

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South, tabled a petition respecting a correctional facility in Cumberland County.

POINT OF PRIVILEGE

K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes, rose on a point of privilege concerning Law Amendments Committee and allows an opportunity for amendments to be considered. Hon. F. Corbett stated there is no convention. Hon. M. Samson stated that when presenters are present there is an opportunity for caucuses to introduce amendments.

Hon. Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Hon. B. Estabrooks, Minister of Energy, tabled a report entitled, Final Report, 12-Year Retrospective of Natural Gas Production in Nova Scotia dated April 2010.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notice was passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 929 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture - supporting a coastal strategy for Nova Scotia.

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. 55. An Act to Amend Chapter 8 of the Acts of 1995-96, the Internal Trade Agreement Implementation Act

(Hon. P. Paris - Minister of Economic and Rural Development)

No. 56. An Act to Amend Chapter 438 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Special Places Protection Act, to Require the Designation of Certain Lands of Archeological Importance to the Shubenacadie Canal

(A. Younger - Dartmouth East)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 930 - C. Porter, Hants West - recognizing Captain Richard Cochran on retiring after more than 30 years of service with the 106 Windsor Regional Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron.

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

Res. No. 931 - A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West - applauding MPs standing with their constituents on the issue of abolishing the long-gun registry.

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

Res. No. 932 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Terri McCulloch on promoting the attractions of the Bay of Fundy and encouraging voting for the Bay of Fundy as one of the New7 Wonders of Nature.

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

Res. No. 933 - K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulating Bruce Morrison on his retirement and his 35 years to the province.

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

Res. No. 934 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - recognizing Thomas and Gisèle Doucet on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Dinner for the Municipality of Argyle.

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

Res. No. 935 - C. Porter, Hants West - congratulating the Youth Group of Windsor United Baptist Church in raising money for World Vision.

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

Res. No. 936 - A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West - recognizing the important work of the police regarding safety.

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

Res. No. 937 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - recognizing Charlie Atkinson on being named Springhill and Area Chamber of Commerce's Businessperson 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. 938 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - recognizing Beth McGee on being named this year's winner of the Nickerson Lifetime Achievement Award.

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

Res. No. 939 - K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes - recognizing the work of teachers and congratulating Diane Lewis and Mary Elaine Muise on winning awards for their outstanding work in promoting equity in education.

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

PUBLIC BILLS

Hon. G. Steele, Minister of Finance, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 52. Insurance Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson, C. Porter, L. Glavine, A. MacMaster and Hon. G. Steele 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.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, on behalf of the 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. 13. Motor Vehicle Act**No. 18. Vital Statistics Act****No. 19. Motor Vehicle Act****No. 23. Sea, Army, Air and Navy League Cadets Day Act****No. 24. Financial Measures (2010) Act****No. 29. Municipal Government Act****No. 36. Engineering Profession Act****No. 41. Volunteer Fire Services Act**

And also the following bills with certain amendments:

No. 10. Cape Breton Island Marketing Levy Act**No. 33. Securities Transfer Act**

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

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, May 3rd at 4:00 P.M.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

The following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 940 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating 689 Handley Page Squadron on their 25th anniversary.

Res. No. 941 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Chris Brown on his first solo album.

Res. No. 942 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - urging the construction of a correctional facility in Springhill.

Res. No. 943 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - urging the Premier to get off the Dexter bus.

Res. No. 944 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Joan Jones on receiving the Business of the Year Award.

Res. No. 945 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating the Town of Parrsboro and its residents on their four-bloom rating in the Community in Bloom program.

Res. No. 946 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Springhill High School Golden Eagles on winning the NSSAF Northumberland Division III girls basketball regional championship.

Res. No. 947 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Springhill High School Golden Eagles senior girls on capturing the Caledonia Regional High School Tigers invitational basketball tournament.

Res. No. 948 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating the Cumberland Singers on raising money for Haiti earthquake relief.

Res. No. 949 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating

the Oxford Mini B Girls on winning the Cumberland/Westmorland Girls Basketball Championship.

Res. No. 950 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Margaret Reid to her 50 years of service to the Millvale United Church.

Res. No. 951 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Nancy E. Warren on winning an Emmy Award for Outstanding Hairstyling for a Miniseries or Movie.

Res. No. 952 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Mary Vingoe on being nominated for Outstanding Performance by an Actress in a Supporting Role for the Robert Merritt Awards.

Res. No. 953 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Oxford Area Skating Club Starskaters on winning numerous medals at a competition in Amherst.

Res. No. 954 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating the community of River Hebert for raising money for ShelterBox tents to be sent to earthquake-torn Haiti.

Res. No. 955 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - recognizing the late Susan Taylor on being the recipient of the Paul Harris Fellowship Award from the Amherst Rotary Club for developing a successful band program at the Amherst Regional High School.

Res. No. 956 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating William Corbett on being the recipient of the Parrsboro and District Board of Trade's 2009 bursary.

Res. No. 957 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating William Wheaton on receiving a lifetime membership to the Parrsboro and District Board of Trade.

Res. No. 958 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating John Henderson on being named Volunteer of the Year.

Res. No. 959 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Karine McGregor on being named Volunteer of the Year.

Res. No. 960 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Meggie Spicer on helping her soccer team with the Tier 1 Provincial Indoor

Championship.

Res. No. 961 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Perry Kossatz on receiving the Robert Merritt Award for Volunteer of the Year.

Res. No. 962 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Marley White on winning the Nova Scotia Recycles Contest for 2009-10.

Res. No. 963 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Cumberland County Blues on winning the Nova Scotia Junior Hockey League Championship.

Res. No. 964 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Parrsboro Predators on claiming the championship hockey title at the Bluenose tournament.

Res. No. 965 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating the Cumberland Health Authority on being the recipient of the Big Strides in Quality Work-Life Award.

Res. No. 966 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Brooke Walton and Kristen Yorke on winning the Nova Scotia Recycles Contest for 2009-10.

Res. No. 967 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Evan Canning on being awarded the trophy for top scorer at the Bluenose tournament.

Res. No. 968 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Patrick Quinn on being awarded the trophy for top defenseman at the Bluenose tournament.

Res. No. 969 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating Ryan Quinn on being awarded the trophy for top defenseman at the Bluenose tournament.

Res. No. 970 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating the Cobequid Fun-Tones on 25 years of music.

Res. No. 971 - Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - congratulating John Henderson on being named Volunteer of the Year.