

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Hon. R. Landry, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with certain amendments:

No. 57. Elections Act

The foregoing bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House in Bills.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health and Wellness, tabled the Annual Report of the Board under the Involuntary Psychiatric Treatment Act.

Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Environment, tabled the Industrial Approval for the Pioneer Coal Site at Point Aconi.

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1624 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Samantha “Sam” Nielson on her tremendous contributions to improving the lives of others in her community.

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

Res. No. 1625 – L. Glavine, Kings West – encouraging the Bluenose Brotherhood and the Boston Red Sox for promoting July 5th as Nova Scotia Day at Fenway Park.

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

Res. No. 1626 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Suzanne Morrison on her contributions to her community in music and voluntarism.

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

Res. No. 1627 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Fred Graham on receiving a commendation from International Lions Club President Sid Scruggs III for his outstanding service to his community.

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

PUBLIC BILLS

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

No. 17. Fair Drug Pricing Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: D. Whalen, who moved a three-month hoist. On the hoist motion, the debate continued with Hon. M. Samson, Hon. J. Baillie, A. Younger, Hon. C. d'Entremont, Hon. S. McNeil, A. MacMaster, T. Zinck, Z. Churchill, C. Porter, Hon. K. Casey, K. Bain, K. Regan, A. MacLeod, L. Glavine and Hon. K. Colwell. On a recorded vote on the hoist amendment, the amendment was defeated, there being 18 for the motion and 28 opposed. The debate on the main motion resumed with Hon. J. Baillie. Hon. F. Corbett moved that the previous question be now put. The debate continued on the previous question with Hon. S. McNeil. Mr. Speaker called for a vote on the motion for the previous question, same was carried. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. D. Dexter, Premier, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 62. Halifax Regional Municipality Charter

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. Younger. The question being put by Madam Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as ready by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third 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. C. d'Entremont, L. Glavine and K. Regan. The question being put by Madam Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as ready by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

ADJOURNMENT

Madam Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, May 16th at 12:00 Noon.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

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

Res. No. 1628 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating École Secondaire de Par-en-Bas on the opening of their new youth health centre.

Res. No. 1629 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating La Baie en Joie for winning BATD Rose Bowl for Traditional Dance.

Res. No. 1630 – Hon. P. Paris, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank – congratulating Dylan Cook on his game-winning goal, as well, the players, coaches and staff for their victory at the Capital Region Championship.