

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

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 Incorporate requesting a rate increase in 2013, 2014 and 2015.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

G. Burrill, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley, tabled the Standing Committee on Veterans Affairs Annual Report, 2012.

Hon. R. Landry, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, each without amendment:

No. 131. School Board Members Duties Clarification Act

No. 133. Inter-city Bus Service Act

And also the following bill, with certain amendments:

No. 111. Fur Industry Act

The foregoing bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

P. Birdsall, Lunenburg, tabled the Standing Committee on Economic Development Annual Report, 2012.

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. 148. An Act to Amend Chapter 475 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Trade Union Act, to Protect Users of Accessible Transit Services

(Hon. J. Baillie – Cumberland South)

No. 149. An Act to Amend Chapter 376 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Public Service Act, to Establish the Office of Fire and Emergency Services

(Hon. S. McNeil – Annapolis)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 2249 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – wearing the white ribbon in support of the White Ribbon Campaign.

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

Res. No. 2250 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating Wayne Weatherbee on being named Business Person of the Year and receiving the Irving Schwartz Business Person 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. 2251 – Hon. M. Smith, Antigonish – congratulating Dr. John Gaventa, Director of the Coady International Institute, on being named an Officer of the Order of the British Empire for his work.

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

Res. No. 2252 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – urging the Finance Minister to apologize for her remarks diminishing the entire financial services sector.

Res. No. 2253 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating Michael Kelly on his shooting competition success at the Practical Police Combat Shooting Provincial and wish him the best in his future.

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

Res. No. 2254 – Hon. M. Smith, Antigonish, on behalf of Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's – congratulating Bob Steeves on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

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

Res. No. 2255 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – the Minister of Finance should revisit values she held as a social worker and should uphold these important principles by advocating against NDP cuts.

Res. No. 2256 – Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South – recognizing the contribution made by the Wolfville Baptist Church on their 100th anniversary, not only to their community but to all those seeking a place of worship.

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

Res. No. 2257 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – the Minister of Finance must realize the deep disappointment of Nova Scotians now that she has turned her back on the principles of compassion.

Res. No. 2258 – Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East – congratulating Marsden Anthony on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

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

Res. No. 2259 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – Nova Scotians expected more from the Minister of Finance and are disappointed the minister has failed to uphold the principles of social justice and compassion.

Res. No. 2260 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – the Minister of Finance should apologize for her remarks diminishing the entire financial services profession and rethink an attack on many Nova Scotians.

Res. No. 2261 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – the Minister of Finance needs to return to the values of social justice and compassion and not create false scandals.

Res. No. 2262 – J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating Amy Carver (MacDonald) on a well-organized and

informative 50+ Symposium event.

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

Res. No. 2263 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Craig LeBlanc of Cassa Office Plus on receiving the Customer Service Award at the 2012 Yarmouth and Area Chamber of Commerce Business Award banquet.

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

Res. No. 2264 – L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill – congratulating Frank MacKay on the release of his new CD *The Red Row* and thanking him for his many contributions to the arts community.

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

Res. No. 2265 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Mark Jayne on receiving the Business Marketing Award at the 2012 Yarmouth and Area Chamber of Commerce business awards banquet.

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

Res. No. 2266 – B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating all the volunteers for their efforts in preserving the success of the community newspaper The Beacon and wishing them many more years of success.

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

Res. No. 2267 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Samantha Miller on her achievement and commending her on her commitment to volunteerism and fundraising.

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

Res. No. 2268 – G. Ramey, Lunenburg West, on behalf of V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating the successful candidates on their election

to the South Shore Regional School Board.

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

Res. No. 2269 – B. Skabar, Cumberland North – thanking Millard Charman for his years of dedication to his community, as his validity and drive at the age of 96 are an inspiration to all.

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

Res. No. 2270 – P. Birdsall, Lunenburg – recognizing the contributions of Gerald (Wayne) Rock on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for his contributions to his community and country and congratulate him on receiving this recognition.

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

PUBLIC BILLS

Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 140. Transgendered Persons Protection Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson, Hon. J. Baillie, B. Kent, A. Younger, L. Zann, Hon. M. Smith and Hon. R. Landry 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.

Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Education, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 102. Education Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. K. Casey, E. Orrell and Hon. R. Jennex in Reply. The question being put by Madam Deputy 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. J. MacDonell, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 107. Debt Collection and Management Reform (2012) Act

There being no debate, the question was put by Madam Deputy Speaker and 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. M. More, Minister of Labour and Advanced Education, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 119. Cosmetology Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson. The question being put by Madam Deputy 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. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 127. Art Gallery of Nova Scotia Act

There being no debate, the question was put by Madam Deputy Speaker and 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.

ADJOURNMENT

Madam Deputy Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, November 26th at 7:00 P.M.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

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

Res. No. 2271 – C. Porter, Hants West – encouraging Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations Minister to allow funding for new and updated washrooms at the Queens County Fair.

Res. No. 2272 – C. Porter, Hants West – acknowledging the spirit

of Ruth Daniels and her son, Phillip, in wanting to ensure the mishap faced by Ruth explained properly by General Motors.

Res. No. 2273 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – remembering the legacy Tamara Adrian Musgrave leaves behind and offering condolences to her friends and family on her passing.