

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Hon. R. Landry, 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. 21. Public Archives Act

No. 25. Occupational Health and Safety Act

No. 27. Financial Measures (2011) Act

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

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. 59. An Act Respecting the Election of Members to the House of Assembly and Electoral Finance

(Hon. R. Landry - Minister responsible for the Elections Act)

No. 60. An Act to Amend Chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Elections Act

(Hon. S. McNeil - Annapolis)

No. 61. An Act to Provide Greater Flexibility for Nova Scotians' Retirement Savings in Locked-in Accounts

(A. MacMaster - Inverness)

NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the

Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1143 – Hon. S. McNeil, Leader of the Official Opposition – acknowledging Mother's Day, Sunday, May 8, 2011.

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

Res. No. 1144 – Hon. J. Baillie, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party – congratulating Sharon and Richard Calder on their induction into the Nova Scotia Business Hall of Fame.

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

Res. No. 1145 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – applauding the generous community spirit of the Baddeck Bay Hospital Auxiliary and members.

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

Res. No. 1146 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Jeremy Page on winning his silver medal in snowboarding at the 2011 Canada Games.

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

Res. No. 1147 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – acknowledging and congratulating David Cann on receiving the Howard and Genevieve Libbey Scholarship at Cape Breton University.

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

PRIVATE MEMBERS PUBLIC BILLS

K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes, moved second reading on the following bill:

No. 54. Cemeteries Protection Act

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

Wilson, A. Younger and K. Bain 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.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

With the consent of the House, the order of business was reverted to Tabling Reports, Regulations and Other Papers.

Hon. G. Gosse, Speaker, tabled a report of the Chief Electoral Officer regarding the response to Resolution No. 645 of the House of Assembly.

PUBLIC BILLS

Hon. F. Corbett, Deputy Premier, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 52. Government Administration Amendment (2011) Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson, Hon. J. Baillie, L. Glavine and Hon. F. Corbett 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.

Hon. M. More, Minister of Labour and Advanced Education, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 53. Labour Standards Code

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

Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health and Wellness, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 55. Medical Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: D. Whalen, C. Porter and Hon. Maureen MacDonald 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.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved second reading of the following bills:

No. 56. Real Estate Trading Act

No. 57. Private Ways Act

There being no debate, the question was put by Mr. Speaker and the bills were forthwith read a second time. Ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, May 9th at 4:00 P.M.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

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

Res. No. 1148 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating Juanita Fudge on her graduation from Atlantic Police Academy.

Res. No. 1149 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating Lloyd Stone on climbing Mt. Kilimanjaro at age 82.

Res. No. 1150 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating Joseph Gerard Thurbide on being named Chauffeur of the Year by Limousine Digest.

Res. No. 1151 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – recognizing the enthusiasm of the Little Rocks Youth Curling Program at Baddeck Curling Club.

Res. No. 1152 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating the Combined Christmas Cheer project and volunteer members.

Res. No. 1153 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating students from the schools in the North of Smokey who took part in the Canwest Regional Spelling Bee on a job well done.

Res. No. 1154 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Kimberley Sutherland on her snowboarding success at the 2011 Canada Winter Games.

Res. No. 1155 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Emma Belliveau on her spelling skills.

Res. No. 1156 – C. Porter, Hants West – thanking Rebecca Card for keeping up her “happy-go-lucky” spirits.

Res. No. 1157 – C. Porter, Hants West – applauding Paige Levangie for her excellent writing skills and on earning \$500 which she donated to Habitat for Humanity.

Res. No. 1158 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Justin Barkhouse for badminton perseverance.

Res. No. 1159 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Jordan Newcombe on his outstanding snowboarding career.

Res. No. 1160 – C. Porter, Hants West – applauding the Hantsport School’s Citizenship Club for all their efforts.

Res. No. 1161 – C. Porter, Hants West – applauding Amber Shute on taking the role of Chief of Gates for Snowboarding at the 2011 Canada Winter Games in Nova Scotia.

Res. No. 1162 – C. Porter, Hants West – applauding Danette te Bogt for their determination and wishing them success at their te Bogt pork farming.

Res. No. 1163 – C. Porter, Hants West – applauding Gary, Jason and Jeff Scothorn on their large dairy farm, championship bulls and Christmas tree industry.

Res. No. 1164 – C. Porter, Hants West – applauding Sunny Point Farm president Phillip Vroegh and his family for their commitment to Nova Scotia Agriculture.

Res. No. 1165 – C. Porter, Hants West – acknowledging the accomplishments of Freeman Swinamer on 35 years of volunteer service and his dedication and service to the community.

Res. No. 1166 – C. Porter, Hants West – acknowledging the accomplishments of Angela Pelton on her volunteer milestone.

Res. No. 1167 – C. Porter, Hants West – applauding Blaine and Donna Eldridge on being recognized for their selflessness and compassion

with a Volunteer Award.

Res. No. 1168 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Tatiana Bowness on receiving a Volunteer Award.

Res. No. 1169 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Haley Brown on receiving 1st place in the Intermediate Poem division.

Res. No. 1170 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Brooke Lefresne on receiving 2nd place in the Intermediate Poem and Intermediate Essay divisions.

Res. No. 1171 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Breanna Rogers on receiving 1st place in the Intermediate Essay division.

Res. No. 1172 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Shoelyn Dann Allen on receiving 2nd place in the Poster Contest.

Res. No. 1173 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Sabrina Hiefer on receiving 2nd place in the Senior Poem division.

Res. No. 1174 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Ryan Greenham on receiving 2nd place in the Senior Essay division.

Res. No. 1175 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Rebekah Weatherbee on receiving 2nd place in the Poster Contest Senior Colour division.

Res. No. 1176 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Patrick Weir on receiving 1st place in the Poster Contest Junior Black and White division.

Res. No. 1177 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Natalie Rippey on receiving 1st place in the Poster Contest Intermediate Colour and Intermediate Black and White divisions.

Res. No. 1178 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Korolos Sawires on receiving 1st place in the Junior Essay division.

Res. No. 1179 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Kelsey Le Lacheur on receiving 1st place in the Senior Essay division.

Res. No. 1180 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Jayma Porter on receiving 2nd place in the Junior Essay division.

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Res. No. 1181 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Jonathan Weatherbee on receiving 1st place in the Poster Contest Junior Colour division.