

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Hon. R. Landry, Minister of Justice, tabled the Law Reform Commission of Nova Scotia final report, *Seniors-only Housing*.

Hon. G. Gosse, Speaker, tabled the *Statement of Votes and Financial Information By-election: Glace Bay and Yarmouth* from Elections Nova Scotia.

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1631 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Rachel Shaw and Kyle Jewer and their classmates in making an aquatic therapy program a success.

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

Res. No. 1632 – Hon. Manning MacDonald, Cape Breton South – pressing Nova Scotians to become more active since the elimination of the Voluntary Planning Board.

Res. No. 1633 – Hon. B. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect – congratulating Corporal Don McElhone on his promotion to the rank of Sergeant.

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

Res. No. 1634 – Hon. Manning MacDonald, Cape Breton South – condemning the NDP government for not removing the tax on tax for gasoline.

Res. No. 1635 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – recognizing the great contribution Lebanese Canadians have made to our province.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1636 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – wishing Lauren and Patrick Connors a successful fundraiser event in memory of their father, Jim Connors.

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

Res. No. 1637 - A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating Coxheath Wilderness Recreation Association on winning the 2011 Gary MacDonald Memorial Award.

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

Res. No. 1638 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – extending appreciation to those involved in Hair for Hero's on a successful event.

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

Res. No. 1639 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – remembering the remarkable life of Wallace McCain and sending condolences to his family and many friends.

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

Res. No. 1640 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating the member of Glace Bay for reducing his expenses by shaving his head.

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

Res. No. 1641 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Dr. Jamie Masala on being named as the first Gail and Stephen Jarislowsky Chair in Learning Disabilities.

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

Res. No. 1642 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Alice Neily on the dual recognition of the 2010 Lion of the Year Award and the

Kingston Village Volunteer 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. 1643 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating the Village of Tatamagouche on raising funds for the North Colchester Recreation Association.

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

Res. No. 1644 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – condemning the NDP government for not removing tax on tax for gasoline.

Res. No. 1645 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Bria Miller on being recognized for her efforts at the 25th Annual Atlantic Coordinating Committee on Crime Prevention and Community Safety Conference.

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

Res. No. 1646 – G. MacLellan, Glace Bay – congratulating the head coach and volunteers on their continued support for the Sydney Sooners.

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

Res. No. 1647 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – acknowledging this week as National Victorian Order of Nurses Awareness Week.

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

Res. No. 1648 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Murray Hayman of the North River and District Fire Brigade on receiving his 25-year service award as well as a provincial long-service award.

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

Res. No. 1649 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Geof and

Valerie Leslie on their Kings County Volunteer Award for 2011.

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

Res. No. 1650 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – recognizing Terry Clements for his dedication as commanding officer of L'Ardoise 2842 Army Cadet Corps and wish him well on his retirement.

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

Res. No. 1651 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – congratulating Wadhi Fares as chair of the capital campaign for the new Bella Rose Arts Centre.

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

Res. No. 1652 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – continuing to criticize the NDP government for its ill-advised verdict of axing the Voluntary Planning Board.

Res. No. 1653 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – chastising the NDP government for eradicating the Voluntary Planning Board and requesting they bring back Voluntary Planning.

Res. No. 1654 – G. MacLellan, Glace Bay – congratulating the organizers and residents of Table Head and wishing them success at the festival.

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

Res. No. 1655 – L. Glavine, Kings West, on behalf of Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – urging the NDP government to move forward and present the Natural Resources Strategy.

Res. No. 1656 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating East Coast Credit Union North Isle Madame branch on their 75th anniversary.

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

Res. No. 1657 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Julia Sarty on winning an award at the 2011 Halifax Sci-Tech Expo.

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

Res. No. 1658 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East, on behalf of Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – condemning the NDP government for eliminating the Voluntary Planning Board.

Res. No. 1659 – L. Glavine, Kings West, on behalf of Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – criticizing the NDP government for eliminating the Voluntary Planning Board.

Res. No. 1660 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth, on behalf of H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – condemning the NDP government for failing to remove the tax on tax.

CWH ON BILLS

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the Chair of the Committee.

Madam Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill:

No. 59. Elections Act

The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress and begged leave to sit again.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, May 17th at 12:00 Noon.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

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

W.Q. No. 1 - SNSMR - User Fees: Consultation – Details - C. Porter, Hants West

W.Q. No. 2 - SNSMR - Trailer Inspection Fees: Increase – Effects - C. Porter, Hants West

W.Q. No. 3 - SNSMR - Trailer Inspection Fees: Increase - Min. Correct - C. Porter, Hants West

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

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

Res. No. 1661 – Hon. B. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect – wishing fair weather and safe travelling to all participants of the Bicycle Nova Scotia relay.

Res. No. 1662 – Hon. D. Dexter, Cole Harbour – congratulating students from Auburn Drive High School on their first-place finish in the Regional Remote-Operated Vehicle Competition.

Res. No. 1663 – Hon. D. Dexter, Cole Harbour – congratulating students and staff at Cole Harbour District High School on their performance of Hair.

Res. No. 1664 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – wishing lobster fishermen a safe and productive fishing season.