The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice, rose to announce changes and measures to promote public safety.

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

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education, rose to announce initiatives to deal with skilled trade shortages in the province.

Comments were made with Mr. Estabrooks and Ms. Whalen.

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

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

Res. No. 4640 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - calling for regular pap tests and recognition of Pap Test Awareness Week.

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

Res. No. 4641 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister Agriculture and Fisheries - recognizing the Maritime Fall Fair.

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

Res. No. 4642 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage - recognition of the governments purchase of properties in Lunenburg.

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

Res. No. 4643 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - supporting the Katrina Bookmark Project.

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

Res. No. 4644 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to residents of Beechville on heritage status for Beechville United Baptist Church.

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. 247. An Act Respecting the Provision of Correctional Services

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 248. An Act to Amend Chapter 217 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Income Tax Act

(Mr. Dexter - Leader of the Opposition)

No. 249. An Act to Assist in the Enforcement of Court Orders

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 250. An Act to Further Discourage the Theft of Gasoline and Diesel Oil

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 251. An Act to Amend Chapter 376 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Public Service Act

(Hon. Mr. Russell - Minister of Transportation and Public Works)

No. 252. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 (1992 Supplement) of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the House of Assembly Act

# (Hon. Mr. Russell - Minister of Transportation and Public Works)

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 4645 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to those responsible for a park in the Auburn Drive area.

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

Res. No. 4646 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to the Lawrencetown Lions Club on its  $20^{th}$  anniversary.

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

Res. No. 4647 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - recognition of the work of the Nature Conservancy of Canada.

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

Res. No. 4648 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - calling for tamper resistant prescription pads.

Res. No. 4649 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - those seeking P.C. leadership must become familiar with the real needs of Nova Scotians.

Res. No. 4650 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - admonishing the Leader of the Opposition for fear mongering.

Res. No. 4651 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - recognition of the Progress Centre for Early Intervention on its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

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

Res. No. 4652 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - encouraging

the Premier and Minister of Education to meet with students to discuss university funding.

Res. No. 4653 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Crowell Construction and David and Ann Marsters on their Envirohome 2004 Renovation Project.

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

Res. No. 4654 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Jannah McIntyre on her dancing success.

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

Res. No. 4655 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - thanking participants in the Clare Acadian Festival on its  $50^{\text{th}}$  anniversary.

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

Res. No. 4656 - Ms. Streatch, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to South Shore Sand and Gravel, Terry Rawding and Joel Westin on their new top soil.

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

Res. No. 4657 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to those who worked hard on Annapolis County's 400<sup>th</sup> Celebration.

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

Res. No. 4658 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to Chad Denny 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. 4659 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - recognition of the "Love Sackville" event.

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

Res. No. 4660 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to the Churchville, Pictou County Women's Institute on its 57<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

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

Res. No. 4661 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to the LaHave Manor Corporation on its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

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

Res. No. 4662 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Dr. J. Chalmers Doane on being named to the Order of Canada.

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

Res. No. 4663 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson - Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Stephanie Skoreyko.

Res. No. 4664 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson - Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Cheryl Corcoran.

Res. No. 4665 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson - Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to students and staff at Pentz Elementary School.

Res. No. 4666 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson - Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to the Bridgewater High girls softball team.

Res. No. 4667 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson - Minister of Human Resources - thanking Jill Stoddart and daughter Mikaila for fundraising.

Res. No. 4668 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson - Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to the Bridgewater Bowl-More Lanes Junior Girls team and Senior Boys team.

Res. No. 4669 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson - Minister of Human

Resources - congratulations to Lawrence Gray on his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Res. No. 4670 - - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson - Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Grade 11 Lunenburg County students on receipt of Lt. Governor medals.

Res. No. 4671 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson - Minister of Human Resources - thanking those who made the Hit It for Health Golf Tournament a success.

Res. No. 4672 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson - Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Lapland Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 4673 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - thanking the staff and volunteers of Grandview Manor.

Res. No. 4674 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - applauding the efforts of the Board of Directors of the Festival of Speed Cape Breton.

Res. No. 4675 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - commending "Just Us! Coffee Roasters Cooperative" of Hantsport.

Res. No. 4676 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Christopher Allen.

Res. No. 4677 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Carl MacFarlane.

Res. No. 4678 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Maxine Laflamme.

Res. No. 4679 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Sara Laurie.

Res. No. 4680 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Tiffany McEachern.

Res. No. 4681 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Malcolm McCulloch.

Res. No. 4682 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - welcoming Father Nweke to Guysborough.

Res. No. 4683 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance -

congratulations to Mainland Common Recreation Centre Society.

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

Pursuant to the order, Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 175. Needle Safety Act

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

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Colwell, Preston, moved second reading of the following bill:

## No. 223. Nova Scotia Power Rate Application Act, 2005

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Fage, Mr. Corbett, Mr. Sampson and Mr. Dooks. 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, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon.