

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour, tabled the Report of the Superintendent of Pensions on the Administration of the Pension Benefits Act for the year ending March 31, 2003 and A Guide for Private Well Owners.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources, rose to report on performance pay in the public service.

Comments were made by Messrs. Gosse and MacKinnon.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1434 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - acknowledging the importance of an agreement respecting international students graduating from our universities.

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

Res. No. 1435 - Hon. The Premier - remembering the life of Bill Lydon.

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

Res. No. 1436 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognizing Mental Health Week.

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

Res. No. 1437 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health -

congratulations to those who gave health care materials to Cameroon.

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

Res. No. 1438 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Lunenburg Academy on its Celebration of Learning.

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. 71. An Act to Amend Chapter 99 of the Acts of 1951, an Act to Incorporate the Nova Scotia Drama League

(Mr. Chataway - Chester-St. Margaret's)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1439 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to "Rebels With a Cause".

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

Res. No. 1440 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Tanya Hines on receipt of an academic medal.

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

Res. No. 1441 - Hon. The Premier - applauding the 4 minute mile of Roger Bannister.

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

Res. No. 1442 - Mr. Deveau, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Caldwell Road Elementary School on their DARE project.

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

Res. No. 1443 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Sandy Bentley on her volunteer award.

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

Res. No. 1444 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to the N.S. Forest Products Association and Redcliff Middle School on their tree planting effort.

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

Res. No. 1445 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Joan Tomlinson on receipt of a tourism award.

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

Res. No. 1446 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - honouring the service of Dr. Wilfred Creighton.

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

Res. No. 1447 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to the Group of Nine for representing the interests of Nova Scotia's seniors.

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

Res. No. 1448 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Shawn McNamara and team of volunteers for their work.

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

Res. No. 1449 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - Premier must explain the gap between his words and actions re VLT's.

Res. No. 1450 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to CBC on their Halifax Explosion website.

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

Res. No. 1451 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - calling for regulations respecting the spreading of bio-solids.

Res. No. 1452 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Allison Maher, Mary and Brian Norman on a special Mother's Day.

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

Res. No. 1453 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to Dan Boyd on his community service.

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

Res. No. 1454 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to John Ryan on receipt of a volunteer award.

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

Res. No. 1455 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Jimmy Flynn on his career.

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

Res. No. 1456 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Gerald Doucet on his book.

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

Res. No. 1457 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to the Hadassah-Wizo Bazaar committee on their successful 36th bazaar.

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

Res. No. 1458 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to St. Mary's and Dalhousie for promoting diversity throughout Atlantic Canada.

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

Res. No. 1459 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - congratulations to the Town of Wolfville on receipt of a Canadian Cancer Society Award.

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

Res. No. 1460 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Spencer Scott and Brookside Junior High on 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. 1461 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Homburg Investment Inc and Richard Homburg on their generosity.

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

Res. No. 1462 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognizing the contribution of Antigonish to the political landscape.

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

Res. No. 1463 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - Minister of Transportation must acquaint himself with the story of London Bridge.

Res. No. 1464 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice -

congratulations to Terry G. Conrad on 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. 1465 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - government must provide funding for palliative care services.

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

Res. No. 1466 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to John Stanfield 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. 1467 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Lloyd McRae for his efforts re the history of the St. Margaret's Bay Masters Hockey League.

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

Res. No. 1468 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to CKBW on receipt of a journalism award.

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

Res. No. 1469 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - extending a warm welcome to Los Aragoncitos musicians.

Res. No. 1470 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Billy McNutt on being named Rookie of the Year.

Res. No. 1471 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the McMillan family on the contribution to the Springhill Community Centre.

Res. No. 1472 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Rev. Charlotte Ross on receipt of the Mayflower medal.

Res. No. 1473 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Lillian

Porter on receipt of a pin of appreciation.

Res. No. 1474 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Audrey Phinney on receipt of a pin of appreciation.

Res. No. 1475 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Clara Pettigrew on receipt of a pin of appreciation.

Res. No. 1476 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Edith Purdy on receipt of an award.

Res. No. 1477 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Parrsboro Zellers Hockey team.

Res. No. 1478 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Luke Perrin on his powerlifting medal.

Res. No. 1479 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Luke Perrin on his powerlifting achievements.

Res. No. 1480 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Kidson Excavation in Lake Charlotte.

Res. No. 1481 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing M&G Sons Auto Salvage in Lake Charlotte.

Res. No. 1482 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Manny Baker Carpentry in Oyster Pond.

Res. No. 1483 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Narrows Point Construction.

Res. No. 1484 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognizing Periwinkle Photographic Services in Musquodoboit Harbour.

SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY

On motion that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply, a debate arose during which the following took part: Ms. Massey, Mr. M. MacDonald and Mr. Dooks. The question being put by Mr. Speaker the motion carried.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the adjourned debate on the following Resolution was resumed:

No. E3, relating to Department of Education. STOOD.

On motion, the following Resolutions were called:

No. E4, relating to Department of Education. STOOD.

No. E2, relating to Department of Community Services.
ADJOURNED.

On motion the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress and begged leave to sit again.

PUBLIC BILLS

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

No. 62. Financial Measures (2004) Act

The debated was resumed with Ms. M. MacDonald, Mr. Theriault and Hon. Mr. Christie 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. Massey, Dartmouth East, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 61. Theatres and Amusements Act

A debate ensued, during which the following took part: Mr. MacKinnon 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.

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 Friday, May 7th at 9:00
A.M.