

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Hon. G. Gosse, Speaker, tabled the Nova Scotia MLA Pension Review Report dated November 3, 2011.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1975 – Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health and Wellness – congratulating Dr. Shelagh Leahey on being named Nova Scotia Family Physician 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. 1976 – Hon. P. Paris, Minister of African Nova Scotian Affairs – congratulating Tracey Jones-Grant on receiving the 2011 Norman Horrocks Award.

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

Res. No. 1977 – Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Education – recognizing the youth at the Leaders of Today network summit.

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

Res. No. 1978 – Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health and Wellness – recognizing this week as Patient Safety Week.

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

Res. No. 1979 – Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage, on behalf of Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – congratulating Mi'Kmaq and all Nova Scotians on the 25th anniversary of Treaty Day.

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 bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 74 An Act to Amend Chapter 217 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Income Tax Act

(Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1980 – L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island – recognizing the Halifax Mission for Seafarers hosting the Great Sea Tea.

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

Res. No. 1981 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – recognizing Stephanie and Dave Rus for fundraiser on behalf of their late son for the Children's Wish Foundation.

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

Res. No. 1982 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – thanking the volunteers for 89 years of support for the 4-H program.

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

Res. No. 1983 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating Lois MacNeil on being named 2011 Giant Pumpkin Champion for Cape Breton.

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

Res. No. 1984 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating organizers and participants at the Clare 56th Acadian Festival.

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

Res. No. 1985 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating management, staff and volunteers of the 95th annual Cape Breton County Famers Exhibition.

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

Res. No. 1986 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating the Masstown Market on receiving the Small Business Achievement Award.

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

Res. No. 1987 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – applauding Dr. Bernie MacLean on retiring after 50 years.

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

Res. No. 1988 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Yarmouth Dooly's Gateways on becoming the 2011 Nova Scotia Intermediate AA Baseball Provincial Champions.

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

Res. No. 1989 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Don Bureaux's appointment as president of Nova Scotia Community College.

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

Res. No. 1990 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – applauding Chris Dobbin, Todd MacDonald and Peter McCormick on raising \$45,000 for Swim for Kids.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1991 – Hon. C. d’Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Ken and Donna Spinney on being chosen as donors of the 2011 Nova Scotia Christmas tree to the City of Boston.

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

Res. No. 1992 – Hon. S. MacNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Lewis MacKinnon on receiving the distinguished Bardic Crown from the Royal National Mod in Stornoway, United Kingdom.

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

Res. No. 1993 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Jeffrey “JB” Tambeau on premiering his first film at the Parrsboro Film Festival.

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

Res. No. 1994 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Long & McQuade music store on their massive renovations.

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

Res. No. 1995 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating Paul, Steven and Kenneth MacQueen in helping GIVETOLIVE raise \$1.3 million for cancer.

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

Res. No. 1996 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Shayleigh Doucet on being named 2011 BMO Financial Group CanSkater of the Year Award.

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

Res. No. 1997 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – expressing gratitude

to Jack Beaton on his 37 years of dedication to teaching young Nova Scotians.

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

Res. No. 1998 – D. Whalen, Halifax-Clayton Park – applauding the Willett Street Reserve clean-up committee.

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

Res. No. 1999 – C. Porter, Hants West – thanking Kim Strong on his \$500 donation to Tim Hortons Camp Day.

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

Res. No. 2000 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating the athletes of the 2011 Special Olympics Nova Scotia Provincial Summer Games.

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

Res. No. 2001 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating the Baddeck and Area Community Market on their continued growth.

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

Res. No. 2002 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Micayla Matthews on receiving the Lieutenant Governor's Medal.

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

Res. No. 2003 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Hope Swinimer on her book *Hope for Wildlife: True Stories of Animal Rescue*.

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

Res. No. 2004 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Cody Marchand on receiving the Lieutenant Governor's Medal.

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

POINT OF ORDER

Hon. Manning MacDonald, Cape Breton South, rose on a Point of Order regarding Hon. the Premier making reference to him on receiving an award from the International Association of Firefighters for promoting the issue of first contract arbitration. The Member advised the commendation was received for pursuing legislation to replace strike action with compulsory arbitration.

Hon. The Speaker took the matter under advisement.

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved the following Resolution:

Res. No. 1846 – Electoral Boundaries Commission: Select Comm. – Appoint

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. J. Baillie, Hon. M. Samson and Hon. F. Corbett, who closed the debate. The question being put by Madam Speaker, the motion carried.

PUBLIC BILLS

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

No. 65. Nova Scotia Jobs Fund Act

The debate continued with the following taking part: Hon. K. Colwell, A. MacMaster, L. Glavine, Hon. M. Samson and Hon. P. Paris. The question being put by Madam Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Hon. J. MacDonell, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 72. Timely Medical Certificates Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson, who adjourned the debate.

ADJOURNMENT

Madam Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, November 4th at 9:00 a.m.

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 A. MacMaster, Inverness:

“Therefore be it resolved that all members of the House of Assembly agree that the high-cost, job-killing policies of the NDP are to blame for the alarming amount of young people leaving Nova Scotia.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. MacMaster, C. MacKinnon and G. MacLellan.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

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

Res. No. 2005 – J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating Jacob Halloran on his accomplishments.

Res. No. 2006 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating the Conrad Brothers Quarry on their 55th year of operation.