The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South, tabled a petition opposed to a pit and quarry at Coxheath Hills.

# TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, tabled a report of the Advisory Committee, dated October 24, 2003 on The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, tabled the Financial Statements of the Guysborough Antigonish Strait Health Authority for the year ended March 31, 2003.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, tabled the 2003 Annual Report of the Pictou County Health Authority.

## STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture, rose to announce that the marketing campaign "Right Here, Right Now" has received an award.

Comments were made by Messrs. David Allan Wilson and S. McNeil.

## **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 651 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy congratulations to Dalhousie University on receipt of a donation of software from Schlumberger Information Solutions.

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

Res. No. 652 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - applauding the Film Development Corporation and the Atlantic Film Festival for giving a chance to experience our talent.

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

Res. No. 653 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - recognizing the increased commitment to offshore development and exploration.

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

Res. No. 654 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Michelle Raymond and Heather Watts on the publication of a book on the Northwest Arm.

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. 33. An Act to Amend Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, The Municipal Government Act, to Expand Standing Before the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board

(Ms. Raymond - Halifax Atlantic)

No. 34. An Act to Provide for the Full Disclosure of User Fees

(Mr. Steele - Halifax Fairview)

## NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 655 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition -

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congratulations to Michelle Raymond on authoring a book on the Northwest Arm.

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

Res. No. 656 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - the government must commit infrastructure funding for the Bridgetown Fire Hall.

Res. No. 657 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to Mulgrave Machine Works 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. 658 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to the East Gore United Church on its  $210^{\rm th}$  anniversary.

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

Res. No. 659 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - the Minister of Service Nova Scotia must protect Nova Scotians against fly by night educational promotions.

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

Res. No. 660 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognizing those involved in the Patient Navigation program re cancer patients.

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

Res. No. 661 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to the authors of "Slates to Computers".

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

Res. No. 662 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Reverend Jane Clattenburg on her Ministry.

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

Res. No. 663 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Gloria Demers on being named Special Olympics Volunteer of the Year.

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

Res. No. 664 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - the Minister responsible for the Residential Tenancies Act must provide comments made during a review to the Act.

Res. No. 665 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - the Minister of Finance and Leader of the NDP must advise their members of Public Accounts Committee they must not prevent Nova Scotians from learning the truth.

Res. No. 666 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognizing the significance of Chapel Island.

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

Res. No. 667 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - the Minister of Transportation and Public Works must provide priorities for road improvements in Timberlea Prospect.

Res. No. 668 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - best wishes to Bellevieu Motors for the efforts re the "Run for the Cure" Campaign.

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

Res. No. 669 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to MADD Canada for their efforts in Lunenburg and Queens Counties.

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

Res. No. 670 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - government must review the Horse Island finfish Aquaculture project.

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

Res. No. 671 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to the Beehive Adult Service Centre on its 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

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

Res. No. 672 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - best wishes to MADD Digby Chapter and volunteers on their red ribbon campaign.

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

Res. No. 673 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to the Village of Kingston, Pine Ridge Middle School and Kingston Elementary for the Kids/Health Kids program.

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

Res. No. 674 - Mr. Theriault, Annapolis - best wishes to the Weymouth Kiwanis Club on its fundraising campaign.

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

Res. No. 675 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - best wishes to the Multiple Sclerosis Society for a successful Christmas Card Campaign.

Res. No. 676 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea Prospect - the Minister of Transportation and Public works must list the priorities for road improvements in Timberlea Prospect.

Res. No. 677 - Hon. the Speaker, congratulations to R.C.L. Branch 36 for their commitment.

Res. No. 678 - Hon. the Speaker, congratulations to R.C.L. Branch 45 or their commitment.

Res. No. 679 - Hon. the Speaker, congratulations to R.C.L. Branch 134 for their commitment.

Res. No. 680 - Hon. the Speaker, congratulations to R.C.L. Branch 17 for their commitment.

Res. No. 681 - Hon. the Speaker, congratulations to R.C.L. Branch 14 for their commitment.

Res. No. 682 - Hon. the Speaker, congratulations to R.C.L. Branch 4 for their commitment.

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, moved third reading of the following Bill:

# No. 2. Retail Business Uniform Closing Day Act/Labour Standards Code

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Corbett, Graham, Gosse, Sampson and Hon. Mr. Baker in Reply. On a recorded vote, there being all for and none opposed, the Bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the Bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the Bill be engrossed.

## PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West, moved second reading of the following Bill:

## No. 17. Youth Secretariat Act

There being no debate, 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  $29^{\text{th}}$  at 2:00 P.M.