

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

L. Glavine, Kings West, tabled a petition calling on the Nova Scotia House of Assembly to use its powers over the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities to deny any General Rate Application presented by Nova Scotia Power Incorporated requesting a rate increase in 2013, 2014 and 2015.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 2116 – Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage – marking Transgender Day of Remembrance and working to promote a society that rejects violence and discrimination based on gender identity.

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

Res. No. 2117 – Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Minister of Community Services – congratulating the organizers and volunteers of Halifax Connects for providing care and support to those at risk of homelessness.

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

Res. No. 2118 – Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Minister of Community Services – acknowledging the blue ribbons worn worldwide in honour of National Child 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 bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 140. An Act to Amend Chapter 214 of the Revised

Statutes, 1989, the Human Rights Act, to Protect the Rights of Transgendered Persons

(Hon. R. Landry – Minister of Justice)

No. 141. An Act to Amend Chapter 213 of the revised Statutes, 1989, the Housing Development Corporation Act, Respecting CMHC Funding

(K. Regan – Bedford-Birch Cove)

No. 142. An Act to Amend Chapter 213 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Housing Development Corporation Act, to Establish a Housing Development Corporation Board

(K. Regan – Bedford-Birch Cove)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 2119 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating the members of the 1982-83 Bridgetown Hawks Juvenile “B” provincial championship hockey team for their induction into the Bridgetown Area Sports 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. 2120 – Hon. J. Baillie, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party – wishing the Lebanese community a happy Independence Day and thank them for their contributions 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. 2121 – Hon. M. Smith, Antigonish – congratulating the members of the Sainte Croix Church and Father Baccardax on their 150th anniversary.

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

Res. No. 2122 – Hon. Manning MacDonald, Cape Breton South – the member for Pictou Centre still supports the Premier's approach of writing blank cheques to large corporations.

Res. No. 2123 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating Fred and Dave Lavery on receiving the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal for their dedication in serving their communities and service for those in need.

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

Res. No. 2124 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Claire – congratulating firefighter Yvon Thibodeau for receiving the Fire Services Exemplary Service Medal for 20 years of service in his community.

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

Res. No. 2125 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – recognizing the importance of National Child Day and protecting and supporting the children of this province.

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

Res. No. 2126 – Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid – congratulating Nicole Himmelman on winning the Ramar Construction's Home Sweeter Home Contest.

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

Res. No. 2127 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – recognizing the fine work Pam and Doug Champagne are doing in recognition of our Legions and our many armed forces personnel.

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

Res. No. 2128 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – recognizing the importance of National Addictions Awareness Week and highlight the need for serious action to save the lives of Nova Scotians.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2129 – Hon. Rs. Jennex, Kings South – recognizing the contributions made by Jerry Thorne to his community and was recipient of the Biggs Award.

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

Res. No. 2130 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating the Just There Pals running team on completing their Lucky 7 Relay and wishing them many more smooth miles ahead.

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

Res. No. 2131 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – recognizing this week as National Restorative Justice Week and extending thanks to those who help facilitate this program across the province.

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

Res. No. 2132 – Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East – congratulating Mabel McCarthy on her Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal and acknowledging her commitment 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. 2133 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – recognizing Robert Sweeney for his accomplishments and congratulate him on receiving the 2012 Yarmouth County Coach 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. 2134 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating Bernie Burke on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal and thank him for all his dedication to the children of Riverside Elementary School.

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

Res. No. 2135 – L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill – congratulating the Truro community and everyone who contributed to the David Gilroy Fund and honour the memory of Dave Gilroy.

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

Res. No. 2136 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating firefighter Dony Deveau on receiving the Fire Service Exemplary Service Medal for 20 years of service to his community.

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

Res. No. 2137 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating Bob Baxter on his cross-country adventure for cancer research.

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

Res. No. 2138 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Lane's Privateer Inn on celebrating its 50th anniversary and for 50 years of commitment and contributions to the community of Queens County.

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

Res. No. 2139 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - acknowledging the member for Kings North still supports the Premier's inaction on power rates.

Res. No. 2140 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating Knox Presbyterian Church on their 125th anniversary.

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

Res. No. 2141 – Hon. C. Parker, Pictou West – thanking the contributors, sponsors and staff for their contributions to the Nova Scotia Museum of Industry and the Art Gallery of Nova Scotia in preparing their exhibit, Gold: A Nova Scotia Treasure.

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

Res. No. 2142 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating the Bedford Brass Quintet for offering their talent to support a worthy cause.

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

Res. No. 2143 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – thanking Sister Duguay and Sister Thibault for their dedication and devotion to the Order of Notre-Dame-du-Sacré-Coeur, the diocese and parishioners and wishing them continued good health.

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

Res. No. 2144 – P. Birdsall, Lunenburg – recognizing Ron Seney on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Medal for his contributions to his community and his country.

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

Res. No. 2145 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – congratulating the Centre for Women in Business and their executive director on achieving the milestone of 20 years of education and support for women entrepreneurs in Atlantic Canada.

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

Res. No. 2146 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Emma Archibald on ranking among the best on an international academic scale and, upon graduation, will be an alumnus of St. Andrew's University.

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

Res. No. 2147 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - acknowledging the member for Halifax-Needham still supports the Premier's inaction on power rates.

PUBLIC BILLS

Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Environment, moved second reading

of the following bill:

No. 136. Green Economy Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. J. Baillie, A. Younger, M. Whynott, C. Porter, V. Conrad, K. Regan, P. Birdsall, L. Glavine and Hon. J. MacDonell and Hon. S. Belliveau 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.

PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS

Hon. M. Smith, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 139. Sisters of Saint Martha Consolidation Act

There being no debate, the question was put by Mr. Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

PUBLIC BILLS

Hon. C. Parker, Minister of Energy, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 97. Fairer Power Rates Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. S. McNeil, C. Porter, A. Younger and Hon. M. Samson, who adjourned the debate.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, November 21st at 2:00 P.M.

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 Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare:

“Therefore be it resolved that the priorities of the Nova Scotia NDP

have changed drastically since they were in Opposition.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: L. Glavine, L. Zann and Hon. C. d’Entremont.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

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

Res. No. 2148 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – recognizing today as Transgender Day of Remembrance and encouraging all Nova Scotians to help defeat such irrational prejudices and foster peace.

Res. No. 2149 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating the Dartmouth Storm U12 “C” Boys soccer team and their coach on their efforts and wish them all the best for the upcoming season.

Res. No. 2150 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating the staff and volunteers of the Dartmouth Heritage Museum on their efforts to hold such a well-received event and celebrating Dartmouth’s historic past.

Res. No. 2151 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating Jean-Paul and Louis Deveau from Acadian Seaplants Ltd. on being named the best company with over 100 people for business ethics.

Res. No. 2152 – Z. Churchill, Dartmouth East - acknowledging the member for Shelburne still supports the Premier’s inaction on power rates.