

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Environment, tabled the ecoNova Scotia - Final Report (03/11).

Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Environment, tabled the Fee Schedule - Environmental Assessments.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 398 - Hon. F. Corbett, Deputy Premier, on behalf of the Hon. D. Dexter, Premier - congratulating the Mi'kmaq First Nation on their success and all the best in the second International Mawio'mi in Halifax from July 1st - 3rd.

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

Res. No. 399 - Hon. R. Landry, Minister of Justice - recognizing the organizers, partners and participants at the 25th Atlantic Crime Prevention Conference on anti-bullying and school safety.

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

Res. No. 400 - Hon. P. Paris, Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism - congratulating the Atlantic Chapter of Meetings Professionals International on their work to promote the importance of their industry.

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

Res. No. 401 - Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Education - thanking the School Insurance Program on expanding its insurance to cover the registered volunteers while participating with students at schools.

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

Res. No. 402 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Environment - congratulating the ecoNova Scotia program on their success.

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

Res. No. 403 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Environment - congratulating Carbon Sense Solutions, Green Power Labs and Seaforth Energy on their impressive showing at this international forum.

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. 23. An Act Respecting Public Procurement in Nova Scotia

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

No. 24. An Act to Provide for the Establishment of Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement in the Government of Nova Scotia

(A. MacMaster - Inverness)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 404 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - recognizing the Day of Pink to mark the International Day against bullying.

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

Res. No. 405 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - recognizing the importance of Pink Shirt Day in support of the victims of bullying.

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

Res. No. 406 - Hon. B. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulating Adrian Saturley on his selection as Acadia University's Male Athlete of the Year 2010-11.

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

Res. No. 407 - Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South - calling on the Minister of Natural Resources to get on with the job of a balanced forest strategy.

Res. No. 408 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating the St. Margarets Bay Seniors Association on their success.

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

Res. No. 409 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - congratulating Justin Barkhouse on his past sports achievements at the 2011 Canada Winter Games.

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

Res. No. 410 - Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations and thanks to the Kinsmen Club of Sackville on their 50th Anniversary Gala.

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

Res. No. 411 - L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - congratulating Wendy Lill on receiving the 2011 Robert Merritt Award and her diverse contributions to the theatre in Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 412 - V. Conrad, Queens - congratulating Elizabeth Woodford Collins on her innovative teaching practices.

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

Res. No. 413 - M. Smith, Antigonish - applauding Tyler McLaren and the 4-H Kevin Grant Rural Leadership Tour participants on their achievements.

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

Res. No. 414 - B. Skabar, Cumberland North - congratulating the Good Looking Guys, the Better Looking Guys and all the people of Cumberland North who came out to support the fundraising for the palliative care unit.

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

Res. No. 415 - M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville - congratulating Marko Simmonds on being nominated for two East Coast Music Awards in 2011.

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

Res. No. 416 - J. Morton, Kings North - congratulating Ron and Bernice Ward on retiring from the Centreville's General Store.

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

Res. No. 417 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - recognizing the spirit of volunteerism by Rick Welsford, the Mahone Bay Pirate Festival and Regatta committee and community members on this successful festival.

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

Res. No. 418 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating the Trinity United Church in Mulgrave on their 100th

anniversary.

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

Res. No. 419 - Hon. D. Dexter, Cole Harbour - recognizing the important contribution of the Association for Business in Cole Harbour.

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

Res. No. 420 - Hon. B. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulating Andrew Rowe on his selection to the World Football Team.

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

Res. No. 421 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Lindsay Doucet and her team on winning the provincial curling tournament.

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

Res. No. 422 - L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - congratulating Susan LeBlanc-Crawford and Louisa Adamson and the entire Zuppa Theatre Company on their nominations and the 2011 Robert Merritt Awards.

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

Res. No. 423 - V. Conrad, Queens - congratulating Master Corporal Richard Dixon on receiving the Mention in Dispatches Award for his courageous actions during his last tour in Afghanistan.

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

Res. No. 424 - Hon. C. Parker, Pictou West - congratulating Russell Gammon on being honoured with a Distinguished Achievement Award.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 425 - M. Smith, Antigonish - congratulating Bruce MacDonald on receiving the 2011 Education Week Award.

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

Res. No. 426 - B. Skabar, Cumberland North - congratulating the Cumberland County Heritage Network on receiving \$200,000 grant from the Strategic Development Initiative.

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

Res. No. 427 - M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville - congratulating Millwood High School on their winning application to Best Buy Canada's Best in Class technology grant.

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

Res. No. 428 - J. Morton, Kings North - congratulating Edmund Wohlmuth on winning the Pee wee Under 11 Triathlon.

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

Res. No. 429 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - recognizing the official opening of Centre Scolaire de la Rive Sud in Cookville.

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

Res. No. 430 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating George Freer on 2011 Representative Volunteer Award.

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

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Hon. Manning MacDonald, Opposition House Leader, called the

following Resolution:

Res. No. 280 - NDP: Gas Regulation - End

A debate ensued during which the following took part: L. Glavine, Hon. J. MacDonell, A. MacMaster and A. Younger. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Hon. Manning MacDonald, Opposition House Leader, called the following Resolution:

Res. No. 295 - NDP Gov't.: Educ. Cuts - Stop

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. K. Casey, Hon. R. Jennex, Hon. C. d'Entremont and K. Regan. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT

Madam Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, April 14th at 12:00 Noon.

MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)

Madam Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5). The topic of late debate as submitted by Hon. P. Paris, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank:

"Therefore be it resolved that all members of the House of Assembly recognize and congratulate this government for taking action toward achieving fairness and equity by working with African Nova Scotians in our province since June 2009."

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. P. Paris, Hon. K. Colwell and K. Bain.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

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

Res. No. 431 - J. Morton, Kings North - congratulating Centre Stage Theatre for being named the Best Entertainment Venue in the 2011 Eastern Kings Chamber of Commerce Best of Kings competition.

Res. No. 432 - J. Morton, Kings North - congratulating D. M. Reid Jewellers Limited for being named the Best Jewelry Store in the 2011 Eastern Kings Chamber of Commerce Best of Kings competition.

Res. No. 433 - J. Morton, Kings North - congratulating Glow Hair and Body for being named the Best Hair Salon in the 2011 Eastern Kings Chamber of Commerce Best of Kings competition.

Res. No. 434 - J. Morton, Kings North - congratulating K-Rock 89.3 FM for being named the Best Media in the 2011 Eastern Kings Chamber of Commerce Best of Kings competition.

Res. No. 435 - J. Morton, Kings North - congratulating Pulsifers Flowers and Foliage for being named the Best Florist in the 2011 Eastern Kings Chamber of Commerce Best of Kings competition.

Res. No. 436 - J. Morton, Kings North - congratulating Rockwell Home Hardware for being named the Best Hardware Store in the 2011 Eastern Kings Chamber of Commerce Best of Kings competition.

Res. No. 437 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Judy Hemeon on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 438 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Wayne Dooks on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 439 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Kevin Smith on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 440 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating LaVern Lloyd on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 441 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Leona Harris on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 442 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Mark Holden on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 443 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Mary Anne Turner on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 444 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Michelle Swim on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 445 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Mike Scott on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 446 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Minnie Atkinson on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 447 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Nicole Cotter on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 448 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Pearl Hemeon on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 449 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Samantha Brannen on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 450 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Sandra Brown on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 451 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Shirley Townsend on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 452 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Tanya Dooks on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 453 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Teresa Huskison on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 454 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Pastor Tim Garren on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 455 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Vicki Holland on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 456 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Vicki Huskison on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 457 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Wayne Butler on being recognized as a representative volunteer during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 458 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Denise Amiro on being honoured as a volunteer by the Club Social des Isles during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 459 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Alfred Boudreau on being honoured as a volunteer by the Club Social des Isles during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 460 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Cassie Amirault on being honoured as a volunteer by the Club Social des Isles during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 461 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Shirley and Paul Deveau on being honoured as a volunteer by the Club Social des Isles during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 462 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Cheryl and Eddie Madden on being honoured as a volunteer by the Club Social des Isles during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 463 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Johnny Boudreau on being honoured as a volunteer by the Club Social des Isles during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 464 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Marilyn Wallace on being honoured as a volunteer by the Club Social des Isles during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 465 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Betty Cottreau on being honoured as a volunteer by the Club Social des Isles during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 466 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Jolynn Muise on being honoured as a volunteer by the Club Social des Isles during National Volunteer Week.

Res. No. 467 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Ron Doucette on being honoured as a volunteer by the Club Social des Isles during National Volunteer Week.