The House met at 2:00 p.m.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Hendsbee, Preston, tabled a petition respecting recycling fees for enviro depots.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's, tabled a petition concerning possible pollution at Chester.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North, tabled a petition calling for an end to the strike by RRSS workers.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Smith, Dartmouth East, tabled a petition calling for an end to the RRSS workers.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Gaudet, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party, tabled a petition calling for an end to the strike by RRSS workers.

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Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacEwan, Cape Breton Nova, tabled a petition concerning drainage at Mineville.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Barnet, Sackville-Beaver Bank, tabled a petition calling for an end to the strike by RRSS workers.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Wilson, Glace Bay, tabled a petition calling for an end to the strike by RRSS workers.

Pursuant to the order, Ms. McGrath, Halifax Bedford Basin, tabled a petition calling for an end to the strike by RRSS workers.

## 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. 17. Justice Administration Amendment (2003) Act

#### No. 32. Farm Machinery Dealers & Vendors 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. 1510 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Education - congratulations to recipients of Research Council of Canada scholarships.

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

Res. No. 1511 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - thanking Allan Beaton for his work to preserve the Gaelic language and culture.

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

Res. No. 1512 - Hon. Ms. Purves, Minister of Health - acknowledging this week as Emergency Medical Services Week.

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

Res. No. 1513 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Education - congratulations to students involved with the Canada-Wide Science Fair.

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

Res. No. 1514 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognition of having two of our scenic drives as the best in Canada.

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

Res. No. 1515 - Hon. Ms. Purves, Minister of Health - congratulations to the Pictou County Health Authority on its clubhouse program initiative.

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. 56. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1994-95, The Environment Act

(Mr. Boudreau - Cape Breton-The Lakes)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1516 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - urging the Premier not to make water as expensive and unreliable as auto insurance.

Res. No. 1517 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - best wishes to Cape Breton Post Bombers on their 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. 1518 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to participants and organizers of the Apple Blossom Festival.

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

Res. No. 1519 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Brian O'Leary 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. 1520 - Mr. MacEwan, Cape Breton Nova - re sale of Sysco assets.

Res. No. 1521 - Ms. McGrath, Halifax Bedford Basin - congratulations to Mickey MacDonald and staff at DownEast Communications for their International Wireless Communications Expo success.

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

Res. No. 1522 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Astral Drive Elementary School on the production of "Enchanted Twist".

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

Res. No. 1523 - Mr. Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to Susan Ann Barthos 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. 1524 - Mr. Hendsbee, Preston - remembering

members of the Halifax Rifles for serving and protecting Canada.

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

Res. No. 1525 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Janice Cameron 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. 1526 - Mr. MacEwan, Cape Breton Nova - the Sysco assets sale reveals the true quality of this government.

Res. No. 1527 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to Westville Crime Prevention on the success of their yard sale.

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

Res. No. 1528 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to those receiving DARE 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. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to Sandra Penney 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. 1530 - Mr. Carey, Kings West - congratulations to David Rhodenizer for his excellent driving record.

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

Res. No. 1531 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Flora MacDonald on receipt of a

doctorate from 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. 1532 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Stuart Rath 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. 1533 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to Dr. David L. Abriel on his  $50^{th}$  birthday.

Res. No. 1534 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Jim Kavanaugh on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 1535 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Doris McCallum on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 1536 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Irwin D. Simon on receipt of an honourary doctorate.

Res. No. 1537 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Jack Yazer on receipt of an honourary doctorate.

Res. No. 1538 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Rev. Paul Abbass on receipt of an honourary doctorate.

Res. No. 1539 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Economic Development - applauding the work of the Labatt People in Action program.

- Res. No. 1540 Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Agriculture and Marketing congratulations to Matt Gallagher on his internship.
- Res. No. 1541 Mr. Carey, Kings West congratulations to Margaret Rafuse on her work ethic.
- Res. No. 1542 Mr. Carey, Kings West congratulations to Bill and Phil Easson for their community support.
- Res. No. 1543 Mr. Carey, Kings West congratulations to Cameron Williams on his Science Fair success.
- Res. No. 1544 Mr. Carey, Kings West congratulations to the West Kings High School Hockey Team on its success.
- Res. No. 1545 Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley applauding the hard work of the farmers of the Clifton Agricultural District.
- Res. No. 1546 Mr. Chipman, Annapolis commending the Central Valley Chamber of Commerce for the work it does.
- Res. No. 1547 Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Justice congratulations to Rick Kaupp on receipt of a Merit Award (Posthumous).
- Res. No. 1548 Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Justice congratulations to Ron Conrad for being added to the Truro Sport Heritage Society's Honour Roll.
- Res. No. 1549 Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Justice congratulations to Donnie Dennis on being named to the Truro Sport Heritage Society's Honour Roll.
- Res. No. 1550 Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Transportation and Public Works congratulations to Chris Meisner on his athletic accomplishments.
- Res. No. 1551 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Jeremy Black on athletic achievements.

Res. No. 1552 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Megan Rector on athletic achievements.

Res. No. 1553 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Nick Purdy on athletic achievements.

Res. No. 1554 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Brian Purcell on athletic achievements.

Res. No. 1555 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Michelle Myers on athletic achievements.

Res. No. 1556 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to JR Murray on athletic achievements.

Res. No. 1557 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Samantha Moore on athletic achievements.

Res. No. 1558 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Bobby MacLean on athletic achievements.

Res. No. 1559 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Virginia King on athletic achievements.

Res. No. 1560 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to James Hoffman on athletic achievements.

Res. No. 1561 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Andrea Carter on athletic achievements.

Res. No. 1562 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Bruce Blades on athletic achievements.

Res. No. 1563 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Katelyn Ripley on athletic achievements.

## **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Samson, Richmond, moved the following Resolution:

Res. No. 796 - Gov't. (N.S.) Insurance: Issue Awareness - Time Frame

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Morse, Messrs. Steele, Corbett and Mr. Gaudet, who moved the previous question. Debate on the previous question continued with Mr. Carey, who adjourned the debate.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Wilson, Glace Bay, moved second reading of the following bill:

# No. 39. Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. LeBlanc, Messrs. Deveaux, Samson and Hon. Mr. Balser, 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, May  $22^{\rm nd}$  at 12:00 noon.