

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

#### **STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

Hon. B. Estabrooks, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal, rose to give a statement about the release of the 5-Year Highway Improvement Plan.

Comments were made by Hon. W. Gaudet and A. MacMaster.

Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health and Wellness, rose to give a statement respecting childhood obesity and release of a report.

Comments were made by L. Glavine and Hon. C. d'Entremont.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 275 – Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – recognizing Air Marshall Harold Gus Edwards on being inducted into the Aviation 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. 276 – Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health and Wellness – recognizing Irritable Bowel Syndrome Awareness Month.

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

Res. No. 277 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture – joining government in support of owner/operator and fleet separation policies.

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

Res. No. 278 – Hon. M. More, Minister of Labour and Advanced Education, on behalf of Hon. W. Wilson, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage – congratulating the team that implemented project with

regard to supplying more books to schools.

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

Res. No. 279 – Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – recognizing the hard work undertaken regarding the New Page Mill.

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. 32. An Act to Amend Chapter 418 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Securities Act**

**(Hon. G. Steele – Minister of Finance)**

**No. 33. An Act to Support Diabetic Persons in Nova Scotia**

**(L. Glavine – Kings West)**

### NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 280 – L. Glavine, Kings West – urging the Minister of Health and Wellness to present her long-term mental health and addiction strategy.

Res. No. 281 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – applauding the significant commitment of volunteers on Volunteer Week.

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

Res. No. 282 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating Harold Robichaud 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. 283 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – acknowledging volunteer fire departments and the value they bring to communities.

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

Res. No. 284 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Anais Guimond and Atlantic Cirque on their 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

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

Res. No. 285 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – thanking the members of the Black Cultural Society on their 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

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

Res. No. 286 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Rick Howe on receiving the RTNDA Lifetime Achievement Award.

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

Res. No. 287 – C. Porter, Hants West – acknowledging the hard work of various organizers at the Long Pond Heritage Hockey Classic.

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

Res. No. 288 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Annapolis Royal Historic Gardens on being recognized as one of the 5 North American Gardens Worth Travelling For.

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

Res. No. 289 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – applauding Baddeck Lions Club, team and sponsors for contributions to Kidston Island Beach Program.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 290 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Lisa Davies on receiving a heritage award.

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

Res. No. 291 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating Mattie Purchase and Kendra Forrest for taking steps to stop bullying.

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

Res. No. 292 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – recognizing the many contributions of Heather Hamilton to her community.

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

Res. No. 293 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – acknowledging Bonny MacIsaac, President of Inverness Progressive Conservative Association.

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

Res. No. 294 – L. Glavine, Kings West – recognizing the 2<sup>nd</sup> Berwick Scouting on their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

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

Res. No. 295 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating David Gray on winning G.M. for the Toronto Maple Leafs for a day.

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

Res. No. 296 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – congratulating Halifax West Student Council on continuing the Head for a Cure tradition.

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

Res. No. 297 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating coach and players of the Cabot High Trailblazers basketball team on winning the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Brendan MacLennan tournament.

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

Res. No. 298 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating David Dugas and the staff of Roadside Grill.

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

Res. No. 299 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – thanking those who raised funds for Global Vision.

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

Res. No. 300 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Sodales, the Dalhousie Debating Society, on an impressive showing at championships.

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

Res. No. 301 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Debert Fire Brigade on their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

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

Res. No. 302 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – recognizing the many contributions of Joan Haddow as a volunteer knitter.

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

Res. No. 303 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – recognizing Tim and Dorothy Vallillee for raising funds for cystic fibrosis.

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

**SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY**

On motion that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply, a debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. K. Colwell, D. Whalen and L. Glavine. The question being put by Madam Deputy Speaker, the motion carried nem com.

Madam Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the adjourned debate on the following Resolution was then resumed.

No. E11, relating to the Department of Health and Wellness.  
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On motion, the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress and begged leave to sit again.

**MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5). The topic of late debate as submitted by H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis:

“Therefore be it resolved that the NDP Government's education funding cuts are being felt in classrooms across the province, and we call on the government to invest in our students and restore funding to public education.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. K. Casey, M. Whynott and E. Orrell.

**SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY**

On motion, the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the following Resolution was called:

E4, relating to Department of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism. ADJOURNED.

On motion, the Committee rose and Madam Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some considerable progress and begged leave to sit again.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M.

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 304 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Dylan Ellis on scoring his 1000<sup>th</sup> point during a tournament in which he scored 30 points total.

Res. No. 305 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – recognizing the photographic talent of Ross Jones.

Res. No. 306 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Morgan McNeil on the TD 4-H Agricultural Scholarship.