The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes, tabled a petition regarding tuition costs.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect, tabled a petition respecting tuition fees.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition, tabled a petition respecting tuition fees.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis, tabled a petition respecting tuition fees.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 3594 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage - recognition of Asian Heritage Month.

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

Res. No. 3595 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage - recognition of Cape Breton as a golf destination.

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. 183. An Act to Amend Chapter 504 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Wildlife Act

(Mr. Sampson - Victoria-The Lakes)

No. 184. An Act to Amend Chapter 365 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Provincial Finance Act

(Mr. Deveaux - Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage)

No. 185. An Act to Promote Physical Education and Fitness in Schools

(Mr. Gaudet - Clare)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 3596 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - recognition of the liberation of the Netherlands and voting in the House of Commons.

Res. No. 3597 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to inductees into the Cape Breton Hall of Fame.

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

Res. No. 3598 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - thanking the Van den Hoek family for recognizing the liberation of the Netherlands.

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

Res. No. 3599 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - recognition of Ian Kent on his athletic success.

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

Res. No. 3600 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - recognition of National Forest Week.

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

Res. No. 3601 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - recognition of Tony Stirling on his success growing kiwis.

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

Res. No. 3602 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - recognition of Meb White 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. 3603 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - best wishes to Julien Bilodeau on his auto design success.

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

Res. No. 3604 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Lighthouse Publishing on providing bursaries.

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

Res. No. 3605 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - congratulations to those participating in the Walk to School Week.

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

Res. No. 3606 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - urging Nova Scotians to become better prepared for emergencies.

Res. No. 3607 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - commending those involved in the Northumberland Strait lobster fishery.

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

Res. No. 3608 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to Family SOS and Coldwell Bankers on their "Day Out" project.

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

Res. No. 3609 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - encouraging government to ensure that families can enjoy the roads.

Res. No. 3610 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to Brookfield Fire Department on its 60th anniversary.

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

Res. No. 3611 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - Liberal Leader must resolve controversial statements on wait times.

Res. No. 3612 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - supporting composting.

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

Res. No. 3613 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - thanking the Guysborough area committee and council for their fundraising efforts.

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

Res. No. 3614 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - recognition of Heidi Gould on her work.

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

Res. No. 3615 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - recognition of Mental Health professionals.

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

Res. No. 3616 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of Ethel Tobin 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. 3617 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to Community Links on their service.

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

Res. No. 3618 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - supporting the addition of a telephone to the special needs allowance for people seeking employment.

Res. No. 3619 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to the Sackville Heights Junior High School Boys Hockey team 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. 3620 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to John C. "Jack" George 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. 3621 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - thanks to Queens General Hospital and the Queens General Hospital Foundation 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. 3622 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Brian Higgins for his dedication.

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

Res. No. 3623 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - requesting changes to the Canadian Pension Plan to allow a pension to those who have contributed for 40 years.

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

Res. No. 3624 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - recognition of the service of St. John Ambulance.

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

Res. No. 3625 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to

those involved in the Emergency Response Charity Hockey Tournament.

Res. No. 3626 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Mabel Lowther.

Res. No. 3627 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Amanda Mattinson.

Res. No. 3628 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Pte. Michael Mitchell.

Res. No. 3629 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Christie McClelland.

Res. No. 3630 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Alex McCullouch.

PUBLIC BILLS

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

No. 177. Financial Measures (2005) Act

The debate resumed with Mr. Gaudet and Mr. Corbett, who adjourned the debate.

SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY

On motion that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply, a debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Steele, Hon. Mr. Morse and Mr. Sampson. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the motion carried nem con.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the following Resolution was called:

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

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, May 4^{th} at 2:00 P.M.