

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 funding for an Enviro Depot.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacDonnell, Hants East, tabled a petition concerning pesticide spraying in residential areas.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

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. 29. Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities Act

No. 34. Riverport District Fire Protection Act

No. 35. An Act to Incorporate the Truro Golf Club

**No. 37. Hantsport Memorial Community Centre
Financial Assistance (2003) Act**

No. 40. Sisters of Saint Martha Act

No. 44. Presbyterian Church Cemetery Company Act

**No. 47. Associated Alumni of Acadia College
Incorporation Act**

No. 48. Lunenburg Common Lands Act

No. 51. Crosbie Memorial Trust Fund Act

The foregoing bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

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 with certain amendments:

No. 45. Insurance Act

No. 50. Interior Designers Act

And also the following bills, without amendments:

No. 1. Firefighters' Compensation Act

No. 28. Apprenticeship and Trades Qualifications Act

No. 43. Members' Retiring Allowances 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. 1381 - Hon. The Premier - designating August 9th as Peacekeeping Day.

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

Res. No. 1382 - Hon. Mr. Balsler, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - recognizing recipients of awards from The Taste of Nova Scotia Society.

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

Res. No. 1383 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Economic

Development - applauding those who kept the Yarmouth Airport active.

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

Res. No. 1384 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Education - congratulations to those involved in the Provincial Black Basketball Association event.

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

Res. No. 1385 - Hon. Mr. Olive, Minister of Natural Resources - recognizing safe boating and fishing practices.

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. 1386 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - the Minister of Environment and Labour must admit that driver owned insurance provides the lowest rates.

Res. No. 1387 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - wishing Glen Craig all the best in his new job.

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

Res. No. 1388 - Mr. Hendsbee, Preston - congratulations to the Halifax Mooseheads on their season.

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

Res. No. 1389 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Shirley Backman for 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. 1390 - Mr. MacAskill, Victoria - congratulations to Russell MacLellan on his honorary degree.

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

Res. No. 1391 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to owners of Eagle Crest Golf Course 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. 1392 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - government must lighten the regulatory burden on non-profit groups.

Res. No. 1393 - Mr. MacEwan, Cape Breton Nova - commending the NDP for raising the matter of the Dorsey Report.

Res. No. 1394 - Mr. Carey, Kings West - congratulations to Charles MacDougall on achieving his GED.

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

Res. No. 1395 - Mr. Robert Chisholm, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to Metropolitan Immigrant Settlement Association for its programs and services.

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

Res. No. 1396 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to Francis Forgeron 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. 1397 - Mrs. Baillie, Pictou West - congratulations to Terry Hilchey on receipt of an Education Week award.

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

Res. No. 1398 - Mr. DeWolfé, Pictou East - congratulations to the East Pictou High Girls Rugby 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. 1399 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to the Dundee Golf Course 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. 1400 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to Gary Schellenberger on his electoral win in Ontario.

Res. No. 1401 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Lucas Porter on his music success.

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

Res. No. 1402 - Mr. Hendsbee, Preston (on behalf of Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley) - congratulations to those involved with the musical "The Music Man" put on in Musquodoboit.

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

Res. No. 1403 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Economic

Development - commending the efforts of the celebration of the Arts Society.

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

Res. No. 1404 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Education - congratulations to Gabrieau's Bistro on receipt of a Taste of Nova Scotia restaurant award.

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. Baker, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to those involved with the Well Teen Clinic at New Germany.

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

Res. No. 1406 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to George Davis 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. 1407 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognizing the significance of the pattern vase donated to Windsor by Nova Scotia Crystal.

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

Res. No. 1408 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - thanking those involved with the Hubbards Shore Club dance hall.

Res. No. 1409 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to the staff of Through the Years Daycare on their

success.

Res. No. 1410 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Economic Development - applauding the VON for their service.

Res. No. 1411 - Mr. Hurlburt, Yarmouth - saluting our delegation to the Battle of the Atlantic Commemorations in England.

Res. No. 1412 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to the Annapolis Valley Honour Choir on their performances.

Res. No. 1413 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - expressing our admiration for Megan Sweet.

Res. No. 1414 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to Mike Stephen on his invention.

Res. No. 1415 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to winners of awards from the Hillside Girls Club.

Res. No. 1416 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to the ARRA Girls Curling team on its success.

Res. No. 1417 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to Annapolis County participants in the Canadian High School Cross-Country Championships.

Res. No. 1418 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - applauding Charles Whitman for his firefighter service.

Res. No. 1419 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - commending Chief Ross Campbell for his service.

Res. No. 1420 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to Ashlee Muise for her essay on recycling.

Res. No. 1421 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to Greg and Val Pyle on admittance of the Queen Anne Inn to the Nova Scotia Association of Unique Country Inns.

Res. No. 1422 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to Annapolis County employees on long service awards.

Res. No. 1423 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to Justin Spurr and Greg French on success at the Skill Canada Nova Scotia Skills competition.

Res. No. 1424 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to Phillip Gartner on his marksmanship success.

Res. No. 1425 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to Bill Gerrior on the publishing of his first book.

Res. No. 1426 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to David Hankinson on his new post of Chair of the Lawrencetown Area Community Partners Association.

Res. No. 1427 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - thanking Howard Selig for his product Flaxflour.

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacDonell, Hants East, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 30. Forests Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Olive, Messrs. MacAskill, and Epstein. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre, moved the following Resolution:

Res. No. 1323 - Dorsey Rept.: PC Gov't. - Implement

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Russell, Messrs. MacEwan and Deveaux. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

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Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, May 15th
at 12:00 noon.