The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

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

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

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

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

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition, tabled a petition regarding non-repayable grants.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Parker, Pictou West, tabled a petition calling for repair to Salt Springs Drive.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour, tabled the Activity Report, January 1, 2001 - March 31, 2003 of the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 3731 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of Licensed Practical Nurses Day.

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

Res. No. 3732 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - commending high schools hosting safety presentations.

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

Res. No. 3733 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy congratulations to various churches for hosting energy efficiency workshops.

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

Res. No. 3734 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognition of the 13th anniversary of Westray.

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

Res. No. 3735 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of the Dartmouth General Hospital Foundation on its campaign.

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

Res. No. 3736 - Hon. The Premier - congratulations to Joan Jessome on her re-election.

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. 197. An Act to Amend Chapter 25 of the Acts of 1996, the Fisheries and Coastal Resources Act

(Mr. Dexter - Leader of the Opposition)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 3737 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - government

must ask why B.C. has ruled out private insurance companies to compete for basic auto coverage.

Res. No. 3738 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - encouraging government to pay attention to House proceedings on education.

Res. No. 3739 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - congratulations to Maurice Foster Taylor 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. 3740 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to Don Julian on receipt of an honourary degree.

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

Res. No. 3741 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - Premier has broken a promise respecting the debt.

Res. No. 3742 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognition of Four Harbours Royal Canadian Legion Branch #120.

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

Res. No. 3743 - congratulations to the those putting on the production Charlie and the Chocolate Factory at St. Stephen's School.

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

Res. No. 3744 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Helen Huntley 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. 3745 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - thanking Kings Transit for its wheelchair accessible buses.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3746 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Morris Williams 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. 3747 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - recognition of National Nursing Week.

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

Res. No. 3748 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East, on behalf of Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to Steve Nash 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. 3749 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - wishing well to Nova Scotians participating in the Canada-wide Science Fair.

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

Res. No. 3750 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - acknowledging the Asian community.

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

Res. No. 3751 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - recognition of Murdock McRae for 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. 3752 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to David, Bev and Abby Lewis on their cross country ski success.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3753 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to Katie Dauphinee on her volunteerism.

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

Res. No. 3754 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Monica Balcom on her boxing success.

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

Res. No. 3755 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to the Antigonish Mini Royals 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. 3756 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to the Town of Pictou on their tourism efforts.

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

Res. No. 3757 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - recognition of the Gilbert's Cove Historical Society.

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

Res. No. 3758 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognition of Buster Brown and Gloria Brown.

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

Res. No. 3759 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to Rindress and Gavina MacKenzie on their 66th wedding anniversary.

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

Res. No. 3760 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to the Alumni Association of Sydney Academy.

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

Res. No. 3761 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - recognition of Hugh Tweedie on receipt of an honourary degree.

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

Res. No. 3762 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - thanking the parish of Emmanuel Anglican Church for handing over it's church.

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

Res. No. 3763 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - recognition of Art Dorrington.

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

Res. No. 3764 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to all attending the Canadian Horseshoe Pitching Championships.

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

Res. No. 3765 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - congratulations to the Dartmouth Choral Society on its 50th anniversary.

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

Res. No. 3766 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - recognition of MOeD Gallery.

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

Res. No. 3767 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - recognition of May as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month.

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

Res. No. 3768 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - congratulations to Michael Williams on his Chief Scout award.

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

Res. No. 3769 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to the graduating class of Cape Breton University.

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

Res. No. 3770 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Sheila and Michael Dermody on their 40th wedding anniversary.

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

Res. No. 3771 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognition of the Dalhousie Society for Corporate Environmental and Social Responsibility.

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

Res. No. 3772 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to David Whitman on his book.

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

Res. No. 3773 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Krysta MacKinnon.

Res. No. 3774 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - congratulations to Michelle Branchaud.

Res. No. 3775 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Chris

Theriau.

Res. No. 3776 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - wishing Queens County Museum a successful year.

Res. No. 3777 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - congratulations to the Lunenburg-Queens Special Olympic Floor Hockey Team.

Res. No. 3778 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - commending Ross, Cheryl, Channing and Trayton Burchell.

Res. No. 3779 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Natural Resources - complimenting those organizing the Fred Page Cup.

Res. No. 3780 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Debbie Eisenhaur.

Res. No. 3781 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Master Cpl. Laura MacKenzie.

Res. No. 3782 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Felicia O'Brien.

Res. No. 3783 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Oxford Regional High School Lady Golden Bears.

Res. No. 3784 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Oxford EMO.

Res. No. 3785 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Ecole Beaufort hockey team.

Res. No. 3786 - Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel - congratulations to N.S. Association of Social Workers on their stand regarding VLTs.

Res. No. 3787 - Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel - congratulations to Mulgrave Road Theatre.

Res. No. 3788 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - congratulations to Yarmouth Hall of Famers.

Res. No. 3789 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Cam Adams.

Res. No. 3790 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Donna Allen.

Res. No. 3791 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Nathan Baker.

Res. No. 3792 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Barb Joncas.

Res. No. 3793 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Spike Bullen.

Res. No. 3794 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Cody McLaughlin.

Res. No. 3795 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Cody McMaster.

Res. No. 3796 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Gloria Cull.

Res. No. 3797 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Danny Faulkner.

Res. No. 3798 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Darlene Meade.

Res. No. 3799 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Hugh Daye.

Res. No. 3800 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Marcel Deleseleuc.

 $\,$ Res. No. 3801 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Rhonda Faulkner.

Res. No. 3802 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Carolyn Fox.

Res. No. 3803 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Isaac Deleseleuc.

Res. No. 3804 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing John Johnson.

Res. No. 3805 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Darryl Joncas.

Res. No. 3806 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Kirk Cull.

Res. No. 3807 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Lynn Kosick.

Res. No. 3808 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Dwight Lucas.

Res. No. 3809 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Mary Jane Verrall.

Res. No. 3810 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Al McMaster.

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: Ms. Raymond, Mr. Glavine and Mr. Dooks. 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 adjourned debate on the following Resolution was then resumed:

No. E3, relating to the Department of Health. STOOD.

On motion, the following Resolutions were called:

No. E4, relating to the Assistance to Universities, Department of Education. STOOD.

No. E2, relating to the Department of Community Services. 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.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, May $10^{\rm th}$ at 12:00 Noon.