

The House met at 2:00 p.m.

Prayers.

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 566 - Mr. Holm, Sackville-Cobequid - urging the Liberal Party to surrender its trust funds.

Res. No. 567 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Mike Weir on his Masters success.

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

Res. No. 568 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to Hon. The Speaker on becoming a grandfather.

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

Res. No. 569 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - asking the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries to revisit his decision re the new safety net program for farmers.

Res. No. 570 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - encouraging government to further develop highway safety programs.

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

Res. No. 571 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to organizers of the Earltown Maple Syrup Festival.

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

Res. No. 572 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - the Minister of Environment and Labour must investigate delays at the appeal level in the Workers' Compensation system.

Res. No. 573 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - the Premier should apologize for not being upfront in 1999.

Res. No. 574 - Mr. DeWolfé, Pictou East - congratulations to Mike Stephen on his flytrap product.

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

Res. No. 575 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - supporting the Dartmouth North Community Newspaper Society.

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

Res. No. 576 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - urging Tories to stick to current events instead of the past.

Res. No. 577 - Ms. McGrath, Halifax Bedford Basin - congratulations to all winners of the Mainland North Anti-Smoking Poster contest.

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

Res. No. 578 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - the Premier must end the long-term care financial assessment of seniors.

Res. No. 579 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Justice - extending birthday greetings to Robert L. Stanfield.

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

Res. No. 580 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - requesting the Minister of Labour and Environment to order an environmental

assessment re Digby Neck quarry project.

Res. No. 581 - Mr. Wilson, Glace Bay - best wishes to Norman Ross in the Canadian Senior Tennis Championships.

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

Res. No. 582 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to Alex Morrison for his years of hard work.

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

Res. No. 583 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - thanking Sheila Copps for admitting the federal government has failed post-secondary students 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. 584 - Mr. Smith, Dartmouth East - the Minister of Health must stop spinning falsehoods about the number of nurses.

Res. No. 585 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - applauding the achievements of Al Jordan.

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

Res. No. 586 - Mr. Robert Chisholm, Halifax Atlantic - commending Spryfield Legion for renaming the branch the "Earl Francis Spryfield Memorial Branch 152".

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

Res. No. 587 - Mr. Wilson, Glace Bay - the government is more interested in managing its pre-election messages than honouring the promises it makes.

Res. No. 588 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to the military serving abroad and calling for a Sea King replacement.

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

Res. No. 589 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Bill Buckland on his tennis accomplishments.

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

Res. No. 590 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to John Muir on his athletic and academic achievements.

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

Res. No. 591 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to those supporting the Heart and Stroke Foundation in Cumberland, Colchester and Hants Counties.

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

Res. No. 592 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - the Minister of Community Services should take a leadership role re the existing Regional Residential Service Workers strike.

Res. No. 593 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Education - congratulations to the Antigonish Bulldogs Triple AAA hockey team.

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

Res. No. 594 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - congratulations to the Cercle Evangeline Club for hosting events

during Congres Mondial Acadien in 2004.

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

Res. No. 595 - Mr. Smith, Dartmouth East - a reduction in the Pictou County DHA budget is proof that the health budget is based on a set of faulty assumptions.

Res. No. 596 - Hon. Mr. LeBlanc, Minister of Finance (on behalf of Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture) - congratulations to the Colleen Jones 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. 597 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - recognizing Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month.

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 Justice - congratulations to Chief Lawrence Paul on being named Business Man 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. 599 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - best wishes to Nova Scotia's under 15 all-star 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. 600 - Mr. Ron Chisholm, Guysborough-Port Hawkesbury - recognizing the late Eric "Tiger" Mackie.

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

Res. No. 601 - Mr. Robert Chisholm, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to Membertou on its donation to the Cape Breton Regional Hospital Foundation.

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

Res. No. 602 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - recognizing those supporting Sanja Pecelj.

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

Res. No. 603 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to Mike Weir on winning the Masters at Augusta National Golf Course.

Res. No. 604 - Hon. The Speaker - commending Karen Dickinson on being awarded a Golden Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 605 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Legion Dart Team.

Res. No. 606 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Elmer Ling on being named Volunteer of the Year.

Res. No. 607 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to The Lightkeeper's Kitchen and Guest House on receipt of a tourism award.

Res. No. 608 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Mabel Lowther on a volunteer award.

Res. No. 609 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Allison Dowe on his volunteer service.

Res. No. 610 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Faith Anderson on being named Youth Volunteer of the Year.

**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. Deveaux, Wilson and Chataway. 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 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. Russell, Minister of Environment and Labour, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### **No. 1. Firefighters' Compensation Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Corbett, MacKinnon, Deveaux and Mr. MacEwan, who adjourned the debate.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon.