

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### **PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

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

Pursuant to the order, Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South, tabled a petition regarding tuition fees.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacDonell, Hants East, tabled a petition respecting a satellite renal dialysis unit.

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

#### **PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview, tabled the Annual Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, 2003-2004.

#### **TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education, tabled material respecting a class action suit settlement involving the Human Rights Commission and the Halifax School Board.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour, tabled expense forms respecting one Gary Dean.

#### **STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, rose to announce certain changes to pay for performance policies of the government.

Comments were made with Mr. Dexter and Mr. M. MacDonald.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 3631 - Hon. The Premier - recognition of the soldier Douglas Angus Beaton who died in Zutphen, Holland.

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

Res. No. 3632 - Hon. The Premier - recognition of the honorary doctorate given to Roger Bacon.

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

Res. No. 3633 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - recognition of the 4-H Program.

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

Res. No. 3634 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - recognition of Therese Forsythe on receipt of recognition.

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

Res. No. 3635 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage - recognizing Sport Nova Scotia in producing the Milk Energy Sport Fair.

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

Res. No. 3636 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - recognition of Adopt-a-Highway Day.

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

Res. No. 3637 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognition of Compost Awareness Week.

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

Res. No. 3638 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and

Fisheries - recognition of N.S.A.C. on its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

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. 186. An Act to Amend Chapter 231 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Insurance Act and Chapter 240 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Judicature Act**

**(Mr. Dexter - Leader of the Opposition)**

**No. 187. An Act to Amend Chapter 246 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Labour Standards Code**

**(Mr. Corbett - Cape Breton Centre)**

**No. 188. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1995-96, the Education Act**

**(Ms. Whalen - Halifax Clayton Park)**

**No. 189. An Act to Implement Chapter 12 of the Acts of 2004, An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1995-96, the Education Act**

**(Mr. H. David Wilson - Glace Bay)**

**No. 190. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1995-96, the Education Act**

**(Ms. Whalen - Halifax Clayton Park)**

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 3639 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to CBC Newsworld for the production "Boys from Pictou".

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

Res. No. 3640 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - calling for repair to Nova Scotian roads.

Res. No. 3641 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - remembering the beginning of the motor vehicle age in N.S.

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

Res. No. 3642 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - thanking leaders of federal parties for permitting participation of elected representatives in the commemoration of the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary in Europe.

Res. No. 3643 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - urging government to give attention to the N.S. Art Gallery.

Res. No. 3644 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to the Guysborough Journal for offering an exciting opportunity to high school students.

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

Res. No. 3645 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Bernie Jessome on his 69<sup>th</sup> birthday.

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

Res. No. 3646 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - recognition of the service of Ron O'Flaherty 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. 3647 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - recognition of South Shore Regional School Board on full participation in the Terry Fox Run Day.

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

Res. No. 3648 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - Minister of Health Promotion should cover the cost of uniforms for athletes competing in the National Track and Field Championships.

Res. No. 3649 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - calling for repair on the South Range Cross Road.

Res. No. 3650 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - recognition of Bob Harvey.

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

Res. No. 3651 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - calling for the government to keep up the good work on Highway 4.

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

Res. No. 3652 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - calling for government to implement the Voluntary Task Force recommendations on off-highway vehicles.

Res. No. 3653 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - calling for a guard rail at Whale Cove.

Res. No. 3654 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Chief Edgan MacLeod 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. 3655 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Logan Paul 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. 3656 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - applauding the world attention on Blue Beach due to the excellent work of Chris Mansky and Sonya Wood.

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

Res. No. 3657 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - recognizing the contribution of the Eureka Fire Department and Ladies Auxiliary.

Res. No. 3658 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Elmer and Margaret Ling.

Res. No. 3659 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Ryan Lockhart.

Res. No. 3660 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Christie McClelland.

Res. No. 3661 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Masters Forestry Ltd.

Res. No. 3662 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Marilyn Maddison.

#### **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Glavine, Kings West, moved second reading of the following bill:

##### **No. 170. Income Tax Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Colwell, Hon. Mr. Christie, Mr. Parent, Mr. David A. Wilson and Mr. McNeil. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis, moved second reading of the following bill:

##### **No. 151. Water Royalty Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Colwell, Hon. Mr. Morash, Mr. MacDonell, Mr. Sampson and Mr. Hines. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

#### **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 Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at

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**WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2005**

12:00 Noon.