

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, tabled the Annual Report of the Public Trustee, for the year ending March 31, 2003.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 300 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to David Beaton on his GED test results.

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

Res. No. 301 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - thanking the Canadian Forces for their help in the Hurricane Juan cleanup.

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. 17. An Act to Amend Chapter 511 of the Revised Statute, 1989, The Youth Secretariat Act

(Mr. MacKinnon - Cape Breton West)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 302 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition -

Conservative/Liberal partnership should drop their insurance scheme.

Res. No. 303 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Marc-Andre Fleury 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. 304 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - supporting efforts of the Finance Minister for an adequately funded equalization program.

Res. No. 305 - Mr. David Allan Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to the Ladies Auxiliary or R.C.L. Branch 162 for helping out after Hurricane Juan.

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

Res. No. 306 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to the Timberlea Mites on their softball success.

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

Res. No. 307 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to UCCB on the opening of the renovated Technology Training and Research Centre.

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

Res. No. 308 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Valley soccer teams on their success.

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

Res. No. 309 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - thanks to the Nova Scotia Liquor Commission and the Resource Recovery Fund Board for a temporary recycling depot.

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

Res. No. 310 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - acknowledging volunteers respecting breast cancer awareness and their fundraising.

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

Res. No. 311 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - supporting those working hard to make our communities safer.

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

Res. No. 312 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - thanking Hector Muise and others who are involved in Feeding Others of Dartmouth.

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

Res. No. 313 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Dwight Ross Elementary School on achieving the designation of a Green School.

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

Res. No. 314 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to Barb Little on the release of her two new books.

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

Res. No. 315 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - commending CIBC for their community minded action following Hurricane Juan.

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

Res. No. 316 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to M&S Food Services on the opening of their Amherst depot.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 317 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to the organizers of the Digby Area Health and Recreation Fair.

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

Res. No. 318 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to the Cellar Door on its slo-pitch success.

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

Res. No. 319 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - recognizing the only opposition is coming from the Liberal Party.

Res. No. 320 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - recognition of the North Sydney Business Improvement and Development Association for creating its WEB Initiative Program.

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

Res. No. 321 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - recognition of the Celtic Colours International Festival.

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

Res. No. 322 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Kelley Gallagher on her diving success.

Res. No. 323 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - thanking the United Commercial Travelers on the Success of their TV Bingo.

Res. No. 324 - Hon. the Speaker - thanking those involved in fire departments.

Res. No. 325 - Hon. the Speaker - extending congratulations to the teachers of Nova Scotia.

PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following Bill was then resumed:

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

The debate continued with the following: Mr. Corbett and Hon. Mr. Russell 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, the Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance, moved second reading of the following Bill:

No. 6. Public Service Superannuation Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Gosse, Ms. Whalen, Mr. Deveau 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, the Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour, moved second reading of the following Bill:

No. 7. Labour Standards Code/Vital Statistics Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Corbett, Manning MacDonald, Samson and Hon. Mr. Morash 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, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice), moved second reading of the following Bill:

No. 8. Volunteer Protection Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Deveau, Samson and Hon. Mr. Russell 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, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service

Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations moved second reading of the following Bill:

No. 10. Municipal Elections Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond, Mr. Samson and Hon. Mr. Barnet 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, the Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following Bill:

No. 11. Collection Agencies Act/Consumer Creditors' Conduct Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond, Mr. Sampson and Hon. Mr. Barnet 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, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works (on behalf of Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice), moved second reading of the following Bill:

No. 15. Court Jurisdiction and Proceedings Transfer Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Deveau, Mr. Samson and Hon. Mr. Russell 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.

ADDRESS IN REPLY

The adjourned debate on the Address in Reply was then resumed. The debate continued with Messrs. Parker, Hines, Theriault, Ms. Massey and Mr. Sampson who adjourned the debate.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the debate to meet Friday, October 10th at 9:00 A.M.