

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Parker, Chairman of the Committee on Private and Local Bills, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment:

No. 72. Halifax Regional Water Commission Act

No. 88. Richmond Stora Enso Taxation Act

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

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Human Resources, rose to announce there will be statements and advertisements made by Emergency Management Office, with respect to emergency preparedness.

Comments were made with Mr. Belliveau and Mr. Theriault.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1086 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Acadian Affairs - congratulations to Pubnico West on its twinning with Avoine, France.

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. 121. An Act to Amend Chapter 130 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Disabled Persons' Commission Act

(Mr. Stephen McNeil - Annapolis)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1087 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - recognition of Dana Boutilier on receipt of the Engineering Technologist of the Year Award of Canada for 2006.

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

Res. No. 1088 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Buzz Hargrove on lending support to the Liberal Party of Canada.

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

Res. No. 1089 - Mr. Porter, Hants West - applauding Gordon Sanford for his stamina and work ethic at age 86.

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

Res. No. 1090 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - recognition of Recreation Nova Scotia and Community Links for their vision, leadership and commitment to the Canada Volunteerism Initiative.

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

Res. No. 1091 - Mr. Gaudet, Kings West - recognition of Huntington's Disease Awareness Month.

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

Res. No. 1092 - Mr. Dunn, Pictou Centre - recognition of the New Glasgow Festival of the Tartans on their 50th successful year.

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

Res. No. 1093 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - urging the government to provide assistance to the farming industry.

Res. No. 1094 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - recognition of Cape Breton as one of the must-see islands in North America.

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

Res. No. 1095 - Mr. Porter, Hants West - thanking Sam McCulloch for her determination to help other children.

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

Res. No. 1096 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - recognizing John Julian on his 80th birthday.

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

Res. No. 1097 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - wishing prosperity to the lobster fishery.

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

Res. No. 1098 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Bill Crossman and Vern Megeney on their service to the fire department at Amherst.

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

Res. No. 1099 - Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview - recognition of Long Lake Provincial Park Association on its promotion to protect their park.

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

Res. No. 1100 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognition of the Women of Excellence Award recipients.

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

Res. No. 1101 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Lindsay Harris and her team on winning the bronze medal at the Canadian Midget Basketball Championships.

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

Res. No. 1102 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - Minister of Agriculture should respond to requests of commodity groups.

Res. No. 1103 - Hon. Ms. Boliver-Getson, Minister of Immigration - congratulations to Shawn Allen and Chris Swain on receipt of the Grassroots Award.

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

Res. No. 1104 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to students of West Pictou Consolidated School in becoming involved in a Clean Nova Scotia environmental initiative and commend them for making a difference.

Res. No. 1105 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to Jerry Sullivan on his 90th birthday.

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

Res. No. 1106 - Hon. Ms. Casey, Minister of Education - congratulations to L&M Feed Services on reducing waste.

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

Res. No. 1107 - Mr. Preyra, Halifax Citadel - recognition of government and the Halifax Regional School Board for their use of surplus space in schools.

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

Res. No. 1108 - Hon. Mr. Parent, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognition of the Eastern Kings Chamber of Commerce and Bill Denyar.

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

Res. No. 1109 - Mr. Zinck, Dartmouth North - recognition of the Moir family and descendants on their contributions to the Dartmouth and Halifax regions.

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

Res. No. 1110 - Hon. The Premier - congratulations to Dr. Buddy MacMaster on receipt of an Honorary Doctorate of Letters from 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. 1111 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - recognition of the Whitney Pier Historical Society on their hard work and dedication to their community.

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

Res. No. 1112 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - recognition of the Halifax Skate Park Coalition on the conclusion of their project.

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

Res. No. 1113 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognition of

Jessica Wishart on representing Canada at the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change.

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

Res. No. 1114 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - recognizing Jack and Darlene Stone for their generous gift of a significant package of land at Moody Lake.

Res. No. 1115 - Mr. Paris, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - congratulations to the Lockview High Dragons on winning the Nova Scotia Athletic Federation Tier Two Football Championships.

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

Res. No. 1116 - Ms. Conrad, Queens - congratulations to the Junior Achievement Titans team called Phoenix from Liverpool Regional High School for competing in the 2006 Titan Competition.

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

Res. No. 1117 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - calling for a state funeral for the last veteran of World War I.

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

Res. No. 1118 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to Coach Rob Morgan and the Sackville High football team on their successful year.

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

Res. No. 1119 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognition of the Masthead News for their service to the community for 15 years.

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

Res. No. 1120 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - recognizing the economic impact of the lobster fishery in Districts 33 and 34.

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

Res. No. 1121 - Mr. MacKinnon, Pictou East - recognition of Sobeys Inc. for their waste reduction initiative by introducing the Green Bag for Life campaign.

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

Res. No. 1122 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - recognition of Citco Group Limited and Nova Scotia Business Inc on their payroll rebate.

Res. No. 1123 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - recognition of Duncan MacKenzie for winning the 2006 Canadian Horseshoe Championship.

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

Res. No. 1124 - Mr. MacKinnon, Pictou East - congratulations to Michael Smith (Bubbles) and the Trailer Park Boys on their release of "Trailer Park Boys: The Movie".

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

Res. No. 1125 - Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview - urging The Premier to write the Prime Minister to indicate the unanimous support of the Nova Scotia House of Assembly for a complete ban on corporate and labour contributions in federal politics.

Res. No. 1126 - Mr. Zinck, Dartmouth North - congratulations to Celeste Quigley for receiving three scholarships.

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

Res. No. 1127 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - recognizing the role of arts and culture in education.

Res. No. 1128 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - recognition of the Pictou Lobster Carnival Committee.

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

Res. No. 1129 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Rebecca Cleary on being selected runner-up at the 2007 Miss Canada International Pageant.

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

Res. No. 1130 - Mr. Preyra, Halifax Citadel - recognizing the staff and volunteers at Feed Nova Scotia and join them in striving to eliminate hunger.

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

Res. No. 1131 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - Members should keep their flashlights in their desks in case the lights go out due to salt fog.

Res. No. 1132 - Mr. Paris, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - congratulations to Cheryl Newcombe on her 25 years of voluntarism to the residents of Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 1133 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Immigration - recognition of Nova Scotia Music Week celebrated in venues through Queens County.

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

Res. No. 1134 - Ms. Conrad, Queens - recognition of National Novel Writing Month and Susan Borgenson of East Port Medway for taking on this challenge.

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

Res. No. 1135 - Mr. MacLeod, Cape Breton West - recognition of volunteers of Greater Molega Lake Lot Owners Association for helping to replace Black Rattle Bridge.

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

Res. No. 1136 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognition of Unlimited Country on hosting a community Christmas event in Upper Tantallon.

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

Res. No. 1137 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulations to the owners of Wilson's Shopping Centre on fundraising.

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

Res. No. 1138 - Hon. Mr. Taylor, Minister of Agriculture - congratulations to Queens Community Health Board on celebrating the 10th anniversary of the Well Woman Day.

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

Res. No. 1139 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - retention of jobs is a necessary part of the economic success of the province.

Res. No. 1140 - Mr. Dunn, Pictou Centre - congratulations to the Caledonia Valley Credit Union Kedge Pedalers Big Bike Team on winning the Team Spirit Award by the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 1141 - Hon. Mr. Dooks, Minister of Energy - recognizing the exploits of Fraser Peter Hutchinson while a Canadian soldier during the Second World War and for recording them for the Dominion Institutes' Memory Project Road Show and its Digital Archive.

Res. No. 1142 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Economic

Development - recognizing Yarmouth Rotary Club's contributions to the community.

Res. No. 1143 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Economic Development - recognizing John S.G. McKenzie's service to his country and his contribution to marine history.

Res. No. 1144 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Cassa Business Equipment on winning the Yarmouth and Area 2006 Marketing Award.

Res. No. 1145 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Kyle Hill on being named Rhodes Scholar and for being chosen to participate in NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center.

Res. No. 1146 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to B. J. Wagner on being chosen as the Yarmouth and Area 2006 Youth Entrepreneur of the Year.

Res. No. 1147 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Fred Emin on being chosen as the Yarmouth and Area Customer Service Award recipient for 2006.

Res. No. 1148 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Arthur Theriault on being chosen as the Yarmouth and Area Business Person of the Year.

Res. No. 1149 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Tri Star Industries on being chosen as the Yarmouth and Area 2006 Export Achievement Award recipient.

Res. No. 1150 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Brenda Doucette on being chosen as the Yarmouth and Area Female Entrepreneur of the Year.

PUBLIC BILLS

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

No. 117. Members and Public Employees Disclosure Act

The debate resumed with Mr. Steele, Ms. Massey, Mr. Parker, Ms. Conrad, Hon. Mr. Hulburt, Messrs. Preyra, Zinck, Paris, Ms. Raymond and Mr. David A. Wilson, who adjourned the debate.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Finance, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 119. Elections Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Deveaux, Samson and Hon. Mr. Baker in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, November 22nd at 2:00 P.M.