

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

A. MacMaster, Inverness, tabled a petition from those opposed to tax increases.

M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville, tabled a petition concerning a new dialysis unit.

Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South, tabled a petition concerning a correctional centre in Cumberland County.

J. Morton, Kings North, tabled a petition regarding a moratorium on the use of sewage sludge.

L. Glavine, Kings West, tabled a petition opposed to tax increases.

C. Porter, Hants West, tabled a petition concerning the use of sewage sludge in Colchester County.

C. Porter, Hants West, tabled a petition concerning healthy living tax receipts and their invalidity.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health, tabled a report entitled, Emergency Care in Nova Scotia - Interim Report, April 2010.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health, rose to announce the progress in the matter of the provision of emergency care with the tabling of the interim report on emergency care.

Comments were made by D. Whalen and Hon. C. d'Entremont.

Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Environment, rose to speak about the management of biosolids.

Comments were made by A. Younger and C. Porter.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 229 - Hon. D. Dexter, Premier - recognizing Rogers and the Halifax Rainmen.

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

Res. No. 230 - Hon. M. More, Minister of Labour and Workforce Development - recognizing Elaine Sibson, Chris Power and Ray Ivany in their roles at the Workers' Compensation Board.

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

Res. No. 231 - Hon. P. Paris, Minister of African Nova Scotian Affairs - recognizing Shauntay Grant on the release of her first studio recording.

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

Res. No. 232 - Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health Promotion and Protection - recognizing the volunteers and others involved with Canoe 09.

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. 19. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Motor Vehicle Act

(Hon. B. Estabrooks - Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal)

No. 20. An Act to Create a Provincial Advisory Council on the Sustainability of Health Care

(D. Whalen - Halifax Clayton Park)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 233 - Hon. Manning MacDonald, Cape Breton South - member for Cape Breton Nova must agree he misled constituents in the last election.

Res. No. 234 - Hon. K. Casey, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party - congratulating the Thirsty Church and the community for their donations and work in upgrades to the community church.

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

Res. No. 235 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - recognizing the Eastern Passage Fire Combat Team as they competed in the Scott Firefit Maritime Regional Championships.

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

Res. No. 236 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - reminding the member for Halifax Atlantic she has misled constituents in the last election.

Res. No. 237 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Gary Nickerson on receiving the Justice Minister's Award for Leadership in Crime prevention in the media category.

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

Res. No. 238 - M. Smith, Antigonish - recognizing the Antigonish Farmers Mutual Insurance Company on its 100th anniversary.

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

Res. No. 239 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating Bedford Branch of the RCL on their donations for the Poppy Campaign and the Cobequid Community Health Centre.

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

Res. No. 240 - A. MacMaster, Inverness - encouraging the Minister of Finance to listen to New Brunswick's position regarding increased taxes.

Res. No. 241 - J. Morton, Kings North - recognizing Lawton's Drugs, Kentville, on being named as the Best of Kings.

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

Res. No. 242 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - Minister of the Public Service Commission must table the personal services contract for Wayne MacKay.

Res. No. 243 - K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes - thanking volunteers who keep festivals alive.

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

Res. No. 244 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - recognizing Lutwick's Boat Building and Repair on receiving funds through investments in fisheries.

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

Res. No. 245 - L. Glavine, Kings West - Premier must stop penalizing middle income and working poor Nova Scotians with the NDP HST hike.

Res. No. 246 - C. Porter, Hants West - recognizing Jonathan Chandler and Tyler Horne for donating funds to the SPCA.

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

Res. No. 247 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour-

recognizing the Canso Lions Club on their continued community service.

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

Res. No. 248 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond - recognizing Maxine LeBlanc David on launching a campaign to raise awareness about a possible new treatment option in the fight for MS called The Liberation Treatment.

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

Res. No. 249 - A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West - congratulating African Nova Scotia Heritage Month female honourees Edith Cromwell, Ada Fells, Geraldine White, Beryl Braithwaite, May Sheppard and Willena Jones.

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

Res. No. 250 - Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare - the member for Truro-Bible Hill must admit she has misled constituents in the last election.

Res. No 251 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - urging the House in supporting federal measures to deal with criminals serving longer sentences and remove the two for one credit system.

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

Res. No. 252 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - the member for Chester-St. Margaret's must admit she misled constituents in the last election.

Res. No. 253 - Hon. K. Casey, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party - recognizing the community of Tatamagouche for 300 years of recorded history and diverse heritage.

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

Res. No. 254 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - the member for

Sackville-Cobequid must admit he misled constituents in the last election.

Res. No. 255 - A. MacMaster, Inverness - recognizing Harold Aucoin on receiving the CGA Fellowship Award.

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

Res. No. 256 - H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - the member for Colchester-Musquodoboit Harbour must admit he misled constituents in the last election.

Res. No. 257 - C. Porter, Hants West - recognizing the volunteer service of Spencer Wright and Mary Smith who were awarded certificates for Volunteers of the Year.

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

Res. No. 258 - L. Glavine, Kings West - the member for Pictou East must admit he misled constituents in the last election.

Res. No. 259 - K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes - recognizing Gillian Reid, a political science student, on representing our province on the world stage at a national conference for young women.

Res. No. 260 - Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare - recognizing the late Clarence Comeau, an entrepreneur from Saulnierville and sending condolences to his family and friends.

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

Res. No. 261 - A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West - recognizing Lynette Sampson and wishing her luck at the Canada Summer Games.

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

Res. No. 262 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - the member for Queens must admit she misled constituents in the last election.

Res. No. 263 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - recognizing

Doug Currie on all his volunteer efforts.

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

Res. No. 264 - H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulating Dave Wilson and his company, Bear River Plastics, on his innovation regarding plastic wave break systems.

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

Res. No. 265 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognizing World Autism Day.

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

SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY

With unanimous consent of the House, the adjourned debate on Resolution No. 1 will be resumed and completed on Monday, April 12th. Further with unanimous consent, it was agreed that the House could resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply this day without the debate on Resolution 1 being completed.

On motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply, a debate arose during which the following took part: Hon. Manning MacDonald and C. Porter. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the motion carried nem com.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the following Resolution was called:

No. E11, relating to the Department of Health. 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.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, April 9th at 9:00 A.M.

MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5). The topic of late debate as submitted by Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis:

"Therefore be it resolved that the NDP's graduate tax credit will have little impact on retention rates in the province and does nothing to help low-income Nova Scotians gain access to post-secondary education."

A debate ensued during which the following took part: K. Regan, Hon. M. More and Hon. K. Casey.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

The following notice was passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 266 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Acadia Axemen and the Acadia Minor Hockey Association sledge hockey team on fundraising.