The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Taylor, Colchester Musquodoboit Valley, tabled the Agricultural Task Force on BSE Report.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, tabled the Annual Report of the Colchester-East Hants Health Authority, September 2003.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 683 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to Brooke Taylor, Member for Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley on his 10 years in the House.

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

Res. No. 684 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - encouraging hunters to make safety a priority.

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. 35. An Act to Amend Chapter 8 of the Acts of 1990, The Emergency Act

(Mr. Epstein - Halifax Chebucto(

No. 36. An Act Respecting the Protection of Medicare in Nova Scotia

(Mr. Dexter - Leader of the Opposition)

No. 37. An Act to Amend Chapter 3 of the Acts of 1987, the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia)

(Hon. Mr. Morash - Minister of Environment and Labour)

No. 38. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes 1989, The Motor Vehicle Act

(Mr. Pye - Dartmouth North)

No. 39. An Act to Provide for Accountability in Healthcare Spending

(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. 685 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - government must release the study on CBRM governance.

Res. No. 686 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - the Leader of the NDP and the Member for Chebucto should be chastised for their "trolling for power"

Res. No. 687 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - commending the training of the Members of the Cobequid and Onslow-Belmont Fire Brigades.

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

Res. No. 688 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to the Eastern Passage Peewee Shanks on their baseball success.

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

Res. No. 689 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - congratulations to the St. Peter's Community Club on its 50 anniversary.

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

Res. No. 690 - Mr. Hines, Waverley - Fall River - BeaverBank - re the positive impact of the increase in average weekly earnings in Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 691 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria The Lakes - congratulations to Jean McNeil on being nominated for a Governor-General's Award.

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

Res. No. 692 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to Mike Smith on his Gemini Award.

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

Res. No. 693 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - government should eliminate the deductible charged to those receiving assistance following Hurricane Juan.

Res. No. 694 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Thelma Coward-Ince on receipt of a degree from Mount Saint Vincent.

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

Res. No. 695 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - commending those responsible for a target range in Shelburne County

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

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Res. No. 696 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - inviting the Irvings to go fishing with us the next we go angling.

Res. No. 697 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The-Lakes - congratulations to Gordon and Norma Patterson on their 44th anniversary.

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

Res. No. 698 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - commending the Kentville Volunteer Fire Dept. on a new platform aerial ladder truck.

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

Res. No. 699 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - requesting legislation to deal with environmental Remediation of abandoned sites.

Res. No. 700 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to Joe Hines on his accomplishments.

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

Res. No. 701 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour Eastern Passage - congratulations to Clara MacCormack on her $80^{\rm th}$ birthday.

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

Res. No. 702 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - calling for the designation of the Herring Cove Backlands as a wilderness area under the Wilderness Areas Protection Act.

Res. No. 703 - Hon. Mr. D'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - recognizing the value of a high school science course on agriculture.

Res. No. 704 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - thanking Enid Mitchelmore for her efforts providing a breast cancer group.

Res. No. 705 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Keith Surette on his 9-ball championship.

- Res. No. 706 Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy recognizing Cpl. Aloysius Roach and the brave men and women who serve as peacekeepers.
- Res. No. 707 Mr. Taylor, Colchester Musquodoboit Valley commending the prolific success of Gerald Muizelaar.
- Res. No. 708 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore applauding the initiative of the Oyster Pond Volunteer Fire Department.
- Res. No. 709 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore commending the hard work of the Musquodoboit Harbour Volunteer Fire Department.
- Res. No. 710 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore commending the hard work of the Chezzetcook Volunteer Fire Department.
- Res. No. 711 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore commending the initiative of the Ostrea Lake and Pleasant Point Volunteer Fire Department following Hurricane Juan.
- Res. No. 712 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore applauding the initiative of the Lawrencetown Beach Fire and Emergency Services following Hurricane Juan.
- Res. No. 713 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore acknowledging the efforts responsible for Sand Castle Day at Clam Harbour Beach.
- Res. No. 714 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore congratulations to Annie Abriel on her 102^{nd} birthday.
- Res. No. 715 Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore extending sympathy to the family of Pearl Wournell.

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition, moved second reading of the following Bill:

No. 3. Home for Special Care Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Mr. Graham and Ms. M. MacDonald. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2003

Pursuant to the order the adjourned debate on the following Resolution was then resumed:

Res. No. 51 - Autumn House Dispute: Commun. Serv. Min. - Responsibility Assume.

The debate continued with the following Mr. Parker, Hon. Mr. Fage, Ms. Whalen and Mr. Corbett. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, October $30^{\rm th}$ at 12:00 Noon.