Nova Scotia March 2004 (May 6/04)
- (P) Terms of Reference Review of Events around Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (CJD) in Nova Scotia, May 2004 (May 7/04)
- (P) Capital Health Balancing the Need for Cost Reductions with Strategic Reinvestments and Targeted Growth (May 11/04)
- (P) Capital Health Daily Review (May 11/04)
- (PR) Nursing care cuts (May 11/04)
- (W) A Prescription for Ruin (May 18/04)
- (C) From Leslie Gratton to NDP Caucus (May 19/04)
- (P) Re Fiscal Imbalance in Canada in Health Care (May 19/04)
- (D) Microbiology Users Manual, 2002 (May19/04)
- (D) Canadian Diagnostic Centres Sales Receipt (May

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- (PR) From Premier's Office/Health United Approach for New Health-Care Partnership (Sept 23/04)
- (D) Capital Health QEII and DGH Bed Map Recommendation (Sept 29/04)
- (N/C) Privacy law no barrier to Rx drug monitoring (Oct 1/04)
- (D) Ground Ambulance Service Fees Fact Sheet, September 2004 (Oct 4/04)
- (C) From Linda Janega to John Cipak (Oct 6/04)
- (C) From Tracey Avery to Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health (Oct 7/04)
- (D) Priorities for Additional Federal Health Dollars List (Oct 7/04)
- (C) Re: medical co-op in New Glasgow (Oct 12/04)
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- (HB) Healthy Schools, Healthy Workplaces, Healthy Communities, Healthy Policy (Oct 22/03)
- (R) Auditor's Report (May 5/04)
- (C) Response to Heather de Berdt Romilly, Co-ordinator, Province of Nova Scotia Gaming Strategy (Sept 28/04)
- (N/C) Gambling critic letter to the Editor (Oct 5/04)
- (R) Nova Scotia Office of Health Promotion Problem Gambling Services, Problem Gambling Help Line -Annual Synopsis, 2003 (Oct 5/04)
- (R) Consumer Beware, Government Be Warned: The Reality of Gambling Spending and the Problem of Household Security (Oct 5/04)
- (C) Re: reports of smoking in Aliant offices (Oct 14/04)

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- (D) Government of Nova Scotia Sexual Harassment Policy (May 11/04)
- (D) Draft Regulation, Occupational Health and Safety Act - Bloodborne Pathogens and Safety-Engineered Sharps Devices (May 12/04)

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- (D) Treasury and Policy Board Staff salaries (April 28/04)
- (C) From Deshayne Fell, Director of NS Child Safety & Injury Prevention Program, IWK Health Centre to Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice

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- (D) Payroll codes (Oct 1/03)
- (B) Election Brochure for NDP (Oct 2/03)
- (R) Impact of Proposed Reforms for Nova Scotia Private Passenger Automobile - Final Report to the Department of Environment and Labour (Oct 2/03)
- (D) Soft Tissue Injuries (Oct 2/03)
- (A) Nova Scotia's auto insurance. There are solutions. (Oct 3/03)
- (N/C) Resistance is futile: Public auto insurance is the only way to go so let's do it (Oct 3/03)
- (B) Election Brochure for NDP (Oct 3/03)
- (R) Auto Insurance in Nova Scotia: The Case for Competition (Oct 3/03)
- (N/C) Crash course in accounting (Oct 3/03)
- (N/C) Sunday shopping decision reveals Tory inconsistency (Oct 7/03)
- (N/C) NDP won't contest cut: Liberals expected to campaign against it (Oct 8/03)
- (D) Automobile Questionnaire (Oct 9/03)
- (D) Citation from Address in Reply to the Speech From the Throne by Marilyn More, MLA Dartmouth South-Portland Valley (Oct 10/03)
- (C) Re: Federation Insurance Company (Oct 14/03)
- (N/C) A promise for seniors on eve of vote; Premier says Tories plan to increase personal allowances for nursing home residents; opposition critical of Hamm's timing (Oct 14/03)
- (D) Rules of Debate (Oct 14/03)
- (R) Report of the Auditor General to the House of Assembly on the Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2004 used in the Preparation of the April 3, 2003 Budget Address (Oct 14/03)
- (N/C) Hamm makes last-minute promise to seniors; Rivals mock pledge to hike nursing home spending money (Oct 14/03)

- (D) Form 1 FOIPOP Application (Oct 15/03)
- (D) Manning MacDonald's question to the Minister Responsible for Sysco - "Will you commit to an independent audit?" (Oct 15/03)
- (Mem)- Memorandum of Offer for the Lease and Re-use of the Former US Navy Fuel Depot in Harpswell, Maine (Oct 16/03)
- (D) Speaker's Ruling (Oct 16/03)
- (N/C) A critical diagnosis for Dr. Hamm; Opposition finds health system ailing (Oct 22/03)
- (D) Property Map (Oct 28/03)
- (P) Increasing Costs, Decreasing Access: Small Firms and Property and Casualty Insurance in Nova Scotia (Oct 29/03)
- (M) Government announces aid for Polar workers (April 15/04)
- (S) Estimation of Amount Subsidise by the Provincial to the CCQ to Fight the Underground Economy and Recuperate Income Taxes (April 20/04)
- (PR) NDP Calls on Tories to Pay for Polling (April 20/04)
- (PR) McGuinty Government Targets Underground Economy (April 20/04)
- (C) Email re: insurance rebate received (April 27/04)
- (D) Insurance Adjustment Cheque (April 27/04)
- (W) Province of Nova Scotia Tender notice (April 28/04)
- (D) Receipt from Charm Diamond Centres for 13 Swarovski Figures (May 5/04)
- (D) Fax from Brooke Taylor (May 13/04)
- (P) Re: automobile insurance (May 13/04)
- (C) Re: automobile insurance (May 13/04)
- (N/C) Photo of boxer Andre White (May 19/04)
- (D) Ministerial Code of Conduct (Sept 23/04)
- (PH) Photos of coal dust in Cape Breton (Sept 29/04)
- (P) Quote from the Speech from the Throne, September 25, 2003 (Sept 29/04)
- (C) From Judge Nunn, Conflict of Interest Commissioner to Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources (Sept 29/04)
- (C) From Paul Black, NDP Caucus to Rick Perkins, Director, Corporate Communications, Nova Scotia Liquor Corporation (Oct 5/04)
- (PH) Photos of conditions in a seniors home (Oct 6/04)
- (D) Committee on Law Amendments Resolution re: Bill

### 97 (Oct 8/04)

- (C) Re: Marketing levy in Yarmouth (Oct 14/04)
- (PR) NDP Press Releases
- (A) Chevrolet car advertisement

### NATURAL RESOURCES

- (P) Petition regarding buffer zones around homes (Oct 2/03)
- (D) Proposed Crown Lease Boundaries, Tobeatic Wilderness Area Boundaries and Mineral Lease Tracts (Oct 30/03)
- (B) How to protect your home and property from wildfire (May 4/04)
- (N/C) ATVs: the search for enlightened regulation (May 5/04)
- (C) From Peter Terauds, Warden Municipality of Annapolis County to Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources (May 20/04)
- (C) From Peter Terauds, Warden Municipality of Annapolis County to Hon. Mr. Olive, Minister of Natural Resources and Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Environment & Labour (May 20/04)
- (N/C) Province will spray Vision despite regional opposition (Sept 23/04)
- (C) From Roy Fox, Medical Director to Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources (Sept 23/04)
- (W) Clustering of Biosolid Incidents by Locality (Sept 29/04)

### SERVICE NOVA SCOTIA AND MUNICIPAL RELATIONS

- (W) Canada-Nova Scotia Infrastructure Program (Oct 15/03)
- (N/C) Make assessment changes a priority (Oct 15/03)
- (C) From Kell Antoft re Assessment & Taxation (Oct 15/03)
- (C) From D. Laurence Mawhinney, Mayor Town of Lunenburg to The Premier, Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Service Nova Scotia & Municipal Relations & Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice (Oct 15/03)
- (PR) Province Acts to Protect Motorists and Passengers Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations (Oct 22/03)

- (C) From Greg Keefe, Registrar of Motor Vehicles to Repair Shops (Oct 22/03)
- (D) Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations Briefing Note (Oct 22/03)
- (D) Re: Sunday shopping plebiscite (Oct 28/03)
- (D) Liberal Responses to Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities questions (Oct 28/03)
- (N/C) Bargains Across the Border (April 16/04)
- (C) From Haigh Carthew to the Editor of The Bulletin and The Progress Enterprise re: Bill No. 40 (April 16/04)
- (B) NDP MLA Bill Estabrooks' Presentation to the Voluntary Planning Review of Land Use (April 16/04)
- (A) Chataway's Policy On Assessments (April 16/04)
- (D) Definition of Market Value (April 19/04)
- (C) Re: Forest haven Memorial Gardens (April 22/04)
- (P) Alternative Service Delivery Workshop (May 5/04)
- (C) From Greg Keefe, Deputy Minister Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations to Howard Windsor, Deputy Minister Department of Finance (May 5/04)
- (C) From Graham Conrad, Executive Director of Retail Gasoline Dealers Association of Nova Scotia to Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations & Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development (May 18/04)
- (N/C) Tories introduce bill to cap assessments (May 20/04)
- (P) Registry of Joint Stock Companies Trico Holdings Limited (Sept 23/04)
- (D) Property Map, Rose Bay (Oct 6/04)

### TOURISM AND CULTURE

- (N/C) Retailer: Sunday shopping will hurt town (Oct 7/03)
- (D) Nova Scotia at Work (Oct 7/03)
- (W) Tourism activity resilient but lagging last year's results (Oct 22/03)
- (D) Excerpt from Speech from the Throne Oct 7, 1999 (Oct 23/03)

### TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS

- (B) PC Candidate Ivan Doncaster election brochure (Oct 1/03)
- (B) PC Candidate Ivan Doncaster election brochure (Oct

- 15/03)
- (P) N.S. Dept. of Transportation Truck Rates (Oct 22/03)
- (C) Re: Northumberland Ferries Limited (Oct 23/03)
- (R) Insurance and Risk Management Customized Report October 2003 (Oct 23/03)
- (D) Speedy Auto Service service proposal (Oct 23/03)
- (W) Yahoo! Travel Nova Scotia Transportation (April 21/04)
- (M) To the Great Atlantic Ocean from the Wide Pacific Shores - Part 3 (April 21/04)
- (N/C) Highway conditions said to be scaring off tourists (April 22/04)
- (PH) Photos of road conditions (April 28/04)
- (C) From Finewood Flooring & Lumber Ltd. to Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation & Public Works (April 28/03)
- (C) From Russell MacKinnon, MLA Cape Breton West to Councillor Ivan Doncaster, Cape Breton Regional Municipality (April 28/04)
- (D) Highway 101: Digby to Weymouth North Proposed Alignment Corridors (April 29/04)
- (C) Re: Restrictions in School/Public Building CD350 Design Requirements Manual (April 29/04)
- (PR) HRM Breaks Off Talks With Province and Kelly Says Assessment Should Not be Used as Economic Tool (April 29/04)
- (S) Nova Scotia's National Highway System Vision -Project Priority Showing Traffic Volumes and Collision Rates (May 4/04)
- (PR) Highway Workers Thanked Department of Transportation and Public Works (May 5/04)
- (C) From Bill Estabrooks, MLA Timberlea-Prospect to Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works (May 6/04)
- (N/C) Estabrooks Wants Overpass Across Trail (May 6/04)
- (C) From Bill Estabrooks, MLA Timberlea-Prospect to Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works (May 6/04)
- (C) From Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Transportation and Public Works to Hon. Mr. Balser, MLA Digby-Annapolis (May 11/04)
- (C) From Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works to Charlie Parker, MLA Pictou

- West (Oct 6/04)
- (C) From Patti Halliday, Legislative Assistant, Municipal Clerks Office to Robert Bieren, Area Manager, Halifax Suburban, Department of Transportation and Public Works (Oct 12/04)
- (C) From Marilyn Elliott, Claims Officer, Department of Transportation and Public Works to Crystal Brydon (Oct 14/04)

# APPENDIX C NOVA SCOTIA HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY STATUS OF BILLS FINAL REPORT

### PROGRESS OF BILLS

### **Bill 1.** Automobile Insurance Reform Act

## (Hon. Mr. Russell - Minister responsible for the Insurance Act)

First Reading	September 26, 2003
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Second Reading	October 3, 2003
Law Amendments Committee	. October 21, 2003
Committee of the Whole House	. October 23, 2003
Third Reading	. October 27, 2003
Royal Assent	. October 30, 2003
Commencement:	
Section 21	September 26, 2003
Sections 1 to 9, 11 to 13, 15,	17 to 20,
22 to 25 and 33	November 1, 2003
Sections 14, 29 and 30	April 1, 2004
the remainder	Royal Assent
2003 (Second Session) Statutes	Chapter 1

Bill 2. An Act to Amend Chapter 402 of the Revised Statues, 1989, the Retail Business Uniform Closing Day Act and Chapter 246 of the Revised Statues of 1989, the Labour Standards Code

### (Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

First Reading	September 26, 2003
Second Reading	•
Law Amendments Committee	. October 27, 2003
Committee of the Whole House	. October 27, 2003
Third Reading	. October 28, 2003
Royal Assent	. October 30, 2003
Commencement	Royal Assent
2003 (Second Session) Statutes	Chapter 7

Bill 3. An Act to Amend Chapter 203 of the Revised Statues, 1989, the Homes for Special Care Act, to Ensure the Fair Treatment of Residents of a Nursing Home or Home for the Aged or Disabled

### (Mr. Dexter - Cole Harbour)

First Reading ..... September 26, 2003

Bill 4.	An Act to Ensure the Lowest and Fairest Rates for Automobile Insurance through the Establishment of a Public Automobile Insurance Corporation
	(Mr. Dexter - Cole Harbour)
	First Reading September 26, 2003
Bill 5.	An Act to Provide for the Elimination of the Provincial Harmonized Sales Tax on Family Essentials
	(Mr. Dexter - Cole Harbour)
	First Reading September 26, 2003
Bill 6.	An Act to Amend Chapter 377 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Public Service Superannuation Act
	(Hon. Mr. Christie - Minister of Finance)
	First Reading
Bill 7.	An Act to Amend Chapter 246 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Labour Standards Code, and Chapter 494 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Vital Statistics Act
	(Hon. Mr. Morash - Minister of Environment and Labour)
	First Reading October 1, 2003 Second Reading October 9, 2003 Law Amendments Committee October 14, 2003 Committee of the Whole House October 14, 2003 Third Reading October 16, 2003

Bill 11. An Act to Amend Chapter 77 of the Revised Statues, 1989, the Collection Agencies Act and Chapter 91 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Consumer Creditors' Conduct Act

2003 (Second Session) Statutes . . . . . . Chapter 5

(Hon. Mr. Barnet - Minister of Service Nova Scotia
and Municipal Relations)

First Reading	. October 3, 2003
Second Reading	. October 9, 2003
Law Amendments Committee	October 16, 2003
Committee of the Whole House	October 16, 2003
Third Reading	October 20, 2003
Royal Assent	October 30, 2003
Commencement	Proclamation
2003 (Second Session) Statutes	Chapter 3

## Bill 12. An Act to Amend Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1993, the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

(Mr. Samson - Richmond)

First Reading ..... October 6, 2003

### Bill 13. An Act to Establish a Board to Distribute to Charities One Half of the Profits From the Sydney Casino

(Mr. H. David Wilson - Glace Bay)

First Reading ..... October 6, 2003

## Bill 14. An Act to Amend Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1993, the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

(Mr. Samson - Richmond)

First Reading ..... October 6, 2003

## Bill 15. An Act Respecting Court Jurisdictions and the Transfer of Court Proceedings

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

First Reading	. October 7, 2003
Second Reading	. October 9, 2003
Law Amendments Committee	October 14, 2003
Committee of the Whole House	October 14, 2003
Third Reading	October 16, 2003
Royal Assent	October 30, 2003

### PROGRESS OF BILLS

	Commencement			
Bill 16. An Act to Amend Chapter 8 of the Acts of 1990, the Emergency Measures Act				
	(Mr. Epstein - Halifax Chebucto)			
	First Reading October 7, 2003			
Bill 17. An Act to Amend Chapter 511 of the Revised Statues, 1989, the Youth Secretariat Act				
	(Mr. MacKinnon - Cape Breton West)			
	First Reading October 9, 2003 Second Reading October 28, 2003 Law Amendments Committee October 30, 2003 Committee of the Whole House May 7, 2004 Third Reading May 7, 2004 Royal Assent May 20, 2004 Commencement Royal Assent 2004 Statutes Chapter 18			
Bill 18.	An Act to Amend Chapter 6 of the Acts of 2000, the Health Authorities Act			
	(Mr. H. David Wilson - Glace Bay)			
	First Reading October 14, 2003			
Bill 19. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statues, 1989, the Motor Vehicle Act				
	(Mr. MacKinnon)			
	First Reading October 15, 2003			
Bill 20.	An Act to Amend Chapter 10 of the Acts of 1994-95, the Workers Compensation Act, and Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1996, the Occupational Health and Safety Act			
	(Hon. Mr. Morash - Minister of Environment and Labour)			

	First Reading October 16 2003 Second Reading October 24, 2003 Law Amendments Committee Hearings held	
Bill 21. An Act to Amend Chapter 475 of the Revised Statues, 1989, the Trade Union Act, and to Repeal Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1997 (Second Session), the Highway Workers Collective Bargaining Act		
	(Mr. Corbett - Cape Breton Centre)	
	First Reading October 16, 2003	
Bill 22. An Act to Amend Chapter 396 of the Revised Statues, 1989, the Remembrance Day Act		
	(Mr. Samson - Richmond)	
	First Reading October 20, 2003	
Bill 23. An Act to Amend Chapter 24 of the Revised Statues, 1989, the Labour Standards Code, and Chapter 235 of the Revised Statues, 1989, the Interpretation Act		
	(Mr. Samson - Richmond)	
	First Reading October 20, 2003	
Bill 24. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statues, 1989, the Motor Vehicle Act, to Enable the Further Restriction of the Use of Diesel Engine Enhanced Braking Systems		
	(Mr. Steele - Halifax Fairview)	
	First Reading October 21, 2003	
]	An Act to Encourage Public Participation and Dissuade Persons from Bringing or Maintaining Legal Proceedings or Claims for an Improper Purpose and to Preserve Access to the Courts	
	(Mr. Epstein - Halifax Chebucto)	
	First Reading October 23, 2003	

### PROGRESS OF BILLS

### Bill 26. An Act to Provide for the Protection of Health

### (Hon. Mr. MacIsaac - Minister of Health)

First Reading October 23, 2003
Second Reading October 27, 2003
Law Amendments Committee May 13, 2004
Committee of the Whole House May 17, 2004
Third Reading May 20, 2004
Royal Assent May 20, 2004
Commencement Proclamation
2004 Statutes

### Bill 27. An Act to Amend Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, the Municipal Government Act

(Mr. Dexter - Cole Harbour)

First Reading ..... October 23, 2003

## Bill 28. An Act Respecting the Appointment and Duties of a Commissioner on Resources and Environment

(Mr. MacDonell - Hants East)

First Reading ..... October 24, 2003

## Bill 29. An Act to Amend Chapter 179 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Forests Act

(Mr. MacDonell - Hants East)

First Reading ..... October 24, 2003

## Bill 30. An Act to Amend Chapter 246 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Labour Standards Code

(Mr. M. MacDonald - Cape Breton South)

First Reading ..... October 27, 2003

## Bill 31. An Act to Guarantee Equality of Treatment for all Sufferers of Hepatitis ${\bf C}$

(Ms. M. MacDonald - Halifax Needham)		
First Reading October 27, 2003		
Bill 32. An Act to Protect Civil Servants Who Disclose Government Wrong-doing		
(Mr. Corbett - Cape Breton Centre)		
First Reading October 27, 2003		
Bill 33. An Act to Amend Chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes, 1998, the Municipal Government, to Expand Standing Before the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board		
(Ms. Raymond - Halifax Atlantic)		
First Reading October 28, 2003		
Bill 34. An Act to Provide for the Full Disclosure of User Fees		
(Mr. Steele - Halifax Fairview)		
First Reading October 28, 2003		
Bill 35. An Act to Amend Chapter 8 of the Acts of 1990, the Emergency Measures Act		
(Mr. Epstein - Halifax Chebucto)		
First Reading October 29, 2003		
Bill 36. An Act Respecting the Protection of Medicare in Nova Scotia		
(Mr. Dexter - Cole Harbour)		
First Reading October 29, 2003		
Bill 37. An Act to Amend Chapter 3 of the Acts of 1987, the Canada- Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia) Act		
(Hon. Mr. Morash - Minister of Environment and Labour)		

	First Reading	October 29, 2003	
Bill 38. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Motor Vehicle Act			
	(Mr. Pye - Dartmouth North)		
	First Reading	October 29, 2003	
Bill 39. An Act to Provide for Accountability in Health-care Spending			
	(Ms. M. MacDonald - Halifax Needh	am)	
	First Reading	October 29, 2003	
	t to Amend Chapter 23 of the Revised sessment Act	Statutes, 1989,	
	(Hon. Mr. Barnet - Minister of Servi and Municipal Relations)	ice Nova Scotia	
	First Reading Second Reading Law Amendments Committee Committee of the Whole House Third Reading Royal Assent Commencement 2004 Statutes	April 19, 2004 May 18, 2004 May 18, 2004 May 20, 2004 May 20, 2004 Royal Assent	
Bill 41. An Act to Amend Chapter 277 of the Revised Statues, 1989, the Mechanics' Lien Act			
	(Mr. Dexter - Cole Harbour)		
	First Reading	October 30, 2003	
Bill 42. An Act to Amend Chapter 401 of the Revised Statues, 1989, the Residential Tenancies Act, to Provide Fair Remedies for Tenants			

(Ms. M. MacDonald - Halifax Needham)

•	First Reading	October 30, 2003
Bill 43. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1995-96, the Education Act, to Implement the Recommendations of the Special Education Implementation Review Committee		
	(Mr. Estabrooks - Timberlea-Prospe	ct)
	First Reading	October 30, 2003
	to Restore the Legal and Environment of Sydney	ntal Rights of the
1	(Mr. Gosse - Cape Breton Nova)	
	First Reading	October 30, 2003
Bill 45. An Act to Amend Chapter 376 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Public Service Act, to Protect the Taxpayers of Nova Scotia		
	(Hon. Mr. Baker - Chair of Treasury	and Policy
	Board)	and I oney
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Bill 46. An Act	Board)  First Reading  to Amend Chapter 376 of the Revised lic Service Act, to Establish the Office	April 15, 2004 d Statutes, 1989,
Bill 46. An Act the Pub Promoti	Board)  First Reading  to Amend Chapter 376 of the Revised lic Service Act, to Establish the Office	April 15, 2004 d Statutes, 1989, e of Health

Bill 47. An Act to Establish the Council of Atlantic Premiers

### (Hon. Mr. Hamm - The Premier)

First Reading	April 15, 2004
Second Reading	

# Bill 48. An Act to Amend Chapter of the Acts of 1995-96, the Education Act

### (Hon. Mr. Muir - Minister of Education)

First Reading	April 15, 2004
Second Reading	April 26, 2004
Law Amendments Committee	May 13, 2004
Committee of the Whole House	May 14, 2004
Third Reading	May 20, 2004
Royal Assent	May 20, 2004
Commencement	. Proclamation
2004 Statutes	Chapter 12

# Bill 49. An Act to Amend Chapter 17 of the Acts of 1998, the Mi'kmaq Education Act

#### (Hon. Mr. Muir - Minister of Education)

First Reading April 15, 2004
Second Reading April 26, 2004
Law Amendments Committee May 4, 2004
Committee of the Whole House May 10, 2004
Third Reading May 14, 2004
Royal Assent May 20, 2004
Commencement April 1, 2004, upon proclamation
2004 Statutes

#### Bill 50. An Act to Amend Chapter 4 of the Acts of 1994, the Credit Union Act

# (Hon. Mr. Morash - Minister of Environment and Labour)

First Reading	April 15, 2004
Second Reading	April 26, 2004
Law Amendments Committee	May 4, 2004
Committee of the Whole House	. May 10, 2004
Third Reading	. May 14, 2004

	Royal Assent	
Bill 51. An Act	to Establish a Provincial Acadian Day Act	
	(Hon. Mr. d'Entremont - Minister of Acadian Affairs)	
	First Reading April 16, 2004 Second Reading April 26, 2004 Law Amendments Committee May 4, 2004 Committee of the Whole House May 10, 2004 Third Reading May 14, 2004 Royal Assent May 20, 2004 Commencement Proclamation 2004 Statutes Chapter 9	
Bill 52. An Act to Set Criteria for Prioritizing Road Improvement Projects		
	(Mr. Parker - Pictou West)	
	First Reading April 19, 2004 to Amend Chapter 4 of the Acts of 1994-95, the g Control Act	
	(Mr. McNeil - Annapolis)	
	First Reading April 15, 2004	
Bill 54. An Act to Amend Chapter 35 of the Acts of 1881, An Act to Incorporate Saint Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, of Chester, Lunenburg County		
	(Mr. Chataway - Chester-St. Margaret's)	
	First Reading April 20, 2004 Second Reading April 27, 2004 Private and Local Bills Committee May 18, 2004 Committee of the Whole House May 18, 2004 Third Reading May 20, 2004 Royal Assent May 20, 2004 Commencement Royal Assent	

	2004 Statutes	
	to Authorize the Municipality of the District of r to Provide a Retiring Allowance for Barry Lenihan	
	(Mr. Chataway - Chester-St. Margaret's))	
	First Reading April 20, 2004 Second Reading April 27, 2004 Private and Local Bills Committee May 18, 2004 Committee of the Whole House May 18, 2004 Third Reading May 20, 2004 Royal Assent May 20, 2004 Commencement Royal Assent 2004 Statutes Chapter 19	
Bill 56. An Act to Amend Chapter 148 of the Acts of 1930, An Act to Incorporate the Nova Scotia Fish and Game Protective Association and County or District Fish and Game Associations		
	(Mr. Taylor - Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley)	
	First Reading April 20, 2004 Second Reading April 27, 2004 Private and Local Bills Committee May 18, 2004 Committee of the Whole House May 18, 2004 Third Reading May 20, 2004 Royal Assent May 20, 2004 Commencement Royal Assent 2004 Statutes Chapter 22	
Bill 57. An Act to Amend Chapter 62 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Cemetery and Funeral Services Act		
	(Hon. Mr. Barnet - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)	
	First Reading April 20, 2004 Second Reading April 20, 2004 Law Amendments Committee April 21, 2004 Third Reading April 22, 2004 Royal Assent April 23, 2004 Commencement Royal Assent	

	2004 Statutes Chapter 1
	t to Amend Chapter 277 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, echanics' Lien Act
	(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)
	First Reading April 21, 2004 Second Reading April 27, 2004 Law Amendments Committee May 19, 2004 Committee of the Whole House May 20, 2004 Third Reading May 20, 2004 Royal Assent May 20, 2004 Commencement Proclamation 2004 Statutes Chapter 14
	t to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1994-95, the onment Act
	(Mr. Pye - Dartmouth North)
	First Reading April 21, 2004
respect Compa Confer	t to Amend Chapter 87 of the Acts of 1915, An Act ting the Antigonish Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance any, and Chapter 105 of the Acts of 1981, An Act to Additional Powers Upon Antigonish Farmers' I Fire Insurance Company
	(Hon. Mr. MacIsaac - Antigonish)
	First Reading April 21, 2004 Second Reading April 27, 2004 Private and Local Bills Committee May 18, 2004 Committee of the Whole House May 18, 2004 Third Reading May 20, 2004 Royal Assent May 20, 2004 Commencement Royal Assent 2004 Statutes Chapter 20

Bill 61. An Act to Amend Chapter 466 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Theatre and Amusements Act

(Ms. Massey - Dartmouth East)

	First Reading April 26, 2004
	Second Reading May 6, 2004
	Law Amendments Committee May 13, 2004
	Committee of the Whole House May 14, 2004
	Third Reading May 20, 2004
	Royal Assent May 20, 2004
	Commencement November 16, 2004 or
	earlier by proclamation
	2004 Statutes
Bill 62. An Ac	t Respecting Certain Financial Measures
	(Hon. Mr. Christie - Minister of Finance)
	First Reading April 26, 2004
	Second Reading
	Law Amendments Committee May 19, 2004
	Committee of the Whole House May 20, 2004
	Third Reading May 20, 2004
	Royal Assent May 20, 2004
	Commencement:
	Sections 44 and 47 January 1, 2000
	Section 26 January 1, 2004
	Section 45 March 17, 2004
	Sections 2 to 5, 28 to 31,
	46 & 48 April 1, 2004
	Section 43 June 1, 2004
	Sections 20 to 25, 27, 32 to 34, 36 to 39,
	42 & 49 Royal Assen
	Sections 16 to 18 August 1, 2004
	Section 35
	Sections 6 to 15, 19, 40 & 41 Proclamation
	the remainder
	2004 Statutes
the Ex	t to Amend Chapter 155 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, ecutive Council Act, and Chapter 376 of the Revised es, 1989, the Public Service Act
	(Mr. M. MacDonald - Cape Breton South)
	First Reading April 27, 2004

## Bill 64. An Act to Establish a Transportation Authority for the

### **Capital Region**

(Hon. Mr. Russell - Minister	of Transp	ortation and
Public Works)		

First Reading ..... April 27, 2004

# Bill 65. An Act to Provide Accountability for the Expenditure of Taxes on Gasoline and Diesel Oil

(Mr. MacKinnon - Cape Breton West)

First Reading ..... April 27, 2004

# Bill 66. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Motor Vehicle Act

(Mr. David A. Wilson - Sackville-Cobequid)

First Reading ...... April 28, 2004

# Bill 67. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 (1992 Supplement) of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the House of Assembly Act

#### (Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

First Reading	May 3, 2004
Second Reading	May 10, 2004
Law Amendments Committee	May 12, 2004
Committee of the Whole House	May 13, 2004
Third Reading	May 14, 2004
Royal Assent	May 20, 2004
Commencement Dissolution of House	e of Assembly
2004 Statutes	. Chapter 13

### Bill 68. An Act to Implement the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment in Matters Specific to Aircraft Equipment

#### (Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

First Reading	May 3, 2004
Second Reading	May 7, 2004
Law Amendments Committee	May 12, 2004

	Committee of the Whole House May 13, 2004 Third Reading May 14, 2004 Royal Assent May 20, 2004	
	Commencement	
	to Amend Chapter 73 of the Acts of 1972, An Act to orate the Halifax-Dartmouth United Appeal	
	(Mr. Taylor - Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley)	
	First Reading May 3, 2004 Second Reading May 7, 2004	
	Private and Local Bills Committee May 18, 2004	
	Committee of the Whole House May 18, 2004	
	Third Reading May 20, 2004	
	Royal Assent May 20, 2004	
	Commencement Royal Assent	
	2004 Statutes	
Bill 70. An Act to Amend Chapter 277 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Mechanics' Lien Act		
	(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)	
	First Reading April 21, 2004	
	Second Reading April 27, 2004	
	Law Amendments Committee May 19, 2004	
	Committee of the Whole House May 20, 2004	
	Third Reading May 20, 2004	
	Royal Assent May 20, 2004	
	Commencement Proclamation	
	2004 Statutes	
	to Amend Chapter 99 of the Acts of 1951, An Act to orate the Nova Scotia Drama League	
	(Mr. Chataway - Chester-St. Margaret's)	
	First Reading May 6, 2004	
	Second Reading May 7, 2004	
	Private and Local Bills Committee October 14, 2004	
	Committee of the Whole House October 14, 2004	

Third Reading ..... October 14, 2004

	Royal Assent October 18, 2004  Commencement Proclamation  2004 Statutes Chapter 54
	to Amend Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1993, the Freedom rmation and Protection of Privacy Act
	(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)
	First Reading        May 7, 2004         Second Reading        May 10, 2004
Bill 73. An Act	Respecting the Administration of Justice
	(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)
	First Reading
	(Hon. Mr. Barnet - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)
	First Reading May 7, 2004 Second Reading May 10, 2004 Law Amendments Committee May 19, 2004 Committee of the Whole House May 20, 2004 Third Reading May 20, 2004 Royal Assent May 20, 2004 Commencement April 1, 2004, upon proclamation 2004 Statutes Chapter 8

Bill 75. An Act Respecting the Representation of Students in the	
Governance of Universities	

(Mr. Glavine - Kings West)

First Reading ...... May 10, 2004

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