

The House met at 2:00 p.m.

Prayers.

#### **STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Environment and Labour, rose to announce to the House that today is Earth Day and speaks of Nova Scotian's recycling strategy and other environmental issues.

Comments were made by Messrs. Epstein and MacKinnon.

#### **TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS**

Pursuant to the order, Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou West, tabled the following report:

Annual Report of the Standing Committee on Resources for 2001-2002.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 750 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - acknowledging the assistance of Ronald McDonald Children's Charities.

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. 38. 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)**

**No. 39. An Act to Amend Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1993,  
The  
Privacy Freedom of Information and Protection of  
Act**

**(Mr. Samson - Richmond)**

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 751 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - re the strength and character of Dr. John Savage.

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

Res. No. 752 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - the Premier will say anything to remain in power.

Res. No. 753 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to Gold River-Western Shore Elementary School on being honoured by the Resource Recovery Fund Board.

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

Res. No. 754 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - commending Nova Scotian's who competed in the Boston Marathon.

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

Res. No. 755 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader in the House of the Liberal

Party - congratulations to Alex Morrison on receipt of a U.N. Peace Medal.

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

Res. No. 756 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Ed Smith on his book "From the Ashes of My Dreams".

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

Res. No. 757 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - urging the government to develop plans to ensure the future of parks and protected areas.

Res. No. 758 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to Paul Kells on receipt of a Civilian Meritorious Service Decoration.

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

Res. No. 759 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou West - congratulations to the Campbell's Pharmacy Hockey 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. 760 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Don MacCarthy, Eileen O'Hanley and Margaret Bolger on their life memberships to the Timberlea Senior's Club.

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

Res. No. 761 - Mr. Smith, Dartmouth East - recognizing National Tissue and Organ Donor Week.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 762 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to the Middleton Regional High School Senior girls 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. 763 - Mr. Robert Chisholm, Halifax Atlantic - urging Nova Scotians to use the ACTRA site in support of Canadian produced television.

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

Res. No. 764 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - the government is driven by political motivation.

Res. No. 765 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to those responsible for the Dean 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. 766 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Shanta Dhir 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. 767 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to all members of Team Nova Scotia on their achievements at the 2003 Canada Winter Games.

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

Res. No. 768 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - paying

tribute to the volunteers working on a fundraiser for the Chester Fire Department.

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

Res. No. 769 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Energy - congratulations to the Amherst Ramblers 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. 770 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Environmental Services Laboratory Inc. 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. 771 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to Bluenose Atlantic Coastal Action Program on its Clean Boating Program.

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

Res. No. 772 - Mr. Barnet, Sackville-Beaver Bank - congratulations to Mike Hughes on receipt of a franchise award.

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

Res. No. 773 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Captain Gordon Gillis on receipt of a peacekeeping medal.

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

Res. No. 774 - Ms. McGrath, Halifax Bedford Basin -

congratulations to those involved with the Multicultural Association of Nova Scotia Public Speaking Contest.

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

Res. No. 775 - Mr. Barnet, Sackville-Beaver Bank - congratulations to Adam Wojkic and the Charlottetown Abbies on advancing to the Fred Page Cup.

Res. No. 776 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognizing the efforts of Llana, Tineke and Jacobi Vanderweit in the sport of badminton.

Res. No. 777 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Education - congratulations to the Municipality of East Hants on being named the Model Volunteer Community.

Res. No. 778 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Education - congratulations to Les MacIntyre on receipt of a volunteer award.

Res. No. 779 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Education - congratulations to Joe Delorey on receipt of a volunteer Award.

Res. No. 780 - Mr. Morash, Queens - congratulations to Ken Wilkinson on receipt of a volunteer award.

Res. No. 781 - Mr. Morash, Queens - congratulations to Judy Merry on receipt of a volunteer award.

Res. No. 782 - Mr. Morash, Queens - congratulations to Christine Mulock on receipt of a volunteer award.

Res. No. 783 - Mr. Morash, Queens - congratulations to Donald Gow on receipt of a volunteer award.

**SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY**

On motion that the House resolve itself of a Committee of the Whole on Supply, a debate ensued during which the following took

part: Hon. Mr. Clarke, Messrs. Steele, MacKinnon and Mr. 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 adjourned debate on the following Resolution  
was then resumed:

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.

#### **PUBLIC BILLS**

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

##### **No. 36. Financial Measures (2003) Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: 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 Wednesday, April  
23<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 p.m.