The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Hon. Mr. Scott, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, each without amendments:

- No. 9. Municipal Government Act
- No. 15. Municipal Government Act
- No. 84. Wind Turbine Facilities Municipal Taxation Act

And also the following bills, with certain amendments:

- No. 7. Registered Nurses Act
- No. 11. Licensed Practical Nurses Act

The foregoing bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 908 - Hon. The Premier - recognition of the Provincial Autism Centre and Irene MacLeod and her husband, Brian on their work complementing the tremendous efforts of the centre.

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

Res. No. 909 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - recognition of those receiving the Minister's Awards for Excellence offered by Service Nova Scotia.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 910 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Human Resources - recognition of the Ground Search and Rescue Association members.

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

Res. No. 911 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - calling for support for legislation making communities safer.

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

Res. No. 912 - Hon. Mr. Goucher, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage - recognition of the $10^{\rm th}$ Annual Music Nova Scotia Awards winners and nominees.

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

Res. No. 913 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of African Nova Scotian Affairs - congratulations to the Black Cultural Centre on its 23rd 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. 107. An Act Respecting Midwifery

(Hon. Mr. d'Entremont - Minister of Health)

No. 108. An Act to Amend Chapter 475 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Trade Union Act, Respecting First-contract Arbitration

(Ms. M. MacDonald - Halifax Needham)

No. 109. An Act to Amend Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1996, the Occupational Health and Safety Act

(Mr. M. MacDonald - Cape Breton South)

No. 110. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1994-95, the Environment Act

(Ms. More - Dartmouth South-Portland Valley)

No. 111. An Act to Amend Chapter 222 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Industrial Development Act

(Mr. M. MacDonald - Cape Breton South)

No. 112. An Act Respecting the Establishment of a Domestic Violence Prevention Committee in Nova Scotia

(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. 914 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to the Dartmouth Minor Football Association for its commitment to youth.

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

Res. No. 915 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognition of Sheila Evans on receiving the Lifetime Membership distinction as a member of the Royal Canadian Legion.

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

Res. No. 916 - Hon. The Premier - recognition of Duke of Edinburgh Award recipient Jennifer Beaton.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 917 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to David Miller on being re-elected as Mayor of Toronto.

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

Res. No. 918 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - government has not done enough to protect women from domestic violence.

Res. No. 919 - Mr. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to lottery winners James and Mary Leigh MacNeil and store owner Elaine MacNeil.

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

Res. No. 920 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - recognition of Shirley Burnstein's years of commitment to bringing music to Northwood Community Centre and the larger community.

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

Res. No. 921 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - acknowledging those who are caring for children waiting to be adopted.

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

Res. No. 922 - Mr. Porter, Hants West - thanking the Paris-Jackson family for choosing to gather in Hants West during Sam Slick Days.

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

Res. No. 923 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - recognition of National Trucking Week.

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

Res. No. 924 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - urging the government to work toward a resolution of the Digby Wharf situation.

Res. No. 925 - Mr. Dunn, Pictou Centre - recognition of the service of Sgt. Alex Brown and Sgt. Jim Lynds with the New Glasgow Police Force on their retirement.

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

Res. No. 926 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Halifax County Under-14 Girls Soccer Team on winning the bronze medal at the Nationals.

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

Res. No. 927 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to Michel Samson on his 34th birthday.

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

Res. No. 928 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - recognition of those added to the Colchester County Sport Hall of Fame and the work of the Truro Sport Heritage Society.

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

Res. No. 929 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - recognition of Habitant for Humanity on new homes in the province.

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

Res. No. 930 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Finance - congratulations to William Gilkerson on being chosen a finalist for the Governor General's Literary Award.

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

Res. No. 931 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to veteran George Evans on receipt of the Arctic Star Emblem.

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

Res. No. 932 - Mr. Dunn, Pictou Centre - recognition of Milton Gallant and Karen Logan for their dedication in launching a special Web site.

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

Res. No. 933 - Mr. Porter, Hants West - congratulations to Georgina Moorehouse on her athletic spirit and on being made an honourary member of the Avon Valley Golf and Country Club.

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

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. McNeil, Annapolis, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 74. Poverty Reduction Strategy Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Ms. Streatch, Mr. Zinck, Ms. More and Ms. Whalen. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis, moved the following resolution:

Res. No. 848 - TPW - Hwy No. 101: Digby-Weymouth - Construct

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Parent.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

With unanimous consent of the House to revert business, 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. 113. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1994-95, the Environment Act

(Hon. Mr. Parent - Minister of Environment and Labour)

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Res. No. 848 - TPW - Hwy No. 101: Digby-Weymouth - Construct

The debate resumed with Messrs. Parker and Gaudet. 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, November 16th at 12:00 Noon.