

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

**PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay, on behalf of 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. 82. Halifax Regional Water Commission Act**

The foregoing bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Hon. Mr. Baker, 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. 92. Motor Vehicle Act**

**No. 93. Gas Distribution System Municipal Taxation Act**

**No. 98. Municipal Government Act**

**No. 103. Regulations Act**

And also the following bill, with amendments:

**No. 90. Highway 104 Western Alignment Act**

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

**TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS**

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, tabled the Public Trustee, Annual Report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004.

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 2480 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - best wishes to MPs working with minority government.

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

Res. No. 2481 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognizing those involved in attempting to eradicate breast cancer.

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

Res. No. 2482 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognition of need for fire safety.

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

Res. No. 2483 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Mount Saint Vincent University and the Advisory Council on the Status of Women for providing a campaign school for women.

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

Res. No. 2484 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Elmsdale Lumber and Minas Basin Pulp & Power Co. Ltd. on receipt of awards regarding literacy.

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

Res. No. 2485 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to the Wentworth Valley Development Authority receipt of a nomination for an award.

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

Res. No. 2486 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - recognizing volunteers who put together the Provincial 4-H Show.

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

Res. No. 2487 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to the police chiefs and police board members as they meet to discuss policing issues.

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

Res. No. 2488 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Dwight Ross Elementary and Tatamagouche Elementary on receipt of recognition as top schools.

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

Res. No. 2489 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to Dr. Alex Gillis on receipt of an Alumnus Award.

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

Res. No. 2490 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources) - congratulations to David Spencer 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.

## **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. 121. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Motor Vehicle Act**

**(Ms. Whalen - Halifax Clayton Park)**

**No. 122. An Act to Amend Chapter 8 of the Acts of 1998, the  
Municipal Government Act****(Ms. Raymond - Halifax Atlantic)****NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 2491 - Mr. Deveau, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Mike Eddy on being elected President of the Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs.

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

Res. No. 2492 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Annette Verschuren on being installed as Chancellor of the 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. 2493 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to those making the Big Bike for Stroke event a success.

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

Res. No. 2494 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - saying thank you to the Expos.

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

Res. No. 2495 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to Christopher MacNeil on his dedication.

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

Res. No. 2496 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - commending those working on the new inpatient palliative care unit at the Aberdeen

Hospital.

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

Res. No. 2497 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - congratulations to the North End Walkers.

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

Res. No. 2498 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - supporting an all party committee to examine gambling.

Res. No. 2499 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to the community of Canaan for working together for their community.

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

Res. No. 2500 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - showing support of P.S.A.C.

Res. No. 2501 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Laura Harris on her golfing success.

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

Res. No. 2502 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour (on behalf of Mr. Langille, Colchester North) - recognition of Peacekeeper's Day.

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

Res. No. 2503 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - calling for a community centre in Dartmouth East.

Res. No. 2504 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to Sustainable Community Development 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. 2505 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to organizers of the Musquodoboit Valley Blue Grass Festival.

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

Res. No. 2506 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - calling for road and bridge repairs in Halifax Atlantic.

Res. No. 2507 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis (on behalf of Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel) - congratulations to the organizers of the CIBC Run for the Cure.

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

Res. No. 2508 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - recognition of Waverley Gold Rush Days.

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

Res. No. 2509 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Tom and Lori Miller for their woodlot management.

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

Res. No. 2510 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - acknowledging the contributions of women to the history of Canada.

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

Res. No. 2511 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to the Big Bike for Stroke fundraiser in Queens County.

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

Res. No. 2512 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to those in Dartmouth celebrating Joseph Howe.

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

Res. No. 2513 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to Dr. Rose MacKay 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. 2514 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - acknowledging the Montreal Expos.

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

Res. No. 2515 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - remembering the late Chester Sanford.

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

Res. No. 2516 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - calling for a speed zone at the Mennonite school on the Black Rock Road.

Res. No. 2517 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to the K-9 unit of the Cape Breton Regional Police.

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

Res. No. 2518 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Andea Brown and Chelsea Owen on success in a poster contest.

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

Res. No. 2519 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Reg Knight for his service.

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

Res. No. 2520 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Dr. Ron MacCormick 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. 2521 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - recognition of the Dartmouth Family Centre on its new location.

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

Res. No. 2522 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - offering assistance with a \$1200.00 deductible is unrealistic for many families.

Res. No. 2523 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognition of the efforts of Travis Humphrey.

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

Res. No. 2524 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - applauding the efforts of N.S. Power crews following Hurricane Juan.

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

Res. No. 2525 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to all those in the Strait area developing the first locally owned natural gas utility.

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

Res. No. 2526 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - applauding Curves in Liverpool for dedication to raising money for the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Res. No. 2527 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - applauding the Region of Queens for dedication to raising money for the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

## **PUBLIC BILLS**



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

**No. 117. Emergency Health Services Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. M. MacDonald, Mr. H. David Wilson, Mr. David A. Wilson, Messrs. Sampson, Parker, MacKinnon, Pye, Steele and Hon. Mr. MacIsaac in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

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

**No. 115. Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Estabrooks, Glavine, MacKinnon and Hon. Mr. Muir in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

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

**No. 109. Mental Health Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. M. MacDonald and Mr. H. David Wilson. The Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, moved adjournment of debate on the bill.

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

**No. 97. University College of Cape Breton Act**

The debate resumed with Messrs. H. David Wilson, Gosse, MacKinnon, Sampson, Glavine, Hon. Mr. Clarke, Messrs. M. MacDonald, Corbett and Hon. Mr. Muir in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of

Agriculture and Fisheries, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 111. French Language Services Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Deveaux, Gaudet and Hon. Mr. d'Entremont in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 119. Agriculture Administration Amendment (2004) Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. MacDonell, Mr. McNeil and Hon. Mr. d'Entremont in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 A.M.