The House met at 2:00 p.m.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Gaudet, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party, tabled a petition concerning Enviro Depots.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West, tabled a petition concerning Enviro Depots.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1298 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to Dr. John Savage 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. 1299 - Hon. Mr. Olive, Minister of Natural Resources - recognition of National Mining 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. Ms. Purves, Minister of Health - thanking nurses for their service.

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

No. 1301 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Education - recognition of Jim Kavanaugh on being named Canada's top principal.

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. 1302 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to the late David Mason on receipt of the Richard Doubleday Award.

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

Res. No. 1303 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party (on behalf of Mr. Smith, Dartmouth East) - recognition of nurses.

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

Res. No. 1304 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Cameron Williams on science awards.

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

Res. No. 1305 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - recognizing Nova Scotia teachers.

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

Res. No. 1306 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - urging the government to release all polling since 1999.

Res. No. 1307 - Ms. McGrath, Halifax Bedford Basin - thanking the organizers and supporters of this years "Chair-a-Tea".

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

Res. No. 1308 - 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. 1309 - Mr. MacAskill, Victoria - urging the government to adequately fund flood relief.

Res. No. 1310 - Mr. Carey, Kings West - congratulations to the Berwick Midget B hockey 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. 1311 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Janet Bradley on 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. 1312 - Mr. Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to Jim Kavanaugh on being named the top principal in Canada.

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

Res. No. 1313 - Ms. McGrath, Halifax Bedford Basin congratulations to Tanya Shaw Weeks on receipt of a Top 40 Under 40 Award.

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

Res. No. 1314 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - the Minister of Environment and Labour must design an auto insurance system that has low rates.

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Res. No. 1315 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Kayla Tidd and others for their success in the Annual Heritage Fair.

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

Res. No. 1316 - Hon. Mr. Olive, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Frontline Safety Ltd. 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. 1317 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage congratulations to Eastern Passage Education Centre team on success in the Call to Remembrance competition.

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

Res. No. 1318 - Mr. MacAskill, Victoria - congratulations to Kenneth MacAualy on his scholarship success.

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

Res. No. 1319 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps Number 39 Neptune Lunenburg for its many years of service.

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

Res. No. 1320 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - congratulations to Cornwallis Street United Baptist Church on its 171st anniversary.

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

Res. No. 1321 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - the Premier must take a leadership role in the offshore gas issues.

Res. No. 1322 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Mary Jayasinge on 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. 1323 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage (on behalf of Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre) - the government should implement the Dorsey Report.

Res. No. 1324 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to Erin Everett on being chosen to attend the NASA Astrobiology Academy.

Res. No. 1325 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to the Bridgetown Junior Badminton team on its success.

Res. No. 1326 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - commending Sherwood (Sonny) Barr for his service.

Res. No. 1327 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to Athletics East Track Club on its success.

Res. No. 1328 - Mr. Holm, Sackville-Cobequid - the Premier should put on hold a sequel to his Blue Book.

Res. No. 1329 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect thanking the Nova Scotia Teachers Union for hosting the panel discussion "What Makes an Effective School".

Res. No. 1330 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to Tara French on her Winter Games success.

Res. No. 1331 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to Nicole Goguen on her Winter Games success.

Res. No. 1332 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North -

congratulations to Daniel Hollett on his Winter Games success.

Res. No. 1333 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to Trevor Conroy on his Winter Games success.

Res. No. 1334 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to Chester Weatherby on his Winter Games success.

Res. No. 1335 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Rev. Edgar Patriquin on 50 years of service.

Res. No. 1336 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to David Hoffman on being named to the Board of N.S.C.C.

Res. No. 1337 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Muriel Legere on being named Volunteer of the Year.

Res. No. 1338 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Leicester Fire Department Auxiliary.

Res. No. 1339 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Springhill dart team on its success.

Res. No. 1340 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Network of the Springhill Miners Museum and the Springhill Community Network for their contributions.

Res. No. 1341 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Rebecca Nelson on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 1342 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Erica Steeves on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 1343 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Taylor family on being honoured for their volunteer work.

Res. No. 1344 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Jacqueline Wood on receipt of the Best First Year Cadet award.

CWH ON BILLS:

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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, made some progress and begged leave to sit again.

No. 36. Financial Measures (2003) Act. 7 hrs. 27 mins.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, May $13^{\rm th}$ at 12:00 noon.