The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview, tabled a petition calling for the withdrawal of Clause 46 of Bill 62.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Government House Leader, on behalf of the Hon. Mr. Baker, 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, with certain amendments:

No. 26. Health Protection Act

No. 46. Public Service Act

No. 48. Education Act

No. 61. Theatres and Amusements 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, the Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, tabled the Business Plan 2004-2005 of Agra Point International.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1676 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - calling for a select committee on Petroleum pricing.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1677 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Jane Wright on her success.

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

Res. No. 1678 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Maurice Comeau for his community involvement.

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

Res. No. 1679 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognizing the Scottish Parliament on its 5th anniversary.

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

Res. No. 1680 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to graduates of the Officer Safety Instructor Course.

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. 79. An Act Respecting the Price of Petroleum Products

(Hon. Mr. Barnet - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)

No. 80. An Act Respecting Fair-marketing Practices in the Sale of Gasoline and Diesel Oil

(Mr. Dexter - Leader of the Opposition)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1681 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Jeremy White on his boxing success.

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

Res. No. 1682 - Mr. Gaudet, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Marc Robichaud 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. 1683 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Ada R. Young on her 75^{th} birthday.

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

Res. No. 1684 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - calling for more protected areas of crown land.

Res. No. 1685 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Don Hyslop on his retirement.

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

Res. No. 1686 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to the Kentville Advertiser on being nominated 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. 1687 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - urging all federal parties to implement the Romanow recommendations.

Res. No. 1688 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Jason Verran and Sackville Blazers on their hockey success.

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

Res. No. 1689 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Milton MacKenzie on his $100^{\rm th}$ birthday.

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

Res. No. 1690 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - government must provide respect to students.

Res. No. 1691 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - condemning the Department of Community Services for action on May 13, 2002 against child protection workers.

Res. No. 1692 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - Minister of Community Services must consult with Women's Centres Connect on how best to spend funds for affordable housing.

Res. No. 1693 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - welcoming Newpark Drilling Fluids to the Superport Marine Terminal in Mulgrave.

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

Res. No. 1694 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - commending the Group of Nine for their determination seeking progress in implementing Romanow recommendations.

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

Res. No. 1695 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Jeff McRuer for his volunteer service.

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

Res. No. 1696 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to the Westville Police Department on ensuring a safe community.

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

Res. No. 1697 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations

to the Ladies Auxiliary Royal Canadian Legion Branch 12 on its 50th anniversary.

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

Res. No. 1698 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to the Rainbow Riders gymnastic team.

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

Res. No. 1699 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Eric Pothier and staff for their service.

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

Res. No. 1700 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Larry Gniewek for his volunteer service.

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

Res. No. 1701 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognizing the perseverance of the staff of the Tri County Women's Centre.

Res. No. 1702 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Ruth Anne Sutherland for her good work in Zambia.

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

Res. No. 1703 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to Dartmouth High School on its model parliament.

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

Res. No. 1704 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Tina Comeau on being named a finalist for a newspaper award.

Res. No. 1705 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human

Resources - acknowledging the efforts of groups assisting community members in improving their health.

Res. No. 1706 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - wishing all anglers a successful season.

Res. No. 1707 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - recognizing the value of Loonie Lunches.

Res. No. 1708 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Douglas Roy Slack on his dedication to Widow's Son Masonic Lodge #48.

Res. No. 1709 - Hon. The Speaker - offering support for all police officers, departments and services.

Res. No. 1710 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Harbour Rentals and Marine Ltd.

Res. No. 1711 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Chickadees for Family Dining.

Res. No. 1712 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing D&L Leslie Electrical.

Res. No. 1713 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing The Marine Drive Publisher.

CWH ON BILLS

On motion, the House resolved into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendments:

No. 67. House of Assembly Act

No. 68. International Interests in Mobile Aircraft Equipment

Act

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

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, May 14^{th} at 9:00 A.M.