

The House met at 11:00 A.M.

Prayers.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. The Premier, rose to announce the passing of Cyril Reddy, who died October 5, 2004.

Comments were made by Mr. Corbett and Mr. Gaudet. The House observed one minute of silence.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 2528 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of Mental Illness Awareness Week.

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

Res. No. 2529 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - recognition of the 2004 Canadian Offshore Resources Exhibit and Conference.

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

Res. No. 2530 - Hon. Mr. Morash - congratulations to the N.S. Sustainable Communities Initiative.

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

Res. No. 2531 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health (on behalf of Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture) - applauding organizations hosting the Insight International Problem Gambling Conference.

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

Res. No. 2532 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education) - recognition of World Teachers Day and Nova Scotia teachers.

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. 123. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Motor Vehicle Act

(Mr. McNeil - Annapolis)

No. 124. An Act to Amend Chapter 197 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Health Services and Insurance Act

(Ms. M. MacDonald - Halifax Needham)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 2533 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - thanks to all involved in the 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. 2534 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to the CIBC Run for the Cure in Cape Breton.

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

Res. No. 2535 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to the Kids First Family Resource Centre on its 10th anniversary.

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

Res. No. 2536 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - recognition of the Maritime Fiddle Festival and Kellie Tanner.

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

Res. No. 2537 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognition of Jack Graham's contribution to tennis.

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

Res. No. 2538 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - thanking Larry and Yvonne Knowles for their kindness and generosity.

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

Res. No. 2539 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - recognition of the potential for biotechnology in N.S.

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

Res. No. 2540 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Annette Tidd and Deborah Foster on their lawn bowling success.

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

Res. No. 2541 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to the sponsors of the 2004 East Coast Truckers Reunion.

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

Res. No. 2542 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - calling for amendments to the Residential Tenancies Act to require annual inspections.

Res. No. 2543 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South -

congratulations to Sheldon McCormick and Ryan MacLeod on debating success.

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

Res. No. 2544 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to Pictou County Minor Hockey Association 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. 2545 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Barnes Variety store 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. 2546 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - recognition of teachers in N.S.

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

Res. No. 2547 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - congratulations to the Sydney Mines Ramblers on its baseball success.

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

Res. No. 2548 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to Michael Bawtree and the Dartmouth Historical Association on the first Joseph Howe Fellowship Award presentation.

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

Res. No. 2549 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - recognizing compulsory daily exercise for elementary students.

Res. No. 2550 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - recognition of Roy Maltby 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. 2551 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - recognition of the 35th reunion of the Cape Breton Highlanders.

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

Res. No. 2552 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognition of the work of the N.S. Nature Trust.

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

Res. No. 2553 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Alex Quinn on winning a Mary Kay Cadillac.

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

Res. No. 2554 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - recognition of community newspapers in N.S.

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

Res. No. 2555 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - acknowledging the importance of Mental Illness Awareness week.

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

Res. No. 2556 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognition of Lynda Noble and those involved with the Pinedale Park Skateboard Park.

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

Res. No. 2557 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognition of John Hatsis for his dedication.

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

Res. No. 2558 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to the Metropolitan Immigrant Settlement Association.

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

Res. No. 2559 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - thanking all involved in encouraging Lightbridge to open a call centre in Liverpool.

Res. No. 2560 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - commending the Queens County Victorian Order of Nurses and the Queens County Crime Prevention program in assisting seniors.

Res. No. 2561 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Jeanna Fletcher on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 2562 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Ken Ferguson on rifle shooting success.

Res. No. 2563 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Alan Ferguson on receipt of a Lieutenant-Governor's Award.

Res. No. 2564 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Megan Dowe on receipt of a reading award.

Res. No. 2565 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Matt Gamblin on being named to the Basketball Nova Scotia Juvenile Men's team.

CWH ON BILLS

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 considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment:

No. 82. Halifax Regional Water Commission Act

No. 84. Motor Vehicle Act

No. 90. Highway 104 Western Alignment Act

No. 92. Motor Vehicle Act

No. 93. Gas Distribution System Municipal Taxation Act

No. 98. Municipal Government Act

No. 103. Regulations Act

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 116. Liquor Control Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. MacKinnon, Hon. Mr. Fage, Ms. M. MacDonald, Ms. Whalen, Mr. Colwell and Ms. Massey 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, Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 121. Motor Vehicle Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Parker, Hon. Mr. Russell, Mr. Deveau, Mr. David A. Wilson and Ms. Whalen 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.

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, October 6th at 2:00 P.M.