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Begun and holden at Halifax on Tuesday, the twenty-sixth day of March in the year of Our Lord, two thousand and thirteen in the Sixty-second year of the reign of our Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth the Second, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom, Canada and Her other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

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**TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2013**

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{The Fifth Session of the 61<sup>st</sup> General Assembly was opened with historic ceremony on a cool, sunny day.}

At 2:00 o'clock this day, Members of the House of Assembly being present, His Honour the Honourable J.J. Grant, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Nova Scotia, came to the Chamber of the House of Assembly, and being seated, was pleased to open the Fifth Session of the Sixty-First General Assembly with a speech as follows:

**Starting to Turn the Corner to a Better Future**

“Mr. Speaker, Members of the Legislature, ladies and gentlemen, Nova Scotians:

Welcome to the Fifth Session of the 61<sup>st</sup> General Assembly of the Nova Scotia Legislature. It is a great honour and privilege as

Lieutenant Governor to participate, for the first time, in this vital and historic expression of our democracy.

In the year ahead, my government will complete the program that Nova Scotians supported in 2009. For the first time in at least 25 years, a government is keeping virtually every platform promise.

After the first ever wide-ranging budget consultation, *Back to Balance*, many thousands of Nova Scotians have undertaken the sacrifice and commitment necessary to pull Nova Scotia from the brink of financial ruin and start living within our means. For the first time in memory, this has been done without severe and punishing disruption of Nova Scotians' vital public services. In fact, legislation has been enacted to reduce the HST to 14% in 2014 and 13% in 2015.

Despite the worst world-wide economic downturn since the Depression, my government has kept faith with workers and their families by seizing extraordinary opportunities for sustained economic growth that extend to all parts of the province. Securing these unmatched opportunities means that Nova Scotia is turning the corner toward a better future for families.

Businesses, workers, and families are better able to take advantage of the great new opportunities because *jobsHere*, Nova Scotia's economic plan, is focused on training, innovation, and the competitive spirit.

Economic prosperity propels social prosperity, and a society is best measured by its treatment of the most vulnerable. One of the most significant ways that Nova Scotia is turning the corner is the reduction of poverty among families who struggle to make ends meet, seniors, people with disabilities, and others who were often further marginalized in challenging times.

### **With honour and respect**

Communities like Woods Harbour know that the ocean provides bountiful abundance but can exact a terrible toll. Just 40 days have passed since five young fishers—Katlin Nickerson, Billy Jack Hatfield, Joel Hopkins, Steven Cole Nickerson, and Tyson Townsend—were lost when the *Miss Ally* capsized in the stormy sea. Those young men sought only to make a living and support their families. My government will propose legislation to declare a day dedicated to remembrance of all Nova Scotian fishermen and women lost at sea.

The past year has also taken from Nova Scotia many who gave much to the life of the province.

John James Kinley served as Nova Scotia's 29th Lieutenant Governor after success in business in his native Lunenburg.

Nova Scotia is a better place because of Raylene Rankin's musical achievements, Ruth Goldbloom's exceptional leadership and volunteerism, Daurene Lewis's steady and wise contributions, Paul Comeau's proud advocacy for Acadians, and John H. Boudreau's community economic accomplishments. Pat Connolly and Dick James were legendary and public-spirited journalists.

Since this legislature last met, Nova Scotia also lost former Dalhousie president Andrew MacKay; human rights activist Patricia Skinner; Dr. Bernie MacDonald, former president of the Nova Scotia Agricultural College; Joseph Eugene (Jeep) Deveau, a long-time Halifax County councillor; Major Walter Peters, the first African Canadian jet fighter pilot and a member of Canada's famed Snowbirds; John Neil Ferguson, renowned Celtic musician; and George William Sim, one of the last survivors of the Halifax Explosion and a renowned vocalist.

Nova Scotia has been improved by the time and contributions given by each of those who went before us.

### **Turning the corner from decline to progress**

In 2009, Nova Scotians voted for an historic change with a pragmatic, common-sense platform. An independent financial review, and the panel of economic advisors, showed Nova Scotians that change was necessary and long overdue. Twenty years of lagging behind the rest of Canada in economic growth and new challenges to key industries showed that a new direction was needed, but would not be easy. Nova Scotia is now turning the corner and taking that better direction. The changes my government is making mean a better life for families, students, seniors, and disadvantaged and vulnerable citizens.

My government's continued leadership and commitment on aboriginal consultation was evident when Nova Scotia became the first province to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the federal government that formalizes and strengthens the cooperative working relationship between Nova Scotia and Canada regarding consultation with the Mi'kmaq.

My government adopted Canada's first Emergency Department standards. Nova Scotia's Collaborative Emergency Centres - CECs - a national first, greatly minimized emergency room closures while providing same-day or next-day appointments for medical care. Nova Scotia's leadership has drawn wide interest: Prince Edward Island will open its first CEC this year. Regional cooperation will advance better care sooner when PEI partners with Nova Scotia's 811 Nurse Line.

For the first time ever, Nova Scotia's highly skilled paramedics are delivering clot-busting drugs that save lives before a patient reaches the hospital.

Canada's first ever mobile emergency department will open this year as part of the New Waterford CEC.

Nurse practitioners now work in nursing homes, bringing better care to people where they live. Highly trained nurses are also key to the success of CECs and the collaborative model that is increasing Nova Scotians' access to needed medical care. My government will continue to expand the role and number of nurse practitioners.

Nova Scotia's program of paramedics providing urgent care in nursing homes is another Canadian first, providing better care sooner without a stressful trip to Emergency. Other provinces are being urged to follow Nova Scotia's lead.

These steps have been achieved while people in the health-care system have successfully redirected funds to front-line and innovative steps that achieve better care.

For the first time, there is a strategy with funded action to provide real care and understanding to Nova Scotians with mental health issues and addictions.

Nova Scotia is the first province to adopt a physician resource plan. For the next ten years it will influence decision-making to make sure Nova Scotians have the doctors they need in the right place. The plan's first step is the new ER coverage program, which matches doctors with ERs that would otherwise close.

That physician resource plan and the focus on better care sooner means new primary care clinics in Bridgewater, Shelburne, Pugwash, Richmond County, Guysborough, and Digby. These clinics provide care close to home in modern facilities that attract needed doctors.

Nova Scotia is turning the corner from the time when health-care problems were deemed to be unsolvable and health-care costs uncontrollable.

Nova Scotia's Affordable Living Tax Credit and Poverty Reduction Tax Credit are the first significant new investments in living memory that reduce poverty and help lower-income Nova Scotians make ends meet, and for the first time ever, Nova Scotia law protects power-rate payers from the cost of high corporate salaries and bonuses.

To show clearly that provincial departments and agencies serve all of the people, my government now locates new and consolidated departments and agencies outside the Halifax area. This is the first time ever for this fairer policy. Shelburne, Cornwallis, Bible Hill, New Waterford, and Windsor are the first communities where departments and agencies are now being located.

For the first time Careers Nova Scotia centres are able to provide increased access to career training and job search opportunities across the province, ensuring that more Nova Scotians have the right skills for good jobs.

Nova Scotia and the province of Newfoundland and Labrador are undertaking the single greatest step in Atlantic Canada's regional cooperation: the Muskrat Falls development and the associated Maritime Link. All four Atlantic provinces and the federal government have supported this environmentally progressive project, which will transform basic elements of our regional economy while ensuring the lowest, fairest power rates.

This is the first time ever that two Atlantic provinces have cooperated in this way to stand proud and improve the destiny of this region for generations to come, by making Atlantic Canada much more of a contributor to Canada's prosperity and progress.

For the first time ever, Nova Scotia has a five-year roads plan, updated annually so citizens can see for themselves the immediate, mid-term and long-term plans. This is a milestone step to ensure good and accountable government.

For the first time, local and community-owned renewable power projects are financially feasible and viable as a result of Nova Scotia's Community Feed-In Tariff Program (COMFIT). COMFIT has been hailed as a global first and a model for other nations. Nova Scotia's most

ancient traditions are a basis for this global leadership, through the Mi'kmaq renewable energy initiative.

Delivering local, green, tax-free, and reliable power is a hallmark of Nova Scotia's energy plan. Nova Scotia is turning away from reliance on unsustainable, expensive fossil fuels, and turning the corner to a future based on a competitive market with green, local power at stable prices.

My government was the first in North America to place a firm cap on greenhouse gas emissions from power generation, making Nova Scotia a global leader in environmental responsibility.

Nova Scotia will soon have its first ever housing strategy. My government's housing strategy will literally open new doors for our most vulnerable fellow citizens. It will make home ownership more than a dream for families of modest income, and increase the supply of affordable housing with a focus on mixed-use development.

Nova Scotia's first ever flood mitigation plan is in development. Truro and its surrounding communities will serve as the pilot project, and will kick-start a collaborative effort with municipalities. Recognizing the effects of climate change, my government is ensuring that there will be improved preparation for extreme weather events.

My government will soon announce Nova Scotia's first ever sustainable transportation strategy. It will be a comprehensive strategy to encourage people to drive less and to travel actively and more efficiently. The strategy is starting with Nova Scotia Moves, a pilot program of support for community-based initiatives.

For the first time ever in Nova Scotia, my government will provide a steady and reliable source of funding to support the wealth of talent in our cultural sectors.

Nova Scotia will become the first Canadian jurisdiction to offer Social Impact Bonds, encouraging investors to support innovative, socially responsible projects by charitable and non-governmental organizations.

In partnership with universities and the private sector, my government will launch Nova Scotia's first Innovation Summit to spur commercialization of research and move Nova Scotia into a leadership position as a competitive and innovative force in the global economy.

For the first time in Nova Scotia, my government has taken action to ensure the protection of temporary foreign workers from exploitation.

My government developed Nova Scotia's first comprehensive immigration strategy. Last year, for the first time, Nova Scotia exceeded expectations and surpassed its immigration targets. As a result of this success the federal government has increased Nova Scotia's allocation under the immigrant nominee program by 20 per cent.

Nova Scotia was the first government in North America to mandate LED street lighting. Other cities, provinces, and states are following Nova Scotia's lead in this era of energy efficiency, and LED Roadway Lighting of Amherst is selling its products around the world.

My government, in partnership with the farm community, is undertaking the first ten-year strategy for agriculture, called Homegrown Success. This strategy means more exceptional-quality food products. Nova Scotia is now the only province in Canada where both the number of farms and farm gate receipts are growing.

Nova Scotia's first Domestic Violence Action Plan, developed in partnership with dozens of community-based groups, is now being implemented. Nova Scotia's first domestic violence court, located in Sydney, is part of the action plan.

For the first time, Nova Scotian students can get academic credit for real-world, community-based experience.

In partnership with school boards, Nova Scotia's virtual school has been established to make high school courses available no matter where a student lives and goes to school. My government is tripling the capacity of the virtual school as part of the Kids and Learning plan, which focuses on better learning.

Nova Scotia's first ever action plan to address bullying and cyberbullying is now underway across the province, backed up with new laws to deal with behaviour that can have tragic results whether it occurs in person or online.

These are some examples of the change for the better that has begun in Nova Scotia. Changes that make life better for families, bring better health care sooner, and result in more jobs here at home—jobs built on innovation, training, and global competitiveness. Much has been

done, but much remains to do. Nova Scotia is turning the corner, to become national and global leaders rather than followers.

### **Toward a better future**

Nova Scotians themselves are making the decisions that mean our province is turning the corner to a better future. The Productivity Investment Program—part of the jobsHere economic plan—has already benefited almost 400 Nova Scotian businesses and resulted in private investment of more than \$105 million to improve productivity. Some 10,000 Nova Scotian workers have upgraded their skills and are claiming the better jobs of the future.

The Workplace Education Initiative has tripled its reach, so that this year alone more than 4,600 working Nova Scotians upgraded their education. The initiative now reaches all of Nova Scotia through business-based classrooms and 13 mobile computer labs.

These programs, and more, are preparing Nova Scotians to succeed in a range of emerging sectors, like ocean technology, biotechnology, information and communications, energy innovation, and aeronautics. Nova Scotia is turning the corner to highly skilled jobs that mean a better future for families.

My government is determined that people who have been under-represented in the workplace are given new and equal opportunities. For example, an agreement with the Unama'ki Economic Benefits Office will offer 400 Mi'kmaq participants vital training for good jobs. A leading example is the partnership between the Irving Shipyard and the Nova Scotia Community College to create a Shipbuilding Centre of Excellence, focused on Nova Scotians who are under-represented in the workforce.

Like many employers and trade unions, my government is determined to improve the apprenticeship system to improve completion rates and increase employer participation.

Facing a skilled-labour shortage and nearly \$70 billion in new projects, Nova Scotia and our Atlantic neighbours formed the Atlantic Workforce Partnership. The partnership is working on permitting free movement of apprentices across the region and on other initiatives that will give Atlantic Canadians the information and access to training they need to win the jobs of the future.



Through increased investment in online tools and technology, my government is extending access to training programs to small and medium-sized businesses, particularly in rural areas. For example, my government recently signed an agreement with the Construction Association of Nova Scotia to allow Gold Seal training of their members through video conferencing and online courses.

The Nova Scotia Commission on Building Our New Economy is led by five eminent Nova Scotians who know that local economies can do much more than survive, they will thrive. The Commission is asking Nova Scotians how to actively shape our future. My government encourages all Nova Scotians to become involved in that discussion.

**In every corner of Nova Scotia**

My government brings a new commitment to environmentally sustainable, innovative, profit-making, and job-sustaining opportunities in forestry, fishery, farming, tourism, and culture.

This year, my government will support the commercial fishery by promoting training, skills development, and safe practices and by assisting fishers in their efforts to create the Fish Harvesters Registration and Certification Board.

Aquaculture has a future in Nova Scotia as an economic base for coastal communities with hundreds more jobs where they are most needed, provided it is well managed and regulated. As outlined in Nova Scotia's first aquaculture strategy, my government will develop comprehensive regulations and set the highest standards for fairness, efficiency, and environmental safeguards in Nova Scotia aquaculture.

With a new five-year federal-provincial agriculture agreement, the province's efforts, in partnership with farmers, will be directed to innovation, competitiveness and market development, and industry adaptation and transition.

My government will work to attract new entrepreneurs to farming and food-related ventures, and support efforts to make small farms more economically viable and environmentally sustainable.

"Buy Local" has broad support from Nova Scotians, who know their farmers and fishers produce the best and safest food in the world. Buying locally produced food means Nova Scotians are getting fresher,

healthier food and practicing environmental responsibility, and it makes good economic sense, too.

My government will increase Buy Local efforts through an expanded Select Nova Scotia marketing and awareness campaign. These efforts will help educate Nova Scotians about where our food comes from while supporting farm growth, farmers' markets, locally harvested fish, and direct marketing initiatives.

Nova Scotians are also taking control of their own destiny in bold ways like taking greater ownership of the forests to build an industry for the future, generating power from local sources, and building innovative businesses. Controlling our destiny with a new confidence and self-reliance is helping Nova Scotia turn the corner to that better future.

The infrastructure that delivers our water, powers our commerce and connects our communities requires constant attention of our municipal governments and leadership. My government is committed to working with the Government of Canada on the next phase of the infrastructure funding to begin in 2014.

Inevitable change in pulp and paper markets caught up with Nova Scotia in one very tough year. Attention is now on the forest of the future. Workers and families have come home to jobs in the world-class mill at Point Tupper, which has an owner focused on success. Buying the former Bowater lands gives Nova Scotians control over a vast renewable asset. The future of those 550,000 acres is being determined with the participation of communities throughout southwestern Nova Scotia. Community forests will be piloted on those lands as Nova Scotia implements its new forestry standards.

My government and the Assembly of Mi'kmaq Chiefs have agreed to collaborate to ensure that Mi'kmaq interests in the land and a Mi'kmaq forestry initiative are part of that better future.

The new forestry innovation centre in Liverpool will further Nova Scotia's position as a leader in cleaner energy, bioenergy, and forestry innovation. The ideas and plans developed through the community transition committee are the foundation for that area to emerge stronger from the closure of a keystone industry.

Today, just over 9 per cent of provincial land is protected from development. When the United Nations established 12 per cent as the

global goal two decades ago, many said Nova Scotia could never do its part. My government is about to prove them wrong. Nova Scotia's new parks and protected areas plan will exceed the UN goal and protect more than 13 per cent of the province.

This province is a leader in renewable energy and in waste management, and now Nova Scotians are proving themselves to be leaders in protection of the natural world itself.

While moving toward a balanced budget, my government invested more than one billion dollars in highway projects and improvements. This record investment is providing Nova Scotians with safer roads, businesses with improved access to markets, and visitors with a better impression of our province. More local roads are being improved and maintained because my government is paving more while paying less.

My government established the Nova Scotia Tourism Agency to bring the industry and the government together in a cohesive effort to capitalize on Nova Scotia's vast tourism potential. This industry-led effort will support tourism growth through worker and operator training, infrastructure improvements, and easier access to the province by air and sea.

The province is working with the Nova Scotia International Ferry Partnership, based on the report by my government's expert panel, to gain a viable ferry service between Yarmouth and Maine, and also working with local stakeholders to attract more tourists who will visit and extend their stay in the Yarmouth and Acadian shores area.

Nova Scotians know that arts, culture, and heritage reflect who we are and contribute to growing healthy and vibrant communities. Nova Scotia's Five-Point Plan for Arts and Culture is now fully underway. In the coming year, the province's new support for Nova Scotia's arts, culture, and heritage will bolster the creative economy.

Millions worldwide watched online as a Canadian icon, the Bluenose II, was rebuilt. This summer, the world will be reminded that "Ships Start Here" when Bluenose II sets sail again from Lunenburg Harbour.

**Nova Scotia is powering up**

For the first time in history, Nova Scotians can secure a power supply that comes with a 35-year guarantee of price stability. The Maritime Link is the lowest-cost and most environmentally acceptable choice to meet Nova Scotia's power needs as Canada phases out the use of coal to generate power. The Link enables creation of the Atlantic Canadian power grid planned by the four provinces and the federal government. It will make possible more local energy development, including wind and tidal, achieving a more competitive power market without coal's volatile price.

Nova Scotia's energy plan has five key features: local, reliable, green, tax-free, and efficient.

Each feature of Nova Scotia's plan means the lowest, fairest power rates, ending the era of double-digit increases. Nova Scotians are saving hundreds of millions because there is no provincial HST on home energy, and efficiency programs are reducing power usage. These savings are particularly significant for seniors and lower-income families.

Record high offers for exploration rights off Nova Scotia tell us our offshore oil and gas sector is far from dead. The province invested heavily to develop a clear picture of the geology off our shores, and dedicated public servants used that analysis to revive interest in the vast potential of Nova Scotia's offshore. The best days of oil and gas production off Nova Scotia lie ahead.

### **Safe and secure**

It is the responsibility of government to provide for the safety of the citizens. This is a responsibility my government accepts and backs with action.

This year my government will complete its review and reform of automobile insurance to ensure that it remains fair, affordable, and stable.

Every family should be secure in the knowledge that when their loved one leaves for work, he or she will return home safely. Recent workplace accidents underscore the importance of health and safety on the job. After extensive consultation, the province has a new five-year workplace safety strategy that establishes the long-term goal of making Nova Scotia the safest place to work in Canada.

This year, my government increased the cap on disaster assistance to provide additional help to families, businesses, and non-government organizations whose property is damaged in emergencies or disasters.

Nova Scotians want safe communities, and through the Safer Communities and Neighborhoods Act people are evicted from properties habitually used for crime. Government's civil forfeiture unit is now in place to seize the profits of crime.

My government also knows that in order to keep Nova Scotia safe, the root causes of crime must be addressed through positive programs for young people at risk, such as its Lighthouses community grants.

My government has also introduced restorative approaches to school discipline, so that students are motivated to work on healthy relationships and manage conflict. Schools report improvements in overall school environment/climate and student behaviour.

The Nova Scotia Home For Colored Children was established by African Nova Scotians when their community still endured segregation as well as discrimination. For more than 90 years, the Home has cared for children of all races and cultures with a particular focus on supporting the African Nova Scotian community. During that time, the Home has provided invaluable service to many children and their families. The Home, however, now finds itself in the midst of a controversy resulting from serious allegations of abuse made by former residents. Allegations of abuse must be taken seriously, with due concern for victims and for justice.

The Premier and other representatives of my government have listened to members of the African Nova Scotian community, including former residents of the Home who allege they were abused, about options for moving forward. They heard that former residents and others need an opportunity to have their voices heard; public policies, programs, and services should be reviewed to determine whether they could be more responsive to the needs of at-risk African Nova Scotian children and their families; and there needs to be a means of healing in the community.

My government agrees that action must be taken. In the coming weeks, terms of reference for an independent panel will be developed in consultation with members of the African Nova Scotian community.

My government is now engaged in a wide-ranging public-engagement initiative called Putting People First: Working Together to Support Independence and Dignity. This initiative addresses services for some 40,000 Nova Scotians who are supported by Continuing Care or Services for Persons with Disabilities. Nova Scotians are being asked how these important services can be integrated so these Nova Scotians can enjoy good lives in welcoming and inclusive communities. This is a transformational and far-reaching goal that will be based on the extensive engagement that has begun.

And, my government recognizes that Nova Scotians care deeply about the welfare of animals in our society. During this legislative session, you will be asked to consider legislation to better protect animals and levy stiffer penalties for abuse.

### **Putting children first...**

Starting to turn the corner must mean a better start for Nova Scotian children, so that from the first months of their lives they have every opportunity for success.

My government is establishing a Department of Education and Early Childhood Development, to better coordinate and improve the many ways that the province supports infants, young children, and their families in the first years of life.

In this session of the legislature, the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development will outline the immediate action and multi-year goals for Nova Scotia to make the most of the early years, with both prevention and support that will become available as the plan unfolds.

That plan is based on the advice and ideas received across Nova Scotia during the Early Years consultation, and the teamwork by staff from several departments; they will now form the core of this new initiative in a department with a fresh mandate to support children and their families.

This major development builds on success. SchoolsPlus services will continue to expand. Social services, health services, mentoring, and parenting workshops for students and families are now available in 98 schools. A new practical tool for teachers, school staff, and support teams will help them meet the needs of students with autism spectrum disorder.

In Nova Scotia today, one in three children is overweight or obese, and too many more are facing future health problems because of unhealthy eating, sedentary behaviour, and inactivity. Thrive! is the plan for a healthier Nova Scotia, with an emphasis on children. The plan takes aim at preventing chronic disease through actions focused on healthy eating and physical activity. My government is investing in recreational facilities that offer more ways to stay fit and have fun, and in supporting healthier eating choices. My government is also expanding provincial support for community use of schools by recreational, sports, and other volunteer groups.

Five Mi'kmaw communities are adopting physical activity as part of their daily routine through a new partnership with the province. Annapolis Valley/Glooscap, Eskasoni, Millbrook, and Paqtnkek will hire full-time staff to develop and implement physical activity plans.

In this session of the legislature, the Minister of Health and Wellness will detail the government's next steps to improve children's health care, recognizing the high priority that Nova Scotians place on better preventive care, particularly for children with chronic diseases.

As children move into the school system, my government will take new action that provides children with opportunities for success and growth.

This year Nova Scotia's schools are adopting a highly successful math curriculum to ensure that more students build a solid foundation in this critical subject. Starting this fall, Grade 10 math courses will be year-long to provide more learning time. In this session of the legislature, my government will announce further steps to help students learn math.

A new literacy support initiative is helping more of Nova Scotia's youngest students learn to read. More than 3,800 children got help last year. With this year's extension of the program into grade three, even more children will benefit.

Despite fiscal challenges and shrinking enrolment, provincial funding ensures the smallest average class sizes in a generation. Children's learning needs are a priority, with new funds for boards to hire more program support staff, psychologists, and speech-language pathologists.

**...and learning**

Secondary, university, and college students also benefit through increased investment and educational innovations. The long-term sustainability of Nova Scotia's universities is assured through system-wide savings and a fair, competitive tuition regime.

My government increased student assistance to ensure that post-secondary education is more accessible regardless of the financial circumstances of students' families. Student debt has been capped, tuition increases will not exceed three per cent, and the non-repayable grant portion of student assistance is higher than ever.

A university-wide strategy to recruit and retain international students is being developed. International students enrich the educational experience for everyone and serve as a magnet for immigration and foreign investment.

**For Seniors**

Ensuring that seniors have the quality of care and life they so richly deserve has been a priority with my government from day one. Building and replacing overdue long-term care beds is one initiative. During my government's term, almost 800 replacement beds in aging facilities and 1,000 beds in new facilities were opened.

Many seniors are able and want to stay at home but need help. Last year, my government invested in new home-care initiatives. As a result, today seniors are seeing improvements in accessing services like personal care, meal preparation, caregiver respite, and housekeeping. My government has also increased financial support and services to recognize and encourage the vital role of family and friend caregivers.

Better care for seniors living at home will remain a focus in the year ahead.

My government continues to bring better health care to Nova Scotia's seniors and all Nova Scotians through the Fair Drug Prices Plan, backed up by legislation that honourable members adopted in 2011. For the third year in a row, there will be no increase in premiums or copayments for Seniors' Pharmacare.

In the face of difficult economic circumstances, my government remains true to its deepest values.



Almost 20,000 of the lowest-income seniors no longer pay provincial income tax because my government ended this tax on these women and men who worked hard to make a good life for themselves and their family.

Beginning this year, my government adjusted the fee structure to save seniors from paying more for home care simply because their pensions have increased. Many seniors will now pay less for home care and home oxygen. More low-income Nova Scotians who need services such as the Caregiver Benefit, Personal Alert Assistance, and Supportive Care will now qualify. And the province will adjust the income levels that determine fees so seniors won't pay more for those services just because their pension goes up each year.

For seniors, and for many others in our communities, housing is the biggest worry and the most important determinant of their health and quality of life. My government will set a new direction for housing, one that stresses affordability, choice, partnership, and community-building.

My government is working with District Health Authorities and School Boards to identify more opportunities for Nova Scotians to benefit from shared administrative services, and to plan carefully how to make the necessary improvements. Money saved on administration is invested in better care, better classroom learning, and a better start in life. Nova Scotia is turning the corner to more sustainable public services.

My government will present a budget for the consideration of the members of the legislature. That budget will be balanced.

My government has a record of achievement that is making life better for families, students, seniors, and other Nova Scotians most in need of help.

Nova Scotia is starting to turn the corner and head in a better direction for today's families.

Turning the corner means better care sooner.

Turning the corner means no provincial HST on home energy and other family essentials, and more support for the most vulnerable among us.

Turning the corner means opportunities for thousands of new jobs, in a cleaner environment, with more control of Nova Scotia's destiny.

Turning the corner means balancing the budget, and keeping it balanced.

This is the time to keep headed toward a better future for Nova Scotia's families.

God bless Nova Scotia. God bless Canada. God save the Queen."

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

The Honourable Minister of Justice, pursuant to leave given, introduced the following bill and the same was, on motion, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

#### **An Act Respecting Oaths of Office**

Mr. Speaker then advised the House that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor has been pleased to make a speech to the Members met in General Assembly of which, for greater accuracy, he had obtained a copy which the Chief Clerk would now read.

On motion duly passed by the House, His Honour's Speech was taken as read.

S. Prest, Eastern Shore, then moved the following Address in Reply to the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor and moved the same do pass. The aforesaid motion was seconded by M. Whynot, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville. A debate arose thereon with Hon. S. MacNeil, Leader of the Official Opposition, who adjourned the debate.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, asked for the unanimous consent of the House that the Official Opposition be permitted to introduce two Bills to be considered as part of opposition business on Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>. The motion carried.

**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. 1. An Act to Ensure Accountability in Providing Economic Development Assistance in Nova Scotia**

**(Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis)**

**No. 2. An Act to Ensure Better Reliability in the Delivery of Electricity in Nova Scotia**

**(A. Younger – Dartmouth East)**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, then moved that the House rise and meet tomorrow, Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 P.M. The motion carried and the House adjourned.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### **POINT OF PRIVILEGE**

Hon. S. McNeil, Leader of the Official Opposition, rose on a point of privilege respecting the former Minister of Finance, alleging he had misled the House about the previous year's budget.

Comments were made by Hon. F. Corbett and Hon. J. Baillie.

Hon. The Speaker took the matter under advisement.

#### **PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture, tabled a petition asking that February 18<sup>th</sup> be declared Mariners Day in Nova Scotia.

#### **TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS**

Hon. M. Smith, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal, tabled the Surplus Crown Property Disposal Report for the period April 1, 2011 to March 31, 2012.

#### **STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Education, rose to deliver a statement about bullying and cyber-bullying and the new program *Speak Up: Action to Address Bullying and Cyberbullying Behaviour*.

Comments were made by Hon. K. Casey and E. Orrell.

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

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

Res. No. 1 – Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – expressing our deepest condolences to the family of Jean MacAulay on her passing and taking a moment to reflect on her life.

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

Res. No. 2 – Hon. C. Parker, Minister of Energy – recognizing the 75 community groups that have received COMFIT approvals.

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

### **PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

With unanimous consent of the House, the order of business reverted and Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South, tabled a petition asking the NDP government and CCRSB to complete the upgrade to the River Hebert District High School this year.

### **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. 3. An Act to Amend Chapter 246 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Labour Standards Code, to Support Parents of Critically Ill or Abducted Children**

**(Hon. F. Corbett – Minister of Labour and Advanced Education)**

**No. 4. An Act to Require Balanced Budgets, Limit Government Spending and Reduce the Harmonized Sales Tax to Thirteen Per Cent**

**(Hon. J. Baillie – Cumberland South)**

### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 3 – Hon. D. Dexter, Cole Harbour – congratulating John Kahrs, graduate of Nova Scotia College of Art and Design on recently winning an Oscar.

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

Res. No. 4 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - extending our sincere condolences to the family and friends of the fishermen of the Miss Ally on this sad time of loss.

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

Res. No. 5 – Hon. P. Paris, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank – congratulating Lockview High School on receiving the Future Shop's Future Generation Tech Lab Grant enabling their use of technology in the classroom.

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

Res. No. 6 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – condemning the NDP government for covering up the \$27 million in last year's budget

Res. No. 7 – Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid – recognizing Lee Bagnell for his efforts in organizing an outdoor skating rink and indoor table tennis to promote active living for local youth.

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

Res. No. 8 – Hon. K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – recognizing the late Joe Peter MacLean on being awarded the Stompin' Tom Award and his contributions to his community, music and the Gaelic culture of Cape Breton.

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

Res. No. 9 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – applauding Josh Perry for his acts of kindness and compassion that have warmed the hearts of many.

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

Res. No. 10 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – recognizing March 26<sup>th</sup> as Purple Day and help raise awareness and encourage dialogue about epilepsy.

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

Res. No. 11 – Hon. L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island – recognizing Gordon Stewart and the Restaurant Association of Nova Scotia and partners in the PASS program on their commitment to a safe and enjoyable environment for bar patrons and employees.

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

Res. No. 12 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – thanking everyone involved in raising money for the wheelchair van for Alley Anderson.

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

Res. No. 13 – B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – remembering and honouring the life and memory of Joseph Eugene “Jeep” Deveau, an exemplar of community service to his home.

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

Res. No. 14 – C. Porter, Hants West – remembering a true Canadian ambassador on the passing of Stompin' Tom Connors.

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

A moment of silence was observed.

Res. No. 15 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating the players of the MADD Canada annual hockey teams for their continued support and fundraising efforts.

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

Res. No. 16 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South - requesting the Minister of Education to listen to the people of River Hebert and build a school they deserve.

Res. No. 17 – Hon. B. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect – thanking

Midtown Tavern on their auction, raising funds for the Veterans Emergency Transition Service and the Walter Callow Wheelchair Bus.

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

Res. No. 18 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating Mark and Kelly Jackson on the opening of George's Country Convenience store.

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

Res. No. 19 – B. Skabar, Cumberland North – congratulating CFTA Tantramar Community Radio on their two years on the air.

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

Res. No. 20 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – joining in this tribute to Joseph "Jos" Cottreau to honour his life and celebrate his memory.

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

Res. No. 21 – J. Morton, Kings North – thanking Kings County 4-H Canada for 100 years of service and wishing them continued success in their second century.

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

Res. No. 22 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating everyone on the first annual Louisbourg Shark Derby fundraiser and wishing them success on many more.

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

Res. No. 23 – Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - recognizing the Sackville High School students and players on being selected and playing in the annual all-star hockey game.

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



Res. No. 24 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – saluting the North Sydney Superstore and the President’s Choice Children’s Charity for their acts of charity and community service.

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

Res. No. 25 – Hon. P. Paris, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank – congratulating Steve Fairbairn on receiving Queen Elizabeth II Medal.

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

Res. No. 26 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating the artists on their outstanding work at the Hants County Arts Council Show.

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

Res. No. 27 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Justin Cottreau on being presented with the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Scholarship and Medal.

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

Res. No. 28 – B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Dr. Lesley Steele of the Eastern Passage Village Veterinary Hospital for her entrepreneurial spirit.

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

Res. No. 29 – V. Conrad, Queens – recognizing and congratulating the participants of the 2013 Curl for Cancer on their 26<sup>th</sup> year.

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

Res. No. 30 – Hon. B. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect – congratulating Elsie and Alan MacNeil on their 70 years of marriage.

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

Res. No. 31 – B. Skabar, Cumberland North – thanking Jenna Cottrill for her dedication to the Haitian Relief Effort.

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

Res. No. 32 – J. Morton, Kings North – congratulating Annapolis Valley Radio for its achievement in being named the Best Media for 2013.

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

#### **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

A. Younger, Deputy Opposition House Leader, called the following bill:

##### **No. 1. Accountability in Economic Development Assistance Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: G. MacLellan, Hon. P. Paris, Hon. C. d'Entremont and D. Whalen. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 A.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 M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville:

“Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House agree that the Liberal Party's opposition to clean, Atlantic Canadian power from Muskrat Falls is in the best interest of the world's fourth largest energy utility, Hydro-Québec, and not Nova Scotia families.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: M. Whynott, A. Younger and Hon. C. d'Entremont.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 33 – Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid – recognizing Carter McMullin on being selected to play on the Metro High School Hockey League's annual All Star hockey game.

Res. No. 34 - Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid – recognizing Darcy Gittens on being selected to play in the Metro High School Hockey League's annual All Star hockey game.

Res. No. 35 - Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid – recognizing Geoff White on being selected to play in the Metro High School Hockey League's annual All Star hockey game.

Res. No. 36 - Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid – recognizing Joel Schaller on being selected to play in the Metro High School Hockey League's annual All Star hockey game.

The House met at 11:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### **POINT OF ORDER**

Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle, rose on a point of order respecting the revelation of personal information of a client of the Department of Community Services by the Minister of the department.

Comments were made by Hon. F. Corbett and K. Regan.

Hon. Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

#### **TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS**

Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Finance, tabled the Notice of Fee Increases, pursuant to the Fees Act.

#### **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. 5. An Act to Amend Chapter 5 of the Acts of 2011, the Elections Act**

**(Hon. S. McNeil - Annapolis)**

**No. 6. An Act to Amend Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2010, the Finance Act, Respecting Intergenerational Reporting**

**(Hon. J. Baillie – Cumberland South)**

**No. 7. An Act to Amend Chapter 260 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Liquor Control Act, Respecting Injunctions**

**(D. Whalen – Halifax Clayton Park)**

**No. 8. An Act to Amend Chapter 217 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Income Tax Act, to Provide a Food Bank Donation Tax Credit for Farmers**

**(L. Glavine – Kings West)**

**No. 9. An Act to Review the Funding and Delivery of Public Education in Nova Scotia**

**(Hon. K. Casey – Colchester North)**

**No. 10. An Act to Promote the Development of District and Neighbourhood Geothermal Heating and Cooling Systems**

**(A. Younger – Dartmouth East)**

**No. 11. An Act to Review Ancillary Fees at Universities in Nova Scotia**

**(Z. Churchill – Yarmouth)**

**No. 12. 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)**

**No. 13. An Act to Amend Chapter 260 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Liquor Control Act, to Permit the Operation of Businesses that Assist Others in the Making of Beer, Wine or Cider**

**(D. Whalen – Halifax Clayton Park)**

**No. 14. An Act to Support Diabetic Persons in Nova Scotia**

**(L. Glavine – Kings West)**

**No. 15. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1995-96, the Education Act, to Ensure Appropriate Class Sizes for Grades Primary to Three**

**(Hon. K. Casey – Colchester North)**

**No. 16. An Act Respecting the Review of the Green Energy Equipment Tax Credit in Manitoba for Implementation in Nova Scotia**

(A. Younger – Dartmouth East)

- No. 17. An Act to Review the Public School Programs in Nova Scotia**

(Hon. S. McNeil – Annapolis)

- No. 18. An Act to Support Students with Diabetes and Other Life-Threatening Illnesses**

(Hon. K. Casey – Colchester North)

- No. 19. An Act to Provide for the Establishment of an Entrepreneur Stream Under the Nova Scotia Nominee Program**

(D. Whalen – Halifax Clayton Park)

- No. 20. An Act to Amend Chapter 25 of the Acts of 2004, the Electricity Act, Respecting Renewable Energy Providers**

(A. Younger – Dartmouth East)

- No. 21. An Act to Ensure Appropriate Supports in the Classroom for Children with Special Needs**

(Hon. S. McNeil – Annapolis)

- No. 22. An Act to Establish Joseph Howe Day**

(D. Whalen – Halifax Clayton Park)

- No. 23. An Act to Amend Chapter 217 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Income Tax Act, to Provide a Nova Scotia Sound Recording Tax Credit**

(H. Theriault – Digby-Annapolis)

- No. 24. An Act to Develop a Multi-year Funding Framework**

(K. Regan – Bedford-Birch Cove)

- No. 25. An Act to Amend Chapter 195 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Health Act**  
**(Hon. S. McNeil – Annapolis)**
- No. 26. An Act to Amend Chapter 31 of the Acts of 1996, the Sales Tax Act**  
**(H. Theriault – Digby-Annapolis)**
- No. 27. An Act to Amend Chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Daycare Act**  
**(K. Regan – Bedford-Birch Cove)**
- No. 28. An Act to Review the Provincial Tax Regime**  
**(Hon. S. McNeil – Annapolis)**
- No. 29. 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)**
- No. 30. An Act to Amend Chapter 213 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Housing Development Corporation Act, Respecting CMHC Funding**  
**(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. 37 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – extending our sincere sympathies to the family and friends of Daurene Lewis and reflecting upon the immense contributions she has made to our province and country.

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

Res. No. 38 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – extending our sincere condolences to the family of Jay Smith on his passing, his music will be missed.

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

### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

With unanimous consent of the House, the order of business reverted and the following notice was passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 39 - Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Finance:

“Mr. Speaker, I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall

- (1) read and table the message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor transmitting the Estimates of Sums required for the service of the Province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2014, for the consideration of this House;
- (2) table the Estimates books;
- (3) table the Crown Corporation Business Plans;
- (4) table the Estimates and Crown Corporation Business Plans resolutions;
- (5) deliver my Budget Speech; and
- (6) move that the Estimates of Sums required for the service of the Province, for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2014, being Supply to be granted to Her Majesty, and the Crown Corporation Business Plans be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Supply.

Mr. Speaker, for the information of the House, the budget will be presented on Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup>.”

### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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



Res. No. 40 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – working together with provincial, municipal and federal representatives to find a long-term solution to ensure the viability of the Strait Area Transit.

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

Res. No. 41 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – thanking Michael Gaultois for bringing his motivational message to local junior high students to reduce grass fires.

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

Res. No. 42 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – recognizing the NDP's inability to manage the finances of the province and brings into question their budgetary reporting.

Res. No. 43 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – wishing the best of luck to the Mayflower Curling Club team on their trip to Newfoundland for the Nova Scotia Under-18 championships.

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

Res. No. 44 – L. Glavine, Kings West – acknowledging the leadership of Cassidy Megan in improving the lives of those with epilepsy.

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

Res. No. 45 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – recognizing the contribution the late Steve MacDermid has left to his community and congratulating all the participants of the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Steve MacDermid Memorial Scholarship Hockey Tournament.

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

Res. No. 46 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Ed MacLean on his heroic rescue of a 3-year-old from their burning house and meeting her again 31 years later.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 47 – Hon. C. d’Entremont, Argyle - saluting Boyd Bond for his dedication and commitment to the Eastern Passage sporting community.

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

Res. No. 48 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Basinview Drive Community School on their recording of a CD to help raise funds to build a new playground.

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

Res. No. 49 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – supporting the renaming of the Montebello Park to Craig Blake Park in honour of his commitment and sacrifice.

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

Res. No. 50 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Rev. Bill Newell on being named 2013 Volunteer Representative for the Town of Yarmouth and for his many years of devotion 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. 51 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – thanking the members of the Soldiers’ Memorial Hospital Health Auxiliary for 60 years of support.

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

Res. No. 52 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating the Strait Pirates hockey team on winning the Sid Rowe Division final and wishing them well.

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

Res. No. 53 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – thanking Virginia Stoddard

on being named 2013 Volunteer Representative for the Municipality of Yarmouth.

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

Res. No. 54 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating the Barrington Area Lions curling team on winning the Phinney Trophy and wishing them success in the future.

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

Res. No. 55 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – recognizing Mel Boutilier-Parker on his 85<sup>th</sup> birthday and wishing him many more years and 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. 56 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating Calvin Hillier on receiving his Life Membership Award and his contribution 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. 57 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Richard Halverson on being nominated for the Hockey Goes On contest sponsored by Kraft Canada.

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

Res. No. 58 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating Connor Shepard on his graduation as a primary care paramedic from Medavie HealthEd school of paramedicine.

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

Res. No. 59 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating and thanking Ashley Hanna, her principal, all the staff and students of Mountain View Elementary School for making everyone aware of Purple Day.

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

**GOVERNMENT MOTIONS**

On motion, the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply was then resumed. The debate continued with Hon. S. McNeil, Leader of the Official Opposition and Hon. J. Baillie, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, who adjourned the debate.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00 P.M.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 60 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Alvin Atwell on receiving the Queen's Diamond Jubilee medal and wishing him continued success with all of his volunteer work.

Res. No. 61 – C. Porter, Hants West – applauding Michelle Herx for her vast array of talents and wishing her every continued success.

**MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**  
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**Speaker: The Honourable Gordie Gosse**

<b>Constituency</b>	<b>Member</b>
Annapolis	Stephen McNeil (LIB)
Antigonish	Maurice Smith (NDP)
Argyle	Chris A. d'Entremont (PC)
Bedford-Birch Cove	Kelly Regan (LIB)
Cape Breton Centre	Frank Corbett (NDP)
Cape Breton North	Eddie Orrell (PC)
Cape Breton Nova	Gordie Gosse (NDP)
Cape Breton South	Manning MacDonald (LIB) <sup>1</sup>
Cape Breton West	Alfie MacLeod (PC)
Chester-St. Margaret's	Denise Peterson-Rafuse (NDP)
Clare	Wayne Gaudet (LIB)
Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley	Gary Burrill (NDP)
Colchester North	Karen Casey (LIB)
Cole Harbour	Darrell Dexter (NDP)
Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage	Becky Kent (NDP)
Cumberland North	Brian Skabar (NDP)
Cumberland South	Jamie Baillie (PC)
Dartmouth East	Andrew Younger (LIB)
Dartmouth North	Trevor Zinck (I) <sup>2</sup>
Dartmouth South-Portland Valley	Marilyn More (NDP)
Digby-Annapolis	Harold Jr. Theriault (LIB)
Eastern Shore	Sidney Prest (NDP)
Glace Bay	Geoff MacLellan (LIB)
Guysborough-Sheet Harbour	Jim Boudreau (NDP)
Halifax Atlantic	Michèle Raymond (NDP)
Halifax Chebucto	Howard Epstein (NDP)
Halifax Citadel-Sable Island	Leonard Preyra (NDP)
Halifax Clayton Park	Diana Whalen (LIB)
Halifax Fairview	Graham Steele (NDP)
Halifax Needham	Maureen MacDonald (NDP)
Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville	Mat Whynott (NDP)
Hants East	John MacDonell (NDP)
Hants West	Chuck Porter (PC)
Inverness	Allan MacMaster (PC)
Kings North	Jim Morton (NDP)
Kings South	Ramona Jennex (NDP)
Kings West	Leo Glavine (LIB)
Lunenburg	Pam Birdsall(NDP)
Lunenburg West	Gary Ramey (NDP)
Pictou Centre	Ross Landry (NDP)
Pictou East	Clarrie MacKinnon (NDP)

Pictou West	Charlie Parker (NDP)
Preston	Keith Colwell (LIB)
Queens	Vicki Conrad (NDP)
Richmond	Michel Samson (LIB)
Sackville-Cobequid	David A. Wilson (NDP)
Shelburne	Stirling Belliveau (NDP)
Timberlea-Prospect	Bill Estabrooks (NDP)
Truro-Bible Hill	Lenore Zann (NDP)
Victoria-The Lakes	Keith Bain (PC)
Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank	Percy Paris (NDP)
Yarmouth	Zach Churchill (LIB)

**Key:** **I** - **Independent**  
**LIB** - **Liberal Party**  
**NDP** - **New Democratic Party**  
**PC** - **Progressive Conservative Party**

### **OFFICERS OF THE ASSEMBLY**

**Neil Ferguson: Chief Clerk**  
**Annette Boucher, Q.C.: Assistant Clerk**  
**Kenneth H. Greenham: Sergeant-at-Arms**

1. *Manning MacDonald resigned May 29, 2013. His seat remained vacant until the General Election on October 8, 2013.*
2. *Trevor Zinck resigned on June 19, 2013. His seat remained vacant until the General Election on October 8, 2013.*

The House met at 2:00 p.m.

Prayers.

### **SPEAKER'S RULING**

“On Thursday, March 28, the honourable Member for Argyle rose on a point of order respecting remarks made by the honourable Minister of Community Services on the previous day in answering a question during Question Period.

It was the position of the Member for Argyle that the Minister had revealed personal information about a client of her department and that this amounted to a breach of the law and the custom of the House. He went on to give a number of examples of cases in various jurisdictions in which Ministers had resigned after having disclosed personal information respecting individuals.

My first consideration is the right of all Members of the House to freedom of speech. Members are free to say whatever they wish in the House subject only to a few restrictions such as not disparaging the Sovereign or the judiciary, or using unparliamentary expressions.

My next consideration is whether a failure to follow what the Member for Argyle alleges is a custom respecting Ministers is something that falls under my jurisdiction as Speaker of this House.

I have considered this matter very carefully and have examined a ruling by Speaker Donahoe, made on June 18, 1981, in which he dealt with an allegation that the Minister of Transportation had acted in a manner unbecoming a Minister and had broken his oath of office. In considering the issue, Speaker Donahoe referred to previous rulings by Speakers Lamoureaux and Mitchener of the House of Commons respecting allegations against Members.

Speaker Donahoe concluded that there was a distinction between a Member's conduct and his or her execution of the duties of a Minister. I agree with his conclusion. What a Minister does, or fails to do, falls under the area of ministerial responsibility. It is a matter falling under the executive branch.

Speaker Donahoe stated: ‘If a minister breaches his oath of office as a minister, which I believe has not been established in this case, it is my opinion that it is not a function of this House to discipline the minister for

such breach.’

Speaker Donahoe went on to say that the House was free to express its displeasure with the activities of a Minister in various ways by substantive motion, including by a substantive motion of censure, but that this was not what had happened.

It is my conclusion that if the Minister did something she should not have done as a Minister, and I am certainly not saying that I have found that she has, that would be a matter falling under the executive branch and that there is not a valid point of order.”

### **PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

J. Morton, Kings North, tabled a petition demanding the repaving of Jakeson Street in Port Williams during the 2013 paving season.

### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 62 – Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness – recognizing April 2<sup>nd</sup> as Oncology Nursing Day and the dedication of the oncology nurses.

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

Res. No. 63 – Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Education – recognizing April 2<sup>nd</sup> as Autism Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day and the dedication of Autism Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 64 – Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Community, Culture and Heritage – congratulating the winners and nominees of the Theatre Nova Scotia Merrit Awards for their contributions.

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

Res. No. 65 – Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness –



recognizing April as Daffodil month for cancer awareness and supporting the efforts of the Canadian Cancer Society.

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. 31. An Act to Amend Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2010, the Finance Act, Respecting the Full Disclosure of Accounting Changes**

**(Hon. J. Baillie - Cumberland South)**

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 66 – Hon. D. Dexter, Cole Harbour – recognizing Beverly Barker and her staff the Beverly Barker Insurance Agency on their award and for their community spirit and thanking them for their valuable volunteer work.

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

Res. No. 67 – L. Glavine, Kings West – acknowledging April 2<sup>nd</sup> as the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Oncology Nursing Day.

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

Res. No. 68 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – recognizing the remarkable career and many achievements of the late Ralph Kline and remembering his many years of public service.

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

Res. No. 69 – Hon. B. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect –

recognizing the efforts of area residents in remembering the sinking of the *SS Atlantic* on April 1, 1873.

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

Res. No. 70 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – taking a moment to honour the passing of Justice W. Andrew MacKay and for his contributions to Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia and Canada.

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

Res. No. 71 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – recognizing April 2<sup>nd</sup> as World Autism Awareness Day and educating others about autism spectrum.

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

Res. No. 72 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – sending our condolences to Arnold Jones' family on the passing of this gentleman who will be missed by all.

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

Res. No. 73 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – recognizing the contributions of Fred Lavery and his team and on receiving the ECMA Studio 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. 74 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – calling on the NDP government to take meaningful action and address the needs of people living with autism.

Res. No. 75 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating Defence Minister and Central Nova MP Peter MacKay and his wife, Nazanin on the birth of their son, Kian Alexander MacKay.

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

Res. No. 76 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – recognizing Justine Colley for her contributions to the sport of basketball and receiving the Canadian Interuniversity Sport Player 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. 77 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating Joe Peck and recognizing his community service to the youth.

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

Res. No. 78 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating the Yarmouth Consolidated Memorial High School basketball team on their extremely successful season.

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

Res. No. 79 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North - saluting various community leaders for helping children at risk and making our communities a much better place to live.

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

Res. No. 80 – L. Glavine, Kings West – acknowledging April 2<sup>nd</sup> as World Autism Awareness Day and ensure adequate early intervention.

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

Res. No. 81 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Morgan Messenger for earning the Rookie of the Year Award by the Maritime Junior Hockey League.

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

Res. No. 82 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – recognizing the 7 Sevens Team and manager on their outstanding efforts so far in raising almost \$2500.00 for Margaret's House.

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

Res. No. 83 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Harris Sullivan, retired broadcaster-poet, on his new career.

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

Res. No. 84 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating Chris Culligan on receiving the Don Wells Trophy and wish him success in his future endeavours.

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

Res. No. 85 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Basketball Nova Scotia Yarmouth Maple Grove Panthers on their success basketball season.

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

#### **EMERGENCY DEBATE**

A. Younger, Dartmouth East, moved the adjournment of business to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely the timeline for the review of the Maritime Link by the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board.

Comments were made by Hon. F. Corbett and Hon. J. Baillie. More than ten members rose in support and leave was granted. The debate will take place at the moment of interruption.

#### **POINT OF PRIVILEGE**

M. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic, rose on a point of privilege respecting the House of Assembly as a court of record.

Hon. Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

#### **POINT OF ORDER**

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, rose on a point of order respecting imputing motive by A. Younger in Question Period.

Hon. Mr. Speaker took the matter under advisement.

**ADDRESS IN REPLY**

On motion, the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply was then resumed. The debate continued with Hon. J. Baillie and Hon. D. Dexter, who adjourned the debate.

**PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 3. Support for Parents of Critically Ill or Abducted Children Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Z. Churchill, K. Bain, Hon. M. Samson and Hon. F. Corbett in Reply. The question being put by Madam Deputy Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

**ADDRESS IN REPLY**

On motion, the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply was then resumed. The debate continued with D. Whalen, who adjourned the debate.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 P.M.

**EMERGENCY DEBATE**

As requested earlier by A. Younger, Dartmouth East, the Emergency Debate began with the following taking part: Hon. C. Parker, C. Porter, L. Glavine, M. Whynott, Hon. J. Baillie, Hon. M. Samson, G. Burrill and E. Orrell.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 86 – C. Porter, Hants West – commending Terri Lynn Blanchard for the creativity she brings to her Ellershouse photographic

business.

Res. No. 87 – C. Porter, Hants West – complimenting Ivan Christensen of Centre Burlington for his talents in oil and acrylic paintings and wishing him all the best in his future.

Res. No. 88 – J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating Canso Bluefins Atom B hockey team on winning the Jackie MacAulay Memorial Tournament.

Res. No. 89 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating the Oxford Senior Lady Golden Bears on winning the Northumberland Regionals.

Res. No. 90 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Oxford Junior Lady Golden Bears on winning their second consecutive basketball title.

Res. No. 91 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating the Junior Golden Bears basketball team on bringing home the championship banner and wishing them continued success.

Res. No. 92 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Harvey Gullon and Home Hardware Eastern Distribution Centre for their patience over the last seven years regarding their expansion.

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Hon. Ramona Jennex	Minister of Education Minister responsible for Youth

Hon. Ross Landry	Attorney General and Minister of Justice Provincial Secretary
Hon. C.L. (Charlie) Parker	Minister of Natural Resources Minister of Energy
Hon. David A. Wilson	Minister of Health and Wellness Minister of Acadian Affairs
Hon. Leonard Preyra	Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage
Hon. Maurice Smith	Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal Minister of Gaelic Affairs

*\* From March 15, 2013*



The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

**PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

A. MacMaster, Inverness, tabled a petition calling on the government to establish legislative visitation rights for grandparents to ensure they have regular access to their grandchildren in the event of a separation or divorce.

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 93 – Hon. R. Landry, Minister of Justice – congratulating the Nova Scotians recognized as crime prevention leaders.

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

Res. No. 94 – Hon. M. Smith, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal – congratulating Dr. Eveline MacLeod on receiving her honorary degree from the Cape Breton University.

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

Res. No. 95 – Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Education – congratulating Joseph Cormier on receiving the 2012 Prime Minister's Award for teaching excellence.

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

Res. No. 96 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Environment – congratulating the Clean Annapolis River Project on receiving recognition for its protection and conservation efforts.

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

Res. No. 97 – Hon. C. Parker, Minister of Natural Resources –

celebrating the 28 community groups whose projects were approved as part of the Nova Scotia Moves sustainable transportation grant program.

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. 32. An Act to Amend Chapter 436 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Solemnization of Marriage Act**

**(Hon. J. MacDonnell – Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)**

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 98 – Hon. D. Dexter, Cole Harbour – recognizing the kindness of the doctors and entire staff at Cole Harbour Chiropractic and thanking them for their continued efforts making life better for people and families of Cole Harbour.

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

Res. No. 99 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Father John Williams on his 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordination.

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

Res. No. 100 – Hon. P. Paris, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank – congratulating Mo Kenney on her released album and ECMA nomination in the Rising Star Recording of the Year category.

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

Res. No. 101 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – recognizing April as

Parkinson's Awareness Month and showing support for the hard-working volunteers.

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

Res. No. 102 – Hon. J. MacDonnell, Hants East – congratulating James Conley, Jr. and Ethel Fahey on their 40 years of sales of general goods.

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

Res. No. 103 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – extending condolences to the family of the late Basil Edward Blades.

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

Res. No. 104 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – acknowledging April as Daffodil Month and showing our support for those living with cancer and the raising of awareness about prevention.

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

Res. No. 105 – Hon. C. Parker, Pictou West – congratulating Ronnie Heighton on being inducted into the Atlantic Canada Marine Industries Hall of Fame and thanking him for his dedication.

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

Res. No. 106 – B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – thanking Matt Beazley of Matt's Bottle Exchange and his staff for 10 years of business, charity and donations to the community.

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

Res. No. 107 – C. MacKinnon, Pictou East – congratulating Calvin Mason for being a good corporate citizen and team player in contributing 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. 108 – J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour, on behalf of V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing goldsmith Andrew Danylewich as one of 494 goldsmiths and jewellers to be included in the book *500 Necklaces*.

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

Res. No. 109 – H. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto – extending our sympathy to the family of Sharon Kirsh on her passing.

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

Res. No. 110 – C. MacKinnon, Pictou East, on behalf of Hon. G. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova – congratulating Jack Yazer on his 100-year milestone, along with 8 other residents of Cove Guest Home.

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

Res. No. 111 – G. Ramey, Lunenburg West, on behalf of P. Birdsall, Lunenburg – congratulating the Lunenburg County Crime Prevention Association on receiving the Community Crime Prevention and Reduction Grant.

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

Res. No. 112 – J. Morton, Kings North – congratulating the members of the Good Neighbour Club of Centerville for seven years of successful Big Breakfasts and working together for the good of all.

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

Res. No. 113 – C. MacKinnon, Pictou East – congratulating John Ashton on publication of his book *Past Times: Historical Stories of Pictou County*.

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

**OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Hon. M. Samson, Opposition House Leader, called the following bill:

**No. 17. Blue Print for the Future of Public Education in Nova Scotia Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. K. Casey, G. Ramey, E. Orrell and L. Glavine. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Hon. M. Samson, Opposition House Leader, called the following Resolution:

**Res. No. 42 – NDP – Prov. Finances: Management – Failure**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: D. Whalen, J. Morton, Hon. J. Baillie and Z. Churchill. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 p.m.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

The following notice was passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 114 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating the young curlers on their wins at the Under 18 Atlantic Curling Competition in Stephenville, Newfoundland.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

### GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

Pursuant to the notice tabled on March 28, 2013, Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Finance, moved the following Resolution:

Res. No. 39 – Estimates: Committee of the Whole House on Supply

“Mr. Speaker, I have the honour, by command, to present a message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Nova Scotia relating, to the Estimates of Sums required for the service of the Province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2014, which is:

‘I hereby transmit Estimates of Sums required for the Public Service of Province, for the year ending March 31, 2014, and in accordance with the Constitution Act, 1867, recommend them together with the Budget Address of my Minister of Finance and any resolutions or bills necessary or advisable to approve the Estimates and implement the budget measures to the House of Assembly.

(Signed)

**J.J. Grant**

**Lieutenant Governor**

**Halifax, N.S.  
April 4, 2013”**

The same Honourable Minister then tabled the message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor transmitting the Estimates for the consideration of this House, the Estimates Book, the Crown Corporation Business Plans, the Crown Corporation Business Plans Resolutions, delivered the Budget Speech and moved that the Estimates of Sums required for the service of the Province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2014, being Supply to be granted to Her Majesty, and the Crown Corporation Business Plans be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Supply. A debate ensued during which the following took part: D. Whalen, who adjourned the debate.

**SPEAKER'S RULING**

“On Tuesday, the honourable Government House Leader raised a point of order with respect to a question posed to him by the honourable Member for Dartmouth East during question period. The Government House Leader said that the Member had imputed motives to him in that question and asked me to review Hansard as to what was said.

I have reviewed Hansard from Tuesday and have seen that, in the question I believe is at issue, the Member for Dartmouth East raised the point that the Treasury Board, of which the Government House Leader, as Deputy Premier, is chair, had not approved an increase to the Auditor General's budget that had been recommended by the Special Committee to Review the Estimates of the Auditor General and the Chief Electoral Officer.

The Member had said ‘Mr. Speaker, is the Deputy Premier just trying to get back at the Auditor General for embarrassing him?’ Imputing that the honourable Government House Leader took revenge upon the Auditor General for carrying out his duties by using the budget process to reduce the Auditor General's budget is a very serious allegation. It is unparliamentary and contrary to convention and usage for any Member to impute to another Member bad motives, or motives different from those acknowledged by that other Member, with respect to anything said or done by that other Member.

*Beauchesne*, on page 141 states that ‘...a Member, while speaking, must not impute bad motives or motives different from those acknowledged by a Member.’ *Beauchesne* goes on to say at page 142 that ‘...a Member will not be permitted by the Speaker to... impute to any Member or Members unworthy motives for their actions in a particular case.’

The meaning of the phrase ‘impute bad motives’, as used in the parliamentary context, is sometimes questioned. Often, it is not clear that the imputation being complained of is one of bad motives when a complaint is raised that another Member is ‘imputing motives’. It is assumed when that phrase is used, that the motives are bad or different from any motives that may have been acknowledged.

The Parliament of Canada publishes a *Glossary of Parliamentary Procedure*, which defines to ‘impute motives’ as to ‘...ascribe objectionable motives or motives to a Member different from those acknowledged by the Member.’ Their underlying principle is that one Member should not allege that another Member has said or done something for an unworthy or hidden

purpose.

It is well established in this House that it is not acceptable to impute improper motives to another Member. I draw Members' attention to a ruling by former Speaker Russell on May 20, 1999, in which he stated that alleging a Member is saying something because he has a vendetta against somebody for something they have done, is imputing motive.

On Tuesday, the honourable Opposition House Leader countered the point of privilege by saying that the Member for Dartmouth East was not making a direct allegation imputing motives but had been asking a question that the Government House Leader, in his capacity as Deputy Premier, could answer.

It is clear from Beauchesne that questions that impute motives to a Member are out of order in the same manner as a direct allegation imputing motives. At page 121 it states '...a question must adhere to the proprieties of the House, in terms of inferences, imputing motives or casting aspersions upon persons within the House or out of it.'

For examples in this House, Members can see the ruling of Speaker Russell on April 6, 1999, ruling a question out of order because it imputed motives, or the ruling of Speaker Scott on April 20, 2004, to the same effect.

Accordingly, I find the suggestion made in Question Period on Tuesday by the Member for Dartmouth East that the Deputy Premier had abused his position as Chair of Treasury Board to exact revenge on the Auditor General to have imputed motives, and that the honourable Member should retract any such suggestion."

A. Younger, Dartmouth East, retracted the question.

#### **POINT OF ORDER**

Hon. M. Samson, Richmond, rose on a point of order concerning the reversal by the Treasury Board of a decision that had been made by the House of Assembly Management Commission, which he tabled.

Comments were made by Hon. F. Corbett.

Hon. The Speaker took the matter on advisement.



**TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS**

Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Finance, tabled an Order in Council dated April 4, 2013 – Additional Appropriations (2012-13).

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 115 – Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Minister of Community Services – congratulating Wee Care Centre on their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary and thanking everyone who made Wee Care the success it is today.

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

Res. No. 116 – Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness – recognizing April as Oral Health Month and encouraging everyone to make the health of their teeth and gums a priority.

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

Res. No. 117 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture – congratulating the Dalhousie Centre of Water Resources Studies on receiving their Water Resources Award.

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

Res. No. 118 – Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage – recognizing Nancy Radcliffe and everyone who helped to comprise the Two Houses Theatres Company.

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. 33. An Act to Ensure a Supply of Physicians in Rural**

**Nova Scotia****(Hon. S. McNeil – Annapolis)****No. 34. An Act to Protect Nova Scotia Electricity Ratepayers and Reduce Charges Passed on to Customers in Electricity Bills****(A. Younger – Dartmouth East)****NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 119 – Hon. D. Dexter, Cole Harbour – recognizing the strength, dedication and positive attitude of Larry Foster, showing you can have great success and happiness while living with disabilities.

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

Res. No. 120 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – thanking Jennifer and Michael Howell for their contributions to the community over the years and wishing them well on their move to Ontario.

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

Res. No. 121 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating Joe Peck on receiving a \$20,000 prize for the Northside District Minor Hockey Association.

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

Res. No. 122 – Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East – congratulating Pat Mills on being honoured by National Gypsum for his years of service.

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

Res. No. 123 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating and recognizing Nicole Gushue for the dedication and perseverance of running

the Boston Marathon in memory of her cousin, Mark.

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

Res. No. 124 – J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating Jeanie Hart from the Royal Bank for her dedication 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. 125 – G. MacLellan, Glace Bay – congratulating Justine Williamson on making the final round of the MUCH MUSIC VJ Search.

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

Res. No. 126 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Scott Norton, Q.C. on being awarded the SMU Alumni Association Distinguished Community Service Award.

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

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

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

### **No. 32. Solemnization of Marriage Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. MacMaster and Hon. J. MacDonell 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.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.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 K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove:

“Therefore be it resolved that the Minister of Education's request to halt school closures, after months of tumultuous school reviews in communities across the province, and \$65 million in funding cuts, is an empty political move that shows no respect for public education or communities.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: K. Regan, G. Ramey and E. Orrell.

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

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

Res. No. 127 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Ross Hayman on being added to the Dalhousie's Faculty of Agriculture Dean's List.

Res. No. 128 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Thomas Harrington on being added to the Dalhousie's Faculty of Agriculture Dean's List.

Res. No. 129 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Ashley McDonald on being added to the Dalhousie's Faculty of Agriculture Dean's List.

Res. No. 130 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Carling Gratto on being added to the Dalhousie's Faculty of Agriculture Dean's List.

Res. No. 131 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Christopher Howse on being added to the Dalhousie's Faculty of Agriculture Dean's List.

Res. No. 132 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Crystal Fullerton on being added to the Dalhousie's Faculty of Agriculture Dean's List.

Res. No. 133 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Joshua Chapman on being added to the Dalhousie's Faculty of Agriculture Dean's List.

Res. No. 134 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Nicole Cox on being added to the Dalhousie’s Faculty of Agriculture Dean’s List.

Res. No. 135 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Shelby Jamieson on being added to the Dalhousie’s Faculty of Agriculture Dean’s List.

Res. No. 136 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Sherisse Smith on being added to the Dalhousie’s Faculty of Agriculture Dean’s List.

Res. No. 137 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating William MacKenzie on being added to the Dalhousie’s Faculty of Agriculture Dean’s List.

Res. No. 138 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Elvera Ross and staff at Ebony Hair Salon on ten years in business.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

### **SPEAKER'S RULING**

“Yesterday, after I delivered a ruling on a point of order, the honourable Member for Richmond rose and made several remarks asking me about what he said was a reversal by the Treasury Board of a decision that had been made by the House of Assembly Management Commission.

To be clear, as the honourable Government House Leader pointed out, it was not the Management Commission that made the initial decision in the matter, but rather it was the *Special Committee to Review the Estimates of the Auditor General and the Chief Electoral Officer*, which is made up of the same people as those who are on the Management Commission, but is a separate committee of the House.

The Member asked me a number of questions, including whether further recommendations respecting decisions of the Committee would be honoured by the government. Without speculating on any of the questions posed to me by the Member, I must point out that I cannot speak for the future, or to anything that may be done by the government, or even by the committee of the House.

Turning to the procedural issues arising from the Member's questions, I have reviewed Hansard and it is now clear that he did not rise on a point of order or a point of privilege. After my ruling on a point of order, he asked me a series of questions.

I remind all Members of rulings in 2010, by the previous occupant of this Chair, that it is out of order for the Members to raise questions respecting the Speaker or matters falling under the administration of the Speaker in the House. If a Member has questions about such things, the Member can raise them outside the House with the Speaker.

As set out in *Campion*, questions on such matters should be addressed to the Speaker by private notice - this includes matters relating to my involvement with committees of the House.

On another point, some of the Member's questioning yesterday related to decisions of the Treasury Board. Those decisions have nothing to do with the Speaker and can be addressed more appropriately to the responsible Minister, in a parliamentary manner. Further, it is not the role

of the Speaker to rule on questions of law, or statutory interpretation, which appear to me to be part of what he was asking.

The Speaker will not be drawn into debate in the House. What the Member for Richmond asked was not a proper point of order or privilege. Members need to remember to follow proper procedure when raising things in the House. I have issued my ruling with respect to the previous point of order and have no intention of being dragged into a debate over the budget of the Office of the Auditor General.

Having taken this matter under advisement yesterday so that I could carefully review Hansard as to what was raised by the Member at that time, I rule that there is no point of order and no point of privilege raised by the honourable Member.

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

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

Res. No. 139 – Hon. M. Smith, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal – recognizing April 6<sup>th</sup> as Tartan Day in Nova Scotia and welcoming Scotland's Minister Brown and his delegates in promoting cultural ties throughout the world.

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

Res. No. 140 – Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – congratulating Brian Flinn and his wife, Tana, on the birth of their son, who was born last night.

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

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 141 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – acknowledging April 6<sup>th</sup> as Tartan Day, as well the Scottish Clans in Nova Scotia for their efforts in keeping our Scottish culture alive.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 142 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – extending our sincere condolences to the family on the passing of Hugh Tweedie.

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

Res. No. 143 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – extending our condolences to Michael Jeffrey Doucette's family and friends.

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

Res. No. 144 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating the community, staff and everyone who helped make the fundraising for the Northside Community Guest Home Gala a great success.

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

Res. No. 145 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating the Red Cap Restaurant Bantam A Female Mariners on their impressive hockey season and championship win.

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

Res. No. 146 – A. McMaster, Inverness – congratulating the Port Hawkesbury Veterans Memorial Park Society for building a park recognizing the veterans.

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

Res. No. 147 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – recognizing Tartan Day as a day to show appreciation for heritage.

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

## **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

On motion, Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, called the



following Resolution:

Res. No. 39 – Estimates: CWH on Supply – Referral

The debate resumed with the following: D. Whalen and Hon. J. Baillie. There being no further debate, the Estimates were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Supply.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 P.M.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 148 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Matthew Scott for being chosen as December 2012 Student of the Month.

Res. No. 149 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Andee Weatherby on being selected as December 2012 Student of the Month at North Colchester High School.

Res. No. 150 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Ashley Redmond on being selected as Student of the Month at North Colchester High School.

Res. No. 151 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Colin MacDonald on being selected as Student of the Month at North Colchester High School.

Res. No. 152 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Colton Mardian on being selected as Student of the Month at North Colchester High School.

Res. No. 153 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating DJ Joudrie on being selected as Student of the Month at North Colchester High School.

Res. No. 154 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Keelie Bennett on being selected as Student of the Month at North Colchester High School.

Res. No. 155 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Megan Waugh on being selected as Student of the Month at North Colchester High School.

Res. No. 156 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Raven Kersey on being selected as Student of the Month at North Colchester High School.

Res. No. 157 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Sara Langille on being selected as Student of the Month at North Colchester High School.

Res. No. 158 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – joining Nova Scotians of Scottish descent and wishing them well for this year's Tartan Day celebrations.

The House met at 4:00 P.M.

Prayers.

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 159 – Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness – recognizing April 7<sup>th</sup> as World Health Day and encouraging everyone to live healthier, active lives.

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

Res. No. 160 – Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development – acknowledging April 8<sup>th</sup> as Holocaust Remembrance Day.

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

Res. No. 161 – Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage – recognizing the Atlantic Jewish Council for reminding us that by remembering the horrors of the Holocaust we can have a more peaceful and just society.

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

Res. No. 162 – Hon. C. Parker, Minister of Natural Resources – recognizing Hinterland Who's Who program and congratulating 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. 163 – Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – remembering Ritchie Oakley, who passed away at the age of 68, for his love of music and family.

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

Res. No. 164 – Hon L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage – recognizing Nova Scotia Adult Learners’ Week and encourage Nova Scotians to seek out opportunities.

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. 35. An Act to Protect Patients and Provide for the Fair Resolution of Contract Negotiations in Health Care and Community Services**

**(Hon. J. Baillie – Cumberland South)**

**No. 36. An Act to Amend Chapter 238 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Provincial Court Act**

**(Hon. R. Landry – Minister of Justice)**

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 165 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – acknowledging April 8<sup>th</sup> as Yom HaShoah or Holocaust Remembrance Day and ensuring these events are neither forgotten nor repeated.

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

Res. No. 166 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – recognizing today as Yom HaShoah or Holocaust Remembrance Day and letting today serve as a reminder of the horrors of the Holocaust.

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

Res. No. 167 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - acknowledging the dedication of the volunteers who had raised over \$300,000 for the Emily

Fund, supplying many children with type 1 diabetes with insulin pumps.

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

Res. No. 168 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle, on behalf of Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Taleb Abidali on receiving the distinguished Bedford Business Association Citizen Award.

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

Res. No. 169 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Taleb Abidali on receiving the Business Person of the Year Award and being a strong advocate of education.

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

Res. No. 170 – C. Porter, Hants West – recognizing Vanessa Stephens on her international student exchange trip and for raising money to renovate an orphanage in Campeche.

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

Res. No. 171 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Eric Jennings on receiving the BDC Lifetime Achievement Award for his entrepreneurial vision and years of dedication 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. 172 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating Mike Gerrow and Stephen MacDonald on the opening of their new enterprise Tri-Town Boxing Club.

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

Res. No. 173 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Hope Swinimer on receiving the 2013 Colin Stewart Award and her commitment to Nova Scotia wildlife.

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

Res. No. 174 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating David Pink on receiving the Medal of Bravery for his courageous actions in saving three men whose fishing boat sank.

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

Res. No. 175 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Summit Hyundai Valley Wildcats, coach and staff on winning the Atlantic championship in hockey.

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

Res. No. 176 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – reflecting on the many accomplishments of the late Lady Margaret Thatcher.

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

A moment of silence was observed.

Res. No. 177 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating the members of the Bass River United Baptist Church on their 170<sup>th</sup> anniversary and wishing them growth and prosperity.

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

Res. No. 178 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Garry Adams for his unselfish act of heroism and quick thinking saving a mother and her two sons trapped in their car overturned in a brook.

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

Res. No. 179 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Jennifer Salib-Huber and Colette Robichaud for establishing the Halifax Chapter of 100 Women Who Care, the Fourth Chapter in Canada.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 180 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – recognizing Daniel Boudreau for his 28 years of service as councillor for the County of Inverness.

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

Res. No. 181 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Mary Myketyn Driscoll on being awarded a gold Duke of Edinburgh Award for the quarter June – December 2012.

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

Res. No. 182 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating the students and staff of Rankin School of the Narrows for their heartfelt efforts to fight poverty.

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

Res. No. 183 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – recognizing the rededication ceremony at the new Wilfrid Oram Centennial Library.

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

Res. No. 184 – A. MacMaster, Inverness, on behalf of Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – asking the Members to vote against the 2013 NDP budget because it means high taxes and more debt.

Res. No. 185 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating Jillian MacLaughlin, Emmett Blois and Andrew Monaghan on being selected to compete on the first season of Big Brother Canada.

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

Res. No. 186 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – demanding the Leader of the Liberal party disclose whoever the Liberal Trust Funds were given to and the nature of the relationship between those people and the Liberal Party.

**SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY**

On motion that the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply, a debate ensued during which the following took part: K. Regan, Hon. C. d'Entremont and Hon. D. Wilson. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the motion carried nem com.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the following Resolution was called:

No. E5, relating to the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development. ADJOURNED.

On motion, the Committee rose and Madam Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair. 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, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 187 – M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville – congratulating Breanna Lanceleve, captain of the Metro Boston Pizza female Midget AAA hockey team, on their success in the 2012-13 season.

Res. No. 188 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – condemning the Liberal Party for not having experience to know their electricity policy will drive up costs.

Res. No. 189 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – condemning the NDP for telling Nova Scotia that budget was balanced despite extensive evidence to the contrary.

Res. No. 190 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating the Yarmouth Thunder Bantam boys' basketball team on their championship win.



The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

**POINT OF PRIVILEGE**

Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North, rose on a point of privilege respecting the refusal of the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development to provide information to the Committee of the Whole House on Supply and to the House.

Hon. The Speaker took the matter under advisement.

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 191 – Hon. P. Paris, Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism – congratulating the Yarmouth Junior A Mariners for hosting the World A Hockey Challenge for two consecutive years.

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

Res. No. 192 – Hon. J. MacDonell, Minister of Agriculture – congratulating the journeypersons receiving their Red Seal designation for landscape horticulturalists and encouraging others.

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

Res. No. 193 – Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage – congratulating Constable John Kennedy on receiving the Minister's Award for Leadership in Crime Prevention and his efforts to encourage literacy.

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

Res. No. 194 – Hon. J. MacDonell, Minister of Agriculture, on behalf of Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture – congratulating Acadian Seaplants Ltd. on receiving the 2012 Mainstay

Safety Award.

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

Res. No. 195 – Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – marking this important 96<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Vimy Ridge and recognizing the brave efforts of the 85<sup>th</sup> Battalion.

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

### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 196 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – pausing to remember the brave Canadians' courage and ultimate sacrifice during the battle at Vimy Ridge.

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

Res. No. 197 – Hon. J. Baillie, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party – remembering victory and giving thanks to the brave Canadians at the 1917 Battle of Vimy Ridge.

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

Res. No. 198 – Hon. B. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect – recognizing the significance of the Battle of Vimy Ridge, the casualties and sacrifices of so many Canadians.

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

Res. No. 199 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Nicole Downing on receiving the All-Star Bantam B Goalie Provincial Award at the Bantam hockey tournament.

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

Res. No. 200 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – congratulating Stephen Smith on being nominated for 2013 East Coast Music Award for Live Sound Engineer.

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

Res. No. 201 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – extending thanks to the army of volunteers that made youth centres in Cape Breton a reality and a better place to live.

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

Res. No. 202 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Jonathan Fontaine on being a runner-up in the 2013 Nova Scotia Recycle Contest.

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

Res. No. 203 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Tyler Symonds on receiving the Head 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. 204 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – recognizing Kathleen Mitchell for all the many contributions she has made to our community and province.

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

Res. No. 205 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating Karley Bussey on receiving the MVP for the volleyball tournament and all the CB Attackers U16 members on their accomplishments.

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

Res. No. 206 – H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – congratulating the Tideview Terrace Seniors Home on 40 years of committed care.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 207 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating Tara Coombs and students on receiving the Band Aid musical instrument grant.

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

Res. No. 208 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Richmond Rize under-15 girls volleyball team winning silver at the Howard Jackson Memorial Volleyball Tournament.

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

Res. No. 209 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – acknowledging John MacLellan for his 25 years of service medal as a volunteer firefighter.

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

Res. No. 210 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Isabella Smith-O'Neill's class on being the runner-up at the 2013 Nova Scotia Recycles Contest and wish them every success.

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

Res. No. 211 – Hon. C d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Donald Doucette on the launch of his new book *The Schooner Era & Harpoon Swordfishing* and thanking him for all his stories.

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

Res. No. 212 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Terra Lanteigne on her academic prowess and encouraging her to continue her scientific pursuits.

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

Res. No. 213 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating Elizabeth MacDougall 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. 214 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – wishing Mark Boutilier good luck in the Searchlight Music contest and in his future endeavours.

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

Res. No. 215 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating all the young artists who participated in ARThritis, an exhibition of creations by young artists and recognizing the organizers for bringing healing and happiness through art.

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

Res. No. 216 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Yarmouth Thunder Bantam Boys basketball team on their championship win.

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

Res. No. 217 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating the members of the Corvettes on their musical career and their generosity.

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

Res. No. 218 – L. Glavine, Kings West, on behalf of D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – thanking Joel Plaskett for his support and talent and the letter-writing campaign of the students of Halifax West High School to help in the cancer fundraiser.

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 resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply, a debate ensued during which the following took

part: G. MacLellan, A. MacMaster and M. Whynott.

### **SPEAKER'S RULING**

“Earlier today the honourable member for Colchester North rose on a point of privilege based on what she said was the refusal by the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development to answer certain questions during Question Period and the refusal by that minister to provide information to the Committee of the Whole House on Supply. The answers to both these points are simple but as one of them may affect proceedings later today and affect the member's ability to pursue the alleged breach of privilege, I want to deal with the matter now.

First, the refusal by a minister to answer a question during Question Period is not a breach of privilege. Second, without ruling on the merits of the member's claim of a breach of privilege in the Committee of the Whole House on Supply, the correct procedure is for her to raise it in the committee so that the committee can report it to the House for me to deal with. If the committee decides to issue such a report, there have been a number of rulings in recent years by the Chair that only in the rare cases of extreme and exceptional circumstances can the Speaker hear a point of privilege on a matter in a committee.

This is not such a case. It is entirely open to the member to raise her complaint in the Committee of the Whole for a decision on whether it wishes to report the matter to the House. I find there is no prima facie case of a breach of privilege.”

On the motion that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply, the motion carried nem com.

Mr. 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. E5, relating to the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development. ADJOURNED.

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> 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. M. Samson, Richmond:

“Therefore be it resolved that the Premier, while in Opposition, called user fee hikes ‘across the board tax increases’ but turned around and hiked 1,400 user fees twice, a 2 per cent hike in 2011 and as of April 2, 2013, Nova Scotians are now facing a further 6 per cent increase from the Minister of Finance on user fees, for a total 8 per cent hike in what the Premier called across the board tax increases, further squeezing Nova Scotians and making life less affordable under the NDP Government.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: D. Whalen, B. Skabar and E. Orrell.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 219 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Eldon George on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 220 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Ed Gilbert on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 221 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Harriet McCready on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 222 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Keith Odlin on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 223 – C. Porter, Hants West – recognizing the exceptional work of Carole Morris-Underhill, Editor of the Hants Journal, and wish her the very best at the Awards dinner.

Res. No. 224 – C. Porter, Hants West – applauding the creative

advertising talent of Michele White and wishing her success at the Atlantic Newspaper Awards.

Res. No. 225 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Cohen Sawler, winner in the Valley Region at the 2013 N.S. Recycles Contest.

Res. No. 226 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Colin Muise on his achievement and a winner at the 2013 N.S. Recycles Contest.

Res. No. 227 - L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Emma Johnson, winner in the Valley Region at the 2013 N.S. Recycles Contest.

Res. No. 228 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Ms. Rafuse and Ms. Webber’s class at Kings County Academy as a winner of the 2013 N.S. Recycles Contest.

Res. No. 229 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Rebecca Schoonhoven as a winner of the 2013 N.S. Recycles Contest.

Res. No. 230 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Shannon Ubels on being a runner-up in the 2013 N.S. Recycles Contest.

Res. No. 231 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Felicia Boyd on being a runner-up in the 2013 N.S. Recycles Contest.

Res. No. 232 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Hailey MacLeod on being a runner-up in the 2013 N.S. Recycles Contest.

Res. No. 233 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Mrs. Heather Ross’s class on being a runner-up at the 2013 N.S. Recycles Contest.

Res. No. 234 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Jesse Hammond on being a runner-up at the 2013 N.S. Recycles Contest.

Res. No. 235 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Ms. Julia Schofield’s class on being runners-up at the 2013 N.S. Recycles Contest.



The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

**PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle, tabled a petition requesting expansion of Midwifery services in the western region of the Province.

**TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS**

Hon. F. Corbett, Deputy Premier, tabled the Workers' Compensation Board of Nova Scotia Annual Report 2012.

**STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development, rose to make a statement respecting the Department of Education on Early Childhood Development's new Early Years Division.

Comments were made by Hon. K. Casey and E. Orrell.

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 236 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Minister of Community Services – recognizing the contributions of persons with disabilities as agents of change and contributors to their communities.

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

Res. No. 237 – Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development – recognizing International Day of Pink against Bullying, Discrimination, Homophobia and Transphobia everywhere and supporting this important issue.

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

Res. No. 238 – Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness – recognizing the month of April as Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month

and all the dedicated volunteers.

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

Res. No. 239 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture – congratulating Eel Lake Oyster Farms on their recent win of the Consumer Choice Product of the Year Award at the Taste of Nova Scotia Prestige Awards.

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

Res. No. 240 – Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage – recognizing the contributions of dance to our health and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual National Dance Week.

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

Res. No. 241 – Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage – congratulating Their Majesties the Sakyong and Sakyong Wangmo of Shambhala on the birth of their daughter.

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. 37. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Motor Vehicle Act, Respecting Innovative Transportation**

**(Hon. M. Smith – Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal)**

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 242 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – acknowledging that the International Day of Pink grew out of the initiative of David Sheppard and Travis Price standing up to bullying for wearing pink.

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

Res. No. 243 – Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Halifax Needham – congratulating all the winners of 2013 IMPACT Award including activist, Roslyn Chambers and her fellow recipients.

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

Res. No. 244 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – acknowledging April as Insurance Broker Month in Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 245 – Hon. P. Paris, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank – congratulating Erica Walsh on her accomplishments at the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Nova Scotia Spelling Bee hosted by The Chronicle Herald.

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

Res. No. 246 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Richmond Rize Under-16 Girls volleyball team for winning gold at the Cape Breton Attackers Invitational Tournament.

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

Res. No. 247 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – recognizing and supporting the efforts of the citizens of Shelburne County for promoting their pirate-themed activities.

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

Res. No. 248 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating the participants of the Age Advantage Plus literacy program for their hard work and dedication.

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

Res. No. 249 – Hon. C. Parker, Pictou West – congratulating Helen Buchan and Hollis Corbin for winning the Best Shortbread Cookie in Canada contest.

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

Res. No. 250 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Peter Gillis and staff and learners at the Valley Community Learning Association for going the extra mile to meet the challenges of literacy advancement.

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

Res. No. 251 – Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East – congratulating the students of Maple Ridge Elementary and Riverside Education Centre on donating the proceeds from a fundraiser to the Hearts for Haiti to the Canadian Red Cross.

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

Res. No. 252 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating Marcel Saulnier and staff of SaulTech Computers for the service they provide their customers and 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. 253 – J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating Sergeant Terry Miller and the staff of the Guysborough County RCMP on their One Warm Coat Campaign.

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

Res. No. 254 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – recognizing Debra Gannon of the New Beginnings Ministry for her many contributions to her church and community.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 255 – G. Ramey, Lunenburg West, on behalf of V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating the skaters of the Queens County Blades for their success at the 2013 Valley Open Figure Skating Competition.

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

Res. No. 256 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Charlie A'Court for winning two awards at the ECMA and bringing the topic of bullying to the forefront of our society.

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

Res. No. 257 – J. Morton, Kings North – congratulating Ducks Unlimited Canada as we celebrate 75 years of service to the protection of our natural resources.

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

Res. No. 258 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating James Boxall on receiving the Royal Canadian Geographical Society 2012 Geographic Literacy Award and his 25 years of research.

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

Res. No. 259 – P. Birdsall, Lunenburg – congratulating the South Shore Players on their 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary and wishing them continued success.

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

Res. No. 260 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Cresco homebuilders, their owners and staff on their innovative designs, construction and on their awards.

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

Res. No. 261 – G. Burrill, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley –

condemning the eradication of the Board of Referees appeal system by the Government of Canada.

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

Res. No. 262 – H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – commending the Weymouth Lions Club and the Weymouth Amateur Athletic Association for recognizing the need for a playground and putting it into motion.

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

Res. No. 263 – J. Morton, Kings North – congratulating everyone who contributed to the success of the Coldest Night of the Year Walk 2013.

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

Res. No. 264 – G. MacLellan, Glace Bay – congratulating everyone involved as organizers of the Memorial Hockey Tournament and commitment to the memory of Jason Simmons.

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

Res. No. 265 – Hon. B. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect – congratulating Dennis Covill on his appointment to the Order of Canada and thanking him for his dedication.

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

Res. No. 266 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Southwest Fusion Under-14 (Muisse) team for their gold medal win at the Carnivolley volleyball tournament.

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

Res. No. 267 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – congratulating Dianne Marshall on the publication of her new book *True Stories from Nova Scotia's Past* which brings to life our rich history in Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 268 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating Daniel Gaudet on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for outstanding contributions 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. 269 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – congratulating Pamela Williams on her many years of accomplishments and her excellent contributions to the justice system in Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 270 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Brian Reid on receiving his service pin for 35 years as a firefighter.

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

Res. No. 271 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – recognizing today as International Day of Pink against bullying and reminder about the 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. 272 – Hon. H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – congratulating the Digby-Annapolis Christmas Daddies on their dedication throughout the years.

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

Res. No. 273 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating the members of the Yarmouth Skating Club on their impressive provincial titles and wish them all the best in future competitions.

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

Res. No. 274 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove, on behalf of A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Sensei Ron Fagan on his 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of karate and self-defence training.

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

Res. No. 275 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – congratulating Kelly Murray and her Grade 7 winning the classroom grand prize regarding knowledge of Canadian history, culture and geography.

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

Res. No. 276 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating the Dukes of Kent, barbership musicians, on their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and wishing them every success in the future.

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

Res. No. 277 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove, on behalf of A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating the volunteers of the Dartmouth General Hospital Auxiliary on this year's Holy Tree Bazaar and wishing them every success in next year's event.

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

Res. No. 278 – G. MacLellan, Glace Bay – congratulating our local athletes and Perry's Gym for their performance in bodybuilding and wishing them the very best in the coming year.

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

#### **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Hon. C. d'Entremont, Progressive Conservative House Leader, called the following bill:

##### **No. 6. Next Generation Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. J.



Baillie, M. Whynott, D. Whalen and A. MacLeod. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Hon. C. d'Entremont, Progressive Conservative House Leader, called the following bill:

**No. 35. Trade Union Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. C. d'Entremont, J. Boudreau, Z. Churchill and K. Bain. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon.

**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 G. Burrill, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley:

“Therefore be it resolved that the changes to EI affecting seasonal workers by the federal Conservative Government on January 6<sup>th</sup>, and the abolition of the Board of Referees for the EI appeals brought about by the same federal omnibus changes to the EI system, be unreservedly condemned by all members of this House.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: G. Burrill, Z. Churchill and A. MacLeod.

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 279 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – acknowledging April as Insurance Brokers Month and showing our gratitude for their professionalism and the important service they provide.

Res. No. 280 – Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South – recognizing the achievements of A Beautiful Bouquet Store and the efforts of their staff, management and ownership.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, advised that with the unanimous consent of the House, the Late Debate subject would be carried over until Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. The motion carried.

#### STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Hon. D. Dexter, Premier, delivered a statement respecting the death of Rehtaeh Parsons and his plans for a comprehensive approach to the underlying problem under the direction of Hon. M. More, Minister responsible for the Advisory Council on the Status of Women Act, with full-time support of the Associate Deputy Minister of Community Services, Lynn Hartwell.

Comments were made by Hon. S. McNeil and Hon. J. Baillie.

#### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notice was passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 281 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture – congratulating Ducks Unlimited Canada and all their Nova Scotia members on their 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

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. 38. An Act to Amend Chapter 475 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Trade Union Act, Respecting First Contract Arbitration**

**(Hon. J. Baillie – Cumberland South)**

**No. 39. 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)**

**SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY**

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

Mr. 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. E5, relating to the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development. STOOD.

On motion, the following Resolutions were called:

No. E4, relating to the 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 progress and begged leave to sit again.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, April 12<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. 282 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Felicia Rushton on receiving a \$1000 bursary from North Star Masonic Lodge #74.

Res. No. 283 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Joe Rector for many years of service to sports teams and all the members of the public.

Res. No. 284 – C. Porter, Hants West – recognizing journalistic integrity and accomplishments of Ashley Thompson of the Hants Journal and wishing her success at the Newspapers Atlantic 2013 Better Newspapers Competition 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference.

Res. No. 285 – C. Porter, Hants West – paying tribute to Sheila Roberts on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 286 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Avery's Valley Wild Midget AA Girls hockey team for capturing the provincial championship this year.

Res. No. 287 – C. Porter, Hants West – applauding the talents of Carlos De Rosa and wishing him continued success in his artistic endeavours.

Res. No. 288 – C. Porter, Hants West – applauding Gail Davis for her creative talents and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 289 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating head coach, Laura Shearer and Kings-Edgehill girls hockey team on a successful season.

Res. No. 290 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Tim Colburn of the Tatamagouche Fire Brigade on receiving his 25-year medal and service pin.

Res. No. 291 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Scott Parkhurst of the Tatamagouche Fire Brigade on receiving his new member's badge.

Res. No. 292 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Paul MacDonald of the Tatamagouche Fire Brigade on receiving his 15-year service pin.

Res. No. 293 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Paul Colburn of the Tatamagouche Fire Brigade on receiving his 15-year service pin.

Res. No. 294 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Mike Forbes of the Tatamagouche Fire Brigade on receiving his 10-year service pin.

Res. No. 295 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Mark Langille of the Tatamagouche Fire Brigade on receiving his 15-year

service pin.

Res. No. 296 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Kent MacDonald of the Tatamagouche Fire Brigade on receiving his 20-year medal and service pin.

Res. No. 297 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Kenny Newcomb of the Tatamagouche Fire Brigade on receiving his 10-year service pin.

Res. No. 298 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Kenny Anderson, a member of the Tatamagouche Fire Brigade on receiving his 10-year service pin.

Res. No. 299 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Jim Forbes of the Tatamagouche Fire Brigade for being named Fire Officer of the Year, as well as retiring chief.

Res. No. 300 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Jeremy Russell of the Tatamagouche Fire Brigade for being named Firefighter of the Year.

Res. No. 301 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Jeffery Friesen of the Tatamagouche Fire Brigade for being named Firefighter Most Interested in Training.

Res. No. 302 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Ian MacDonald of the Tatamagouche Fire Brigade on receiving his 25-year medal and service pin and being named Fire Person of the Year.

Res. No. 303 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Ian Langille, Jr. of the Tatamagouche Fire Brigade for receiving his new member's badge.

Res. No. 304 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Colin Cunningham of the Tatamagouche Fire Brigade on receiving his 35-year service pin.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### **TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS**

Hon. R. Landry, Minister of Justice, tabled the two revisions to the Civil Procedure Rules.

#### **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. 40. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1995-96, the Education Act**

**(E. Orrell – Cape Breton North)**

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 305 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulations to Bernie O'Neil, CEO of Credit Union Nova Scotia Central 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. 306 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South - extending condolences to the family and friends of the former Mayor Doug Carter and remembering his life and accomplishments.

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, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply.

Mr. 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. E4, relating to the 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 progress and begged leave to sit again.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 P.M.

The House met at 4:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Hon. P. Paris, Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism, rose to announce a provincial loan guarantee for Lewis Mouldings and Wood Specialties.

Comments were made by G. MacLellan and E. Orrell.

#### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 307 – Hon. F. Corbett, Deputy Premier, on behalf of Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – agreeing the rainbow Pride flag will fly at half-mast on the grounds of Province House affirming the spirit of community solidarity that Raymond Taavel exemplified.

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

Res. No. 308 – Hon. J. MacDonell, Minister of Agriculture – congratulating Jodi and Luke den Haan on receiving the Loblaw's Vendor Development Award.

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

Res. No. 309 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture – congratulating Frank Reinhardt on qualifying for the Boston Marathon and wishing him the best of luck.

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

Res. No. 310 – Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism –congratulating the winners who submitted their essays marking Adult Learners' Week and the impact on lifelong learning.

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. 41. An Act to Protect Children from Those Who Might Harm Them**

**(Hon. J. Baillie – Cumberland South)**

**No. 42. An Act to Amend Chapter 41 of the Acts of 2011, the Pension Benefits Act**

**(Hon. F. Corbett – Minister of Labour and Advanced Education)**

**No. 43. An Act to Amend Chapter 197 of the Acts of 1901, an Act to Incorporate the Trustees of the Onslow Cemetery Company**

**(Hon. K. Casey - Colchester North)**

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 311 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – acknowledging April as National Volunteer Week and showing our appreciation to the volunteers who give so freely of themselves.

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

Res. No. 312 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating the board and staff of Talbot House and Father Paul Abbass on the reopening of Talbot House.

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

Res. No. 313 – Hon. M. Smith, Antigonish – thanking Jim Mulcahy

for his tireless commitment to improving the lives of others.

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

Res. No. 314 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – acknowledging and thanking the current and former trustees of the Onslow Cemetery Company for protecting the special part of history in Colchester North and the Province.

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

Res. No. 315 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – recognizing National Volunteer Week and thanking Brittany Marsh for all the work she does for others and receiving the Provincial Volunteer Award.

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

Res. No. 316 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – extending our deepest appreciation to Dan Hennessy for sharing his journey with us in his book *With the Snap of a Glove*.

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

Res. No. 317 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – congratulating Rev. Andrew MacDonald on receiving a Provincial Volunteer Award and for all the work he does for others.

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

Res. No. 318 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating the C.P. Allen High School Cheetahs boys hockey team, coaches, managers and everyone for their help resulting in winning the Provincial Division 1 Boys Championship.

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

Res. No. 319 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes, on behalf of Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – remembering the lives lost on the RMS Titanic

and commending those who work to preserve the history.

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

Res. No. 320 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Commodore John F. Newton on his promotion to Rear Admiral and Commander Maritime Forces Atlantic/Joint Task Force Atlantic.

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

Res. No. 321 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating Morgan Shepard and wishing him the very best in his military career.

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

Res. No. 322 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – thanking Blair Boone for all the work he does for other and congratulating him on receiving the Provincial Volunteer Award.

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

Res. No. 323 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating the Mass Consulting Yarmouth Mariners Midget A girls on their championship win at the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual SEDMHA hockey tournament.

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

Res. No. 324 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating Murdell and Larry MacNeil on receiving their Victoria County Volunteer 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. 325 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – thanking Alyson MacIver for all the work she does for others and congratulations on receiving the Provincial Volunteer Award.

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 resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply, a debate ensued during which the following took part: E. Orrell, D. Whalen and M. Whynott. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the motion carried nem com.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the adjourned debates on the following Resolutions were then resumed:

No. E4, relating to the Department of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism. STOOD.

No. E26, relating to the Nova Scotia Business Inc. STOOD.

No. E42, relating to Film and Creative Industries Nova Scotia, the Nova Scotia Innovation Corporation (Innovacorp), the Trade Centre Limited and the Waterfront Development Corporation Limited. STOOD.

No. E49, relating to ReNova Scotia Bioenergy Inc. STOOD.

No. E6, relating to the Department of Energy. 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 Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 12 Noon.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 326 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – expressing sincere gratitude to Erika Beatty for her eight years of service to Symphony Nova

Scotia.

Res. No. 327 – Hon. C. d’Entremont, Argyle – thanking Della Smith for all the work she does for other and congratulations on receiving the Provincial Volunteer Award.

Res. No. 328 – M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville – thanking Sam Dixon and the team of Nova Scotia student leaders for taking part in the international aid trip to Mexico and everyone who gives of their time to help others.

Res. No. 329 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Jeff Doyle for recognizing a preference for human interaction as opposed to technology with his new business Smiledog.

Res. No. 330 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating CAN-Med Healthcare on exclusive distributorship regarding biohazard disposal equipment.

Res. No. 331 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Chris and Kara Burrows for creating the RenovationAuction.com website that makes contracting a smoother process for all.

Res. No. 332 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Mark Brezovan for his entrepreneurial spirit and wish him success on his new business, Izzy’s Bagel Company.

Res. No. 333 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Chris Brown and Bill Doane on their new business, Red Sky IT Solutions.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

### **PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle, tabled a petition calling on the government to immediately commit to developing legislation respecting animal protection.

### **STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

Hon. D. Dexter, Premier, rose to announce the terrorist bombing of the Boston Marathon, pledging the support of Nova Scotia for Boston and announcing a donation by the Province to the Massachusetts Children's Hospital.

Comments were made by Hon. S. McNeil and Hon. J. Baillie.

### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 334 – Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – extending our deepest sympathies to the people of Boston and offering support to help them recover.

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

Res. No. 335 – Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness – recognizing April 16<sup>th</sup> as National Advance Care Planning Day and the dedicated work of the Colchester East Hants Hospice Society.

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

Res. No. 336 – Hon. C. Parker, Minister of Natural Resources – recognizing Fred Popowich's dedication to make the New Glasgow library a leader in public service and wishing 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.

**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. 44. An Act to Amend Chapter 380 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Public Utilities Act, Respecting Ratepayer Fairness**

**(C. Porter – Hants West)**

**No. 45. An Act to Amend Chapter 380 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Public Utilities Act, Respecting Transparency in Power Rates**

**(C. Porter – Hants West)**

**No. 46. An Act to Amend Chapter 380 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Public Utilities Act, to Eliminate the Guarantee on Nova Scotia Power's Profit**

**(Hon. J. Baillie – Cumberland South)**

**No. 47. An Act to Provide for the Independent Review of Certain Capital Projects**

**(Hon. J. Baillie – Cumberland South)**

**No. 48. An Act Respecting the Review and Reduction of Power Rates**

**(Hon. J. Baillie – Cumberland South)**

**No. 49. An Act to Amend Chapter 17 of the Acts of 1995-96, the Revenue Act**

**(A. MacLeod – Cape Breton West)**

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 337 – Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's –

congratulating Viola Hiltz on receiving the Bar to the Service Medal Award for her years of service to the Life Saving Society.

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

Res. No. 338 – L. Glavine, Kings West – sending our thoughts and prayers to our neighbours in Boston and offering our support and condolences regarding the Marathon bombing.

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

Res. No. 339 – Hon. J. Baillie, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Leader – sending our condolences, prayers and thoughts of support to the people of Boston and to everyone whose lives have changed.

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

Res. No. 340 – Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East – congratulating Michael Cawthra on being chosen for a Provincial Volunteer Award.

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

Res. No. 341 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – extending our sympathy to the family and friends of Edward William “Billy” Downey and remembering the contributions he made 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. 342 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – remembering those who fell at the Battle of Culloden and pledging to support their language and culture.

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

Res. No. 343 – J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating Barry Richards on his dedication and commitment to the Stan Rogers Folk Festival.



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

Res. No. 344 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Janet Mattatall on her retirement after 40 years as a nurse.

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

Res. No. 345 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Melvin Landry on receiving his Provincial Volunteer Award and thanking everyone for their time and help.

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

Res. No. 346 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Brynn Knickle on the creation of a local venue where she and others can showcase their work.

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

Res. No. 347 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – thanking Darrell Stoddard and congratulating him on receiving the Provincial Volunteer Award.

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

Res. No. 348 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Zoe LeBlanc on her many achievements in the pool and being honoured as Mount Saint Allison University's Swim Rookie 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. 349 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating Hugh MacDonald on the success of his first novel *Trapper Boy* and hopefully many more pieces of literature.

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

Res. No. 350 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Great Village Community Association and the Colchester Adult Learning Association on a successful 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Literacy Day.

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

Res. No. 351 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating Northside Vikings Atom “A” on receiving the silver medal at the Nova Scotia Atom Hockey Championship.

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

Res. No. 352 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Dr. Maedi Bartolacci on her academic prowess and wishing her success in the future.

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

Res. No. 353 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Hailie Harrison on receiving the Provincial Volunteer Award at the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Provincial Volunteer Awards ceremony.

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

Res. No. 354 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – congratulating Lena Metledge Diab on receiving the Provincial Volunteer Award for her outstanding contributions to her community and province.

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

Res. No. 355 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – saluting Leslie Carter for following her passion for travel and adventure and sharing it with the world.

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

Res. No. 356 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating all the entertainers and volunteers who helped make the variety show a wonderful

night and successful fundraiser.

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

Res. No. 357 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – acknowledging Jenn Power for all her contributions to our province and her tireless volunteer efforts.

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

Res. No. 358 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – recognizing the courage and determination of Bernie Doucette and congratulate him on his CD release *Alberta Dust* and wishing him the best in his future endeavours.

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 resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply, a debate ensued during which the following took part: Z. Churchill, A. MacLeod and V. Conrad. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the motion carried nem com.

Mr. 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. E6, relating to the Department of Energy. STOOD.

No. E15, relating to Department of Natural Resources. ADJOURNED.

On motion, the Committee rose and Madam Deputy 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 E. Orrell, Cape Breton North:

“Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly condemn the NDP for telling Nova Scotians the budget was balanced despite extensive evidence to the contrary.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: E. Orrell, J. Morton and D. Whalen.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 P.M.

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

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

Res. No. 359 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating the organizers of Acts for AIDS, especially host school organizers from Prince Andrew High and wish them success in their future endeavours.

Res. No. 360 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – recognizing the immense contribution of the Big Brothers and Big Sisters mentoring program.

Res. No. 361 – C. Porter, Hants West – thanking Rose Stevenson-Davidson on receiving her Provincial Volunteer Award.

Res. No. 362 – C. Porter, Hants West – thanking David Blanchard on receiving his Provincial Volunteer Award.

Res. No. 363 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Mary Leggett of the Valley Kempton Fire Brigade on receiving her 15-year service pin.

Res. No. 364 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Kim Green of the Valley Kempton Fire Brigade on receiving her 10-year service pin.

Res. No. 365 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Jay Leadbetter of the Valley Kempton Fire Brigade on being named Fire

Person of the Year and receiving the John MacAuley Training Award.

Res. No. 366 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Jamie Green of the Valley Kemptown Fire Brigade on receiving his 10-year service pin.

Res. No. 367 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Glen MacAulay of the Valley Kemptown Fire Brigade on receiving his 15-year service pin.

Res. No. 368 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Bill MacLeod of the Valley Kemptown Fire Brigade on being named Officer of the Year.

Res. No. 369 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating the Witherall family and thanking them for their selfless work and instilling important values in their family and community.

Res. No. 370 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating LaHave River Credit Union, recipient of the specialty award for Cooperatives and thanking them for their contributions to their community.

Res. No. 371 - Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating the Town of Digby on receiving the Model Volunteer Community Award.

Res. No. 372 - Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating John Langille on receiving the Provincial Volunteer Award and all the work he does for his community.

Res. No. 373 - Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Charles Thompson on receiving the Provincial Volunteer Award and all the work he does for others.

Res. No. 374 - Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Gary Griffiths on receiving the Provincial Volunteer Award and all the work he does for others.

Res. No. 375 - Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Lewis Brown on receiving the Provincial Volunteer Award and all the work he does for others.

Res. No. 376 – G. Burrill, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley – joining in on honouring the Truro Curling Club Junior Ladies team for their hard work and successes at the Canadian Junior Curling Championships.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### **PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

A. MacMaster, Inverness, tabled a petition asking that the Crowdis Bridge replacement be made a priority.

Z. Churchill, Yarmouth, tabled a petition asking for a permanent upgrade to the road at Lake George, Norwood and Lake Annis.

J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour, tabled a petition for the elimination of Toadfish Lakes Patch 419 from protected land selection process.

#### **STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

Hon. F. Corbett, Deputy Premier, rose to make a statement in tribute to the late Rita McNeil who passed away today.

Comments were made by G. MacLellan and A. MacLeod.

A moment of silence was observed.

Hon. P. Paris, Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism, rose to make a statement about the appointment of an independent group to promote tourism in the Southwest of the Province and the effort to find an operator for a new Yarmouth Ferry.

Comments were made by Z. Churchill and Hon. C. d'Entremont.

Hon. D. Dexter, Premier, rose to make a statement about the Province's energy infrastructure, including the development of a west to east oil pipeline.

Comments were made by Hon. S. McNeil and Hon. J. Baillie.

Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness, rose to make a statement about improvements in access to health care and the government's Better Care Sooner program.

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

Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture, rose to make a statement about parks and protected areas plan and public consultations.

Comments were made by A. Younger and C. Porter.

#### **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. 50. An Act to Amend Chapter 160 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Maintenance and Custody Act**

**(K. Bain – Victoria-The Lakes)**

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

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

Res. No. 377 – Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – celebrating the impact Rita MacNeil has made on our province and country.

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

Res. No. 378 – Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – recognizing the incredible life of Ben McCrea, a leader in development and economic growth and a proud Nova Scotian.

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

A moment of silence was observed.

Res. No. 379 – Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness – recognizing this week as Reflexology Therapy Week.

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

Res. No. 380 – Hon. P. Paris, Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism – congratulating Events Nova Scotia on being

nominated for Canada Sports Tourism Alliance Prestige Award.

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

Res. No. 381 – Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development – congratulating Kendra Lemke and Meredith Faulkner on their International Space Station experiment and encouraging our students and young people to reach for the sky.

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

Res. No. 382 – Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage – extending our sympathy and support to family and friends of Raymond Taavel on the 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary of his death.

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

A moment of silence was observed.

Res. No. 383 – Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness – congratulating Pubnico and Belle-Île-en-Mer, France on the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the twinning of their communities.

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

Res. No. 384 – Hon. M. Smith, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal, on behalf of the Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage – celebrating Pictou and Antigonish Regional Library's launching of a new online program – NovaStory.ca.

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

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 385 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – remembering the late Raymond Taavel.



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

Res. No. 386 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – sending our condolences to the family and friends of Rita MacNeil as we mourn the loss of one of Canada's finest songstresses.

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

Res. No. 387 – Hon. M. Smith, Antigonish – congratulating Radio Station 98.9, the Niche-XFM, on 70 successful years.

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

Res. No. 388 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – acknowledging today as Equality Day and extending appreciation to those who worked for repatriation.

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

Res. No. 389 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North, on behalf of K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – reflecting on the anniversary of the death of Raymond Taavel and what has been accomplished.

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

Res. No. 390 – Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Halifax Needham – remembering Raymond Taavel on this anniversary of his death and sending our thoughts to the community of Halifax Needham.

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

Res. No. 391 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – sending our condolences to family and friends of Ben McCrea on his passing.

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

Res. No. 392 – Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East – congratulating

(Malcolm) Mac Noble on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal and thanking him for 52 years of service with the community.

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

Res. No. 393 – J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – reminding the Member for Annapolis that Nova Scotia law prohibits use of their tainted trust fund dollars for any political purpose.

Res. No. 394 – B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Dorothy “Dot” White on her retirement from “The Beacon” after 10 years of dedicated service.

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

Res. No. 395 – V. Conrad, Queens – recognizing Doreen Holdright for her many contributions to her community through volunteering.

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

Res. No. 396 – C. MacKinnon, Pictou East – congratulating the Bank of Nova Scotia in Westville on their 125<sup>th</sup> year of operation.

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

Res. No. 397 – H. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto – demanding the explanation from the Liberal Party of where the tainted trust fund money has been spent.

Res. No. 398 – B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating the Dartmouth United Soccer Club U-12 boys teams for their success at the East Hants Soccer Tournament.

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

Res. No. 399 – Hon. B. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect – congratulating Hannah Miles on her award and representing Nova Scotia in the Lethbridge, Alberta, Science Fair.

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

Res. No. 400 – S. Prest, Eastern Shore – asking the Liberal Party to explain to Nova Scotians why this money was transferred to another Party unrestricted account and what it was used for.

Res. No. 401 – C. MacKinnon, Pictou East – congratulating Neil Kenney for his 37 years of work in forestry, his commitment to proper forest management and willingness to work with other entities for the betterment of the forestry.

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

Res. No. 402 – M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville – congratulating the students of Millwood High School on the success of their production of “Grease”.

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

Res. No. 403 – J. Morton, Kings North – congratulating Summit Hyundai Valley Wildcats for winning the Atlantic Major Midget Hockey Championship 2012-13.

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

Res. No. 404 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – extending our condolences to Ben McCrea's wife and children on his passing.

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

Res. No. 405 – P. Birdsall, Lunenburg – congratulating Donna and Andy on receiving the Children's Music Award at the East Coast Music Association.

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

Res. No. 406 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – stating the NDP had accepted illegal donations in their 2009 election and told Nova Scotians

they had returned them.

Res. No. 407 – Hon. M. Smith, Antigonish – applauding the work of the Crime Prevention Health Relationships for Youth Program.

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

Res. No. 408 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Kaitlin Scott for her many contributions to her community through her volunteerism.

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

Res. No. 409 – J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating Courtney Cameron on receiving the Duke of Edinburgh Award.

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

Res. No. 410 – J. Morton, Kings North – congratulating T.A.N. Coffee in Kentville for its achievements in being named the Valley's Best Coffee Shop for 2013.

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

Res. No. 411 – P. Birdsall, Lunenburg – commending Cassandra Zinck on being chosen to participate in seamanship deployment.

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

Res. No. 412 – L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill – asking the Liberal Party Leader to admit to tainted trust fund money and his shell game in 2009.

Res. No. 413 – K. Colwell, Preston – stating the Premier used taxpayers' money to pay his Barristers' fees and asking for his apology.

#### **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Hon. M. Samson, House Leader of the Official Opposition, called the following bill:

**No. 1. Accountability in Economic Development Assistance Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: L. Glavine, P. Birdsall, C. Porter and K. Colwell. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon.

**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 J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour:

“Therefore be it resolved that the Liberal Party Leader and the Liberal caucus explain to all Nova Scotians why their Party transferred \$365,000 from the questionable trust funds gained during years of Liberal patronage and kickbacks into the Liberal election effort just before new legislation prohibiting this took effect, and what the money was used for.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: J. Boudreau, Z. Churchill and Hon. C. d’Entremont.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 414 – C. Porter, Hants West – recognizing the efforts of Chris Spencer and on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 415 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Crystal Slack of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade on receiving her 10-year Long-Term Service Award.

Res. No. 416 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating David Slack of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade on receiving his 15-year Long-Term Service Award.

Res. No. 417 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating

Douglas Congdon of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade on receiving the Claude O'Brien Memorial Award for 2012.

Res. No. 418 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Drew Lundie of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade on receiving the Junior Firefighter Award for 2012.

Res. No. 419 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Janet Harrington of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade on receiving the award for Firefighter of the Year for 2012.

Res. No. 420 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Jeremy Smith of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade on receiving the award for the Most Improved Firefighter for 2012.

Res. No. 421 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Joe Slack of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade on receiving the award for Officer of the Year for 2012.

Res. No. 422 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Pat Flemming of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade on receiving his 5-year Long-Service Award.

Res. No. 423 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Lowland Gardens, owned by Gerri and Toni van den Hoek, on receiving the Steve Francis Memorial Award for 2012.

Res. No. 424 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Lauren Wentzell and the Middleton Monarchs on their well-deserved victory as Division 3 Provincial Champions in basketball.

Res. No. 425 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Julie Theisen and the Middleton Monarchs on their well-deserved victory as Division 3 Provincial Champions in basketball.

Res. No. 426 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Erica Theisen and the Middleton Monarchs on their well-deserved victory as Division 3 Provincial Champions in basketball.

Res. No. 427 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Kelsey Charlton and the Middleton Monarchs on their well-deserved victory as Division 3 Provincial Champions in basketball.

Res. No. 428 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Sage

Dixon and the Middleton Monarchs on their well-deserved victory as Division 3 Provincial Champions in basketball.

Res. No. 429 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Maridith Brown and the Middleton Monarchs on their well-deserved victory as Division 3 Provincial Champions in basketball.

Res. No. 430 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Emma Gillespie and the Middleton Monarchs on their well-deserved victory as Division 3 Provincial Champions in basketball.

Res. No. 431 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Sydney Smith and the Middleton Monarchs on their well-deserved victory as Division 3 Provincial Champions in basketball.

Res. No. 432 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Tara Armstrong and the Middleton Monarchs on their well-deserved victory as Division 3 Provincial Champions in basketball.

Res. No. 433 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Jenn Adams and the Middleton Monarchs on their well-deserved victory as Division 3 Provincial Champions in basketball.

Res. No. 434 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Kyra Britney and the Middleton Monarchs on their well-deserved victory as Division 3 Provincial Champions in basketball.

Res. No. 435 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Toni Jewer-Pineau and the Middleton Monarchs on their well-deserved victory as Division 3 Provincial Champions in basketball.

Res. No. 436 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Eden Burke and the Middleton Monarchs on their well-deserved victory as Division 3 Provincial Champions in basketball.

Res. No. 437 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Coach Greg Bower and the Middleton Monarchs on their well-deserved victory as Division 3 Provincial Champions in basketball.

Res. No. 438 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Coach Nick Baskwill and the Middleton Monarchs on their well-deserved victory as Division 3 Provincial Champions in basketball.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

### **TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS**

Hon. R. Landry, Minister of Justice, tabled the Nova Scotia Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy 2012 Annual Report.

### **STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

Hon. M. More, Minister responsible for the Advisory Council on the Status of Women Act, rose to make a statement about the Province's efforts in response to the tragic death of Rehtaeh Parsons, specifically a review of actions of the Halifax Regional School Board by a newly-appointed panel of experts.

Comments were made by Hon. K. Casey and E. Orrell.

### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 439 – Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness – recognizing Medavie Health Foundation for their generous contribution to the health of Nova Scotia's youth and to Brigadoon for providing a health and wellness camp.

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

Res. No. 440 – Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage –recognizing the renaming of the River John Library in honour of Janice Murray Gill, a dedicated community volunteer.

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. 51. An Act Respecting Certain Financial Measures**

**(Hon. Maureen MacDonald – Minister of Finance)**

**No. 52. An Act to Promote Safer, Inclusive and Peaceful Schools**

**(Hon. J. Baillie – Cumberland South)**

**No. 53. An Act to Establish Stand Up Against Bullying Day**

**(E. Orrell – Cape Breton North)**

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 441 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – joining me in wishing Philip Carty continued victories in future competitions.

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

Res. No. 442 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating Parks Canada and staff on the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Fortress Louisbourg.

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

Res. No. 443 – Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's – congratulating the owners of the Gary Gables Bed & Breakfast on receiving the Lunenburg-Queens Business Excellence Award for Hospitality.

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

Res. No. 444 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Laurie Gunn and all the hospice volunteers who give their time and support to help strengthen the community ties.

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

Res. No. 445 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – remembering the Battle of the Atlantic and giving thanks to the brave Canadians who sacrificed so much to secure the freedom we enjoy today.

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

Res. No. 446 – G. Ramey, Lunenburg West – standing up for the workers everywhere and demanding the federal government reverse the changes immediately.

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

Res. No. 447 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Amy Gordinier-Regan for recognizing an exceptional local product in Skin Fix.

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

Res. No. 448 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – recognizing Dominick Tait for bringing greater awareness about vision loss to people 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. 449 – V. Conrad, Queens, on behalf of B. Skabar, Cumberland North – calling upon the Government of Canada to reverse the devastating changes to EI and restore fair access.

Res. No. 450 – H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – recognizing this positive partnership which benefits both the Digby and Clare area and thanking all those involved.

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

Res. No. 451 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – thanking Parks Canada on Canada's Coolest School Trip contest and congratulating the Grade 8 class from Caronport Elementary School on winning.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 452 – G. MacLellan, Glace Bay – congratulating Blair and Helen Boone for their tremendous accomplishments inside and out of the ring and on receiving the Provincial Volunteer Award.

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

Res. No. 453 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Kim and Nolan d'Eon of Eel Lake Oysters for receiving the 2012 Taste of Nova Scotia Consumer Prestige Award.

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

Res. No. 454 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – recognizing and thanking Loran Fevens for his dedication to his community and the joy he provides to so many with the music that he shares.

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

Res. No. 455 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – thanking all those associated with *Mass for Shut-Ins* as they celebrate 50 years of service.

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

Res. No. 456 – H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – congratulating Cindy Marcotte on her run at the Canadian National 10-kilometre road race championships in Toronto, making her the fastest 55-year-old woman in Canada.

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

Res. No. 457 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Stacy Juckett Chesnutt on finishing her race with her personal best-ever Boston Marathon finish time.

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

Res. No. 458 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Bullfrog Power and its employees on their silver award in the category of Innovative Business 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. 459 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Jessica Bowden on her latest accolade and wishing her an even more successful future.

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 resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply, a debate ensued during which the following took part: K. Regan, C. Porter and G. Ramey. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the motion carried nem con.

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. E15, relating to Department of Natural Resources.  
ADJOURNED.

On motion, the Committee rose and Madam Deputy 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 G. MacLellan, Glace Bay:

“Therefore be it resolved that in light of the evidence filed yesterday on the Maritime Link project being driven by both Nova Scotia Power and the NDP Government, the Premier extend the timeline for the

hearing to ensure all Nova Scotians have time to examine the evidence in full detail to make certain this is the best deal for the province.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. Younger, M. Whynott and Hon. C. d'Entremont.

**SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY**

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

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. E15, relating to Department of Natural Resources. STOOD.

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**

Madam Deputy Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, April 19<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. 460 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating the family and staff at den Haan Greenhouses on receiving the Loblaw Vendor Development Partnership Award.

Res. No. 461 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating various Truro Dance Academy students performing with Ballet Jorgen Canada.

Res. No. 462 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Kids & Co. for establishing its new location.

Res. No. 463 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – acknowledging Lauren van Zutphen for her achievements and for being one of Nova Scotia’s leaders of tomorrow.

Res. No. 464 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Darrell Stoddard for being chosen as the Representative Volunteer of the Year for the Municipality of Barrington for 2013.

Res. No. 465 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Dawn DeMings-Taylor for being chosen as the Representative Volunteer of the Year for the Town of Lockeport for 2013.

Res. No. 466 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Della Smith for being chosen as the Representative Volunteer of the Year for the Town of Clark’s Harbour for 2013.

Res. No. 467 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Ellen Nickerson for being chosen as the Representative Volunteer of the Year for the Municipality of Shelburne for 2013.

Res. No. 468 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Gloria Corbett for being chosen as the Representative Volunteer of the Year for the Town of Shelburne 2013.

Res. No. 469 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Esther Chute on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday and extending best wishes.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

### **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. 54. An Act to Amend Chapter 10 of the Acts of 1994-95, the Workers' Compensation Act, to Extend Pension Entitlement to More Workers' Widows**

**(Hon. F. Corbett – Minister for Labour and Advanced Education)**

### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 470 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park, on behalf of the Hon. S. McNeil, Leader of the Official Opposition – congratulating President Lena Diab and all members of the Canadian Lebanon Society on the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of representing the Lebanese community.

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

Res. No. 471 – C. Porter, Hants West, on behalf of the Hon. J. Baillie, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party – sending our condolences to the family and friends of Deborah Anne Benedict and honouring her contribution 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. 472 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston, on behalf of the Hon. S. McNeil, Leader of the Official Opposition – acknowledging the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the State of Israel's independence and honouring the birth, growth and success of the country.

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

Res. No. 473 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – demonstrating support of clean-up through events today and tomorrow across the province through the Clean Across Nova Scotia event and helping promote a cleaner, greener Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 474 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – extending our condolences to the family on the passing of this kind, funny and inspirational man, Keith Thompson.

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, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the following Resolution was called:

No. E11, relating to Department of Health and Wellness.  
ADJOURNED.

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

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Madam Deputy Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4:00 P.M.



The House met at 4:00 P.M.

Prayers.

### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 475 – Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness – recognizing this week as Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Week by honouring those who have given.

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

Res. No. 476 – Hon. P. Paris, Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism, on behalf of Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development – recognizing educators who promote sustainable methods.

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

Res. No. 477 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture – thanking the organizations and volunteers of Clean Across Nova Scotia for their dedication and efforts to clean up litter.

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

Res. No. 478 – Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage – congratulating Victoria North Regional Public Library for 20 years of supporting their community.

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. 55. An Act to Amend Chapter 33 of the Acts of 2008, the**

**Animal Protection Act****(Hon. J. MacDonell – Minister of Agriculture)****NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 479 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – acknowledging this week as National Volunteer Recognition Week and the roles volunteers play across our province.

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

Res. No. 480 – C. Porter, Hants West – thanking all those who participated in Earth Day events across the Province and Clean Across Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 481 – J. Morton, Kings North – welcoming Nova Scotia Community College's Pilikan House, an innovative living lab designed to teach tomorrow's professionals about greener solutions.

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

Res. No. 482 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – identifying education as a priority and acknowledging the outstanding work of all teachers across the province on this being Education Week.

Res. No. 483 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – thinking of those affected by crime and thanking those who work with victims of crime every day on this 8<sup>th</sup> Annual National Victims of Crime Awareness Week.

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

Res. No. 484 – L. Glavine, Kings West, on behalf of Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – recognizing Earth Day and the importance of exercising an environmental conscience for future generations.

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

Res. No. 485 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating 21 Nova Scotia educators and three partners who received awards as part of Education Week.

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

Res. No. 486 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – congratulating all the members of the Altiora Brass Band on their exceptional performance and commitment to musical excellence.

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

Res. No. 487 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating the Canadian Lebanon Society of Halifax on their 75<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. 488 – L. Glavine, Kings West – recognizing National Organ and Tissue Donation Week and the importance of organ and tissue donation in Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 489 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating Gaelic College in St. Ann's on their 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary and wishing them every success in the future.

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

Res. No. 490 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating the Arab family on the selection of the late Edward Francis Arab as the Canadian Lebanon Society's 2013 Emigrant 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. 491 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating Gavinna and Rindress MacKenzie on their 74<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and wishing them continued good health and happiness.

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

Res. No. 492 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – recognizing the loss to the community by the passing of Dr. Joyce Kennedy and honouring her contributions to Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 493 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – recognizing the importance of organ donation as one of Andy and Tonia LeBlanc's twin boys Matthew required a kidney transplant and his father was a match.

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

Res. No. 494 – L. Glavine, Kings North – recognizing this week as National Immunization Awareness Week and congratulating Brandon Martin for spreading the message about immunization.

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

Res. No. 495 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – acknowledging that the Reading Together Club programs are back in North Sydney Wilfrid Oram Centennial Library.

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

Res. No. 496 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Taleb Abidali on receiving the Distinguished Service Award and thanking him for his various contributions to programs.

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

Res. No. 497 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - extending our best wishes to the Atlantic Jewish Council and honouring their 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary

of the Independent State of Israel.

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

Res. No. 498 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – recognizing Pipe Major Wayne Moug on his contributions to piping and policing communities and receiving the Commissioner's Commendation.

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

Res. No. 499 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating all the swimmers in the swim meet and thanking the organizing committee for helping with the event.

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 resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply, a debate ensued during which the following took part: D. Whalen and C. Porter. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the motion carried nem com.

Mr. 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 Department of Health and Wellness.  
ADJOURNED.

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

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12:00 Noon.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 500 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Ken Hunter on the expansion of GeoWash Atlantic car cleaning in Bedford.

No. 501 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Christine Andrea on receiving the Duke of Edinburgh Award and offering best wishes for continued success as a leader in our community.

No. 502 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Nicholas Boudreau on receiving the Duke of Edinburgh Award and offering best wishes for continued success as a leader in our community.

No. 503 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Timothy Conrad on receiving the Duke of Edinburgh Award and offer best wishes for continued success as a leader in our community.

Res. No. 504 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Nicholas Doiron on receiving the Duke of Edinburgh Award and offering best wishes for continued success as a leader in our community.

Res. No. 505 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Halle Forde on receiving the Duke of Edinburgh Award and offering best wishes for continued success as a leader in our community.

Res. No. 506 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Liam Sheridan on receiving the Duke of Edinburgh Award and offering best wishes for continued success as a leader in our community.

Res. No. 507 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Brittany Sutherland on receiving the Duke of Edinburgh Award and offering best wishes for continued success as a leader in our community.

Res. No. 508 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Aaron Doyle on receiving the Duke of Edinburgh Award and offering best wishes for continued success as a leader in our community.

Res. No. 509 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Brady Hartling on receiving the Duke of Edinburgh Award and offering best wishes for continued success as a leader in our community.

Res. No. 510 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Joel

Ingram on receiving the Duke of Edinburgh Award and offering best wishes for continued success as a leader in our community.

Res. No. 511 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Rachel Kent on receiving the Duke of Edinburgh Award and offering best wishes for continued success as a leader in our community.

Res. No. 512 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Taylor Muise Morris on receiving the Duke of Edinburgh Award and offering best wishes for continued success as a leader in our community.

Res. No. 513 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Hannah Perry on receiving the Duke of Edinburgh Award and offering best wishes for continued success as a leader in our community.

Res. No. 514 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Gerald Ryan on receiving the Duke of Edinburgh Award and offering best wishes for continued success as a leader in our community.

Res. No. 515 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Gary McCay on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 516 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Stewart MacMillan on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 517 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Eldridge Densmore on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 518 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Victor Margetts on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 519 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating William Hocquard on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 520 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Richard MacKenzie on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 521 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating

Sharon Joyce on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 522 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Russell Stonehouse on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 523 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Samuel Peet on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 524 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Roy Davis on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 525 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Peter Burbury on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 526 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Rev. Carson Baxter on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 527 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Ralph Pitcher on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 528 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Rev. Robert MacLean on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 529 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Peter Lewis on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 530 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Peter Foote on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 531 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Norman Murphy on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 532 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating



Maureen Doucette on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 533 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Michael Nash on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 534 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Michael Powell on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 535 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Maxwell Zwicker on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 536 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Maurice Ash on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 537 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Lloyd Storr on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 538 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Maurice Clayton on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 539 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Joseph Risseuw on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 540 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Lee Laird on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 541 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Lillian Coolen on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 542 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Kevin Byrne on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 543 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating

Kevin Langdon on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 544 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Joyce Pitcher on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 545 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Keith Swindells on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 546 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Joseph Fougere, Sr. on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 547 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating John Smith on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 548 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating John West on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 549 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Joseph Dionne on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 550 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating John Schumacher on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 551 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Jeremy Cockaday on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 552 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating John Munro on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 553 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating John McEachern on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 554 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating

John L. Baker on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 555 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Jean-Paul Dube on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 556 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Jean J. Richard on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 557 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating James Coolen on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 558 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Jean Marc Gauthier on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 559 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating James MacDonald on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 560 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Irvin Mossman on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 561 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating H. Angus MacKenzie on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 562 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Herbert Melling on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 563 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Hubert Smart on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 564 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Gregory Peet on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 565 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating

Harold Riley on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 566 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Hardee Lawrence on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 567 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Gregory Euloth on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 568 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Gerald Bellefontaine on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 569 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating George Munro on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 570 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating George Coggins on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 571 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Gary Coakes on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 572 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Garfield Hendrickson on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 573 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating E. Robert Humphrey on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 574 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Eric Giles on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 575 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Edward Schrader on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 576 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating

Edward Leppard on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 577 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Douglas Shute on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 578 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Daphne Nauss on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 579 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Donald Lord on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 580 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Donald Williams on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

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The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

### **SPEAKER'S RULING**

“On Wednesday, March 27, 2013, the honourable Leader of the Official Opposition rose on a point of privilege, alleging that in delivering the government’s budget to the House last year on April 3, 2012, the Minister of Finance had deliberately misled the House by tabling a budget that contained information that was incorrect, and by stating to the House that the amount shown as a deficit demonstrated that the government was almost exactly where it had said it would be in its ‘Back to Balance’ plan, as set out in the previous year’s fiscal plan. I won’t repeat his allegations in detail but they are set out in full in the Hansard for that day.

I find that the requirement that a matter of a breach of privilege be raised at the earliest opportunity has been met. It was raised during the first day of regular business in the sitting, after having been identified as a possible issue by virtue of statements contained in a report made by the Province’s Auditor General that was released on February 6 of this year, which was during the period between the sittings of the House.

I do not consider the arguments raised respecting the preparation of the budget and whether there was enough time to revise it before printing, or that tabling the budget which contained figures that would be different later if a later revenue forecast were used to have established a breach of privilege.

During a number of Question Periods since this matter was raised, the current Minister of Finance, the Premier and the Chairman of the Treasury Board have presented a different view of the budget process and what is appropriate in budget preparation. I am ruling that those aspects of the complaint raised are a disagreement between Members and do not raise a point of privilege.

There was another aspect to the claim by the Leader of the Official Opposition. He took issue with a particular statement made in the House by the former Minister of Finance, which was as follows:

‘In last year’s fiscal plan, the deficit of 2012-13 was projected to be \$216 million. In this budget, the projected deficit is \$211 million. In other words, we are almost exactly where we said we would be in this point in our

Back to Balance plan.’

This, he argued, was incorrect and misleading. Deliberately misleading the House would be a contempt of the House. The Leader of the Official Opposition stated the elements that need to be established by a committee when it is alleged that a Member is in contempt of the House for deliberately misleading the House. These are found in *O’Brien and Bosc* and are as follows: one, it must be proven that the statement was misleading; two, it must be established that the Member making the statement knew at the time that the statement was incorrect; and three, that in making the statement, the Member intended to mislead the House.

It should be pointed out that I do not have to find any of these elements to have existed, which is how some others have characterized this process, apparently based on a misreading of the reference in *O’Brien and Bosc*. The duty of the Speaker is limited to assessing whether the point presented is arguable on its face at first glance.

In his comments, the honourable Leader of the Official Opposition mentioned a finding in 2001 by a committee of the House of Commons that the Harper Government was in contempt of Parliament, in support of his point of privilege. That finding was in relation to a refusal to comply with a requirement to produce documents, which is quite different from an allegation that a Member has deliberately misled the House, and which involves a different test. It is not relevant to a question of whether the House has been misled by a Member.

In considering the points raised by the Leader of the Official Opposition, I have had the benefit of a number of rulings by other Speakers, including former Speaker Milliken of the House of Commons and Speakers from other provinces. While previous authorities suggested that an allegation that a Member has misled the House should be raised as a point of order, I have determined that such allegations have more recently routinely been entertained as questions of privilege in Canadian legislative assemblies.

*Maingot* says that a Member who is raising a question of privilege is entitled to the benefit of the doubt that he or she has raised an arguable point. *Maingot* says at page 227:

‘In the final analysis, in areas of doubt, the Speaker asks simply:

Does the act complained of appear at first sight to be a

breach of privilege... or to put it shortly, has the Member an arguable point? If the Speaker feels any doubt on the question, he should leave it to the House.'

The Speaker's ruling does not extend to deciding whether a breach of privilege has in fact been committed. That is a question that must be decided by the House itself.

I am going to re-state a small portion of a ruling by former Speaker Fraser of the House of Commons, in which he was quoting a ruling of his predecessor, Speaker Jerome, found at page 3975 of *Hansard* for March 21, 1978, where Speaker Jerome quoted from a report of the United Kingdom Select Committee on Parliamentary Privilege. He stated:

'...It might be inferred that the test applied by the Speaker in deciding whether to give precedence over the orders of the day to a complaint of a breach of privilege ... is, Does the act complained of appear to me at first sight to be a breach of privilege? Rigorously applied, it would mean that no complaint of breach of privilege could ever be entertained unless the Speaker was of the opinion that the act or conduct complained of was a breach of privilege...

Borderline cases and arguable ones would be excluded automatically because in such cases the Speaker could not say that he was of the opinion that the act or conduct which was the subject of complaint *prima facie* constituted a breach of privilege.

In my submission the question which the Speaker should ask himself ... should be ... has the Member an arguable point? If the Speaker feels any doubt on the question, he should ... leave it to the House.'

In ruling whether a Member has raised a *prima facie* case of privilege the Speaker has to consider, on the evidence presented, whether the facts could amount to breach of privilege or a contempt of the House. In doing this the Speaker will also consider representations from other Members, including the Member who is alleged to have committed the breach or contempt. Speaker Milliken of the House of Commons has said that, 'It is this element of deliberately seeking to mislead the House and not the presentation of information subject to differing interpretations that is key.'

In the case I have had presented to me as Speaker, no differing interpretation from that presented by the Leader of the Official Opposition, which presented an argument for intent, was offered to the House for its consideration. A statement by the Member that he or she did not intend to mislead the House will usually end such a matter, but that has not been offered to the House in this matter.

In a ruling on April 19, 1999, in a matter in British Columbia that also dealt with a question of budget accuracy, the Speaker noted that the Minister of Finance and Corporate Relations had stated, 'In deciding to retable the April 1996 budget, I was satisfied that the plan was both plausible and attainable, and had I not believed that to be the case, I would not have proceeded with its reintroduction.'

The Speaker advised that this had been a factor in his finding that there was no *prima facie* case of privilege, stating, 'There is another long-established rule which binds not only the Chair but all members of this House, and that is the rule that requires all of us, in the absence of incontrovertible evidence, to accept the word of another hon. member.'

Based on the simple test the Speaker has to follow, which has a very low threshold, I have concluded that the Leader of the Official Opposition has presented a technically arguable case that could be considered by a committee if he chooses to make the motion he suggested earlier, and should the House then choose to adopt that motion. I should point out that should the Former Minister of Finance advise such a committee he did not intend to mislead the House, it is my opinion that this would end the matter.

The characterization of the \$27 million difference in last year's budget has been the subject of some considerable debate in this House, particularly during Question Periods. In considering the Member's point of privilege, I have become concerned that Members, and possibly others, may not be clear on what it means for the Speaker to find that a point of privilege can proceed to the House any further on a *prima facie* basis. Under parliamentary procedure, such a finding does not, in any way, suggest a finding by the Speaker that any allegations by the Member raising the point of privilege are true or proven. It simply says that, at first glance, the Member raising any point of privilege, of any type, each of which is a serious allegation, has offered up a version of facts that, if they were later examined and all found to be true after fair deliberation and inquiry by the House, might provide the basis for a finding of a breach of privilege.

It is important that all Members, and any members of the

parliamentary press media and the public in general, have a clear understanding that a *prima facie* finding by the Speaker does not validate or prove any accusation of a breach of privilege – it only allows for the House to refer the matter to a committee or otherwise dispose of the accusation in its discretion.

O'Brien and Bosc, which was cited by the honourable Member in his point of privilege, is quite clear on the limited role of the Speaker in examining points of privilege to determine if they merit a finding that a *prima facie* case has been presented for further consideration by the House.

It is a procedural role, not a quasi-judicial role that establishes any finding of fact. O'Brien and Bosc say at page 145:

'The Speaker's role ought to be explained, and it is that the issue put before the Speaker is not a finding of fact, it is simply whether on first impression the issue that is before the House warrants priority consideration over all other matters, all the other orders of the day that are before the House.'

To be clear, a finding of a *prima facie* case of a breach of parliamentary privilege is quite different from a finding of a *prima facie* case establishing a proposition in a court of law like we see played out on television in court dramas. The two words are used in distinctly different ways and do not mean the same thing. A finding of a *prima facie* point of privilege is a procedural step like a question of leave to appeal something in the court system, rather than a factual finding.

In fact, some Westminster style parliaments have stopped using the term because it decided the term 'gave an unwarranted impression that the Speaker thought that a breach of privilege or contempt had actually been committed' and now uses a more neutral finding that a question of privilege is involved.

The most important point of what I have just said, the bottom line if you will, is that no Member of this House should take or use anything said by the Chair in this ruling as a suggestion in any way that the former Minister of Finance has deliberately misled the House with respect to the budget delivered last year. All I have said is that such allegations are important enough on their face to warrant some consideration if the House so chooses, and the matter may then be referred to a committee of the House for a proper investigation that will then allow for a full and open airing of both sides of this complicated issue. This allows the House to then



examine the allegations made by the Leader of the Official Opposition, on the basis that they might in future be able to be proved if, at that time, all conditions that a question of a breach of privilege have occurred are then met in the opinion of the House.

That is the ruling in this matter.”

Hon. S. McNeil, Leader of the Official Opposition, proposed the following motion:

“Be it resolved that the statements made by the member for Halifax Fairview, while Minister of Finance, in presenting the budget on April 3, 2012 be referred to the Standing Committee on Internal Affairs to determine whether he deliberately misled the House and thus breaching the privileges of the House and that the committee findings be reported back to the House without delay.”

Comments were made by Hon. J. Baillie and M. Raymond.

On a recorded vote, there being 21 for the motion and 25 opposed, the motion was forthwith defeated.

#### **TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS**

Hon. R. Landry, Minister of Justice, tabled the report of the Chief Electoral Officer *Recommendations for Changes to the House of Assembly Act*.

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

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

Res. No. 733 - Hon. C. Parker, Minister of Natural Resources, on behalf of the Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – honouring the dead and injured victims of the Boston Marathon bombing and recognizing the message “Boston Strong” that has become a beacon of hope.

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

Res. No. 734 – Hon. M. More, Minister of the Public Service Commission – acknowledging Administrative Professionals Week and the valuable contributions of the administrative professionals in workplaces

across Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 735 – Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development – congratulating Karyn Cooling and Karen Webber on receiving the Outstanding Principals Award.

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. 56. An Act to Promote Cyberbullying Intervention and Parental Responsibility**

**(A. MacMaster – Inverness)**

**No. 57. An Act Respecting Language Schools for International Students**

**(Hon. F. Corbett – Minister of Labour and Advanced Education)**

### NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 736 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – congratulating Anne Hebb 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. 737 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Father Monsignor Gerald Leblanc on 50 years of spiritual devotion and dedication to his vocation.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 738 – Hon. P. Paris, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank – congratulating John Munroe for his role in this unique experiment connecting space to the classroom.

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

Res. No. 739 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Shelley Rector on receiving the 2013 Annapolis Valley Regional School Board Education Week Award in Teaching for a Sustainable Future.

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

Res. No. 740 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating Phil Organ on the publication of his book *Little One* and wishing him well on his retirement years writing and painting.

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

Res. No. 741 – L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill - honouring the life of a great Nova Scotia, Rita MacNeil and thanking her family and friends for their loving support of this wonderful icon of Nova Scotian culture.

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

Res. No. 742 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating Alice Cleveland on being named the Clare's Volunteer of the Year for outstanding contributions 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. 743 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating Harry Henderson on receiving the 2013 Anne Holland Memorial Award.

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

Res. No. 744 – B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – thanking

Paul Mason for three decades of dedication 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. 745 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – congratulating James Colford for his tremendous contributions to this community.

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

Res. No. 746 – C. Porter, Hants West – taking a moment to recognize the significant achievements of the Valley Wildcats hockey team in 2012-13 and the hard-working efforts of Michael Dill and Makail Parker and wishing them success in their goal.

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

Res. No. 747 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Amy MacCormick on receiving an Education Week Award for the creation of her Green Team and her dedicated work with her students.

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

Res. No. 748 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Megan Martell on her modelling success, earning her the People's Choice Top Girl Distinction.

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

Res. No. 749 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating the staff of Debert Elementary School for their commitment to education and the students for their skill in passing information on to their audience.

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

Res. No. 750 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Dexter Fennell on receiving the 2013 Bedford Youth Volunteer 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. 751 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Mary Beth Brown on her success as a member of the Nova Scotia 2013 All Star swim team at the annual Tri-meet Swimming event.

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

Res. No. 752 – H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – congratulating power lifter Paul Gidney on his outstanding achievements and wishing him many more record-breaking successes.

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

Res. No. 753 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – recognizing Douglas MacCabe for his many contributions to his community and to Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 754 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Emma Eisses on receiving the Agriculture Scholarship and wishing her continued success with her studies.

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

Res. No. 755 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Alana Coneen on being named the 2013 Bedford Adult 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. 756 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating the cast and crew of William Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* on their heartening performance.

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

Res. No. 757 – L. Glavine, Kings West – acknowledging this week as National Volunteer Week and congratulating all those honoured and encouraging continued volunteerism.

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

Res. No. 758 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare - congratulating Trysten Deveau on winning her gold and silver medals at the 2013 Atlantic Karate Championship and good luck at the upcoming championship in Toronto.

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 resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply, a debate ensued during which the following took part: K. Bain, B. Kent and L. Glavine. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the motion carried nem con.

Mr. 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 Department of Health and Wellness.  
ADJOURNED.

On motion, the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had made considerable 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 K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes:

“Therefore be it resolved that all members of the House of Assembly condemn the NDP for telling Nova Scotians the budget was balanced despite extensive evidence to the contrary.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. MacMaster, L. Zann and D. Whalen.

**SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY**

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

Mr. 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 Department of Health and Wellness. **STOOD.**

The Chairman of the Sub-Committee reported that the Committee had concluded its consideration of the Estimates referred to it. On a recorded vote, there being 26 for the motion and 20 opposed, the motion is carried. All Resolutions were then carried in the Committee.

The Committee rose and reported approval of all 49 Estimates referred to it. On motion of concurrence, the same was carried and the Supply Resolutions are as follows:

**HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**

**NOVA SCOTIA**

**RESOLUTIONS ON ESTIMATES**

**AND CROWN CORPORATION BUSINESS PLANS**

**FOR FISCAL YEAR**

**APRIL 1, 2013 - MARCH 31, 2014**

- E1. **RESOLVED**, that a sum not exceeding \$61,973,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Agriculture, pursuant to the Estimate, and the business plans of the Nova Scotia Crop and Livestock Insurance Commission and the Nova Scotia Farm Loan Board be approved.

- E2. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$60,009,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Communities, Culture and Heritage, pursuant to the Estimate, and the business plan of the Art Gallery of Nova Scotia be approved.
- E3. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$896,573,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Community Services, pursuant to the Estimate, and the business plan of the Nova Scotia Housing Development Corporation be approved.
- E4. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$130,060,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E5. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$1,105,659,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E6. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$26,136,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Energy, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E7. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$24,954,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Environment, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E8. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$41,444,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Finance, pursuant to the Estimate, and the business plan of the Nova Scotia Power Finance Corporation be approved.
- E9. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$888,891,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Debt Servicing Costs, Department of Finance, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E10. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$9,044,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, pursuant to the Estimate, and the business plan of the Nova Scotia Fisheries and Aquaculture Loan Board be approved.



- E11. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$3,910,819,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Health and Wellness, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E12. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$309,801,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Justice, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E13. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$353,412,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Labour and Advanced Education.
- E14. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$337,152,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Assistance to Universities, Department of Labour and Advanced Education, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E15. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$85,072,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Natural Resources, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E16. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$3,343,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Aboriginal Affairs, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E17. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$31,763,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Chief Information Office, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E18. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$8,808,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Communications Nova Scotia, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E19. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$3,427,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Elections Nova Scotia, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E20. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$9,621,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Executive Council, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E21. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$560,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the FOIPOP Review Office, pursuant to the Estimate.

- E22. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$8,857,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Government Contributions to Benefit Plans, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E23. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$2,449,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Human Rights Commission, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E24. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$3,568,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Intergovernmental Affairs, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E25. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$22,811,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Legislative Services, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E26. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$22,370,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Nova Scotia Business Inc., pursuant to the Estimate and the business plan of Nova Scotia Business Inc. be approved.
- E27. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$426,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Nova Scotia Police Complaints Commissioner, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E28. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$2,654,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Nova Scotia Securities Commission, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E29. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$1,990,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E30. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$3,634,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Office of the Auditor General, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E31. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$1,681,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Office of the Ombudsman, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E32. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$20,700,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Public

Prosecution Service, pursuant to the Estimate.

- E33. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$17,269,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Public Service Commission, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E34. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$1,859,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Seniors, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E35. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$247,315,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, pursuant to the Estimate, and the business plan of the Nova Scotia Municipal Finance Corporation be approved.
- E36. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$425,458,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E37. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$202,480,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Restructuring Costs, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E38. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$129,356,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Refundable Tax Credits, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E39. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$110,793,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of the Pension Valuation Adjustment, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E40. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$460,859,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Capital Purchase Requirements, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E41. RESOLVED, that a sum not exceeding \$65,220,000 be granted to the Lieutenant Governor to defray expenses in respect of Sinking Fund Instalments and Serial Retirements, pursuant to the Estimate.
- E42. RESOLVED, that the business plans of Film and Creative Industries Nova Scotia, the Nova Scotia Innovation Corporation (Innovacorp), the Trade Centre Limited and the Waterfront

Development Corporation Limited be approved.

- E43. RESOLVED, that the business plan of the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission be approved.
- E44. RESOLVED, that the business plan of the Nova Scotia Provincial Lotteries and Casino Corporation be approved.
- E45. RESOLVED, that the business plan of the Nova Scotia Liquor Corporation be approved.
- E46. RESOLVED, that the business plan of Sydney Steel Corporation be approved.
- E47. RESOLVED, that the business plan of Nova Scotia Lands Inc. be approved.
- E48. RESOLVED, that the business plan of Harbourside Commercial Park Inc. be approved.
- E49. RESOLVED, that the business plan of ReNova Scotia Bioenergy Inc. be approved.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

The following bill was introduced by the following Member and read a first time:

**No. 58. An Act to Provide for Defraying Certain Charges and Expenses of the Public Service of the Province of Nova Scotia**

**(Hon. Maureen MacDonald – Minister of Finance)**

#### **PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Finance, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 58. The Appropriations Act, 2013**

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time. Upon motion for third reading, a recorded vote was called for. On a recorded vote, there being 27 for the motion and 20 opposed, 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**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 P.M.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 759 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating the Women's Institute of Lakeville, Cambridge, South Berwick, Burlington and Weston on 100 years of promotion and teaching of all Nova Scotians.

Res. No. 760 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – recognizing the dedication and service of Harold Boyd Mattatall to his community.

Res. No. 761 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Alan Johnson as the new Executive Director of Truro and Colchester Chamber of Commerce and wishing him success.

Res. No. 762 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Curtis Millen and all farmers who follow the Nova Scotia Health and Safety Act to ensure they all work in the safest of conditions.

Res. No. 763 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Danielle Sawada on receiving a tourism award and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 764 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Jon Keddy for the excellent work on the restoration and beautification of the 138-year-old building known as the Ginger House.

Res. No. 765 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Matthew Smith on being chosen as the December 2012 Student of the Month.

Res. No. 766 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Herman and Vivian Barrett who were recognized at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception for all their volunteer work.

Res. No. 767 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating

Bernice Hartnett who was recognized at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception for all her volunteer work.

Res. No. 768 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Bob and Karen Bauer who were recognized at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception for all their volunteer work.

Res. No. 769 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Warren Hutt who was recognized at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception for all his volunteer work.

Res. No. 770 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Barb Muldowney who was recognized at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception for all her volunteer work.

Res. No. 771 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Sandy Mitchell who was recognized at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception for all her volunteer work.

Res. No. 772 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Virginia Murray who was recognized at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception for all her volunteer work.

Res. No. 773 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Debby Howlett who was recognized at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception for all her volunteer work.

Res. No. 774 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Lynda Kanne on receiving the Provincial Volunteer Award for all her volunteer work in her community.

Res. No. 775 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Joan Harris on receiving the Provincial Volunteer Award for all her volunteer work in her community.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

**STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

Hon. M. More, Minister responsible for the Advisory Council on the Status of Women Act, rose to make a statement about efforts to curb cyberbullying and sexual violence against females.

Comments were made by Hon. K. Casey and Hon. J. Baillie.

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 776 – Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Minister of Seniors – congratulating Esther Chute on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday and wishing her continued good health and happiness.

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

Res. No. 777 – Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – congratulating Dianne Swinemar on her successful career with Feed Nova Scotia and thanking her for her years of hard work and dedication.

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

Res. No. 778 – Hon. M. More, Minister of the Public Service Commission – encouraging all Nova Scotians to become involved in putting their names forward for one of the province's agencies, boards and commissions.

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

Res. No. 779 – Hon. M. Smith, Minister of Gaelic Affairs – thanking the contributors for their help bringing the Gaels in Nova Scotia exhibit together for Nova Scotia families and wishing everyone a great Gaelic Awareness Month.

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

Res. No. 780 – Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness – recognizing April as Sarcoidosis Month and the dedicated work to make awareness of this disease.

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

Res. No. 781 – Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Education and Early Childhood Awareness – congratulating and thanking the teachers and students for taking action and promoting waste reduction in their community.

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

Res. No. 782 – Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage – recognizing the partnership by improving access to French-language e-books and French-Canadian literature.

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

Res. No. 783 – Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness – recognizing the importance of marking National Immunization Awareness Week and thanking everyone who participates in administering the vaccines.

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

Res. No. 784 – Hon. C. Parker, Minister of Natural Resources, on behalf of Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage – congratulating everyone who participated in promoting a culture of reading in this province.

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. 59. An Act to Amend Chapter 3 of the Acts of 1987, the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia) Act**

**(Hon. C. Parker – Minister of Natural Resources)**

**No. 60. An Act to Amend Chapter 401 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Residential Tenancies Act**

**(D. Whalen – Halifax-Clayton Park)**

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 785 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – acknowledging today as Administrative Professionals Day and extending our appreciation to all administrative professionals.

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

Res. No. 786 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – supporting the commitment made at the beginning of this year so that the Cape Breton Regional Municipality can go forward with their five-year capital plan.

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

Res. No. 787 – Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Halifax Needham – congratulating Hope Blooms Fresh Salad Dressings team and wishing them success when they enter the Dragon's Den.

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

Res. No. 788 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Bedford Junior High School's Team 35 on their first place win at the Destination Imagination Challenge and wishing them luck in the international competition.

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

Res. No. 789 – G. MacLellan, Glace Bay – congratulating Frankie MacDonald, The Weatherman on YouTube, on his international success and wishing him best of luck in future weather reporting.

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

Res. No. 790 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating the organizers of this very special anniversary of 300 celebrations of Louisbourg.

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

Res. No. 791- Hon. P. Paris, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank – congratulating Jack Dawe on his accomplishments at the Chronicle Herald Spelling Bee and wish him continued success.

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

Res. No. 792 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – acknowledging today as the Administrative Professionals Day and taking the time to thank our administrative staff for everything they do.

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

Res. No. 793 – Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South – congratulating everyone for their contributions in making the 2012-13 Acadia Robot Programming Competition in Wolfville a success.

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

Res. No. 794 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - directing the Minister of Environment to reject any requested changes to Otter Lake Waste Management Facility operating permit on front-end separation and waste stabilization.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 795 – Hon. C. Parker, Pictou West – congratulating Chris Boulter on his short film *The Duffel Bag* and wishing him success in the upcoming film festival.

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

Res. No. 796 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – remembering today marks 98 years since the start of the Armenian Genocide and all those who were needlessly killed.

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

Res. No. 797 – J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating Don Dunbar on his retirement and thanking him for his dedicated service to his position and community.

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

Res. No. 798 – B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage congratulating Alicia LaPierre, along with four other students and three teachers on their \$5000 scholarship plus their work helping Algeria children have a summer experience.

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

Res. No. 799 – V. Conrad, Queens – recognizing Judi Milne for her contribution, dedication and her outstanding performance in her position as constituency assistant.

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

Res. No. 800 – B. Skabar, Cumberland North – thanking Maggie's Place and CAN-U for their commitment to the youngest members of our community on organizing a family literacy event.

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

Res. No. 801 – M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville - recognizing Kyle Greenlaw, a 14-year-old student and one of the youngest people to successfully create and market his own iPhone and iPad app.

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

Res. No. 802 – J. Morton, Kings North – congratulating the Port Williams Women's Institute's 100 years of service to Nova Scotia and Canada.

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

Res. No. 803 – P. Birdsall, Lunenburg – congratulating Sue Kelly of Lunenburg on receiving the Provincial Volunteer Award.

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

Res. No. 804 – G. Burrill, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley – honouring Charles O. Dillman for his dedication as a 50-Year Member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

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

#### **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Hon. M. Samson, House Leader for the Official Opposition, called the following bill:

##### **No. 34. Ratepayer Protection Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. Younger, M. Whynott and C. Porter. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Hon. M. Samson, House Leader for the Official Opposition, called the following bill:

##### **No. 1. Accountability in Economic Development Assistance Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Z. Churchill,

C. MacKinnon, E. Orrell and K. Regan. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon.

**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 M. Whycott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville:

“Therefore be it resolved that the government should be congratulated on successfully achieving its Back to Balance targets, and delivering a balanced budget for Nova Scotians.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. G. Steele, D. Whalen and A. MasMaster.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 805 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating Ronnie LeBlanc on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 806 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating Mass Consulting Yarmouth Mariners Midget A Girls hockey team on winning the gold medal at the SEDMHA tournament.

Res. No. 807 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating Mass Consulting Yarmouth Mariners Midget A Girls hockey team on a successful season and wishing them continued success in the future.

Res. No. 808 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – sending condolences to the family and friends of the late Frank William Nichols and honouring him for his contributions to his community.

Res. No. 809 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – sending condolences to the family of the late Joan Jones, an exemplary businesswoman.

Res. No. 810 – V. Conrad, Queens – congratulating Little River Folk on their 8<sup>th</sup> year of supporting and presenting live music in Petite Riviere.

Res. No. 811 – V. Conrad, Queens – recognizing Leitha Haysom for her contributions and dedication to the political process and her MLA for Lunenburg congratulates her on her outstanding performance in her position as constituency assistant.

Res. No. 812 – V. Conrad, Queens – recognizing Margaret Keats-Logan for her contributions and dedication to the political process and congratulating her performance as a constituency assistant.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

### STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness, rose to make a statement regarding EIBI autism-related program funding.

Comments were made by Hon. S. McNeil 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. 813 – Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage – congratulating Victoria Castle on receiving the Best of the Web Social Media Award from the museum community.

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

Res. No. 814 – Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness – recognizing May 1<sup>st</sup> as Doctor's Day in Nova Scotia and celebrating our physicians and their efforts to improve the health of Nova Scotians.

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. 61. An Act to Address and Prevent Cyberbullying**

**(Hon. M. More – Minister responsible for the  
Advisory Council on the Status of Women)**

### NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the

Clerk's table:

Res. No. 815 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – acknowledging the Battle of the Atlantic on their 70<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. 816 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – wishing Dianne Swinemar the best of luck in her retirement next year.

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

Res. No. 817 – Hon. C. Parker, Pictou West – congratulating Susan Sellers on receiving 2012 Media Award and the Susan Jane Anstey trophy.

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

Res. No. 818 – Hon. S. McNeil, Leader of the Official Opposition – congratulating Paradise Women's Institute for dedication to the community.

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

Res. No. 819 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating members of North Sydney Business Improvement Development Association for spirit.

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

Res. No. 820 – M. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic – congratulating St. Paul's Family Resources Institute's 25 years of service to Spryfield.

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

Res. No. 821 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Dominique Porter on being awarded the Chief Commissioner's Gold Award.

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



notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 822 – Hon. C. d’Entremont, Argyle – congratulating participants of *La voix de la mer* on a successful show.

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

Res. No. 823 – M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville – acknowledging the government’s investment that kept hundreds of Nova Scotians working at the Blackberry Bedford location.

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

Res. No. 824 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating Suzanne Belliveau on receiving the Teacher 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. 825 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating and celebrating the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Mullins Rite Stop.

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

Res. No. 826 – Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid – recognizing the enhanced program and services for those with autism.

Res. No. 827 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Terry Kelly on his music career and extensive community.

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

Res. No. 828 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – asking the government to support the commitment so that the CBRM can go forward with their capital plan.

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

Res. No. 829 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating

everyone involved in achieving accreditation for the Felix Marchand Education Centre.

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

Res. No. 830 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating the organizational team on the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Nova Scotia Skills competition.

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

Res. No. 831 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – congratulating everyone involved with Dress for Success in helping women to overcome challenges and succeed.

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

Res. No. 832 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating the Argyle Municipal Historical and Genealogical Society on sponsoring jewellery made from the span of the Tuskent River Bridge.

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

Res. No. 833 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating the Clare Search and Rescue Association on their 30<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. 834 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating Amoeba Sailing Tours, Beverly Bryson and Captain John Bryson on winning the Inaugural Bras d'Or Lakes Golden Award.

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

Res. No. 835 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Betty Ye on her win of the Bedford Lions Club "Speak-out" public speaking competition.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 836 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – recognizing the organizers and volunteers of the Scotiabank Bluenose Marathon for their tireless commitment to bring this event to fruition year after year.

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

Res. No. 837 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – congratulating the Friends of Clayton Park President Matthew Andrews and his team for organizing this event, Clean Across Nova Scotia.

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

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. R. Landry, Minister of Justice, moved second reading of the following bill:

### **No. 36. Provincial Court Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson 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. M. Smith, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal, moved second reading of the following bill:

### **No. 37. Innovative Transportation Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. W. Gaudet, C. Porter, M. Whynott, Ms. Raymond and with Hon. M. Smith 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. F. Corbett, Minister of Labour and Advanced Education, moved second reading of the following bill:

### **No. 42. Pension Benefits Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Z. Churchill

and Hon. F. Corbett 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. F. Corbett, Minister of Labour and Advanced Education, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 54. Widows' Pension Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: L. Glavine, C. Porter and Hon. F. Corbett 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. J. MacDonell, Minister of Agriculture, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 55. Protection of Animal Welfare and Security Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: L. Glavine, Hon. C. d'Entremont, L. Zann, D. Whalen and Hon. J. MacDonell 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. F. Corbett, Minister of Labour and Advanced Education, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 57. Language Schools Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: D. Whalen, K. Bain, G. MacLellan and Hon. F. Corbett 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. C. Parker, Minister of Energy, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 59. Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia) Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson, E. Orrell, Hon. L. Preyra and Hon. C. Parker 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.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.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 C. Porter, Hants West:

“Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly condemn the NDP's ability to erode Nova Scotians' income during each year of their governance while forcing more young Nova Scotians to vacate the province in search of work.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: E. Orrell, G. Ramey and G. MacLellan.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 838 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – acknowledging today as World Malaria Day and helping raise awareness of the disease.

Res. No. 839 – J. Morton, Kings North – congratulating the members of the Women's Institute of Nova Scotia on their 100 years of service to communities across the province.

Res. No. 840 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – sending our condolences to the family and friends of Daurene Lewis and honouring her achievements.

Res. No. 841 – Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid – recognizing today as World Malaria Day and supporting this year's theme Invest in the Future. Defeat Malaria.

Res. No. 842 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Ben Mury on receiving his Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 843 – C. Porter, Hants West – congratulating Reverend Daniel Jamer on being named the 2013 Volunteer of the Year.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### **PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North, tabled a petition asking for the paving of Route 256 so that the entire length of the Route be completed in the 2013 construction season.

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

Pursuant to the order, the following notice was passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 844 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture, on behalf of the Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness - recognizing National Medical Laboratory Week.

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. 62. An Act to Amend Chapter 33 of the Acts of 2004, the Protection for Persons in Care Act**

**(Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse – Minister of Community Services)**

**No. 63. An Act to Amend Chapter 160 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Maintenance and Custody Act**

**(Hon. K. Casey – Colchester North)**

**No. 64. An Act to Amend Chapter 9 of the Acts of 2012, the Maritime Link Act, to Permit the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board to Extend Time**

**(Hon. J. Baillie – Cumberland South)**

**No. 65. An Act to Amend Chapter 9 of the Acts of 2012, the**

**Maritime Link Act**

**(Hon. J. Baillie – Cumberland South)**

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 845 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating Carolyn Crowell for her many years of service to the Bedford United Church and the Fort Sackville Foundation.

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

Res. No. 846 – Hon. J. Baillie, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party – marking today as Day of Mourning, by remembering those killed or injured at work today.

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

Res. No. 847 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – thanking Edmund Conway for his volunteer work and for helping keep Bedford safe and for contributing to our community.

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

Res. No. 848 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – thanking the organizers of the North Sydney Youth Inclusion program and the young lives it will change.

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

Res. No. 849 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating la Caisse populaire de Clare for winning the business leader award for the Atlantic Region.

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

Res. No. 850 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating

various participants in this recycling program and helping to make Nova Scotia a leader in waste reduction.

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

Res. No. 851 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – recognizing the 95<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Nova Scotia Franchise Act as an important milestone.

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

Res. No. 852 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – congratulating Alex Davis on receiving the HRM Volunteer Award and for his efforts in making health care more youth-friendly.

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

Res. No. 853 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – thanking Chief McIntosh and the North Sydney Fire Department for their Christmas gift to the Northside.

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

Res. No. 854 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – congratulating Stewart Whalen on receiving the 2013 Community Champion Award.

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

Res. No. 855 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – acknowledging tomorrow is Daffodil Day and showing support for everyone who lives with cancer, as well as raising awareness about prevention and good health.

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

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. M. More, Minister responsible for the Advisory Council on the Status of Women Act, moved second reading of the following bill:



**No. 61. Cyber-safety Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. K. Casey, Hon. J. Baillie, D. Whalen, L. Zann, K. Regan, C. Porter, A. MacLeod, E. Orrell and with Hon. M. More in Reply. The question being put by Madam Deputy Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Finance, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 51. Financial Measures (2013) Act**

Remarks were made by Hon. Maureen MacDonald, who adjourned the debate.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Madam Deputy Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 P.M.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 856 – G. Burrill, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley – congratulating students, staff and volunteers of the Upper Musquodoboit Consolidated School on the occasion of the UMCS's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Res. No. 857 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – extending our condolences to the family and friends of the late Frank William Nichols.

Res. No. 858 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – extending our condolences to the family and friends of the late Joan Jones.

Res. No. 859 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Sherry Martell for being nominated for newspaper photo award.

Res. No. 860 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Wanda Parker on her milestone of donating blood for the 100<sup>th</sup> time.

Res. No. 861 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Sugar Moon Farm on being named as one of the 10 best places for pancakes.

Res. No. 862 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – commending Roger Bastarache on receiving the Truro Sport Heritage Society Coach of the Year Award.

Res. No. 863 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating North Shore Recreation Centre and Fraser Cultural Centre for receiving money from Canada’s Community Infrastructure Fund.

Res. No. 864 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Kayla Gallagher on receiving the Cobequid Educational Centre Female Athlete of the Year in 2012.

Res. No. 865 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Eileen Eaton on receiving the Nova Scotia Association of Garden Clubs Outstanding Member Award.

Res. No. 866 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Brad MacCallum on receiving the Umpire of the Year for 2012 from the Softball Nova Scotia Umpire Association.

Res. No. 867 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Noah Patriquin who finished in the top 10 at the Cadet Biathlon Nationals.

Res. No. 868 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Debbie Lewis on losing over 100 pounds and receiving a certificate of accomplishment from TOPS N.S. 5261.

Res. No. 869 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating the ladies of the community of Five Islands who volunteer their time and efforts for worthy causes.

Res. No. 870 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Ian Jennings of the Debert Volunteer Fire Brigade on receiving his Five-Year Service Award.

Res. No. 871 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Trevor Lockhart of the Debert Volunteer Fire Brigade for receiving his Ten-Year Service Award.

Res. No. 872 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Shane Slack of the Debert Volunteer Fire Brigade for receiving his Twenty-five-Year Service Award.

Res. No. 873 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Kevin Totten of the Debert Volunteer Fire Brigade for receiving his

Twenty-Five-Year Service Award.

Res. No. 874 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Randy Barnhill of the Debert Volunteer Fire Brigade for receiving his Thirty-Year Service Award.

Res. No. 875 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Brandon Slack of the Debert Volunteer Fire Brigade for receiving the Wendell Barnhill Most Improved Firefighter Award and the Firefighter of the Year Award for 2012.

Res. No. 876 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Don Geldart of the Debert Volunteer Fire Brigade for receiving the Fire Officer of the Year Award for 2012.

Res. No. 877 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – meilleurs voeux à l'Association Madeleine-LeBlanc – 30e anniversaire.

Res. No. 878 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Trina and Chris Adams on the birth of their daughter.

Res. No. 879 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Renée Surette and John Malone on the birth of their daughter.

Res. No. 880 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Raegan Tracey Belliveau on the birth of her daughter.

Res. No. 881 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Jeanette and Joshua Thompson on the birth of their son.

Res. No. 882 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Jill and Adam Aldred on the birth of their son.

Res. No. 883 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Justine and Gilles d'Entremont on the birth of their son.

Res. No. 884 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Melissa and Derek Amirault on the birth of their son.

Res. No. 885 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Paula and Mark Hatfield on the birth of their son.

Res. No. 886 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Renée Corporon LeBlanc and Graham Spinney on the birth of their son.

Res. No. 887 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - paying tribute during the 39<sup>th</sup> National Volunteer Week to Hector Babin at the Annual Volunteer Banquet in celebrating his memory and honouring his life.

Res. No. 888 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Angela Spinney on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for her dedication to others and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 889 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Cerena Amirault on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for her dedication to others and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 890 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Charles Campbell on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for his dedication to others and wishing him continued success.

Res. No. 891 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating David Meuse on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for his dedication to others and wishing him continued success.

Res. No. 892 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Dianne Crowell on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for her dedication to others and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 893 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Ella Muise on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for her dedication to others and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 894 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Gary Dulong on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for his dedication to others and wishing him continued success.

Res. No. 895 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Gwen LeBlanc on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for her dedication to others and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 896 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Jennifer Gates on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for her dedication to others and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 897 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Marjorie Parker on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for her dedication to others and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 898 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating

Nadine DeViller on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for her dedication to others and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 899 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Romaine Swim on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for her dedication to others and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 900 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Sandra d'Entremont on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for her dedication to others and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 901 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Marilyn and Stillman Muise on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for their dedication to others and wishing them continued success.

Res. No. 902 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Tanya DeViller on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for her dedication to others and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 903 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Valerie Belliveau on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for her dedication to others and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 904 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Terri Amirault on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for her dedication to others and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 905 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Carmella Surette on being honoured at the Annual Volunteer Banquet for her dedication to others and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 906 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Maurice Drysdale who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 907 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Lawrence Landry who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 908 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Lawrence Campbell who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 909 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Dominique Alcide Landry who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century

of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 910 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Andrew Madden who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 911 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Stanley Boudreau who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 912 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Robert Nicholl who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 913 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Douglas Charles Forgeron who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 914 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Charles Landry who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 915 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Lorenzo Boudreau who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 916 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Frederick Martel who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 917 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Francis Martel who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 918 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Harold Martell who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 919 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating James Tyrrell who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 920 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Helen

Kehoe who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking her for her dedication to our country.

Res. No. 921 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Elias Gaudet who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 922 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Leonard Marchand who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 923 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating William G. MacRae who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 924 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Arnold H. Chamberlain who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 925 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Alex Morrison who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 926 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Arthur R. Goyetche who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 927 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Arthur E. Bouchard who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 928 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Charles E. Kyte who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 929 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Charles A. Williamson who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 930 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Clarence Richard who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 931 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Creighton R. Leonard who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of

Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 932 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Donald G. Cornell who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 933 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Albinie A. Boudreau who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 934 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Donald M. Henri who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 935 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Earl C. Martell who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 936 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Herman J. MacDonald who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 937 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating George W. McPhee who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 938 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Jack L. O'Brien who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 939 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating James E. W. Bowden who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 940 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Joseph M. Landry who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 941 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating John E. Hillier who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 942 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Donald M. Hiltz who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.



Res. No. 943 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Kenneth W. Pringle who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 944 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Lawrence D. Whitty who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 945 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Lawrence J. Burke who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 946 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Paul C. Martell who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 947 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Melvin Landry who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 948 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Joseph M. Sutherland who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 949 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Sidney E. Hardiman who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 950 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Trevor Boudreau who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 951 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Sonya L. Hayter who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking her for her dedication to our country.

Res. No. 952 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Vincent H. DeWolfe who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 953 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Wesley A. Peoples who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 954 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating

Wilfred A. Barrette who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

Res. No. 955 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Sheldon L. O'Brien who was awarded the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Medal and thanking him for his dedication to our country.

The House met at 4:00 P.M.

Prayers.

### **SPEAKER'S RULING**

“On April 17, the honourable House Leader for the Progressive Conservative caucus rose on a point of order. His complaint was that on a couple of occasions the Premier had given a full answer to a question and then referred it to a Minister for another full answer. He thought that the convention was that if the Premier was referring a question to a Minister he could say a little bit and then refer it.

The Progressive Conservative House Leader is correct in his assessment of the convention. As stated in O'Brien and Bosc at page 509: 'Only one Minister may respond to a question, and it need not be the one to whom the question is addressed who actually answers it.'

In referring a question to another Minister, the Premier or another Minister is entitled to advise the House that he or she is referring it to another Minister and to perhaps give a short explanation, of a sentence or two in length, about why. I have noticed that since the Member raised this issue, that seems to be what is happening. A lengthy answer, followed by a referral to another Minister, would not be appropriate.

While we are on the topic of lengthy answers, I should say that in reviewing Hansard on this question, I confirmed what I said in the House recently – that is, that both the questions and answers have often become quite long, and all Members should strive to shorten things up.

Thanking you.”

### **PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

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 with certain amendments:

**No. 3. Support for Parents of Critically Ill or Abducted Children Act**

**No. 32. Solemnization of Marriage Act**

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

#### **TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS**

Hon. G. Gosse, Speaker, tabled the 2012 Annual Report of the House of Assembly Management Commission, which includes the audited financial statements for both the 2011 and 2012 fiscal years.

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

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

Res. No. 956 – Hon. M. More, Minister of the Public Service Commission – congratulating Graham Fisher for being recognized with a 2013 Excellence in Public Service Award.

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

Res. No. 957 – Hon. J. MacDonell, Minister of Agriculture – congratulating the Women's Institute of Nova Scotia on their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary and recognizing the important role this organization plays.

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. 66. An Act Respecting a Memorial Day for Mariners**

**(Hon. S. Belliveau – Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture)**

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 958 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating the

iMoe team on developing a sensor called iMoetion, to warn seniors of a possible fall.

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

Res. No. 959 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – wishing Rick Simm success on his TV appearance that will no doubt showcase his Cape Breton hospitality.

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

Res. No. 960 – Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South – congratulating Bob Stead as an Acadia university employee, former councillor and as mayor for Wolfville.

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

Res. No. 961 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating the top six grand prize winners at the Sci-Tech Expo going to the Canada-Wide Science Fair.

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

Res. No. 962 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – congratulating Alex Angus MacEachern for pursuing his love of hockey even though he is legally blind.

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

Res. No. 963 – L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill – congratulating the Truro Community Credit Union and everyone who contributed their time, money and expertise in the Cyber Internet Safety Society.

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

Res. No. 964 – L. Glavine, Kings West – recognizing and congratulating the members past and present, directors and staff of the Paragon Golf and Country Club for 50 years of golfing excellence.

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

Res. No. 965 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating Kendra Gould on receiving the Female Athlete of the Year at the Eskasoni Elementary and Middle School.

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

Res. No. 966 – J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – condemning comments of various senators and to advise federal government if they cannot appoint better Nova Scotia senators who will defend us then abolish the senate.

Res. No. 967 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating the North Shore Area Community Health Board for organizing the wellness expo and wish them success in the future.

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

Res. No. 968 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating Tristen Bernard on receiving the Male Athlete of the Year at the Eskasoni Elementary and Middle School.

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

Res. No. 969 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating the Richmond County Step Dancers for their hard work and dedication and winning several trophies and medals.

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

Res. No. 970 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – extending our condolences to the family and friends of Lloyd MacDonald, and remember his legacy as a father, employer and entrepreneur.

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

Res. No. 971 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park – congratulating

the cast, crew, producer and director of the “Sound of Music at St. Peter’s Parish Drama Group and wish them well in the future.

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

Res. No. 972 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – recognizing the fundraising hockey game in tribute to the late Dave and Donna McKeough for the family’s trust fund.

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

Res. No. 973 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Tatamagouche and Colchester North on their model train convention and using it as an educational experience for elementary students.

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

Res. No. 974 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating the Richmond Synchronized Skating Team and their coach on receiving their bronze medal at the Atlantic Synchronized competition.

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

#### **PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS**

Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### **No. 43. Onslow Cemetery Company Trustees Incorporation 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**

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

**No. 51. Financial Measures (2013) Act**

The debate resumed with D. Whalen, Hon. J. Baillie and Hon. Maureen MacDonald 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. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 62. Protection for Persons in Care Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: L. Glavine, E. Orrell and with Hon. D. Wilson 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.

**ADDRESS IN REPLY**

On motion, the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply was then resumed. The debate continued with D. Whalen and H. Epstein, who adjourned the debate.

**PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEE**

With the unanimous consent of the House, the order of business reverted. 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. 36. Provincial Court Act****No. 37. Innovative Transportation Act****No. 42. Pension Benefits Act****No. 54. Widows' Pension Act****No. 57. Language Schools Act**

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



**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 975 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – recognizing the Executive Director, Board of Directors, staff and volunteers of Alice Housing on the organization's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary and their commitment to those they assist.

Res. No. 976 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating EPIC Race Director, Tim Chesnutt, on organizing the most gruelling event ever hosted in Eastern Canada.

Res. No. 977 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Lloyd E. Smith on his 35 years as official town crier for Windsor and various counties and towns.

Res. No. 978 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – congratulating Dalbrae Dragons Boys hockey team on their success and their achievements at the NSSAF Division 3 Provincial Championships.

Res. No. 979 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Chris Brown for being chosen to take part in the music competition, Radio Star.

Res. No. 980 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Sarah Colpitts on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 981 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Bill Connors on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 982 - Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Kerwin Davison on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 983 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Haley and Francis Landry on the birth of their daughter.

Res. No. 984 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating

Christine and Guy Rohland on the birth of their daughter.

Res. No. 985 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Cindy and Michel Surette on the birth of their son.

Res. No. 986 – B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy partner, Southeastern Community Health Board and thanking them for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia's seniors.

Res. No. 987 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy partner, the Nova Scotia Department of Justice and thanking them for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia's seniors.

Res. No. 988 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy partner Councillor, Bill Karsten and thanking him for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia's seniors.

Res. No. 989 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy partner, the Atlantic Superstore - Portland Street and thanking them for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia's seniors.

Res. No. 990 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy partner, the RCMP Cole Harbour Detachment and thanking them for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia's seniors.

Res. No. 991 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy partner, Tim Hortons, Eastern Passage and thanking them for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia's seniors.

Res. No. 992 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy partner, Eastern Passage Lions Club and thanking them for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia's seniors.

Res. No. 993 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy, Mike Price, and thanking him for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia's seniors.

Res. No. 994 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Meghan Pike, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia's seniors.

Res. No. 995 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Connie Vanberkal, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 996 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Barby Brushett, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 997 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Nora Dickson, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 998 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Ian MacDonald, and thanking him for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 999 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Noelle Deon, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1000 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Jan Roe, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1001 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Louanne Cooper, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1002 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Susan Stevens, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1003 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Sgt. Scott MacDonald, and thanking him for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1004 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Ruby Arsenault, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1005 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Judy Ayre, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1006 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Llane Ayre, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1007 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Lillian Barrett, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1008 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Barb Bennett, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1009 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Khorshed Bhathena, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1010 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Shapur Bhathena, and thanking him for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1011 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Jean Davis, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1012 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Lorraine Eddy, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1013 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Elizabeth Fortin, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1014 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Margaret Fox, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1015 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Peter Gill, and thanking him for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1016 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Elizabeth Gill, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1017 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Ruby Gosbee, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1018 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Victor Gosbee, and thanking him for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1019 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Elsie Johnston, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1020 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Kay MacIntyre, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1021 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Maureen MacKinnon, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1022 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Maxine Moffatt, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1023 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Sharon Parkyn, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1024 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Myrna Peachy, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

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Res. No. 1026 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Garnetta Ramey, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1027 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Ken Riles, and thanking him for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1028 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Rita Shore, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1029 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, John Simpson, and thanking him for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1030 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Christine Thompson, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1031 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Robert Thompson, and thanking him for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1032 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Colleen Van Den Heuvel, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1033 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Madonna William, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1034 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Tom William, and thanking him for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

Res. No. 1035 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage – congratulating Seniors Academy presenter, Ina York, and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia’s seniors.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

**STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Minister of Community Services, rose to make a statement regarding the opening of roads on former Bowater lands.

Comments were made by A. Younger and Hon. C. d'Entremont.

Hon. J. MacDonell, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, rose to make a statement regarding legislation coming into effect to protect Nova Scotians when they entered into cellular telephone plan contacts and cyber-bullying.

Comments were made by Hon. K. Colwell and A. MacMaster.

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 1036 – Hon. F. Corbett, Deputy Premier, on behalf of the Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – recent decisions by the federal government have raised considerable concerns for the future of economic growth and prosperity of Atlantic Canada.

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

Res. No. 1037 – Hon. R. Landry, Minister of Justice – supporting the proclamation of National Correctional Services Week and recognizing all those who work in this very important field.

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

Res. No. 1038 – Hon. P. Paris, Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism – recognizing and celebrating the community's spirit in helping to maintain one of our provincial treasures as people come to visit Peggy's Point Lighthouse this summer.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1039 – Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage - thanking the staff of the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic and others on working on this travelling exhibit “Expedition Artic” to give Nova Scotians and visitors a chance to learn our incredible story.

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. 67. An Act to Amend Chapter 5 of the Acts of 2011, the Elections Act**

**(Hon. R. Landry – Minister of Justice)**

**No. 68. An Act to Allow Retired Volunteer Firefighters and Ground Search and Rescue Workers to Keep Their Firefighter Plates**

**(K. Bain - Victoria-The Lakes)**

**No. 69. An Act to Make Various Administrative Amendments to the Statutes of Nova Scotia**

**(Hon. R. Landry – Minister of Justice)**

### NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1040 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating Richmond’s preliminary team on participating in the 2013 STARSkate and on the team winning gold.

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

Res. No. 1041 – C. Porter, Hants West – applauding Leanne Myles



in looking to form a special camp to bring Hants County girls closer together and be able to share their stories, find commonalities and feel empathy.

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

Res. No. 1042 – Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's – congratulating Sandy Ternoway and others on knitting hats for children, proving that warmth comes not only from woolen hats but also kind hearts.

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

Res. No. 1043 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating Trysten Deveau on winning her gold and silver medals at the 2013 National Karate competition.

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

Res. No. 1044 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – recognize the success of Coady Peters, named Chef of the Week at Sobeys Culinary Centre Kitchen.

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

Res. No. 1045 – Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid – acknowledge the efforts of the Friends of First Lake assisting the residents in enjoying the beauty of First Lake trails.

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

Res. No. 1046 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – recognizing the significant contributions of the late William “Bill” Shellnutt made to our province and to so many businesses.

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

Res. No. 1047 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating the divers who risked their lives searching for the capsized hull of the “*Miss*

*Ally*".

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

Res. No. 1048 – Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South – recognize the achievements of the fine folks who make up the business of Applewicks.

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

Res. No. 1049 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Nehalem Bigney on being chosen recipient of this trip of a lifetime on the Dreams Take Flight program.

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

Res. No. 1050 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – recognizing and congratulating Father Paul Abbass 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. 1051 – Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East – offering condolences to the family of Martin Walsh as they deal with this sudden loss in their lives.

Res. No. 1052 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating the members of Benno as well as Bedford United Church and Nova Scotia Gambia Association for a successful overseas exchange.

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

Res. No. 1053 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – congratulating Carol Beaton of the Cape Breton Centre for Craft and Design on her retirement.

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

Res. No. 1054 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Petty

Officer First Class Evan Bower on receiving the Commander Canadian Fleet Atlantic Commendation.

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

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

With the unanimous consent of the House, the order of business was reverted and the following notice of motion was passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1055 - Hon. F. Corbett, Deputy Premier, on behalf of the Hon. D. Dexter, Premier - urging the federal government to immediately suspend changes to the Employment Insurance.

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

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 1056 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - expressing gratitude to Bernard Hart on his dedication to Computers for School programs and wish him well in his future endeavours.

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

Res. No. 1057 - A. MacMaster, Inverness - recognize Olga Smith for her volunteer spirit and dedication as a volunteer at the Inverness Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary.

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

Res. No. 1058 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - commending the four Atlantic Premiers for working together to ensure that our region's voice is heard loud and clear in Ottawa.

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

Res. No. 1059 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond - congratulating Heidi Landry on receiving the 2013 Frank H. Sobey Award for Excellence in Business.

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

Res. No. 1060 - L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill - congratulating Nova Scotia Co-Operative Council on winning the Progress Awards.

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

Res. No. 1061 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Halifax West on their 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Head for a Cure Event where they raised over \$17,000.

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

Res. No. 1062 - Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare - congratulating Tyler Deveau for his silver medal win at the 2013 Canadian National Karate Tournament.

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

Res. No. 1063 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - thanking Jamie and Fran Rouse and their team at Boondocks for their investment in Eastern Passage.

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

Res. No. 1064 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Al MacPhee on his long-time commitment to the Nova Scotia's economy and his continued humanitarian efforts 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. 1065 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Lea Koeder on her work, dedication, personality, cooking skills and wishing her well as she WWOOFs from Millennium Gardens

Farm and Greenhouses to other small Nova Scotian farms.

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

Res. No. 1066 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Big Brothers Big Sisters for 100 years of dedicated service to our youth and our appreciation to all staff and volunteers for the role they all play.

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

Res. No. 1067 - G. Ramey, Lunenburg West - standing with the The Premier and the other Atlantic Premiers voicing concerns with the federal changes to the Employment Insurance program.

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

Res. No. 1068 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating the Prince Andrew High School band and members of the audio recording on their grand prize win from the Long & McQuade annual Music Education contest.

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

Res. No. 1069 - B. Skabar, Cumberland North – the Atlantic Premiers announcing a regional approach to apprenticeship will mean greater mobility and a stronger labour force.

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

Res. No. 1070 - J. Morton, Kings North - congratulating Philip Brown on representing Canada at the 2013 World Special Olympics in Korea.

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

Res. No. 1071 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - congratulating Christine Welldon on her latest publication *Reporter in Disguise: The Intrepid Vic Steinberg*.

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

Res. No. 1072 - Z. Churchill, Yarmouth - congratulating the Fusion Gallant team on becoming provincial silver medallists at the Under-14 Volleyball Provincials and wish them success in their future.

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

Res. No. 1073 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg, on behalf of G. Burrill, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - asking the House to vocalize it's support for the plan to study the effects of the EI changes on Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 1074 - Z. Churchill, Yarmouth - congratulating the Fusion Lesser-Stewart team on becoming provincial champions at the Under-14 Volleyball provincials and wish them success in the future.

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

Res. No. 1075 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing the contributions made by Big Brothers Big Sisters of Annapolis Valley to this community and to children around the province.

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

Res. No. 1076 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - applauding everyone involved with the Bantam AA Female Halifax Hawks on bringing home the gold medal to Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 1077 - Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulating Shangri-la Cottages on their Accommodation Award and welcoming them to Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 1078 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Darren Deinstadt on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Scholarship and Medal.

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

Res. No. 1079 - Hon. C. Parker, Pictou West - thanking Doris Young for her commitment to the many community and church groups of Pictou and for being Pictou's 2013 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. 1080 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Evelyne Jamieson of the Royal Bank of Guysborough for her generosity, kindness and dedication 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. 1081 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Kirsti Mason for doing her home province proud with her ringette gold medal at the Under-19 Ringette Championships.

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

Res. No. 1082 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating the 545 Privateer Squadron Air Cadets of Liverpool for their efforts and sportsmanship at the 2013 Aurora Cup.

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

Res. No. 1083 - G. Ramey, Lunenburg West - congratulating the bandmaster and his cadre of capable musicians of the Bridgewater Fire Department Band on a job well done.

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

**PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 66. Mariners' Day Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: H. Theriault, Hon. C. d'Entremont, B. Kent, T. Zinck, Hon. M. Samson, K. Bain, J. Boudreau, L. Glavine, A. MacLeod, C. MacKinnon, Z. Churchill, A. MacMaster, G. Ramey, Hon. W. Gaudet, E. Orrell and Hon. S. Belliveau in Reply. The question being put by Madam Deputy Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

**CWH ON BILLS**

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

Madam Deputy 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 bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, each without amendments:

**No. 36. Provincial Court Act****No. 37. Innovative Transportation Act****No. 42. Pensions Benefits Act****No. 54. Widows' Pension Act****No. 57. Language Schools Act**

And also, the following bills, which were reported, with certain amendments by the Committee on Law Amendments to the Committee of the Whole, without further amendments, and the chairman has been instructed to recommend these bills to the favourable consideration of the



House:

**No. 3. Support for Parents of Critically Ill or Abducted Children Act**

**No. 32. Solemnization of Marriage Act**

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

**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 D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park:

“Therefore be it resolved that all members of the House of Assembly stand against the drastic and misguided changes to employment insurance being pushed by the Harper Conservative Government, which threaten to negatively impact workers and communities across Nova Scotia.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Z. Churchill, G. Burrill and K. Bain.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 P.M.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 1084 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Branch 038 of the Royal Canadian Legion for hosting 2013 Dominion Cribbage Championship.

Res. No. 1085 - M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains - Upper Sackville - congratulating Millwood High School students production of “Everybody Dyes” in the Junior Achievement Pitch It! Program and wishing them continued success.

Res. No. 1086 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating

Peter Mallette a successful broadcast journalist administrator and all-round nice guy and wish him continued success.

Res. No. 1087 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Peter and Debra Martyn for their volunteer work with Cuso International in Africa.

Res. No. 1088 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Matt Brouwer for the many successes in his musical career and best wishes for his future endeavours.

Res. No. 1089 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating David Brown on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal award.

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

**PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

A. MacMaster, Inverness, tabled a petition calling on government to restore emergency surgery in Inverness.

**STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

Hon. M. More, Minister responsible for the Advisory Council on the Status of Women Act, rose to make a statement regarding May as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and funding provided on an emergency basis to community-based organizations providing direct services and supports to victims of sexual assault.

Comments were made by K. Regan and Hon. J. Baillie.

Hon. C. Parker, Minister of Natural Resources, rose to make a statement about new protected areas of large intact forests.

Comments were made by A. Younger and A. MacLeod.

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 1090 - Hon. M. More, Minister of the Public Service Commission - congratulating the Mills team for being recognized with the 2013 Excellence in Public Service Award.

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

Res. No. 1091 - Hon. M. Smith, Minister of Gaelic Affairs - recognizing May 1, 2013, for the first time the Gaelic Flag is raised at Province House for Gaelic Awareness Month.

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

Res. No. 1092 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Minister of Community

Services - acknowledging Dr. Shelly Whitman, her staff and the Roméo Dallaire Child Soldiers Initiative at the Dalhousie University in ending the practice of recruiting children as soldiers.

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

Res. No. 1093 - Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness - recognizing May as Speech and Hearing Month and acknowledging the tireless efforts of the association.

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

Res. No. 1094 - Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage - congratulating Neptune Theatre on their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary season and to all who have made it a success.

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

Res. No. 1095 - Hon. M. Smith, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal - acknowledging that May has been proclaimed as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month.

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

Res. No. 1096 - Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness - celebrating May as Caregivers Month and recognizing those who provide important care and support.

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. 70. An Act Respecting the Practice of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Professionals**

**(Hon. D. Wilson - Minister of Health and Wellness)**

- No. 71. An Act to Amend Chapter 61 of the Acts of 2012, an Act to Amend Chapter 1 (1992 Supplement) of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the House of Assembly Act**  
**(Hon. D. Dexter - Premier)**
- No. 72. An Act to Amend Chapter 61 of the Acts of 2012, an Act to Amend Chapter 1 (1992 Supplement) of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the House of Assembly Act**  
**(Hon. F. Corbett – Deputy Premier)**
- No. 73. An Act to Amend Chapter 61 of the Acts of 2012, an Act to Amend Chapter 1 (1992 Supplement) of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the House of Assembly Act**  
**(J. Boudreau - Guysborough-Sheet Harbour)**
- No. 74. An Act to Amend Chapter 61 of the Acts of 2012, an Act to Amend Chapter 1 (1992 Supplement) of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the House of Assembly Act**  
**(L. Zann - Truro-Bible Hill)**
- No. 75. An Act to Amend Chapter 61 of the Acts of 2012, an Act to Amend Chapter 1 (1992 Supplement) of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the House of Assembly Act**  
**(M. Whynott - Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville)**

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 1097 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - acknowledging May as Gaelic Awareness Month and celebrating the contributions of the Gaelic Language.

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

Res. No. 1098 - A. MacMaster, Inverness - acknowledging the month of May as Gaelic Awareness Month and recognizing the spirit of

those Nova Scotians who are Gaels.

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

Res. No. 1099 - Hon. C. Parker, Pictou West - congratulating Devin Forbes on being part of the Nova Scotia Wheelchair Curling Team at the National Wheelchair Curling Championship in Ottawa.

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

Res. No. 1100 - A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West - acknowledging May as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month and committing resources to helping Nova Scotians to understanding the disorder.

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

Res. No. 1101 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Philip Hochman on his retirement and receiving various awards for his dedicated service to his job and his community.

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

Res. No. 1102 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - calling on the government to take real long-term action to address sexualized violence in the province and ensure all Nova Scotians have access to service.

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

Res. No. 1103 - A. MacMaster, Inverness - recognizing the Inverness Oran for being part of the 2013 Jeopardy! Program and being able to answer the question correctly.

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

Res. No. 1104 - L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill - thanking the Truro Fire Service and Fire Chief Blois Currie for their work for the citizens of Truro.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1105 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - acknowledge May 1<sup>st</sup> as Doctors Day and extending appreciation to all physicians for their dedication and commitment.

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

Res. No. 1106 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - thanking Retired Captain Medric "Cous" Cousineau for his service, bravery and advocacy on behalf of veterans and his Long Walk initiative.

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

Res. No. 1107 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - condemning the federal NDP government for irresponsible actions, for criticizing the Supreme Court without foundation and for playing the game of separatist leaders.

Res. No. 1108 - G. MacLellan, Glace Bay - congratulating Joseph Shannon on being inducted into the Canadian Business Hall of Fame and recognizing his achievements and contributions to Cape Breton.

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

Res. No. 1109 - M. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulating Ralf Pickart for his innovative Nova Scotia Webcams bringing our province closer to people of the world.

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

Res. No. 1110 - G. MacLellan, Glace Bay - recognizing the contributions of workers around the world who are celebrating on this occasion of International Workers' Day.

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

Res. No. 1111 - H. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - extending our condolences to the family and friends of Dr. Robert Elgie and taking a

moment to recognize his accomplishments over the years.

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

Res. No. 1112 - B. Skabar, Cumberland North - congratulating the Amherst Regional High School senior concert band and thank them for being great cultural ambassadors for Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 1113 - J. Morton, Kings North - congratulating Heather Killen and the Annapolis County Spectator for bringing to the public the profile of poverty and the discussion around its elimination.

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

Res. No. 1114 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - recognizing the importance of a recreational trail network between Halifax and Lunenburg and its recreational benefits for the destination possibilities.

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

Res. No. 1115 - G. Burrill, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - congratulating the students, staff and volunteers at the Upper Musquodoboit Consolidated School on their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and affirms the contribution of the "Small School - Big Spirit" consolidated school.

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

Res. No. 1116 - B. Skabar, Cumberland North - thanking Doug "The Balance King" McManaman for being a fine ambassador to a balanced life here in Nova Scotia.

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

#### **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Hon. C. d'Entremont, House Leader of the Progressive



Conservative Party, called the following bill:

**No. 64. Maritime Link Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. J. Baillie, M. Whynott, A. Younger and A. MacLeod. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Hon. C. d'Entremont, House Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, called the following bill:

**No. 4. Balanced Budget Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. MacMaster, Hon. Maureen MacDonald, D. Whalen and Hon. J. Baillie. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

**PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEE**

With the unanimous consent of the House, the order of business was reverted and Hon. R. Landry, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment:

**No. 51. Financial Measures (2013) Act**

The foregoing bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12:00 Noon.

**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 G. Ramey, Lunenburg West:

“Therefore be it resolved that unlike the previous Liberal and Progressive Conservative Governments, the NDP Government's plan for health care is putting patients first while reducing administration costs.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: G. Ramey, L. Glavine and Hon. C. d'Entremont.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 1117 - Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare - felicitations à Danielle Bilodeau-prix Bell-Aliant Atlantic Journalism Awards.

Res. No. 1118 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - congratulating the Mahone Bay Centre on receiving the Thrive! funding for the After the Bell program.

Res. No. 1119 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognize Marie Barnes for her commitment to independent senior citizens.

Res. No. 1120 - Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South - recognizing May 1<sup>st</sup> as Doctors Day in this province and ensuring every Nova Scotian has easy access to a physician.

Res. No. 1121 - Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South - congratulating David Dickinson on being inducted into the Nova Scotia Maple Industry Hall of Fame.

Res. No. 1122 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing the staff and management of Blomidon Nurseries who ensure their customers are well cared for.

Res. No. 1123 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Carole and Elie Pothier on their 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and wishing them many more.

Res. No. 1124 - Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South - congratulating Brady Dunham on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 1125 - Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South - congratulating Dora Fuller on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 1126 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Nikki and Jules LeBlanc on the birth of their daughter and wishing them happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1127 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating

Amanda and Joseph Muise on the birth of their daughter and wishing them happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1128 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Candace and Jacques Surette on the birth of their daughter and wishing them happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1129 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Chrissy and Rejean Doucette on the birth of their daughter and wishing them happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1130 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Cecile d'Entremont on reaching this milestone in her life of 100 years and wishing her many more happy birthdays.

Res. No. 1131 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Ward Cunningham on reaching this milestone in his life of 85 years and wishing him many more happy birthdays.

Res. No. 1132 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Phyllis Swaine on reaching this milestone in her life of 90 years and wishing her many more happy birthdays.

Res. No. 1133 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Owen Atkinson on reaching this milestone in his life of 90 years and wishing him many more happy birthdays.

Res. No. 1134 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Irene Manthorne on reaching this milestone in her life of 80 years and wishing her many more happy birthdays.

Res. No. 1135 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Floretta d'Entremont on reaching this milestone in her life of 90 years and wishing her many more happy birthdays.

Res. No. 1136 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Blaise d'Entremont on reaching this milestone in his life of 85 years and wishing him many more happy birthdays.

Res. No. 1137 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating Alex Poulton at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception recognizing the extensive efforts of the many volunteers who make Bedford a wonderful place to live.

Res. No. 1138 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating Amy Pothier at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception recognizing the extensive efforts of the many volunteers who make Bedford a wonderful place to live.

Res. No. 1139 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating Kaye and Dick Rudback at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception recognizing the extensive efforts of the many volunteers who make Bedford a wonderful place to live.

Res. No. 1140 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating Rachel Brouwer at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception recognizing the extensive efforts of the many volunteers who make Bedford a wonderful place to live.

Res. No. 1141 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating Barb Hooper at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception recognizing the extensive efforts of the many volunteers who make Bedford a wonderful place to live.

Res. No. 1142 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating Chris Brown at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception recognizing the extensive efforts of the many volunteers who make Bedford a wonderful place to live.

Res. No. 1143 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating Marie Corkum at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception recognizing the extensive efforts of the many volunteers who make Bedford a wonderful place to live.

Res. No. 1144 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating Marina Collier at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception recognizing the extensive efforts of the many volunteers who make Bedford a wonderful place to live.

Res. No. 1145 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating Paula Wilson at the Bedford Volunteer Recognition Reception recognizing the extensive efforts of the many volunteers who make Bedford a wonderful place to live.

Res. No. 1146 - M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville - recognizing the Grade 5 students at Hammonds Plains Consolidated have become the teachers of crosswalk safety.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1147 - Hon. D. Dexter, Premier - remembering the Battle of the Atlantic and recognizing the sacrifices of our sailors who triumphed so many years ago.

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

Res. No. 1148 - Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage, on behalf of Hon. M. More, Minister of the Public Service Commission - congratulating the Petroleum Resources Team on receiving the 2013 Excellence in Public Service Award.

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

Res. No. 1149 - Hon. M. Smith, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal - recognizing May 4<sup>th</sup> as Adopt-A-Highway Day in Nova Scotia and congratulate those civil-minded volunteers.

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

Res. No. 1150 - Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage - congratulating the finalists at the NSCAD Starfish Student Art Awards Gala.

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. 76. An Act to Amend Chapter 2 of the Revised Statutes,**

**1989, the Adult Protection Act****(Hon. D. Wilson - Minister of Health and Wellness)****No. 77. An Act to Preserve and Protect Thinkers' Lodge****(B. Skabar - Cumberland North)****NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 1151 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - congratulating Terry Pettipas for providing employment for local residents as well giving freely to community organizers.

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

Res. No. 1152 - E. Orrell, Cape Breton North - recognizing Motorcycle Awareness Month and supporting the safety campaign so motorists can take advantage of Nova Scotia's scenic drives.

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

Res. No. 1153 - Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East - offering sincere condolences to the family of the late J. Albert Ettinger, a former member of the House.

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

A moment of silence was observed.

Res. No. 1154 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating Metro Boston Pizza Midget AAA female hockey team, their coaches, trainer and manager on winning gold and wish them well in their future endeavours.

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

Res. No. 1155 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Gilles Babin on his new career and wish him continued success on his future endeavours.

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

Res. No. 1156 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - calling on the federal Conservative Government to reconsider the changes at Canada Post and stand with the workers, families and small businesses for which this service is vital.

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

Res. No. 1157 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - applauding the success of the band "Clockwork" representing Nova Scotia's music culture and wishing them every success.

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

Res. No. 1158 - A. MacMaster, Inverness - acknowledging Bridget Wilson for her achievements as one of Nova Scotia's leaders of tomorrow and congratulate her on her academic achievements.

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

Res. No. 1159 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Master Seaman Peter Godin on his retirement after 26 years of service.

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

Res. No. 1160 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating the dedicated team of Bedford Junior High who took part in the University of Waterloo Pascal math competition and wish them perfect scores in future competitions.

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

Res. No. 1161 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - recognizing the commitment of Percy Paris in promoting the importance, diversity and the culture of African Nova Scotians internationally and congratulate him on receiving the Tourism Executive of Distinction Award.

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

Res. No. 1162 - H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulating Ian McBride of Digby on his medal of bravery and commending him on his courageous efforts.

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

Res. No. 1163 - G. MacLellan, Glace Bay - join me in extending congratulating the family of Robert Ian "Toomey" MacPherson on his induction into the Glace Bay Sport and Volunteer 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. 1164 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Emilee Cress and Hailey Saunders as they played their way to the gold medal round in Junior Badminton Provincials, defeating Bedford at the NSSAF provincials.

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

Res. No. 1165 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond - congratulating the coaches and Richmond Rize Under-18 girls volleyball team for their hard work during the season and wishing them continued success.

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

Res. No. 1166 - D. Whalen, Halifax-Clayton Park - recognizing Verna Rizg who was recently featured at a Canada National Youth Arts Week event, thanking her for her contribution and wishing her success in her future endeavours.

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



Res. No. 1167 - G. MacLellan, Glace Bay - congratulating Fred Courtney on being inducted into the 2013 Glace Bay Sport and Volunteer 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. 1168 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - congratulating Petty Officer Megan Reekie on retiring after a distinguished career and wishing her well in her future endeavours.

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

Res. No. 1169 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Sandra Barry for receiving the Heritage Award and promoting the talent of renowned poet, Elizabeth Bishop.

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

Res. No. 1170 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond - congratulating each of the participants of the Pre Entry to Employment Program and wishing them success in their future endeavours.

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

Res. No. 1171 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - applauding Adi Saric and his team on being victors in our Canadian regionals in geoscience and wishing them the best luck in May.

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

Res. No. 1172 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Maja and Willem van den Hoek of the Best Dutchman's Cheese for being named finalists in the Canadian Cheese Grand Prix.

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

**PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 71. House of Assembly Act**

There being no debate, the question was put by Mr. Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a second time. Ordered that the bill be referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 72. House of Assembly Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. ManningMacDonald and Hon. F. Corbett in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered that the bill be referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 73. House of Assembly Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. C. d'Entremont. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered that the bill be referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

G. Burrill, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley, on behalf of Ms. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 74. House of Assembly Act**

There being no debate, the question was put by Mr. Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a second time. Ordered that the bill be referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 75. House of Assembly Act**

There being no debate, the question was put by Mr. Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a second time. Ordered that the bill be referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

**PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. R. Landry, Minister responsible for the Elections Act, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 67. Elections Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: D. Whalen, A. MacMaster and Hon. R. Landry in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered that the bill be referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Hon. R. Landry, Minister of Justice, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 69. Statute Amendments (2013) Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. MacMaster and Hon. R. Landry in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered that the bill be referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Hon. R. Landry, Minister of Justice, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 36. Provincial Court Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. MacMaster. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that this bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 3. Support for Parents of Critically Ill or Abducted Children Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith

read a third time. Ordered that this bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 42. Pension Benefits Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that this bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 54. Widows' Pension Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson, A. MacMaster and Hon. F. Corbett in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that this bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 57. Language Schools Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson and Hon. F. Corbett in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that this bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, on behalf of Hon. J. MacDonell, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 32. Solemnization of Marriage Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that this bill do pass and the title be as read by

the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

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

**No. 37. Innovative Transportation Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson and C. Porter. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that this bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

**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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment:

**No. 51. Financial Measures (2013) Act**

The foregoing bill was ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

**PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

M. Raymond, Chairman of the Committee on Private and Local Bills, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment:

**No. 43. Trustees of the Onslow Cemetery Company Act**

The foregoing bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 A.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. K. Casey, Colchester North:

“Therefore be it resolved that since the Premier stated in a CTV panel that the power rate Nova Scotians will pay is 8 cents per kilowatt hour, despite Emera saying no rate will be decided until 2017, that the NDP should introduce legislation that forces Nova Scotia Power, and not ratepayers, to be responsible for any costs above 8 cents.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. Younger, C. Porter and B. Skabar.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 1173 - G. MacLellan, Glace Bay - congratulating the 1968 Olands’ Bay Bys on being inducted into the Glace Bay Sport and Volunteer Hall of Fame for their historic Maritime title.

Res. No. 1174 - H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulating Bear River Vineyards on their medals for wines at the international wine competition and wishing them success with their vineyards.

Res. No. 1175 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Global Pet Foods for their “Show us Your Heart” event to raise money for animal charities.

Res. No. 1176 - Hon. L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - congratulating Dylan Fish on being selected as a finalist for the 2013 NSCAD Starfish Student Art Award.

Res. No. 1177 - Hon. L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - congratulating Mary Ellen Oxby on being selected as a finalist for the 2013 NSCAD Starfish Student Art Award.

Res. No. 1178 - Hon. L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - congratulating Carrie Allison-Goodfellow on being selected as a finalist for the 2013 NSCAD Starfish Student Art Award.

Res. No. 1179 - Hon. L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - congratulating Duncan Ferguson on being selected as a finalist for the 2013 NSCAD Starfish Student Art Award.

Res. No. 1180 - Hon. L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - congratulating Teto Elsidique on being selected as a finalist for the 2013 NSCAD Starfish Student Art Award.

Res. No. 1181 - Hon. L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - congratulating Torrance Beamish on being selected as a finalist for the 2013 NSCAD Starfish Student Art Award.

Res. No. 1182 - Hon. L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - congratulating Danielle Marie (DM) Nowlan on being selected as a finalist for the 2013 NSCAD Starfish Student Art Award.

Res. No. 1183 - Hon. L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - congratulating Tori Fleming on being selected as a finalist for the 2013 NSCAD Starfish Student Art Award.

Res. No. 1184 - Hon. L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - congratulating Stacy teBogt on being selected as a finalist for the 2013 NSCAD Starfish Student Art Award.

Res. No. 1185 - Hon. L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - congratulating Merle Harley on being selected as a finalist for the 2013 NSCAD Starfish Student Art Award.

Res. No. 1186 - L. Glavine, Kings West - congratulating the 4-H clubs on their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary and commending the Kings County clubs for their role in youth development.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Hon. R. Landry, Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with certain amendments:

**No. 55. Protection of Animal Welfare and Security Act**

And also the following bills, each without certain amendment:

**No. 59. Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia) Act**

**No. 66. Mariners Day Act**

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

#### 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. 78. An Act to Amend Chapter 3 of the Acts of 1987, the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia) Act**

**(Hon. C. Parker - Minister of Energy)**

**No. 79. An Act Respecting Government Advertising**

**(Hon. S. McNeil - Annapolis)**

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1187 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond - congratulating



Odilon Boudreau for being selected as the Richmond County Volunteer of the Year and thanking him for his 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. 1188 - C. Porter, Hants West, on behalf of Hon. J. Baillie, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party - remembering the bravery and sacrifice of the Canadian sailors and merchant marines who fought for our freedom during the Battle of the Atlantic.

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

Res. No. 1189 - Hon. L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island, on behalf of Hon. G. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulating St. Mary's Polish Parish on their 100<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. 1190 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond - commending Captain Allison Martell of the 824 Silver Dart Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron and thanking her for her years of service.

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

### **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 and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendments:

**No. 43. Trustees of Onslow Cemetery Company Act**

The foregoing bill was ordered to be read a third time on this day.

### **PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North, moved third reading of the following bill:

#### **No. 43. Trustees of Onslow Cemetery Company Act**

There being no debate, the question was put by Mr. 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. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Finance, moved third reading of the following bill:

#### **No. 51. Financial Measures (2013) Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. K. Colwell, A. MacMaster, D. Whalen and Hon. Maureen MacDonald in Reply. On a recorded vote on third reading, there being 25 for and 11 opposed, 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**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 P.M.

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

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

Res. No. 1191 - Z. Churchill, Yarmouth - congratulating Alain Meuse for his induction into the Yarmouth Town and County Sports Hall of Fame and for his contributions to the local sports media.

Res. No. 1192 - Z. Churchill, Yarmouth - congratulating Yarmouth Mariners 2002 Bantam A hockey team on being inducted into the Yarmouth Town and County Sports Hall of Fame and thanking them for a memorable hockey season.

Res. No. 1193 - Z. Churchill, Yarmouth - congratulating Karen

White for her many impressive achievements in the sport of swimming and her induction into the Yarmouth Town and County Sports Hall of Fame.

Res. No. 1194 - Z. Churchill, Yarmouth - congratulating Curtis Falls on his many impressive achievements and contributions to the sport of baseball and his induction into the Yarmouth Town and County Sports Hall of Fame.

Res. No. 1195 - Z. Churchill, Yarmouth - congratulating the 1977-78 Juvenile C Hockey team for their induction into the Yarmouth Town and County Sports Hall of Fame and thanking them for a memorable season of hockey.

Res. No. 1196 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognizing the tremendous contributions that Alma Brown Dunbar has made to the lives of others through her church and community and congratulating her on her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

The House met at 4:00 P.M.

Prayers.

#### **PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

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. 67. Elections Act**

**No. 69. Statutes Amendments (2013) Act**

**No. 71. House of Assembly Act**

**No. 72. House of Assembly Act**

**No. 73. House of Assembly Act**

**No. 74. House of Assembly Act**

**No. 75. House of Assembly Act**

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

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

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

Res. No. 1197 - Hon. M. More, Minister of the Public Service Commission - congratulating the Productivity and Innovation Voucher Program Team on receiving the 2013 Excellence in Public Service Award.

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

Res. No. 1198 - Hon. P. Paris, Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism - recognize and celebrating the success this home-grown initiative - Community Economic Development Investment

Fund Program - has achieved.

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. 80. An Act to Amend Chapter 282 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Members' Retiring Allowances Act**

**(Hon. F. Corbett - Government House Leader)**

**No. 81. An Act to Amend Chapter 277 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Builders' Lien Act**

**(Hon. R. Landry - Minister of Justice)**

**No. 82. An Act Respecting the Official Flag of Nova Scotia**

**(J. Boudreau - Guysborough-Sheet Harbour)**

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 1199 - L. Glavine, Kings West - acknowledging May 6-12 as National Nursing Week and saluting the dedication, diligence and professional commitment nurses bring to their workplace.

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

Res. No. 1200 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Alyssa Comeau on receiving the award for Most Improved Cross-Country Runner.

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

Res. No. 1201 - Hon. F. Corbett, Deputy Premier, on behalf of Hon. G. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - recognizing the contributions of the late Reverend Dr. Donald Campbell and sending our thoughts and prayers to his family.

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

Res. No. 1202 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - recognizing Executive Director Rene Ross, staff, partners and supporters of Stepping Stone for their commitment and dedication over the past 25 years.

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

Res. No. 1203 - A. MacMaster, Inverness - acknowledging the last Monday in September as Medic Monday and recognize the services provided by Nova Scotia paramedics.

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

Res. No. 1204 - Hon. C. Parker, Pictou West - congratulating Mary Alice Ali on being chosen for the Education Week Awards 2013 and wishing her every success in her future endeavours.

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

Res. No. 1205 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating Malcolm Pain on coming in third in his category after being told his running years were over.

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

Res. No. 1206 - E. Orrell, Cape Breton North - recognizing May 7<sup>th</sup> as World Asthma Day to create awareness and increased education about this chronic condition that affects so many Canadians.

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

Res. No. 1207 - G. Ramey, Lunenburg West - congratulating

Robert Boudreau on receiving the National Volunteer Week award and thanking him for the contributions he has made 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. 1208 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Michele Awad on her prestigious award as Atlantic Canada Female Litigator of the Year and wishing her continued success.

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

Res. No. 1209 - A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West - recognizing Mental Health Week and the important work of the Association in providing support and education to millions of Canadians for 95 years.

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

Res. No. 1210 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond - congratulating the Richmond Rize Girls Under-14 Volleyball team for all their hard work during the season and wishing them continued success.

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

Res. No. 1211 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - recognizing the resolve of patients suffering from cystic fibrosis and applauding the work of individuals who raise awareness.

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

Res. No. 1212 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond - congratulating all those recognized with the Strait Regional School Board and thanking them for their hard work and dedication.

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

Res. No. 1213 - A. MacMaster, Inverness - thanking those working at our food banks and work toward a day when the food banks usage dramatically decreases.

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

Res. No. 1214 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Rory Flynn on her debating success at Queen's and wishing her the best in England and in her future endeavours.

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

Res. No. 1215 - E. Orrell, Cape Breton North - acknowledging National Hospice Palliative Care Week and showing our appreciation to those working in that field.

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

Res. No. 1216 - K. Regan - Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating the Rockingham Grannies on raising money for the Steven Lewis Foundation and their commitment to making life better for African families.

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

## **PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness, moved second reading of the following bill:

### **No. 76. Adult Protection Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: L. Glavine, Hon. C. d'Entremont and Hon. D. Wilson 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. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness, moved second reading on the following bill:

### **No. 70. Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Professionals Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: L.



Glavine, Hon. C. d'Entremont and Hon. D. Wilson 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. C. Parker, Minister of Energy, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 78. Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia) Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. Younger, C. Porter and Hon. C. Parker 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.

**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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendments:

**No. 59. Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia) Act**

**No. 66. Mariners' Day Act**

**No. 67. Elections Act**

**No. 69. Statute Amendments (2013) Act**

**No. 71. House of Assembly Act**

**No. 72. House of Assembly Act**

**No. 73. House of Assembly Act**

**No. 74. House of Assembly Act**

**No. 75. House of Assembly Act**

And also the following bill, which was reported with certain amendments by the Committee on Law Amendments to the Committee of the Whole House, without further amendments, and the chairman has been instructed to recommend these bills to the favourable consideration of the House:

**No. 55. Protection of Animal Welfare and Security Act**

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on future day.

#### **PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

With unanimous consent of the House, the order of business was reverted and 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 following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with certain amendments:

**No. 61. Cyber-safety Act**

**No. 62. Protection for Persons in Care Act**

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

#### **PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. J. MacDonell, Minister of Agriculture, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 55. Protection of Animal Welfare and Security Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: L. Glavine and Hon. C. d'Entremont. The question being put by Mr. 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. C. Parker, Minister of Energy, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 59. Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia) Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. Younger. The question being put by Mr. 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. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 66. Mariners' Day Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson and A. MacLeod. The question being put by Mr. 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. R. Landry, Minister of Justice, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 67. Elections Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: D. Whalen. The question being put by Mr. 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. R. Landry, Minister of Justice, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 69. Statute Amendments (2013) Act**

There being no debate, the question was put by Mr. 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**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 1217 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating George MacDonald, Q.C. on being honoured with the Atlantic Litigator of the Year award from Benchmark Canada.

Res. No. 1218 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - thanking Truman Layton for sharing our province's history through his works and wishing him all the best in his future writings.

Res. No. 1219 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Renee Field on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 1220 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Emma Power on receiving the Lieutenant Governor's Medal that recognizes her academic excellence and community service.

Res. No. 1221 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Chris Abraham on receiving the Lieutenant Governor's Medal that recognizes her academic excellence and community service.

Res. No. 1222 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Murray Austin on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1223 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending Murray (Tucker) Fry on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1224 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending Charles (Fred) Duffy on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1225 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending Ronald Young on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1226 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending David Watson on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1227 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending Roderick Russell on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1228 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending John (Jack) Rolfe on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1229 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending Gordon Purcell on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1230 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending Maurice (Moe) Pearson on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1231 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending Gordon Miller on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1232 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending James Longaphy on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1233 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending Hugh Cuvelier on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1234 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending Frederick Cullen on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1235 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending Norman Crewe on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1236 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending Robert (Bob) Cole on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1237 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending George (Tom) Cane on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1238 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending Phillip Burke on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1239 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending John Bowser on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1240 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending Wilbert Billiard on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1241 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - commending Robert (Bob) Baker on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Honorary Award for Veterans.

Res. No. 1242 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - Hon. The Premier does not understand what matters to all Nova Scotians.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

### PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis, tabled a petition calling on the House to use its powers to assure citizens of Western Nova Scotia have access by motorized vehicles to Bowater lands.

### GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1243 - Hon. D. Dexter, Premier - recognizing the passing of Rose Marie Abraham and celebrating the great contributions she has made to our province over the course of her life.

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

Res. No. 1244 - Hon. R. Landry, Minister of Justice - recognizing Emergency Preparedness Week in Canada and encouraging everyone to be prepared by making a plan and developing an emergency kit.

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

Res. No. 1245 - Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Education - recognizing the contribution dance has for students' physical, social and mental health and on fostering dance as an outlet for personal expression.

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. 83. An Act to Amend Chapter 39 of the Acts of 2008, the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter**

**(Hon. J. MacDonell - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)**

**No. 84. An Act to Amend Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2001, the District of Barrington Health Professionals Assistance Act**

**(Hon. S. Belliveau - Shelburne)**

**No. 85. An Act to Ensure Fair Practices in Telecommunications in Nova Scotia**

**(Hon. K. Colwell - Preston)**

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 1246 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond - congratulating the Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps 293 Arrow 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. 1247 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating the Radio Métro CKRH 98.5 FM on their accomplishments, encouraging everyone to make donations and wishing them all the best.

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

Res. No. 1248 - G. Ramey, Lunenburg West – asking the Liberal Caucus to outline what they would consider “going forward” if it is not to encourage employers to hire Nova Scotians.

Res. No. 1249 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - acknowledging teachers on this National Teacher Day and thanking them for their service and support to our children.

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

Res. No. 1250 - K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulating



Sandra Linklater on being named Coach of the Year and thanking her for all the extras she did for the team.

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

Res. No. 1251 - B. Skabar, Cumberland North - asking the Liberal Caucus why they refuse the expert advice and asking them to give support to the environmentally important land of the South Shore.

Res. No. 1252 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - asking for support to keep the provincial portion of the HST off electrical bills in Nova Scotia now and in the future.

On a recorded vote, there being 47 for the motion and 0 opposed, the resolution was carried.

Res. No. 1253 - Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South - asking everyone to honour National Nursing Week in support of our most precious resources and supporting the vital work they do in our community.

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

Res. No. 1254 - M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville - reminding the Liberals that Nova Scotians are innovative, intelligent and endlessly capable people who built this province and do not deserve to be insulted by the Liberals.

Res. No. 1255 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - remembering the life of Rose Marie Abraham and celebrating her service to her province and condolences to her family and friends.

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

Res. No. 1256 - A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West - acknowledging today as National Child and Youth Mental Health Day and working together to make sure people have somewhere to turn when they are struggling.

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

Res. No. 1257 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg – questioning the leadership of Liberals and asking for an explanation why they think a failed decision would be good.

Res. No. 1258 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - stating The Premier used taxpayers' dollars to pay for his Barristers' fees in order for him to keep his status and he should apologize to all Nova Scotians.

Res. No. 1259 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Natalie Surette-d'Entremont on her new post as Active Living Co-ordinator in the Municipality of Argyle.

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

Res. No. 1260 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond - congratulating the members of the Shamrock Players for their wonderful performance at the fundraiser for the new roof of Our Lady of Assumption Cathedral.

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

Res. No. 1261 - L. Glavine, Kings West - acknowledging the Heart and Stroke Walkabout program on their 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary and for introducing the health benefits achieved just by walking.

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

Res. No. 1262 - Hon. Manning MacDonald, Cape Breton South - stating The Premier used taxpayers' dollars to pay for his Barristers' fees and he should apologize to all Nova Scotians.

Res. No. 1263 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - congratulating Bill Toulany on receiving top honours repeatedly on his donair meats with the secret family blend of spices.

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

Res. No. 1264 - G. MacLellan, Glace Bay - congratulating Marjorie Petite and the Petite family for generations of involvement in the community and their continued support to make Glace Bay a better place.

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

Res. No. 1265 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove, on behalf of A. Younger, Dartmouth East - recognizing John's Lunch for their best fish and chips in Canada as quoted in the *Canadian Living Magazine*.

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

#### **PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS**

J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour, moved second reading of the following bill:

##### **No. 82. Provincial Flag Act**

There being no debate, the question was put by Mr. Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a second time. Ordered that the bill be referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Hon. F. Corbett, Deputy Premier, moved second reading of the following bill:

##### **No. 80. Members' Retiring Allowances Act**

There being no debate, the question was put by Mr. Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a second time. Ordered that the bill be referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Hon. R. Landry, Minister of Justice, moved second reading of the following bill:

##### **No. 81. Builder's Lien Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson, A. MacMaster and Hon. R. Landry in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered that the bill be referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

With unanimous consent of the House, Hon. Mr. MacDonell, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 83. Halifax Regional Municipality Charter**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. Younger, A. MacMaster and Hon. J. MacDonell in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered that the bill be referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

With the concurrence of the House, the order of business, Private and Local Bills for Second Reading was called.

**PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS**

Hon. S. Belliveau, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture, moved second reading of the following bill:

**No. 84. District of Barrington Health Professionals Assistance Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson, Hon. C. d'Entremont and Hon. S. Belliveau in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered that the bill be referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

**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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with certain amendments:

**No. 61. Cyber-safety Act****No. 62. Protection of Persons in Care Act**

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future

day.

**PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 71. House of Assembly Act**

There being no debate, the question was question being put by Mr. 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. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 72. House of Assembly Act**

There being no debate, the question was question being put by Mr. 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. C. d'Entremont, Argyle, moved re-committal of Bill No. 73 to the Committee of the Whole House for changes. The motion was defeated.

J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 73. House of Assembly Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. C. d'Entremont. The question being put by Mr. 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.

L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 74. House of Assembly Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M.

Samson and Hon. L. Preyra. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 75. House of Assembly Act**

There being no debate, the question was question being put by Mr. 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**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> 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 H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis:

“Therefore be it resolved that by breaking the MOU, the NDP has forced HRM to pay \$8 million more in education cost pressures and that the NDP is downloading education costs to all municipalities and further cutting from our classrooms and putting quality of education at risk.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. K. Colwell, Hon. J. MacDonell and E. Orrell.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 1266 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Peter Millman as a young athlete and for his numerous awards he has received and wishing him success in his future.

Res. No. 1267 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating P. J. Moore for the many honours he received and wishing his team success at the Canada Men’s World Ball Hockey Championship.

Res. No. 1268 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating North Shore 4-H Club on being beneficiaries of the Scotiabank program and for their support of \$3,500 to local organizations.

Res. No. 1269 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating both EHS and Scotiabank for their efforts in raising money for the food bank and the less fortunate in Tatamagouche.

Res. No. 1270 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - recognizing Mary Smith for her contributions to her community and our province and wishing her success in her future.

Res. No. 1271 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - applauding Thomas Hue for his dedication to his community and the excellent work he provides to all his customers.

Res. No. 1272 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - thanking Quentin Eric Moore for creating a product ahead of its time which became the standard all ropes made are compared to throughout Atlantic Canada.

Res. No. 1273 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - congratulate Isabella Lynn Rossi on earning the Bronze Award as an independent participant in the international Duke of Edinburgh's Award program for 2012.

Res. No. 1274 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - congratulate Giavonna Lynn Rossi on earning the Bronze Award as an independent participant in the international Duke of Edinburgh's Award program for 2012.

Res. No. 1275 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - congratulate Abigail Hodder on earning the Bronze Award as an independent participant in the international Duke of Edinburgh's Award program for 2012.

Res. No. 1276 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - congratulate Zachaeus Jackson on earning the Bronze Award as an independent participant in the international Duke of Edinburgh's Award program for 2012.

Res. No. 1277 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - congratulate Hannah Grace Jackson on earning the Bronze Award as an independent participant in the international Duke of Edinburgh's Award program for 2012.

Res. No. 1278 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - congratulate Noah Naugler on earning the Bronze Award as an independent participant in the international Duke of Edinburgh's Award program for 2012.

Res. No. 1279 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - congratulating Noah Shields on earning the Bronze Award as an independent participant in the international Duke of Edinburgh's Award program for 2012.

Res. No. 1280 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - applauding Bruce Baillie's efforts on serious issues affecting the mini-home park at Lake Echo.



The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

**SPEAKER'S RULING**

“On April 17, the honourable House Leader for the Official Opposition rose on a point of order in response to a notice of motion of a resolution given by the Member for Truro-Bible Hill. It was his position that the Member for Truro-Bible Hill was imputing bad motive to his Leader and Party because the resolution referred to tainted funds and also referred to past activities that had been found to have been illegal.

I have looked carefully at the language used in the operative clause of the resolution and have concluded it does not contain an imputation of bad motive but I understand why the honourable House Leader objected to the linking of the two matters, and I caution all honourable Members against suggesting illegal activity by any other Members. Such a suggestion would be unparliamentary.

I have concluded that the matter is a disagreement between Members over facts. Thank you.”

**PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

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, without amendment:

**No. 70. Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Professionals Act**

And also the following bills, each with certain amendments:

**No. 76. Adult Protection Act**

**No. 78. Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia) Act**

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

**TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS**

Hon. C. Parker, Minister of Natural Resources, tabled the Natural Resources flight utilization report for the period of January 1, 2012 ending February 28, 2013, as requested during Question Period on the previous day.

Hon. R. Landry, Minister of Justice, tabled the Annual Report of the Chief Electoral Officer for the year ending March 31, 2013.

**STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

Hon. M. Smith, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal, rose to make a statement about Road Safety Week and the government's efforts.

Comments were made by Hon. M. Samson and A. MacMaster.

Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Minister of Community Services, rose to announce a statement about the Province's Long-term Housing Strategy.

Comments were made by K. Regan and K. Bain.

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 1281 - Hon. D. Dexter, Premier - recognizing the importance of women's health and supporting the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Women's Health Wellbeing EXPO.

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

Res. No. 1282 - Hon. P. Paris, Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism - celebrating the accomplishments of the Nova Scotia Co-operative Council and the Credit Unions of Nova Scotia and the work they do in creating sustainable and innovative small businesses in communities.

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

Res. No. 1283 - Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage - thanking the *CSS Acadia*'s former crew, staff and everyone who shared the vessel's stories and helped celebrate the 100<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. 1284 - Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness - congratulating the staff, volunteers and participants of the Joints in Motion on raising funds to help Nova Scotians.

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

Res. No. 1285 - Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage - congratulating Anne and John Rapson on their successful careers, for their contribution to Symphony Nova Scotia and wishing them happiness on their retirement.

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

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1286 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Benjamin L. MacLean on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal and wishing him continued success.

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

Res. No. 1287 - Hon. J. Baillie, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party - reflecting on the end of the deadliest military conflict in history, VE Day, and the role Canadians played to end it.

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

Res. No. 1288 - Hon. D. Dexter, Cole Harbour - congratulating the Cole Harbour Pee Wee B boys and Bantam AA female hockey teams for their hard work and commitment to their respective teams and thanking the

volunteers who made the event happen.

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

Res. No. 1289 - Z. Churchill, Yarmouth - congratulating the Fusion Muise team on becoming champions at the Under-14 volleyball provincials, winning gold and wishing them future success in volleyball.

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

Res. No. 1290 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Councillor Nicole Albright on winning the by-election and wishing her success as Argyle Municipal Councillor for District 5.

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

Res. No. 1291 - Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Halifax Needham - thanking Fred Connors and Joel Flewelling on their efforts to expand and enhance Halifax's cultural landscape making Halifax a better place to live.

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

Res. No. 1292 - A. MacMaster, Inverness - recognizing the community of L'Arche Cape Breton for creating, growing and sustaining a community where all are welcomed and celebrating their 30<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. 1293 - L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill - applauding Jacob Works for his outstanding achievements and being chosen to attend 4-H Youth Summit in Calgary.

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

Res. No. 1294 - E. Orrell, Cape Breton North - saluting Bhreah Ross and her friends for their compassion and leadership in the fight against world hunger.

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

Res. No. 1295 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Seaside FM and their staff for a record-breaking Radio-thon and wishing them all the best on their 11<sup>th</sup> year on air.

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

Res. No. 1296 - G. MacLellan, Glace Bay - recognizing Feed Nova Scotia Hunger Awareness Week and the need to continue to fight hunger on their behalf and improve services.

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

Res. No. 1297 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - thanking everyone who takes part in the Heart and Stroke Foundation's annual Walkabout event and encouraging Nova Scotians to walk for their health and the environment.

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

Res. No. 1298 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Ethan Ringer on creating the Power Point presentation and spreading awareness of autism.

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

Res. No. 1299 - Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South - commending Feed Nova Scotia's Executive Director and staff for their commitment to ending hunger in our province.

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

Res. No. 1300 - G. Ramey, Lunenburg West - asking the Liberal Party admit it is time to unplug the Energy Plan and embrace the NDP's sustainable plan.

Res. No. 1301 - E. Orrell, Cape Breton North - saluting Callum

Pickles on his computer program “Your Privacy” and for doing something positive about cyberbullying and its impacts.

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

Res. No. 1302 - B. Skabar, Cumberland North - congratulating basketball coach Matt Gamblin and his assistants and wishing them best of luck in the future.

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

Res. No. 1303 - J. Morton, Kings North - congratulating Rick Weisner on receiving the Steve Bennett Memorial Safety Award, Professional Drive for 2013.

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

Res. No. 1304 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – congratulating the students of Sheet Harbour Consolidated School on their generosity to the Rainbow Food Bank.

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

Res. No. 1305 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - asking the Liberal leader and caucus to explain why they chose cheap politics over good policy and misleading Nova Scotians with their reckless energy plan.

Res. No. 1306 - G. Burrill, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley, on behalf of Hon. G. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - wishing Carol Beaton all the best on her retirement and congratulating her on induction into the Cape Breton Business 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. 1307 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - acknowledging that The Premier used thousands of taxpayer’s dollars for his barristers’ fees for the last five years while he was Premier.

Res. No. 1308 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour -

requesting the Liberal Leader and caucus admit their energy plan is a failure and support the NDP's plan.

Res. No. 1309 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond - congratulating Tracey and Jason Martell on the opening of their Martell's PharmaChoice in Isle Madame.

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

Res. No. 1310 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond - recognizing the efforts of Joan Clannon with the Community Volunteer Income Tax program and thanking her for giving freely of her time.

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

Res. No. 1311 - L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill - requesting the Liberal Leader explain why he has been ignoring the facts and continues to advocate for an energy plan that has failed time and time again.

Res. No. 1312 - Z. Churchill, Yarmouth - acknowledging that The Premier used thousands of taxpayer's dollars for his barristers' fees for the last five years while he was Premier.

Res. No. 1313 - B. Skabar, Cumberland North - requesting the Liberal Leader and caucus admit their energy plan is a failure and support the NDP's plan.

Res. No. 1314 - J. Morton, Kings North - requesting the Liberal Leader give serious thought to flipping the switch on his failed energy plan and support the NDP's plan.

Res. No. 1315 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - requesting the Liberal Leader table with the Clerk of the House all trust documents, names of trustees and financial statements, and everything related to the For the Public Good Trust and the Allan J. MacEachen Institute.

On a recorded vote, there being 43 for and 0 against, the motion carried.

Res. No. 1316 - G. MacLellan, Glace Bay - acknowledging that The Premier used taxpayer's dollars for his barristers' fees for the last five years while he was Premier and asking the Member for Kings North to urge him

to apologize.

#### **OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS**

Hon. M. Samson, Opposition House Leader, called the following bill:

##### **No. 79. Government Advertising Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. M. Samson, M. Whynott, Hon. C. d'Entremont and A. Younger. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon.

#### **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 G. Ramey, Lunenburg West:

“Therefore be it resolved that the Leader of the Official Opposition explain to Nova Scotians why the Liberal Party has misled Nova Scotians by making statements like those from the member for Dartmouth East that the New Brunswick energy market is "working just fine" when the recent New Brunswick decision has blown yet another hole through the Liberal energy plan, so soon after their last misguided attempt to woo Hydro-Québec.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: G. Ramey, A. Younger and Hon. C. d'Entremont.

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

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

Res. No. 1317 - A. MacMaster, Inverness - recognizing Shelly Campbell for a teacher who truly believes in helping students become active citizens in communities.

Res. No. 1318 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - applauding Terry



Mumford's commitment to music and his art and wishing him well in his future musical endeavours.

Res. No. 1319 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Gary Croft on his retirement from the Truro Canadian Tire after 37 years of service.

Res. No. 1320 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Lienna Hoeg for being named North Colchester High School Student of the Month for March 2013.

Res. No. 1321 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Kathleen Glasgow for being named North Colchester High School Student of the Month for April 2013.

Res. No. 1322 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Sean Jolly for being named North Colchester High School Student of the Month for March 2013.

Res. No. 1323 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Alicia Lynds for being named North Colchester High School Student of the Month for April 2013.

Res. No. 1324 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - wishing Frank Taylor continued success in pursuing genealogical interests.

Res. No. 1325 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Luke and Jodi denHaan on being awarded the Loblaw Vendor Development Partnership Award for their commitment to excellence.

Res. No. 1326 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Ross McCoubrey on his novel *One Boy's Shadow*.

Res. No. 1327 - G. MacLellan, Glace Bay - congratulating the 1971 Glace Bay Miners Maritime Junior Baseball Champions on their induction into the 2013 Cape Breton Sports Hall of Fame.

Res. No. 1328 - G. MacLellan, Glace Bay - congratulating the 2013 Glace Bay Junior B Miners Hockey Club on receiving the Allan Joseph Award and induction into the Cape Breton Sports Hall of Fame.

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

### SPEAKER'S RULING

“On Tuesday April 2, 2013, the member for Halifax Atlantic raised a point of privilege respecting the significance of Section 33 of the *House of Assembly Act* which provides in part that the ‘House is a court of record, and has all the rights and privileges of a court of record for the purpose of summarily inquiring into and punishing the acts, matters and things herein declared to be violations of [the] Act’.

I will not repeat all the details of her point of privilege. They are set out in full in *Hansard* of the day. The member described several past instances in which she believed that her privileges were breached; however, she stated that they were appropriately disposed of and that she was not requesting a re-examination of those matters. The member has not raised any unresolved instances.

The process with respect to a question of privilege is clearly established. A question of privilege arises out of an event, the alleged facts of which must ultimately be adjudicated and a determination made as to whether the facts as found result in the infringement of a member's or the House's privileges or the commission of a contempt against the House. A question of privilege is not answered in abstract. A finding of a *prima facie* question of privilege results in the question being given precedence over other House business. An abstract or hypothetical question should not take precedence over other House business. In *Parliamentary Privilege in Canada* (2<sup>nd</sup> edition) at page 222, Maingot states that there ‘must be some act that improperly interferes with the Member's rights.’

An additional difficulty with an abstract or hypothetical question is the requirement that a member should ‘demonstrate that the matter is being brought to the House's attention at the first opportunity’ as provided by O'Brien and Bosc in *House of Commons Procedure and Practice* (2<sup>nd</sup> edition) at page 144. This would be extremely difficult, if not impossible, with an abstract or hypothetical question. The member for Halifax Atlantic has not demonstrated that she has met this requirement.

Although the member has raised a number of questions that may indeed be important, that the member may consider pressing and that the House may ultimately choose to deal with, the member has not alleged any facts that I may consider as to whether they give rise to a *prima facie* breach

of privilege.

The member states in her submission that she is ‘gravely concerned that [her] service as a member may expose [her] to the possibility of inadvertently committing offences under the [*House of Assembly*] Act ...’. Her concern is hypothetical. Without a specific allegation of a possible breach of privilege, there is nothing for me to consider and respond to. Therefore, I find that there is no *prima facie* point of privilege.

The member for Halifax Atlantic has other recourse with respect to the questions she has raised. She is free to put her proposed resolution before the House by giving notice of motion in the usual fashion.

That is the ruling on this matter. Thank you.”

#### **PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South, tabled a petition calling for the paving of Lake Road.

A. MacMaster, Inverness, tabled a petition asking the NDP to stand by their platform and stop further cuts to the Education budget.

Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South, tabled a petition requesting the repaving of Chapman Settlement Road.

#### **PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

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. 80. Members Retirement Allowances Act**

**No. 81. Builders’ Lien Act**

**No. 82. Provincial Flag Act**

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

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 1329 - Hon. D. Dexter, Premier - remembering the Westray Mine Explosion 21 years ago and honouring their memory by rededicating to keep Nova Scotia workers safe on the workplace.

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

Res. No. 1330 - Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness - congratulating Dr. Carmen Giacomantonio on receiving an investiture as Knight of the Italian Republic in the Italian Order of Merit.

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

Res. No. 1331 - Hon. P. Paris, Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism - recognizing the importance to Nova Scotia of the Annapolis Valley Apple Blossom Festival.

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

Res. No. 1332 - Hon. L. Preyra, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage - congratulating Brian Doherty on being appointed honorary consul of Ireland in Halifax.

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

Res. No. 1333 - Hon. D. Wilson, Minister of Health and Wellness - recognizing National Nursing Week and the contributions all nurses across Nova Scotia provide every day.

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

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 1334 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating United Commercial Travelers Truro Council 856 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. 1335 - C. MacKinnon, Pictou East - remembering the victims and thanking the brave draegermen who attempted rescue on this the 21<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the Westray Mine Explosion.

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

Res. No. 1336 - Hon. S. McNeil, Leader of the Official Opposition - honouring the memory of those who were lost in the Westray disaster and sending our thoughts and prayers on this the 21<sup>st</sup> anniversary.

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

Res. No. 1337 - Hon. J. Baillie, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party - remembering the 26 miners who lost their lives in the Westray Mine and extending ongoing sympathies to the families as they cherish the memories of their loved ones.

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

Res. No. 1338 - Hon. B. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognizing Bobby Orr's cup-winning goal in 1970 and best wishes to the Bruin's fans in this year's team quest to capture the Stanley Cup.

Res. No. 1339 - Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare - congratulating Dr. Elsie Charles Basque on receiving an honorary doctorate from Acadia University and wishing her good health and happiness.

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

Res. No. 1340 - K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulating Danielle Fraser on being chosen to participate in the Lions National Youth engagement session.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1341 - Hon. D. Dexter, Cole Harbour - thanking Dan and Jamie Latter on hosting the Christmas Daddies Auction and the many Nova Scotians who came out to bid on all the items for a great cause.

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

Res. No. 1342 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - thanking Graeme McKinnon-Nestman on his reflection of receiving the 2012 Colonel Douglas H. Gunter History Award and wishing him all the best.

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

Res. No. 1343 - E. Orrell, Cape Breton North - congratulating the students and staff of Thompson Junior High School for raising awareness of Earth Day and making a difference in their community.

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

Res. No. 1344 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - congratulating Grace McKnight and the participants in the Kinship project and commending the group for exploring spiritual diversity.

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

Res. No. 1345 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - congratulating New Beginnings Ministry on their 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary and welcoming all that enter their sanctuary.

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

Res. No. 1346 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Emma Thompson, Madeleine Robitaille and Brandon Doucette on their accomplishment with the Science Expo and wishing them good luck in Alberta.

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

Res. No. 1347 - G. Ramey, Lunenburg West - congratulating the Alternative Rock Band, First to Fall, on the completion of their new CD and wishing them success in their future endeavours.

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

Res. No. 1348 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Cobequid Pastoral Charge on their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and commending them for their commitment to their religious worship.

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

Res. No. 1349 - M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville - requesting Liberal members to explain to Nova Scotians why they felt it was right to use the DNR helicopter as a political taxi.

Res. No. 1350 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - requesting the Nova Scotia Department of Energy through the Minister of Energy to have the attachment to the letter in question released at the Maritime Link hearing.

Res. No. 1351 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond - congratulating Donald MacLellan for his efforts to chronicle events and everyday activities on Isle Madame and Cape Breton through his photos.

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

Res. No. 1352 - G. MacLellan, Glace Bay - congratulating Kim Scattalon for her completion of the Boston Marathon and a 2013 edition of the historic race that reminds us that goodness wins over evil.

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

Res. No. 1353 - Z. Churchill, Yarmouth - congratulating Brian Trask on his retirement after 35 years with Canadian Border Services.

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

Res. No. 1354 - Hon. Manning MacDonald, Cape Breton South - asking the The Premier the reason why he used the taxpayer's dollars for his

Barristers fees and other purchases.

Res. No. 1355 - Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare - extending congratulations and best wishes to all the athletes in the 29<sup>th</sup> Jeux régionaux de la Nouvelle-Écosse.

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

Res. No. 1356 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Colleen Cashin for her contributions made to improve the lives of others and wishing her continued success in the future.

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

Res. No. 1357 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond - congratulating the professionals for hosting the Give a Gift from the Heart and allowing 34 patients to receive free dental hygiene care.

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

Res. No. 1358 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - congratulating the Evangel Pentecostal Church on celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and burning their church mortgage.

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

Res. No. 1359 - Z. Churchill, Yarmouth - congratulating Henry Blair Surette on retiring after 39 years of service with the Canadian Border Services Agency.

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

Res. No. 1360 - Hon. Manning MacDonald, Cape Breton South - stating the NDP accepted illegal campaign donations in the 2009 election.

With unanimous consent, the Bills reported back from Law Amendments Committee earlier today were brought forward to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.



**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 bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, each without amendment:

**No. 70. Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Professionals Act**

**No. 80. Members Retirement Allowances Act**

**No. 81. Builders' Lien Act**

**No. 82. Provincial Flag Act**

And the following bills, which were reported with certain amendments by the Committee on Law Amendments to the Committee of the Whole House without further amendments and recommend these bills to the favourable consideration of the House:

**No. 76. Adult Protection Act**

**No. 78. Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia) Act**

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on this day.

**PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

With unanimous consent, the House reverted business and M. Raymond, Chairman of the Committee on Private and Local Bills, reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendment:

**No. 84. District of Barrington Health Professionals Assistance Act**

The foregoing bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

**PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bills:

**No. 62. Protection of Persons in Care Act**

**No. 76. Adult Protection Act**

**No. 70. Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Professionals Act**

**No. 78. Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia) Act**

**No. 80. Members Retirement Allowances Act**

**No. 81. Builders' Lien Act**

The question being put by Madam Deputy Speaker, the bills were forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bills do pass and the titles be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bills be engrossed.

**PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 82. Provincial Flag 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.

**PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

With unanimous consent, the House reverted business and Hon. R.

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

**No. 83. Halifax Regional Municipality Charter**

The foregoing bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

**CWH ON BILLS**

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

Madam Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the Chair of the Committee.

Madam Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

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**PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS**

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 84. District of Barrington Health Professionals Assistance 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**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M.

**MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5). The topic for late debate as submitted by K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes:

“Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House condemn the member representing New Glasgow for sitting at the Cabinet Table and not doing anything to help spur on the economy while the town has lost almost 6,000 jobs and seen its GDP shrink by 16 per cent since 2009.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: E. Orrell, Hon. R. Landry and G. MacLellan.

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 1361 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Spencer Barron on being nominated Antigonish Bulldog Bantam AA hockey team’s Most Valuable Player for 2012-13.

Res. No. 1362 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Theresa Dorrington for her generosity, kindness and ongoing dedication to her community.

Res. No. 1363 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Tyler Marshall on receiving the Duke of Edinburgh's Silver Award.

Res. No. 1364 - G. Ramey, Lunenburg West - congratulating the members of the Lunenburg County Lifestyle Centre's capital campaign raising about one-third of their goal.

Res. No. 1365 - G. Ramey, Lunenburg West - congratulating Vernon Whynot on his volunteer award and thanking him for his contributions to his community.

Res. No. 1366 - Hon. G. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - wishing Dr. Brian Howe a most enjoyable retirement and thanking him for his dedication and passion for his community.

Res. No. 1367 - Hon. G. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - wishing Dr. Katherine Corell all the best in her retirement and thanking her for her dedication and passion to the community.

Res. No. 1368 - Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - recognizing May 7<sup>th</sup> as World Asthma Day and thanking everyone who works toward finding better ways to help asthma patients.

Res. No. 1369 - Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - recognizing Madison Falconer for her participation in the Journey for a Lifetime program and wishing her future success.

Res. No. 1370 - Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulating 9-year-old Zander Downs for his accomplishments in the film *Love, Sam* and wishing him future success.

Res. No. 1371 - Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - acknowledging the behind-the-scenes work of volunteers in ensuring Team Nova Scotia is ready in this national sporting event.

Res. No. 1372 - Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - commending Elaine Murphy and Gloria Williams for performing for over 25 years and wishing them success with Electra Gold.

Res. No. 1373 - Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - recognizing Terry Cousineau for representing Nova Scotia at the 2013 Wheelchair Curling Championship and wishing him future success.

Res. No. 1374 - Hon. D. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - recognizing Sackville Kingfishers Hockey Team for being selected to play in the Metro High School Hockey League's annual all-star game.

Res. No. 1375 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - congratulating Armed Forces Captain Kevin Brooks on his retirement after a span of 28-plus years.

Res. No. 1376 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - congratulating Fred M. Dunphy on his many accomplishments, plus the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his company and his commitment to the Nova Scotia economy.

Res. No. 1377 - Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - congratulating James Colford for his tremendous contributions to the families of his community.

Res. No. 1378 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Glen Jennings and his family on being selected as a story in Kraft's What's Cooking magazine on a family tradition of producing food for the consumer.

Res. No. 1379 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating the Elizabeth Bishop Society of Nova Scotia for providing the students who participated in the banner contest with a free workshops, speakers and lunch.

Res. No. 1380 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating the New Annan Heritage House Association for preserving the West New Annan United Church and the initiative to save the historic landmark.

Res. No. 1381 - L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill - recognizing and applauding the teamwork of the Colchester East Hants Health Authority and the Colchester East Hants Health Centre for enhancing health care in the community.

Res. No. 1382 - L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill - recognizing and congratulating Douglas Carter on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for his commitment to the residents of Truro.

Res. No. 1383 - L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill - congratulating Michael Stewart on receiving his Sir Howard Douglas Award and wishing him the best in his future endeavours.

Res. No. 1384 - L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill - recognizing and applauding the teamwork of the Colchester East Hants Health Authority and

the Colchester East Hants Health Centre for enhancing health care in the community.

Res. No. 1385 - L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill - congratulating Vivian Hoar on receiving the Governor General's Caring Canadian Award and recognizing her commitment to the community of Truro.

Res. No. 1386 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating St. Mary's River Smokehouses on receiving the Best New Retail Product at the International Boston Seafood Show.

Res. No. 1387 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating the coach and players of St. Mary's Junior Girls volleyball on receiving the NSAFF Banner and wishing them success in the future.

Res. No. 1388 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating St. Mary's Municipal Council and staff on the sod-turning ceremony and future development of their Municipal Office.

Res. No. 1389 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating the Guysborough and Area Board of Trade for their continued efforts in promoting local business.

Res. No. 1390 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Douglas and Gertie Snow on their 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary and wishing them many more happy years together.

Res. No. 1391 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Margaret Delorey on her 101<sup>st</sup> birthday and extending best wishes for many more such celebrations in the future.

Res. No. 1392 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - extending congratulating Mary Rhynold for receiving her 40-year service pin and her dedicated service to Canada Post and.

Res. No. 1393 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Operation Christmas Spirit, its Elves and volunteers for their generosity, kindness and dedication to their community.

Res. No. 1394 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating the Royal Bank in Guysborough for their generosity, kindness and dedication to their community.

Res. No. 1395 – Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's -

extending condolences to David Armstrong's family and remembering his love of teaching and coaching basketball.

Res. No. 1396 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Doll Stevens on her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday and becoming a member of the "100 years young club".

Res. No. 1397 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - recognizing members of an advisory panel for their guidance and expertise to develop a new direction for the future of housing in Nova Scotia.

Res. No. 1398 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Allana Loh on receiving the HRM Volunteer of the Year for 2013 and the Provincial Volunteer Representative of the Year for 2013.

Res. No. 1399 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating maestro Jean Arnold, in chorus, for his years of service to the musical arts in Nova Scotia.

Res. No. 1400 - Hon. M. Smith, Antigonish - applauding Grade 12 students on their interest and commitment to the Gaelic language and wishing them well in their future endeavours.

Res. No. 1401 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Lindsay Levy on receiving a 2012 recipient of the Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Award.

Res. No. 1402 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - thanking Hannah Tobin and student leader teammates for having such big hearts to come to the aid of orphans in Mexico.

Res. No. 1403 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Manon Roy, Annette Petrie and Tallahassee Community School on being the runner up in the Nova Scotia Recycle Contest.

Res. No. 1404 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Brett Crossley for his years of work and dedication to hockey and wishing him future success with his hockey dreams.

Res. No. 1405 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating the students and staff of Ocean View Elementary School on the event of their first ever Family Day event.

Res. No. 1406 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage -



commending Amanda Stevens for winning first place at the Cole Harbour Lions Club Speakout contest.

Res. No. 1407 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Reverend John Ferguson on his 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of service to the Parish of St. Peter in Eastern Passage and for his devotion.

Res. No. 1408 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Gin and Evelyn Yee on the arrival of their son, Eli Kai-Wei Yee.

Res. No. 1409 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Kim Stacey for having the best fishcakes in town and, along with radio host, Cory Poirier, helped raise the profile of an Eastern Passage business.

Res. No. 1410 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - thanking Heidi Lemire for establishing a young women's fitness club in the Eastern Passage Education Centre and leading them to a healthier lifestyle.

Res. No. 1411 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating the 2002 Nova Scotia Prospects hockey team for winning the Junior Warrior National Showcase and wishing them all the best.

Res. No. 1412 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing the efforts and achievements of Maxine Both, Breanna Huntley, Georgia Stanley and Sara Conrad in the recent Skills Nova Scotia Competition.

Res. No. 1413 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing the achievements and services of Reverend Canon Russell Elliott for the past 70 years to his faith, his community and his province.

Res. No. 1414 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - congratulating Horticulture Nova Scotia for their annual horticultural congress that keeps the vegetable and berry industries at the forefront of their chosen industries.

Res. No. 1415 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - congratulating Al Whittle for 60 years of contribution to the cultural life of Annapolis Valley.

Res. No. 1416 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing Selene and Alex Cole for their innovative business idea and congratulate them on their success.

Res. No. 1417 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - congratulating

Maurice Lightfoot for 65 years of service that he has offered to the Wolfville Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 1418 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing the contributions made by Lindsay Harris to her basketball team, university, and sport.

Res. No. 1419 - Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulating Lee Anne Arsenault and her staff members on their positive initiative to eradicate the scourge of bullying from our schools.

Res. No. 1420 - Hon. J. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulating Devin Sanford on his cool action in the face of an emergency thrust upon him.

Res. No. 1421 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - wishing Gerald West the very best as he takes part in the Honour Flight and visits other veterans of the Second World War in Washington.

Res. No. 1422 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - congratulating the staff and ownership of the Lockett Vineyards on their success and contributions to the local community and economy.

Res. No. 1423 - V. Conrad, Queens - congratulating the students at Greenfield Elementary School on Earth Day events and taking an active role in preserving and protecting their environment.

Res. No. 1424 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Greg Tutty on completion and debut of his first play *Willing You My Love*.

Res. No. 1425 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing the Ali Cameron Memorial Award as a reminder of the many contributions Ali Cameron made to music and singing in Queens County throughout her life.

Res. No. 1426 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Kristin Gordon on her participation and involvement with this successful and prestigious Metro Boston Pizza midget AAA female hockey club.

Res. No. 1427 - V. Conrad, Queens - congratulating Memories Café and Eatery for the honour of being deemed a leader by their peers at the 2012 Lunenburg Queens Business Excellence.

Res. No. 1428 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating the members of the Reynolds Rebels men's broomball team on winning gold at the 2013 Liverpool Invitational Broomball Tournament.

Res. No. 1429 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - recognizing and congratulating the owners and staff of John's Lunch for being named Canadian Living Magazine's best in fish and chips award and on this well-earned accolade and their commitment to providing hearty fare for more than 40 years.

Res. No. 1430 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating the members of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 band and band teacher on their achievements and wishing them many more years of music.

Res. No. 1431 - Hon. M. Smith, Antigonish - acknowledging the hundreds of men and women in Nova Scotia who provide and maintain services needed in communities during National Public Works Week.

Res. No. 1432 - Hon. M. Smith, Antigonish - congratulating Mike Cormier on receiving the Roger Cyr award for his efforts and encourage Nova Scotians to cross railway crossings safely.

Res. No. 1433 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Morgan Messenger for being named Rookie of the Year by the Maritime Junior Hockey League and wishing him all the best in his future pursuits.

Res. No. 1434 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Petty Officer Second Class Nick Williams for receiving the Commander Canadian Fleet Atlantic Commendation.

Res. No. 1435 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Shelburne Rebels Basketball team on winning the 2012/13 Nova Scotia Schools Athletic Federation NSSAF, Division 3 Senior Boys Basketball Championship.

Res. No. 1436 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Rebecca Buchanan on receiving the Oceans II award.

Res. No. 1437 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Tyler Symonds on receiving the Coach of the Year award by the Nova Scotia Junior C Hockey League.

Res. No. 1438 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating St.

Mary's River Smokehouse on receiving the Best New Retail award.

Res. No. 1439 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Ocean Smith for her winning entry in the Office of the Ombudsman National Child Day poster contest.

Res. No. 1440 - Hon. P. Paris, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - congratulating George Matthews on receiving the Volunteer of the Year award and recognizing his contributions to the community and province.

Res. No. 1441 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Kelsey Torak on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee scholarship and medal in 2012.

Res. No. 1442 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulating Tony Mahaney for receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal and applaud his contributions to the Town of Shelburne.

Res. No. 1443 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - commending the Lunenburg Folk Harbour Festival and everyone involved for their commitments to the arts in the Town of Lunenburg and the contributions by the Leanne's Children's Foundation.

Res. No. 1444 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - congratulating the Peer Gallery in Lunenburg as it celebrates their 12<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Res. No. 1445 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - recognizing Rebecca Weagle for her contribution to the Boston Pizza Metros and congratulating her for winning MVP in hockey and carrying on to the Esso Cup in BC.

Res. No. 1446 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - recognizing and congratulating to On Tap Dance Studio's "Team Magic" members and their instructors on winning awards at the Limelight Dance Competition.

Res. No. 1447 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - commending Simone Chia-Kangata on her efforts to bring awareness to environmental issues and hope they beat the current Guinness World Record for the most simultaneous cloth diaper changes.

Res. No. 1448 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - congratulating Vernon Whynot on receiving a Provincial Volunteer Award for his community involvement.

Res. No. 1449 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - recognizing and

congratulating Spruce Top Rug Hooking Studio and Carol Harvey-Clark on reaching their 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary in the Town of Mahone Bay.

Res. No. 1450 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - congratulating William Kowalski of Mahone Bay on the publication of his fifth novel *The Hundred Hearts*.

Res. No. 1451 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - congratulating Shyanne Mossman on winning a bronze medal at the Cadet Canada National Biathlon Championship.

Res. No. 1452 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - recognizing and congratulating the Lunenburg County Progress Bulletin and its staff for winning awards at the National Canada competition in late March 2013.

Res. No. 1453 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - congratulating all the members of Kingsburg Coastal Conservancy for their efforts to preserve and protect this pristine piece of wilderness on the South Shore.

Res. No. 1454 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - recognizing the volunteer efforts of Jeanette Poirier and commend her for contributing to the Arthur Fredericks Community Builders in Mexico.

Res. No. 1455 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - congratulating Cheryl Lamerson on the success of the Lunenburg Community Consignment Store and wishing her continued success in her new location.

Res. No. 1456 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - recognizing and commending the Mahone Bay and Area Lions Club for its continued support and participation in the Lions Foundation of Canada's guide dog program.

Res. No. 1457 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - recognizing all involved with the 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Lunenburg and District Music Festival.

Res. No. 1458 - B. Skabar, Cumberland North - congratulating Karen Neary for her dedication to the fibre arts and thanking her for being a Nova Scotia cultural ambassador to the world.

Res. No. 1459 - L. Glavine, Kings West - congratulating James and Amanda Kinsman on being the 2013 Atlantic Outstanding Young Farmers and will be representing the region later this year.

Res. No. 1460 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - congratulating Jake

MacDonald on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 1461 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - congratulating Peter Goucher on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal on his contributions to past students and to his community.

Res. No. 1462 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - congratulating Dr. James Robert Harris on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal on his contributions to past students and to his community.

Res. No. 1463 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - congratulating Connie MacNeil on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal on her contributions to past students and to her community.

Res. No. 1464 - Hon. P. Paris, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - congratulating Samantha Jardine on being named youth volunteer of the year and thanking her for sharing her time and talents with various organizations.

Res. No. 1465 - Hon. P. Paris, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - congratulating Paula Beck-MacKenzie on being named youth volunteer of the year and thanking her for sharing her time and talents with various organizations.

Res. No. 1466 - Hon. P. Paris, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - congratulating Kirk Stephen on being named youth volunteer of the year and thanking him for sharing his time and talents with various organizations.

Res. No. 1467 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - commending Barry Whynott for 25 years of service and community involvement with the Lunenburg County Ground Search and Rescue.

Res. No. 1468 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - commending Walter Wolfe for 10 years of service and community involvement with the Lunenburg County Ground Search and Rescue.

Res. No. 1469 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - commending Ken Baker for 5 years of service and community involvement with the Lunenburg County Ground Search and Rescue.

Res. No. 1470 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - commending Gloria Nauss for 5 years of service and community involvement with the Lunenburg County Ground Search and Rescue.

Res. No. 1471 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - commending Sherry Veinot for 25 years of service and community involvement with the Lunenburg County Ground Search and Rescue.

Res. No. 1472 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - commending Peter Lake for 15 years of service and community involvement with the Lunenburg County Ground Search and Rescue.

Res. No. 1473 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - commending Harold Rafuse for 5 years of service and community involvement with the Lunenburg County Ground Search and Rescue.

Res. No. 1474 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - commending Creig Veinot for 25 years of service and community involvement with the Lunenburg County Ground Search and Rescue.

Res. No. 1475 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - commending Troy Hughes for 5 years of service and community involvement with the Lunenburg County Ground Search and Rescue.

Res. No. 1476 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Olivia Gaetz for winning the Henneberry's Barber Shoppe Trophy during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1477 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Victoria Hopper for winning Veinot's Footwear Cup and Ali Cameron Memorial Award during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1478 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Clare Amirault for winning the Winds of Change Plaque during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1479 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Bailey Selig for winning the Lion's Cup during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1480 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Brent Raddall for winning the Winds of Change Plaque during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1481 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Angus Stevens for winning the Evelyn Reiser Memorial Trophy and the KMP Award during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

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Res. No. 1482 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating the Queens County Girls Choir for winning the Kinsmen Shield during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1483 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Clare Amirault and Hannah Garnes for winning the RICJAC Irving Mainway Trophy during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1484 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Hannah Barnes for winning the Lion's Cup during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1485 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Jordan Haughn for winning the Maddie Keay Memorial Trophy during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1486 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Gwendolyn Williams for winning the IODE Cup during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1487 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating SpinCount on its nomination for an award at the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1488 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Lincoln Inglis for winning the Atlantic Superstore Trophy, the Private Stock Studio Trophy and Ali Cameron Memorial Award during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1489 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Janelle Veinot for winning the Hank Snow Country Music Centre Trophy during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1490 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating North Queens Elementary Choir for winning Kiwanis Trophy during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1491 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Stephen Karavos for winning the Bowater Mersey Paper Company Cup during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1492 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and



congratulating Ruthie Hartlen and Naomi Blackadar for winning the Khattar Cup during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1493 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating North Queens Middle School Band for winning the Queens County Music Festival Trophy during the 2013 Queen's County Music Festival.

Res. No. 1494 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Chloe Burgess for her success in the Queens County Minor Hockey Association.

Res. No. 1495 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Brent Raddall for his success in the Queens County Minor Hockey Association.

Res. No. 1496 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Thomas Harvey for his success in the Queens County Minor Hockey Association.

Res. No. 1497 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Andrew Dixon for his success in the Queens County Minor Hockey Association.

Res. No. 1498 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating Logan Comeau for his success in the Queens County Minor Hockey Association.

Res. No. 1499 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing and congratulating the Queens County Midget B Cougars for their success at the 2013 Birthplace of Hockey Tournament.

Res. No. 1500 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing the achievements of Le Caveau and the efforts made by their staff, management and ownership.

Res. No. 1501 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing the achievements of Maxwell's Shoes and the efforts made by their staff, management and ownership.

Res. No. 1502 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing the achievements of Summit Hyundai and the efforts made by their staff, management and ownership.

Res. No. 1503 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing the achievements of Sobey's New Minas and the efforts made by their staff, management and ownership.

Res. No. 1504 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing the achievements of The Swimwear Hut and the efforts made by their staff, management and ownership.

Res. No. 1505 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing the achievements of Swiss Chalet New Minas and the efforts made by their staff, management and ownership.

Res. No. 1506 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing the achievements of The Tattingsstone Inn and the efforts made by their staff, management and ownership.

Res. No. 1507 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing the achievements of the Wolfville Farmer's Market and the efforts made by their staff, management and ownership.

Res. No. 1508 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing the achievements of Hampton House and the efforts made by their staff, management and ownership.

Res. No. 1509 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing the achievements of Domaine de Grand Pré and the efforts made by their staff, management and ownership.

Res. No. 1510 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Derek Hubley for his Dreams Take Flight experience and wishing him a lifetime of opportunities that will create happy and magical memories.

Res. No. 1511 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Paige Hubley for her Dreams Take Flight experience and wishing her a lifetime of opportunities that will create happy and magical memories.

Res. No. 1512 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Summer Negus for her Dreams Take Flight experience and wishing her a lifetime of opportunities that will create happy and magical memories.

Res. No. 1513 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage -

congratulating Gail Armstrong of GSA Catering and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia seniors.

Res. No. 1514 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Eastern Passage Pharmasave and thanking them for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia seniors.

Res. No. 1515 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Ted McLean and thanking him for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia seniors.

Res. No. 1516 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Debbie McLean and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia seniors.

Res. No. 1517 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Dianna White and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia seniors.

Res. No. 1518 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Vicie Murphy and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia seniors.

Res. No. 1519 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Rose Smith and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia seniors.

Res. No. 1520 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Mike Smith and thanking him for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia seniors.

Res. No. 1521 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Elizabeth Gill and thanking her for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia seniors.

Res. No. 1522 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Eastern Passage Tim Hortons and thanking them for aiding the health and safety of Nova Scotia seniors.

Res. No. 1523 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Fred and Mabel Witherall on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking them for all that they do.

Res. No. 1524 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's -

congratulating Jane Wilkins on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking her for all that she does.

Res. No. 1525 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Jackie Benoit and Sharon Gates on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking them for all that they do.

Res. No. 1526 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Pam Bedard on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking her for all that she does.

Res. No. 1527 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Morley and Jean Bezanson on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking them for all that they do.

Res. No. 1528 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Linda Nauss Saltzman on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking her for all that she does.

Res. No. 1529 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Diane Webber on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking her for all that she does.

Res. No. 1530 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Wayne Rafuse on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking him for all that he does.

Res. No. 1531 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Mary Eldridge on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking her for all that she does.

Res. No. 1532 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Barbara Naugler on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking her for all that she does.

Res. No. 1533 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Kelly Mattinson on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking her for all that she does.

Res. No. 1534 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Mary Jane Dorey on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking her for all that she does.

Res. No. 1535 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's -

congratulating Calvin Awalt on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking him for all that he does.

Res. No. 1536 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Nancy Fitch on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking her for all that she does.

Res. No. 1537 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Richard "Rick" Armstrong on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking him for all that he does.

Res. No. 1538 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Mary Schnare on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking her for all that she does.

Res. No. 1539 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Aubrey Myra on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking him for all that he does.

Res. No. 1540 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Bonita Church on being recognized as a Volunteer Family Award recipient and thanking her for all that she does.

Res. No. 1541 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - extending our thanks to the late Dennis W. Perry on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1542 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Basil Bond on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1543 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Clyde Mosher on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1544 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - extending our thanks to the late Emery Stevens on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1545 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Donald Kempton Allen on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1546 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's -

congratulating George Hilchie on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1547 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Robert J. LeBlanc on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1548 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Laughlin MacDonald on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1549 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Ira Gates on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1550 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Guy Morash on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1551 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Gerald Stevens on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1552 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - extend thanks to the late Harvey Cook on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1553 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Richard Logan on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1554 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Joseph Payne on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

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congratulating Edris Grady on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

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Res. No. 1559 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Vic Flemming on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1560 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Wallace Chandler on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1561 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Tom Montgomery on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1562 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Walter Webber on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1563 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating Charles Dujohn on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1564 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating William Martel on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1565 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating William Nauss on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1566 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating William Hood on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1567 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating William Dyer on being awarded the Duke of Edinburgh's Honorary Century of Service Medallion for service.

Res. No. 1568 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour -

congratulating Michael Coady on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1569 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Lisa Bedell on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for her dedicated service.

Res. No. 1570 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating David Gammon on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1571 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Arthur MacKenzie on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1572 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Anthony Turner on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1573 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Vance Thompson on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1574 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Stanley Cashin on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1575 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Robert Moore on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1576 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Robert Dobson on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1577 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Robert Armstrong on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1578 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Roy Simpson on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1579 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour -



congratulating Nettie Rhynold on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for her dedicated service.

Res. No. 1580 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Gorley Webber on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1581 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Frank Lombardo on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1582 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Simon Avery on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1583 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Wayne Hadley on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1584 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Vernon Zwicker on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1585 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating William Winters on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1586 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Wilbert DeCoste on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1587 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating veterans of Torbay Legion Branch 117 on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for their dedicated service.

Res. No. 1588 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Wayne Silver on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1589 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Thomas Richard on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

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Res. No. 1599 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Floyd George on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1600 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Frank MacLeod on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

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Res. No. 1609 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating John Peitzsche on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Medal for his dedicated service.

Res. No. 1610 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Shawna Cody on receiving a Province of Nova Scotia's 36th Volunteer Award and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 1611 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Michael Gerrior on receiving a Province of Nova Scotia's 36th Volunteer Award and wishing him continued success.

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Res. No. 1619 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Marion Brow on receiving a Province of Nova Scotia's 36th Volunteer Award and wishing her continued success.

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Res. No. 1622 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Martha Jane Mansfield on receiving a Province of Nova Scotia's 36th Volunteer Award and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 1623 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating MacKenzie Cook on receiving a Province of Nova Scotia's 36th Volunteer Award and wishing him continued success.

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Res. No. 1640 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Geneva Clyde on receiving a Province of Nova Scotia's 36th Volunteer Award and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 1641 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Edison Gosbee on receiving a Province of Nova Scotia's 36th Volunteer Award and wishing her continued success.

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Res. No. 1649 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Audrey MacPherson on receiving a Province of Nova Scotia's 36th Volunteer Award and wishing her continued success.

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Res. No. 1657 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Adrienne Grant on receiving a Province of Nova Scotia's 36th Volunteer Award and wishing her continued success.

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Res. No. 1659 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Doreen Boudreau on receiving a Province of Nova Scotia's 36th Volunteer Award and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 1660 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Donald Cashin on receiving a Province of Nova Scotia's 36th Volunteer Award and wishing him continued success.

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Res. No. 1663 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Willie Cameron on receiving a Province of Nova Scotia's 36th Volunteer Award and wishing him continued success.

Res. No. 1664 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Winnie Bent on receiving a Province of Nova Scotia's 36th Volunteer Award and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 1665 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Theresa Beiswanger on receiving a Province of Nova Scotia's 36th Volunteer Award and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 1666 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Wayne Simpson on receiving a Province of Nova Scotia's 36th Volunteer Award and wishing him continued success.



Res. No. 1667 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Veronica Jack on receiving a Province of Nova Scotia's 36th Volunteer Award and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 1668 - L. Glavine, Kings West - congratulating Mollie Symons and the educational influence of her parents and wishing her every success in Washington, D.C.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### **POINT OF PRIVILEGE**

Hon. K. Colwell, Preston, rose on a point of privilege stating he had been assaulted and threatened by the Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism on May 9, 2013 and moved the following Resolution:

“Therefore be it resolved that the member for Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank be admonished by the Speaker for threats and intimidation and violating the rights of all members of the House of Assembly, through his actions, and that the matter be referred to the Committee on Internal Affairs and the committee's findings be reported back to the House without delay.”

Hon. Mr. Speaker recessed the House to consult with staff and advised he would report back to the House as early as possible.

#### **SPEAKER'S RULING**

“The member for Preston has raised a matter of privilege and contempt.

Members will remember I outlined principles surrounding the finding of a prima facie case of privilege on April 23, 2013.

This is an un-rebutted allegation of assault and of obstruction. According to the authorities this is a matter of contempt and breach of privilege. Following the principles I set out for the House, this constitutes a prima facie case of breach of privilege and of contempt.

I considered the Member for Waverley-Fall River-Beaverbank's resignation from the Executive Council as raised by the Honourable Government House Leader and while it did not go to the question of whether there is a prima facie case it may be something the House may wish to take into consideration.

I have considered the proposed resolution and I understand that the Member for Preston has agreed to restrict the motion to a referral to the Committee on Internal Affairs.

I will now recognize the Member for Preston to read his revised

motion.”

Hon. K. Colwell moved the following motion:

“Therefore be it resolved that the matters related to the actions of the member for Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank be referred to the Committee on Internal Affairs and that the committee's finding be reported back to the House without delay.”

The motion carried and the Speaker directed that the matter be referred to the Committee on Internal Affairs.

### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 1669 - Hon. J. Baillie, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party - recognizing May as Caregiver Awareness Month and acknowledging the people who care for the vulnerable Nova Scotians.

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

Res. No. 1670 - A. MacMaster, Inverness - congratulating Larch Wood Canada on its recognition in the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Nova Scotia Export Achievement Awards.

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

Res. No. 1671 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - marking May as Celiac Awareness Month and recognizing the Canadian Celiac Association for their dedication.

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

Res. No. 1672 - K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes - marking May as Speech and Hearing Awareness Month and doing our part to advocate for individuals with challenges.

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

**PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. M. More, Minister of the Public Service Commission, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 61. Cyber-safety Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. K. Casey and Hon. J. Baillie. The question being put by Mr. 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.

**ROYAL ASSENT**

At 11:40 A.M. this day, His Honour, the Administrator, Chief Justice Hon. J. Michael MacDonald, came to the Chamber of the House of Assembly and seated in the Speaker's Chair, was addressed by Mr. Speaker as follows:

"May it please Your Honour, the General Assembly of the Province has, in its present session, passed certain bills to which, in the name and on behalf of the General Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent."

His Honour was then pleased to give his assent to the following bills:

- No. 3. Support for Parents of Critically Ill or Abducted Children Act**
- No. 32. Solemnization of Marriage Act**
- No. 36. Provincial Court Act**
- No. 37. Innovative Transportation Act**
- No. 42. Pension Benefits Act**
- No. 43. Trustees of Onslow Cemetery Company Act**
- No. 51. Financial Measures (2013) Act**
- No. 54. Widows' Pension Act**

- No. 55. **Protection of Animal Welfare and Security Act**
- No. 57. **Language Schools Act**
- No. 59. **Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia) Act**
- No. 61. **Cyber-safety Act**
- No. 62. **Protection for Persons in Care Act**
- No. 66. **Mariners' Day Act**
- No. 67. **Elections Act**
- No. 69. **Statute Amendments (2013) Act**
- No. 70. **Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Professionals Act**
- No. 71. **House of Assembly Act**
- No. 72. **House of Assembly Act**
- No. 73. **House of Assembly Act**
- No. 74. **House of Assembly Act**
- No. 75. **House of Assembly Act**
- No. 76. **Adult Protection Act**
- No. 78. **Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia) Act**
- No. 80. **Members' Retiring Allowance Act**
- No. 81. **Builders' Lien Act**
- No. 82. **Provincial Flag Act**
- No. 83. **Halifax Regional Municipality Charter**
- No. 84. **District of Barrington Health Professionals**

**Assistance Act**

“Your Honour, having been graciously pleased to give your Assent to the Bills passed during the present Session, it becomes my agreeable duty on behalf of Her Majesty’s dutiful and loyal subjects, Her faithful Commons of Nova Scotia, to present to Your Honour a bill for Appropriation of Supply granted in the present Session for the support of the Public Service and to request Your Honour’s Assent thereto.”

The said bill, entitled, “**An Act to Provide for Defraying Certain Charges and Expenses of the Public Service of the Province**”, was then handed to His Honour and he replied as follows:

“In Her Majesty’s name, I thank Her Loyal Subjects, I accept their benevolence and Assent to this Bill.”

His Honour the Administrator was then pleased to retire.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Speaker then asked all Members to rise and join him in the singing of the National Anthem.

The Hon. The Premier then moved that the House adjourn to meet again at the call of the Speaker. The motion carried.

**WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

The following written questions were passed in at the Clerk’s table.

W.Q. No. 1 - Enviro - Miller Lake Quarry: Will Minister go against wishes - C. Porter

W.Q. No. 2 - Enviro - What assurances from Minister that residents’ wells will be safe - C. Porter

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32**

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

Res. No. 1673 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating Blackberry on its Z10/Q10 success and wishing them all the best in their future endeavours.

Res. No. 1674 - Z. Churchill, Yarmouth - recognizing Alex Gigeroff's profound contribution to the arts and his community and thanking him for being an instrument of good in the world.

Res. No. 1675 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - thanking Harold Meuse for his generous gift, a book written by his late wife which is providing consolation to so many.

Res. No. 1676 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Robert Patzelt on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal and acknowledging his dedication and commitment to his province and community.

Res. No. 1677 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Joyce Grant-Smith on receiving her Writing for Children Award and wishing her continued success.

Res. No. 1678 - A. MacMaster, Inverness - congratulating Christine Campbell on having two of her original songs chosen as finalists at the 14th Annual Great American Song Contest.

Res. No. 1679 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - recognizing research scientist, Tim Webster, on bringing his cutting-edge technology to the province and wishing him well in the future.

Res. No. 1680 - A. MacMaster, Inverness - acknowledging Hugh John Beaton's retirement and wishing him well in the next chapter of his life.

Res. No. 1681 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating the manager and staff at the Keshen Goodman Library on being voted the best library in HRM by *The Coast's* readers.

Res. No. 1682 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Rory Flynn and her coach Brian Casey on her debate success in Cambridge and for making everyone proud once again.

Res. No. 1683 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Glenn Anderson on receiving his Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal and his contributions to his profession, community and province.

Res. No. 1684 - Hon. L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - congratulating the members of Saint Mary's University Model United Nations Society on their performance.

Res. No. 1685 - Hon. L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - congratulating the winners and nominees at the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Merritt Awards for their contributions to Nova Scotia's strong and vibrant arts and culture scene.

Res. No. 1686 - Hon. L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - congratulating Shakespeare by the Sea and all the winners and nominees on receiving the Merritt Award.

Res. No. 1687 - Hon. L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - congratulating Soccer Nova Scotia on their centennial milestone and the role of soccer in promoting a healthy society.

Res. No. 1688 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - recognizing 7 Sevens team and manager on their outstanding efforts in raising almost \$2,500 for Margaret's House.

Res. No. 1689 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Tatamagouche for using a convention of model trains as an educational experience.

Res. No. 1690 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Rielle Hoeg for her academic ability and for the honour of being named North Colchester High School Student of the Month in February 2013.

Res. No. 1691 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating North Shore Area Community Health Board for organizing an information event and wishing them a successful evening.

Res. No. 1692 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Nehalem Bigney on receiving the Dreams Take Flight Program and wishing him a very happy and rewarding experience.

Res. No. 1693 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating the Elizabeth Bishop Society of Nova Scotia on its 100<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration.

Res. No. 1694 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Marilyn Coleman on her win in the photography contest and encouraging her to continue entering contests.

Res. No. 1695 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Brooke Brown on being selected as Student of the Month for February 2013 at Colchester North High School.



Res. No. 1696 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Katelyn Hoeg for being selected as a finalist in the National Spelling Bee.

Res. No. 1697 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Ryan Spencer on being selected as a finalist in the National Spelling Bee.

Res. No. 1698 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Neil Morash on receiving a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for his service to his country.

Res. No. 1699 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Reg Myatt on receiving a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for his service to his country.

Res. No. 1700 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Walter Perrin on receiving a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for his service to his country.

Res. No. 1701 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Myles Rushton on receiving a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for his service to his country.

Res. No. 1702 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Bob Taylor on receiving a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for his contributions to the community.

Res. No. 1703 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Renée Surette and John Malone on the birth of their daughter and wishing them many happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1704 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Trina and Chris Adams on the birth of their daughter and wishing them many happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1705 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Haley and Francis Landry on the birth of their daughter and wishing them many happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1706 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Christine and Guy Rohland on the birth of their daughter and wishing them many happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1707 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Amanda and Joseph Muise on the birth of their son and wishing them many

happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1708 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Candace and Jacques Surette on the birth of their son and wishing them many happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1709 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Melissa and Derek Amirault on the birth of their son and wishing them many happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1710 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Cindy and Michel Surette on the birth of their son and wishing them many happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1711 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Jill and Adam Aldred on the birth of their son and wishing them many happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1712 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Jeanette and Joshua Thompson on the birth of their son and wishing them many happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1713 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Renée Corporon LeBlanc and Graham Spinney on the birth of their son and wishing them many happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1714 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Paula and Mark Hatfield on the birth of their son and wishing them many happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1715 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Justine and Gilles d'Entremont on the birth of their son and wishing them many happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1716 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Chrissy and Rejean Doucette on the birth of their son and wishing them many happy years as parents.

Res. No. 1717 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Shirley MacDonald on receiving a 2013 Community Champion Award.

Res. No. 1718 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Sandra Starratt on receiving a 2013 Community Champion Award.

Res. No. 1719 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Cathy Taylor on receiving a 2013 Community Champion Award.

Res. No. 1720 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Cyril Courtney on receiving a 2013 Community Champion Award.

Res. No. 1721 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Ratnam Mohan on receiving a 2013 Community Champion Award.

Res. No. 1722 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Tanya Verge on receiving a 2013 Community Champion Award.

Res. No. 1723 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Michael Faddoul on receiving a 2013 Community Champion Award.

Res. No. 1724 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Tony Eghan on receiving a 2013 Community Champion Award.

Res. No. 1725 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Greg Burk on receiving a 2013 Community Champion Award.

Res. No. 1726 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Cecily Grace Strongman on receiving the 2013 Lieutenant Governor's Medal and wishing her success.

Res. No. 1727 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Justin Alexander MacDonald on receiving the 2013 Lieutenant Governor's Medal and wishing him success.

Res. No. 1728 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Carly Victoria Avery on receiving the 2013 Lieutenant Governor's Medal and wishing her success.

Res. No. 1729 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Taylor Thomas Vincent Bezanson on receiving the 2013 Lieutenant Governor's Medal and wishing him success.

Res. No. 1730 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Stephanie Louise Delorey on receiving the 2013 Lieutenant Governor's Medal and wishing her success.

Res. No. 1731 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Joshua David Rhynold on receiving the 2013 Lieutenant Governor's Medal and wishing him success.

Res. No. 1732 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating William Handspiker of the North River and District Fire Brigade on receiving his 25-year service medal.

Res. No. 1733 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Ronald MacCallum of the North River and District Fire Brigade on receiving his 40-year service medal.

Res. No. 1734 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Ralph Hamilton of the North River and District Fire Brigade on receiving his 40-year service medal.

Res. No. 1735 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Gerald Brownell of the North River and District Fire Brigade on receiving his 40-year service medal.

Res. No. 1736 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Brian Ellis of the North River and District Fire Brigade on receiving his 40-year service medal.

Res. No. 1737 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Chris Franklin of the North River and District Fire Brigade on receiving his 20-year service medal.

Res. No. 1738 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Glen Crowe of the North River and District Fire Brigade on receiving his 25-year service medal.

Res. No. 1739 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Kelsey MacRae of the North River and District Fire Brigade on receiving his 40-year service medal.

Res. No. 1740 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating LeRoy Hansen of the North River and District Fire Brigade on receiving the award for the most training hours.

Res. No. 1741 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Mark Brownell of the North River and District Fire Brigade on receiving his 25-year service medal.

Res. No. 1742 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Amanda Eve MacLeod on receiving the Inspiring Lives Award and wishing her many more years.

Res. No. 1743 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Don Roper on receiving the Inspiring Lives Award and wishing him many more years.

Res. No. 1744 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Joel Maxwell on receiving the Inspiring Lives Award and wishing him many more years.

Res. No. 1745 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Heather McNally on receiving the Inspiring Lives Award and wishing her many more years.

Res. No. 1746 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Irene Skehen on receiving the Inspiring Lives Award and wishing her many more years.

Res. No. 1747 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Mary-Lee Chaddock on receiving the Inspiring Lives Award and wishing her many more years.

Res. No. 1748 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Park Bench Players on receiving the Inspiring Lives Award and wishing them many more years.

Res. No. 1749 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Wayne Schnare on receiving the Inspiring Lives Award and wishing him many more years.

Res. No. 1750 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Shane Brown on receiving the Inspiring Lives Award and wishing him many more years.

Res. No. 1751 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Evan Hennigar on receiving the Inspiring Lives Award and wishing him many more years.

Res. No. 1752 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Kristen McPhee of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band, and her teacher, Victor Fraser, on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1753 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Rachel Cartier of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1754 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Dana Blinkhorn of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1755 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Scott Gamble of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1756 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Aidon Drew of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1757 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Drew Doyle of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1758 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Matthew Piercey of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1759 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Katelyn Clarke of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1760 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Kate Lavers of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1761 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Neda Salehi of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1762 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Kerry Halpin of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1763 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Laura Moore of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1764 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Morgan Levangie of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1765 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Alec MacNeil of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1766 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Gillian Druhan of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1767 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Emily Jennings of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1768 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Brianna Flaim of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1769 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Kaitlyn McKay of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1770 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Abbie Shea of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1771 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Hannah Veinot of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1772 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Rachel Loughery of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1773 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Ali Doolan of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1774 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Keely O'Neil of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1775 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Brenna O'Neil of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1776 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Vanna Witcher of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1777 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Melissa O'Neil of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1778 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Marley Durant of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1779 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Jack Bowen-Maclean of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1780 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Andrew Betts of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1781 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Ryan Reed of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1782 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Ben Major of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1783 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Keion Sparks of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1784 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Ross Bennett of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1785 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Marcus Hughes of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1786 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Cameron Samson of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.



Res. No. 1787 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Jordan Awalt of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1788 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Jake Mitchell of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1789 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Alex Carreiro of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1790 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Jesse Li of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1791 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Carson Craig of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1792 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Kevin Roberts of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1793 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Kaitlin Ellis Moore of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1794 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Caito MacDonald of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1795 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Jack Cumming of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1796 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - congratulating Hannah Irvine of Brookhouse/Portland Estates Elementary Grade 6 Band on winning a gold medal at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Res. No. 1797 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Mike Condy on his expansion of the Lower Deck into the Clayton Park area and wishing him the best of luck.

Res. No. 1798 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Joseph Landry and Brian Gazeley on receiving the Diamond Jubilee Century of Service Award.

Res. No. 1799 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulating Grassmarket, a Halifax-based band on their new album and wishing them continued success.

The House met at 9:00 A.M.

Prayers.

#### 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. 86. An Act to Ensure Public Safety through the Provision of Emergency Health Services**

**(Hon. F. Corbett - Minister of Labour and Advanced Education)**

Hon. F. Corbett moved pursuant to Rule 44(1) that the bill be read forthwith and be printed without question put. The motion carried.

Hon. F. Corbett asked for unanimous consent that Bill 86 be read a second time today. The motion carried.

**No. 87. An Act to Protect Nova Scotians and Provide for the Fair Resolution of Contract Negotiations in Ambulance Services**

**(Hon. J. Baillie - Cumberland South)**

#### NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1800 - L. Glavine, Kings West – asking members of the Legislature to urge the Premier to strike this accomplishment regarding collective agreements from his so-called list.

Res. No. 1801 - Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – asking members of the Legislature heed the words of the Premier in 1999 and contrast these words with actions witnessed today.

Res. No. 1802 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - reflecting on the Premier's change of heart, and members reflect on, and question why the NDP failed to ensure essential services were available.

Res. No. 1803 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - urging the Minister of Finance to strike accomplishment from list, if refused, explain to paramedics why NDP feels this accomplishment still applies.

Res. No. 1804 - Gr. MacLellan, Glace Bay - urging Minister of Labour and Advanced Education to strike accomplishment from the list, if refused, explain to paramedics why NDP feels this accomplishment still applies.

Res. No. 1805 - Hon. M. Samson, Richmond - urging Minister of Health and Wellness to strike accomplishment from the list and if refused, explain to paramedics why NDP feels this accomplishment still applies.

### **PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved second reading of the following bill:

#### **No. 86. Ambulance Services Continuation (2013) Act**

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Sr. McNeil and Hon. J. Baillie.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, asked for unanimous consent that after second reading the Bill be referred to the Committee on Law Amendments for consideration at 1:00 p.m today. The motion carried.

The debate on second reading resumed with L. Glavine, C. Porter, Hon. M. Samson, A. MacMaster, and Hon. D. Wilson in Reply. The question being put by Madam Deputy Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered that the bill be referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

### **PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

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

#### **No. 86. Ambulance Services Continuation (2013) Act**

The foregoing bill was ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

**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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendments:

**No. 86. Ambulance Services Continuation (2013) Act**

The foregoing bill was ordered to be read a third time on this day.

**PUBLIC BILLS**

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

**No. 86. Ambulance Services Continuation (2013) Act**

There being no debate, the question was put by Mr. 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**

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader moved that the House adjourn to meet again at the call of the Speaker. The motion carried.

*Neil R. Ferguson*  
*Chief Clerk, House of Assembly*

**APPENDIX A**  
**REPORTS, COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF**

The following is a complete list of all Reports, both tabled during the Session and passed in the Clerk's Office and deemed to be tabled between March 26, 2013 to October 24, 2013:

**Department of Finance**

**Budget Assumptions and Schedules for the fiscal year 2013-2014**  
(Hon. Maureen MacDonald) . . . . . April 4, 2013

**Department of Finance**

**Crown Corporation Business Plans for the fiscal year 2013-2014**  
(Hon. Maureen MacDonald) . . . . . April 4, 2013

**Department of Finance**

**Estimates and Supplementary Detail for the fiscal year 2013-2014**  
(Hon. Maureen MacDonald) . . . . . April 4, 2013

**Department of Finance**

**Government Business Plan for the fiscal year 2013-2014**  
(Hon. Maureen MacDonald) . . . . . April 4, 2013

**Department of Finance**

**Letter from Lieutenant Governor transmitting the Estimates of Sums for the year ending March 31, 2014**  
(Hon. Maureen MacDonald) . . . . . April 4, 2013

**Department of Finance**

**Motion moved by Minister of Finance regarding Estimates**  
(Hon. Maureen MacDonald) . . . . . April 4, 2013

**Department of Finance**

**Order in Council – Additional Appropriations (2012-13)**  
(Hon. Maureen MacDonald) . . . . . April 4, 2013

**Department of Finance**

**Public Accounts Volume 1 - Consolidated Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2013 . . . . . August 1, 2013**

**Department of Finance**

**Public Accounts Volume 1 - Consolidated Financial Statements; Volume 2 - Agencies and Funds; Volume 3 - Supplementary Information for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2013 (DVD)**  
. . . . . August 1, 2013

**Department of Finance**

**Public Accounts Volume 3 - Supplementary Information for the  
fiscal year ended March 31, 2013 ..... August 1, 2013**

**Department of Finance**

**Resolutions on Estimates and Crown Corporation Business Plans  
for the fiscal year April 1, 2013 - March 31, 2014  
(Hon. Maureen MacDonald) ..... April 4, 2013**

**Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal**

**Surplus Crown Property Disposal Report for the period April 1,  
2011 to March 31, 2012 (Hon. M. Smith) ..... March 27, 2013**

**Elections Nova Scotia**

**Annual Report of the Chief Electoral Officer April 1, 2012 -  
March 31, 2013 (Hon. R. Landry) ..... May 8, 2013**

**Elections Nova Scotia**

**Political Contributions Regime Annual Report - January 1, 2012  
to December 31, 2012 ..... September 5, 2013**

**Elections Nova Scotia**

**Recommendations for Changes to the *House of Assembly Act*  
Concerning the Boundaries between the Contiguous Electoral  
Districts of Inverness and Victoria-The Lakes and Dartmouth-  
Preston and Eastern Shore (Hon. R. Landry) ... April 23, 2013**

**House of Assembly Management Commission**

**2012 Annual Report (Hon. G. Gosse) ..... April 29, 2013**

**Law Reform Commission of Nova Scotia**

**Builders' Lien Act - Final Report March 2013 ... April 16, 2013**

**Nova Scotia Annual Gaming Report, 2012-2013 ..... July 17, 2013**

**Nova Scotia Provincial Lotteries and Casino Corporation**

**Consolidated Financial Statements March 31, 2013  
..... July 15, 2013**

**Nova Scotia Provincial Lotteries and Casino Corporation**

**Quarterly Report for the quarter ended March 31, 2013  
..... July 15, 2013**



**TABLED REPORTS**

**Nova Scotia Provincial Lotteries and Casino Corporation**  
**Quarterly Report for the quarter ended June 30, 2013**  
..... **September 13, 2013**

**Report of the Auditor General to the Nova Scotia House of Assembly**  
**May 2013** ..... **May 29, 2013**

**Report of the Auditor General to the Nova Scotia House of Assembly**  
**May 2013, Summary** ..... **May 29, 2013**

**Report of the Auditor General to the Nova Scotia House of Assembly**  
**August 2013: Review of MLA Samson’s Entitlement to Benefits as**  
**an Outside Member** ..... **August 2, 2013**

**The Nova Scotia Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy**  
**2012 Annual Report (Hon. R. Landry)**..... **April 18, 2013**

**Workers’ Compensation Board of Nova Scotia**  
**Annual Report 2012 (Hon. F. Corbett)** ..... **April 10, 2013**

**Workers’ Compensation Board of Nova Scotia**  
**Report to the Community, First Quarter 2013** .. **August 16, 2013**

**Workers’ Compensation Board of Nova Scotia**  
**Report to the Community, Second Quarter 2013**  
..... **October 4, 2013**

**Workers’ Compensation Appeals Tribunal**  
**Annual Report for the year ending March 31, 2013**  
..... **June 18, 2013**

**APPENDIX B**

**TABLED SESSIONAL PAPERS**

Printed material tabled during the Session, not reproduced in this Journal, arranged in order of the Departments having responsibility or authority in relation to the subject matter of the material:

## Key:

(A)	-	Advertisement
(B)	-	Brochure
(C)	-	Correspondence
(D)	-	Document
(HB)	-	Handbook
(L)	-	List
(M)	-	Magazine
(Mem)	-	Memorandum
(NC)	-	Newspaper Clipping
(P)	-	Paper/Papers on
(PH)	-	Photos
(PR)	-	Press Release
(Q)	-	Questionnaire
(R)	-	Report
(S)	-	Statistics
(SR)	-	Status Report
(ST)	-	Statement
(W)	-	Website Excerpt

## COMMUNICATIONS NOVA SCOTIA

- (W) - Excerpt from CBC News website “NDP government spent \$680K on job ad campaign”, December 24, 2012 (April 23/13)
- (C) - Electronic mail from Dan Harrison to Nancy Baroni regarding the costs for this campaign, February 13, 2013 (April 23/13)

## COMMUNITY SERVICES

- (ST) - Point of Order delivered by Hon. Mr. d’Entremont, MLA for Argyle regarding releasing private information of Community Services, March 27, 2013 (March 28/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from March 28, 2013 Hansard of Question Period regarding handling of the Talbot House file, April 17, 2012 (April 2/13)
- (P) - “Early Years” announcement by the NDP government outlining Actions providing

- support for children in the early years, April 10, 2012 (April 17/13)

(W) - “April’s calendar and newsletter are now posted!” from Dartmouth Family Centre website supporting for families with children prenatal to age six (April 17/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Queens County Family Resource Centre website “Living here has good things to offer!” families with children up to 6 years (April 17/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Parent ’n ToT Family Resource Centre website outlines what it offers for families, April 16, 2013 (April 17/13)
- (W) - “Landlords oppose water rate hike” from The Chronicle Herald website, April 9, 2013 regarding who will hurt in the end (April 24/13)
- (W) - “Activists Express Doubts on Affordable Housing Strategy” comments from Halifax Media Co-op a social worker (May 8/13)

**ECONOMIC AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM**

- (D) - Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives state Hon. The Premier’s assertions of employment were misleading and employment has fallen (March 27/13)
- (S) - Table 282-0054 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by provinces and economic regions based on 2006 Census boundaries, 3-month moving average, unadjusted for seasonality from Statistics Canada (April 4/13)
- (D) - Document outlining a regional breakdown of individuals using food banks in Cape Breton (April 4/13)
- (C) - Letter to Hon. The Premier from the Mayor, Town of Yarmouth discussing a Tourism Infrastructure Support Program, March 22, 2013 (April 9/13)
- (D) - Halifax Chamber of Commerce Bulletin commending the NDP government in reducing the small business tax, April 4, 2013

## TABLED SESSIONAL PAPERS

- (April 9/13)
- (W) - Electronic mail from Darlene Grant Fiander to Simon d'Entremont detailing Refocusing on Small Business, March 28, 2013 (April 10/13)
  - (W) - "Finance Minister offers small tax cut to small business" from the Cape Breton Post, March 28, 2013 (April 10/13)
  - (S) - Student Career Skills Development Program chart showing Positions and Percentage for various Economic Region (April 12/13)
  - (W) - Excerpt from the Spring 2010, Hansard on High-Speed Internet Service (April 23/13)
  - (W) - Excerpt from May 1, 2013 Hansard regarding small companies - opportunities allow, Minister states cheaper to go with a made-in Nova Scotia solution (May 7/13)
  - (W) - Comments from Hon. The Premier on the Muskrat Falls/Maritime Link Project stating ratepayers would pay 8 cents a kilowatt hour, CTV News, May 1, 2013 (May 7/13)
  - (C) - Electronic mail from Sasha Irving to Shawn Lawlor regarding the Maritime Link Rate, May 2, 2013 (May 7/13)

## EDUCATION

- (S) - Provincial Student Services Survey 2011-2012 on the number of students receiving direct services (March 27/13)
- (W) - "Education funding up, but five boards get cash cut" from Education Reporter, February 15, 2013 stating Education increased the total amounts allocated to boards (March 28/13)
- (S) - Table 282-0087 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by sex and age group seasonally adjusted and unadjusted from Statistics Canada (March 28/13)
- (W) - "Dexter lashed as schools under axe" from South Shore Bureau, March 26, 2013 the government is balancing the budget on the backs of Nova Scotians (March 28/13)
- (W) - "Schools of hard knocks" from Education

- Reporter, March 26, 2013 on the fate of small schools (March 28/13)
- (W) - “Education minister addresses possibility of closures” from SouthShoreNow.ca, March 15, 2011 (April 3/13)
- (W) - “No moratorium on school reviews: minister” from SouthShoreNow.ca, May 23, 2012 (April 3/13)
- (C) - Electronic mail from Dan Harrison to Nancy Baroni regarding campaign costs, February 13, 2013 (April 3/13)

#### EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

- (W) - “N.S. requests halt to school closures, reviews; More consultation planned to help revamp process” from The Chronicle Herald website, April 4, 2013 (April 4/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from April 11, 2012 Hansard of Question Period on the school review process (April 4/13)
- (S) - “Table 19.2 Total expenditures per student in public elementary and secondary schools, Canada, provinces and territories, 2006/2007 to 2010/2011 (in constant dollars, base year = 2002) from Statistics Canada (April 4/13)
- (S) - “Ratio of Classroom Teachers to Students” table from the Department of Education (April 8/13)
- (L) - Schools in the province served by SchoolsPlus/ISD (April 9/13)
- (L) - 2012-13 List of Classroom Ratio and Pupil Teacher Ratio (April 9/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Standing Committee on Community Services, February 5, 2013 on the Early Years project (April 9/13)
- (D) - Request for Proposals for Student and Teacher Resources supporting Grade 3 Mathematics Curriculum form (April 9/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from February 5, 2013 Hansard of Question Period on Funding Model for Non-Profit and Commercial Child Care Centre (April 10/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Hansard of Question Period

- regarding child-care education system (April 10/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from April 3, 2013 Hansard of Question Period on School Review Process: Suspension - Explain (April 10/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from April 11, 2012 Hansard of Question Period on Orange Lunch Bags: School Boards - Request Confirm (April 10/13)
- (W) - "CBC: Boards warn school closures may be a done deal" from CBC website, April 9, 2013 (April 10/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from April 3, 2013 Hansard on saving schools in our province (April 10/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from the N. S. Legislature Bill No. 106, Education Act on amendments to include bullying and cyberbullying (April 10/13)
- (PR) - News Release: For Immediate Release, April 10, 2013 on the creation of the Early Years Learning Centres (April 11/13)
- (W) - "NDP Daycares on the Way" from allNovaScotia.com Three new Early Years Centres coming to the province, April 11, 2013 (April 11/13)
- (PR) - News Release: Families, Children to Benefit From Insulin Pump Program from novascotia.ca, April 9, 2013 (April 11/13)
- (W) - "Union encouraged by child-care developments" from Letters to the Editor, the Cape Breton Post website, April 16, 2013 (April 16/13)
- (W) - "4 boards like school review freeze so far, says minister" from CBC News website, April 15, 2013 putting brakes on plans to close schools or debate their futures (April 16/13)
- (C) - Letter from Hon. Mr. Landry to Hon. Mr. Nicholson, April 11, 2013 on the existing Criminal Code in respect of cyberbullying (April 16/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from April 17, 2013 Hansard "Seaside Schedule: Renovation - Grandstanding Confirm" (April 18/13)
- (C) - From Chris Northrup to Members of the SST

- Meeting, March 18, 2013 regarding challenges on the Seaside renovation to a High School in Eastern Passage, March 18, 2013 (April 18/13)
- (W) - “Municipal Money for School Funding Hike” from allNovaScotia.com website, April 18, 2013 mandatory contributions by municipalities are rising (April 18/13)
- (W) - “Most school boards to see cuts despite budget growth” from CBC News website, February 14, 2013 assuring funding is available for students to be successful (April 18/13)
- (C) - From Darlene Henry to Carole Olsen on the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, December 19, 2012 (April 24/13)
- (C) - From Carole Olsen to Ms. Henry on the results of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts and the Hogg Formula, January 21, 2013 (April 24/13)
- (C) - From Darlene Henry to Carole Olsen regarding Standing Committee on Public Accounts and the Hogg Formula, March 12, 2013 (April 24/13)
- (C) - From Hon. Mr. Colwell to Ms. Carole Olsen regarding Standing Committee on Public Accounts and the Hogg Formula, April 4, 2013 (April 24/13)
- (D) - “MWMFF Joins with Government of NS to Open Early Years Centre” established at accessible community locations (May 1/13)
- (PR) - “Province Ensuring Children Get Strong Start in Life” news release from Premier’s Office, April 10, 2013 (May 1/13)
- (ST) - Statement by Hon. Ms. Jennex, Minister of Education, regarding the Early Years Centres, April 10, 2013 (May 1/13)

**ENERGY**

- (W) - Excerpt from April 5, 2012 Hansard of Question Period regarding Quebec Power: Importing - Examine (March 27/13)
- (D) - Maritime Link Project, Responses to NSUARB Information Requests, March 11,



- 2013 (March 27/13)
- (C) - From Mr. Blackburn, Small Business Advocate to Hon. The Premier, March 19, 2013 regarding Maritime Link Application - NSUARB” (March 27/13)
  - (C) - From Group of Interveners to Hon. The Premier, March 19, 2013 restricting the time to review the important project (March 27/13)
  - (C) - From Shawna Eason, Canwea to Hon. The Premier, March 19, 2013 regarding Open letter to Government on Muskrat Fall and the Maritime Link (March 27/13)
  - (C) - From John Merrick to Hon. The Premier, March 19, 2013 regarding URB given more time on the Maritime Link Application (March 27/13)
  - (W) - “Legislation ensures URB will review proposed undersea cable” from The Chronicle Herald website, May 10, 2012 stating Liberal energy critic satisfied with legislation (March 27/13)
  - (W) - Excerpt from March 30, 2012 Hansard of Question Period stating Hon. Mr. McNeil’s comment that Lower Churchill Falls is an important project (March 27/13)
  - (PR) - “Lower Churchill Bad Deal for Nova Scotians” Liberal Press Release, August 14, 2012 (March 27/13)
  - (D) - Speech from the Throne, March 26, 2013, page 5, government supported increased competition in the electricity market (March 27/13)
  - (C) - From Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board to NSP Maritime Link Inc., March 27, 2013 regarding application for approval of the Maritime Link Project (March 27/13)
  - (C) - From Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board to Lower Power Rates Alliance of Nova Scotia and Canadian Wind Energy Association, March 15, 2013 seeking extensions (March 27/13)
  - (NC) - “Une facture de 1,5 milliard d’ici 2020” regarding surplus electricity, Hydro-Quebec

- from LePresse MTL Mercredi, February 15, 2013 (March 27/13)
- (D) - Maritime Link Project - Overview “The Application - What it is and what it isn’t” how customers will pay EmeraNL.com (March 27/13)
- (W) - “Liberal Solutions to Combat Rising Power Bills” from nsliberalcaucus.ca website stating it will provide cheaper, cleaner energy by importing power from Hydro Quebec, February 1, 2013 (March 27/13)
- (W) - “Power Politics: Muskrat Falls air war launched” from The Chronicle Herald, February 28, 2013 (March 27/13)
- (D) - The Maritime Link Project - Overview regarding “The Application - What it is and what it isn’t” how customers will pay from the EmeraNL.com (March 28/13)
- (D) - Comparative cost analysis by Cape Breton Explorations for their project (March 28/13)
- (C) - From Mr. Younger to Hon. The Speaker, March 28, 2013 regarding tabled documents for March 27, 2013 being passed in at the end of the day (March 28/13)
- (C) - Letter from NSURB to the Interveners, March 15, 2013 regarding issues raised, imposing a strict timeline for the review and decision on this matter (April 2/13)
- (D) - Document noting Mr. Allen stated the timeline is governed by legislation (April 2/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from May 17, 2012 Hansard on Bill No. 88, Maritime Link Act outlining what was said (April 2/13)
- (C) - From Small Business Advocate to Hon. The Premier, March 19, 2013 supporting requests giving an extended time to review and analyze the Application (April 2/13)
- (C) - From CanWEA, March 19, 2013 regarding open letter to government re: Muskrat Fall and Maritime Link supporting intervener letters (April 2/13)
- (W) - “Province won’t delay Link decision” from The Chronicle Herald website, March 19,

- 2013 (April 2/13)
- (C) - From Consumer Advocate to Hon. The Premier stating they support providing the Board with more time for analysis (April 2/13)
  - (C) - From the interveners to Hon. The Premier, March 18, 2013 regarding Muskrat Falls and the Maritime Link (April 2/13)
  - (W) - Hon. Mr. McNeil supports Energy Minister's position on the Lower Churchill Falls Project (April 2/13)
  - (W) - Excerpt from May 17, 2012 Hansard, where the member for Argyle states support of Bill No. 10, Maritime Link Act (April 2/13)
  - (W) - Excerpt from May 17, 2012 Hansard, where the member for Dartmouth East states support of Bill No. 10, Maritime Link Act (April 2/13)
  - (S) - "Energy - Percent Change 2010 to 2013, Canada and Provinces" from Statistics Canada (April 2/13)
  - (PR) - "PC's force emergency debate on Muskrat Falls" December 4, 2012 regarding skyrocketing cost of the Muskrat Falls mega-project (April 2/13)
  - (W) - Excerpt from the Cape Breton Post website, March 29, 2013 regarding Hon. The Premier's comments on the Maritime Link (April 2/13)
  - (C) - From the Consumer Advocate to Hon. The Premier, March 19, 2013 stating Nova Scotians be assured the Board has time to access and determine lowest long-term alternative (April 3/13)
  - \*(W) - Excerpt from May 17, 2012 Hansard of Question Period, the member for Dartmouth East states they will support the Act but they put it all in regulations and hope they get them right (April 3/13)
  - (W) - Excerpt from 2012 Speech from the Throne, page 14, regarding plans for opening Donkin mine, creating jobs and moving closer to the secure energy future and deserve (April 4/13)
  - (R) - Consumer Advocate and Small Business Advocate wrote "We fully refute the

- Applicant's assertion that the ML project represent the lowest cost alternative under a range of sensitivity cases" (April 18/13)
- (D) - Economic Analysis of Maritime Link and Alternatives - Summary Conclusions and Findings - NSPI has not been demonstrated to be a definitive least-cost incremental supply resource (April 18/13)
- (D) - Direct Testimony: "A. ... We will demonstrate that the comparative analysis is over-simplistic, lacks robustness, and appears stacked to support the Applicant's desired outcome." (April 18/13)
- (W) - "Emera's numbers on Maritime Link called 'Orwellian'" from The Chronicle Herald website, April 20, 2013 (April 23/13)
- (D) - Economic Analysis of Maritime Link and Alternatives - Summary Conclusions and Findings - regarding a consultant report by Synapse on the COMFIT program (April 23/13)
- (C) - "Opposition Flip Flops on Lower Churchill" listing Hon. Mr. McNeil's comments in 2009 and 2012 (April 23/13)
- (W) - Moody's assigns a (P) Aaa backed issuer rating to Muskrat Falls / Labrador Transmission Assets Funding Trust and Labrador Island Link Funding Trust (April 24/13)
- (R) - Economic Analysis of Maritime Link and Alternatives, April 18, 2013 from Synapse Energy Economics (April 24/13)
- (R) - Credit Suisse gave a forecast reduction, "Still on track; Maritime Link momentum" February 10, 2013 (April 24/13)
- (PR) - "Province Helping Meet Federal Loan Guarantee Conditions" press release from Premier's Office, December 10, 2012 (April 24/13)
- (D) - Comparative cost analysis by Cape Breton Explorations for their project (April 24/13)
- (C) - From Consumer Advocate to Hon. Mr. Parker, Minister of Energy regarding

- Maritime Link and why government is pushing the project through without a thorough and considered review, April 25, 2013 (April 30/13)
- (D) - The Consumer Advocate and Small Business Advocate hired a consultant to analyze the project in his view showing to support the Applicant's desired outcome (April 30/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Hansard, Question Period, April 30, 2013 regarding the Minister of Energy's comments on the 14 studies of the Maritime Link (May 1, 2013)
- (L) - Exhibit List of the 14 studies regarding the Maritime Link and only one of them states it is the lowest and cheapest cost (May 1/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from the nsliberalcaucus.ca website where Liberal Leader states he is for the project and then he feels the Energy Minister's position on Lower Churchill is not going to work for Nova Scotians (May 1/13)
- (W) - "Power rates: risks and opportunities for three parties" comments from Dan Leger, The Halifax Chronicle website, (May 1/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Hansard, on Bill 64, May 10, 2012 regarding the Member for Argyle's comments and on May 17, 2012, the Member for Dartmouth East's comments on the 14 studies of the Maritime Link (May 1, 2013)
- (PR) - "Province Helping Meet Federal Loan Guarantee Conditions" December 20, 2012 Premier's Office (May 2/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Hansard, Question Period, April 30, 2013 the Minister of Energy states nine out of the 14 studies presented evidence that was positive (May 2/13)
- (W) - "Governments need new agreements for energy exports, former federal minister says" quoted by Mr. Prentice, May 1, 2013 from thetelegram.com (May 2/13)
- (C) - From Dan O'Connor, Chief of Staff to Darrell Dexter to Clerk of the Board, Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board, June 3, 2009 regarding Nova Scotia Power (May 2/13)

- (D) - Economic Analysis of Maritime Link and Alternatives - Summary Conclusions and Findings - regarding a consultant report prepared by Synapse on the COMFIT program (May 2/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from CTV Atlantic News, May 1, 2013 “Comments from Premier Darrell Dexter - Muskrat Falls/Maritime Link Project” price would be 8 cents a kilowatt hour (May 2/13)
- (D) - “The Maritime Link Project, Overview” regarding the project and rate increases and Emera stating they won’t know the rate increase until 2017 (May 2/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from The Chronicle-Herald website stating the Maritime Link could add 1% to power bills a year for five years, January 26, 2013 (May 2/13)
- (PR) - “Mid-Sized Cities Looking to Recover Recession-era Job Losses” May 6, 2013, news release from the Conference Board of Canada (May 7/13)
- (W) - “Taylor: Halifax OK, other areas slumping” from The Chronicle Herald website, May 6, 2013 (May 7/13)
- (S) - Table 282-0087 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by sex and age group, seasonally adjusted and unadjusted from Statistics Canada (May 7/13)
- (W) - “Board says it can rule on Link by July 31 deadline” from The Chronicle Herald website, May 8, 2013 (May 9/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Hansard, Question Period, November 7, 2006 the member for Queens spoke on the importance of competition against Nova Scotia Power (May 9/13)
- (W) - “Board says it can rule on Link by July 31 deadline”, May 8, 2013 regarding the Maritime Link (May 9/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Hansard, November 1, 2006 the member for Cape Breton Central now Deputy Premier asked the former Progressive Conservative government regarding

renewable energy providers (May 9/13)

**ENVIRONMENT**

- (D) - Section 333(1) of the Municipal Government Act which prohibits harmful substances into sewer systems (April 16/13)
- (D) - Oil Re-Refinery and Wastewater Treatment Facility Approval form authorizing the operation of this facility, February 1, 2011 (April 22/13)
- (W) - Minutes of the CWH Subsupply, April 22, 2013, concerning a section of the environment estimates (May 7/13)

**FINANCE**

- (W) - “Dexter playing ‘silly games’ over tax promise” from The Chronicle Herald website, comments made during a May 19, 2009 leaders debate (April 2/13)
- (R) - Report of the Auditor General, February 2013 on Indicators of Financial Condition (April 2/13)
- (D) - Estimates of sums required for the Public Service of the Province for the year ending March 31, 2014 (April 4/13)
- (D) - Resolutions of Estimates and Crown Corporation Business Plans for Fiscal Year April 1, 2013 - March 31, 2014 (April 4/13)
- (W) - “Provincial Deficit; From MOU TO MOU-too” from The Chronicle Herald website, September 16, 2009 regarding promise by the NDP to balance the budget (April 4/13)
- (NC) - “NDP’s plan to chop civil service jobs falls short” from The Chronicle Herald newspaper, April 5, 2013 regarding eliminating 1,094 government positions (April 5/13)
- (W) - “Liberal Platform; So whose dog ate page 34?” from The Chronicle Herald website, May 23, 2009 missing page 34 shows where the revenue comes from to pay what is found on page 33 (April 5/13)
- (W) - “Editorial: Nova Scotia budget’s subatomic surplus” from The Chronicle Herald website,

- April 4, 2013, the Minister of Finance stayed on course and brought down a 2013-14 budget (April 5/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Hansard, April 28, 2005 regarding a tax increase measure and refusal or inability to index tax brackets (April 10/13)
- (W) - Nova Scotia Department of Finance - Statistics stating the government expenditures and investments have contributed little to the economic growth (April 16/13)
- (R) - Report of the Auditor General states the error resulted from a change in the calculation to adjust calendar year revenues (April 23/13)
- (W) - Electronic mail from Mr. DeCoste to Messrs. Davies and Storrington regarding Revenue estimates 2012-13 (April 23/13)
- (D) - Budget 2012-2013, Revenue Estimates, Treasury Board, March 28, 2012 decision not to tell Nova Scotians about \$27 million mistake (April 23/13)
- (D) - "Prairie Provinces led provincial growth (again) in 2012" April 26, 2013 from RBC Economics - Research showing the weakness in the Atlantic Provinces (April 30/13)
- (C) - From Producers Roundtable Atlantic to Hon. Ms. M. MacDonald and Hon. Mr. Paris, October 24, 2012 concerning Nova Scotia Film Industry Tax Credit (April 30/13)
- (W) - Electronic mail from Courtney Bragg to Jason Haughn, October 29, 2012 regarding Nova Scotia Film Tax Credit Processing Times (April 30/13)
- (W) - Electronic mail from Mr. Haughn, April 2, 2013 attaching letter to Hon. Ms. M. MacDonald on Eternal Kiss NS Film Tax Credit Application (April 30/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Hansard, Question Period April 23, 2013 regarding the importance of letting the House do its work (April 30/13)

#### FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE

- (W) - Digby Courier Editorial: Linchpin for area, November 15, 2012 regarding leasing office



- (W) - space at Cornwallis (April 16/13)  
 Excerpt from Hansard, Question Period May 8, 2013 Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture states they take their time and do it right (May 9/13)

#### HEALTH AND WELLNESS

- (W) - Excerpt from Hansard, October 19, 1999 paramedics rejected the EMS offer and the Premier then in Opposition wanted a plan to prevent a work disruption (March 27/13)
- (S) - “Financial Highlights as March 31, 2012 (continued)” regarding the increases in the plant and utility budget to electricity rates (April 3/13)
- (D) - Seniors have paid more of an increase in their share of the cost in 2010-11; 2011/12 and 2012-13 in the Pharmacare Program (April 9/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Hansard, Standing Committee on Public Accounts, January 9, 2013 regarding number of seniors on provincial waiting list for new facilities (April 17/13)
- (D) - Long Term Care Policy Manual, Revised January 24, 2011, Page 4 Eligibility Determination Process (April 17/13)
- (W) - Electronic Mail from Zach Churchill, April 17, 2013 enclosing Tri County Women’s Centre’s letter to Hon. The Premier and MLAs regarding need for sexual violence prevention in rural NS (April 18/13)
- (S) - Statistics outlining Barrington Consultants Group Inc. 2011/12 Supplement Detail showing Item Text and Amount listing: Item Text and Amount put forth during Estimates (April 22/13)
- (S) - Statistics outlining Public Accounts 2011/12 Communications Nova Scotia - Graphic Display listing: Descriptions and Total \$ put forth during Estimates (April 22/13)
- (S) - Health and Wellness Chart - 2012-13 VS 2013-14 Operating Budget put forth during Estimates (April 23/13)

- (S) - **Wait Times Reduction Fund - General Revenue Fund - Ordinary Revenue put forth during Estimates (April 23/13)**
- (S) - **District Health Authorities and IWK Orthopaedic FTEs As of 2010 put forth during Estimates (April 23/13)**
- (S) - **Lyme Disease Endemic Areas in Nova Scotia, November 2012 and New Area added - October 2012 - Queens County put forth during Estimates (April 23/13)**
- (W) - **“April 23, 1963 Overcrowded conditions at hospital prompt study” (50 years ago) from cumberlandnewsnow.com website put forth during Estimates (April 23/13)**
- (W) - **Electronic email sent to parents in elementary schools stating they no longer do a unit on drugs (April 24/13)**
- (D) - **“Autism Spectrum Disorder Action Plan” from the Hon. Premier’s Speech, April 12, 2011 (April 24/13)**
- (W) - **“A costly fix for a failure to manage public health” from The Chronicle Herald website, March 13, 2008 outlining minor procedures will be treated at Scotia Surgery Inc.(April 24/13)**
- (W) - **“Long-term care facilities understaffed, say nurses” from CBC News website, April 30, 2013 regarding the change of guidelines set 35 years ago (April 30/13)**
- (W) - **“Better patient discharge planning expected to open more beds” from the Cape Breton Post website, February 22, 2013 (April 30/13)**
- (W) - **Excerpt from Hansard, Question Period, April 5, 2011 regarding the minister’s comments on Health and Wellness undertaking a health study on the fly ash emissions from the Trenton power station (May 1/13)**
- (S) - **“Collaborative Emergency Centres Keep Emergency Departments Open” a scale outlining the hours closed in the various Centres and Hospitals (May 1/13)**
- (W) - **“Health care superboard is superb in**

- Alberta” from MacLeans website, April 19, 2012 (May 1/13)
- (W) - “Edmonton’s ambulances in need of emergency care” from the Globe and Mail website, January 20, 2012 stating Edmonton’s emergency service stretched to its limit (May 1/13)
- (W) - “HSAA demands action now to shorten ER wait times” from National Union website stating patients are dialing 9-1-1 while waiting in emergency for treatment (May 1/13)
- (R) - 2012 Annual Report of the Nova Scotia Breast Screening Program on their mobile units being reduced from three to one (May 8/13)
- (W) - Nova Scotia Breast Screening Program outlining the Eastern Mobile Schedules for sites, communities and dates (May 8/13)
- (W) - “NDP irked province cutting Preston mammogram service” from The Chronicle Herald website, January 6, 2001 (May 8/13)
- (W) - “Taxpayers top up money-losing Tim Hortons at Halifax hospital” from CTV Atlantic website, January 10, 2013 QEII predicts a \$1.4 million loss (May 8/13)
- (PR) - “New Digital Mobile Mammography Route” news release from Health and Wellness, November 5, 2012 giving access to better care sooner (May 8/13)

## IMMIGRATION

- (S) - Preliminary tables - Permanent and temporary residents, 2012 outlining decrease of immigrants since NDP government came to power (April 11/13)
- (W) - “N.S. newcomers stuck; Province wants more immigrants but must adjust to satisfy Ottawa” from The Chronicle Herald website, May 31, 2012 outlining cuts to two different streams as federal government irked these existed (April 11/13)

## JUSTICE

- (C) - Letter to Editor, Dalhousie Gazette from

- Avalon Sexual Assault Centre, March 16, 2012 regarding women's experience of sexualized violence in a Halifax bar (April 9/13)**
- (C) - **Various correspondence regarding sexual assault cases in Nova Scotia (April 9/13)**
- (W) - **Excerpt from Hansard, Question Period December 6, 2011 regarding Sexual Assault: Prevention - Plans (April 10/13)**
- (W) - **Justice website showing Minister with women from the Women's Centres Connect speaking on sexual assault services (April 10/13)**
- (C) - **From Hon. Mr. Landry, Minister of Justice to Hon. Mr. Nicholson, Q.C., Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, April 11, 2013 regarding cyber-bullying (April 11/13)**
- (D) - **Nova Scotia Court of Appeal - Amendments to Civil Procedure Rule 90, January 21, 2013 (April 12/13)**
- (W) - **"Taavel family breaks silence about forensic hospital report" from CTV Atlantic website, November 5, 2012 regarding policies of the Nova Scotia's East Coast Forensic Hospital (April 17/13)**
- (W) - **"Vulnerable aunt loses money in cautionary tale" from CBC News website, April 16, 2013 regarding elderly aunt's \$20,000 in money and cheques are unaccounted for (April 17/13)**

#### LABOUR AND ADVANCED EDUCATION

- (R) - **"Access Denied: The Effect of Apprenticeship Restrictions in Skilled Trades" from a report by C.D. Howe Institute suggesting regulations may be acting as barriers to entry (May 7/13)**
- (W) - **Excerpt from The Chronicle Herald website, regarding Liberals supporting Bill 86 concerning the paramedic's strike (July 5/13)**
- (C) - **From Harold A. Dunstan to John Clarke regarding his role in a labour dispute; a press release stating appointment of a mediator and what transpired from there (July 5/13)**
- (D) - **The EHS Contingency Plan outlining the provincial ambulance system running at 24 per cent capacity (July 5/13)**

- (W) - Excerpt from October 25, 1999 Hansard regarding Ground Services Ambulance Act, possible strike by paramedics and risk to public safety by a work stoppage (July 5/13)

## MISCELLANEOUS

- (R) - Excerpt from the Report of the Auditor General - February 2013 Auditor General said the \$27 million is ... significant enough to be corrected (March 27/13)
- (R) - Report of the Auditor General to the House of Assembly stating the estimates comply with presentations and disclosure standards established (March 27/13)
- (W) - Comments made by Hon. Mr. Baillie regarding the Throne Speech from the CBC website, March 26, 2014 (March 27/13)
- (W) - Comments made by the Auditor General during the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, February 13, 2013 (March 27/13)
- (W) - "No calamity here" excerpt from February 21, 2012, The Globe and Mail by Hon. Ms. M. MacDonald, Minister of Finance stating Nova Scotia's financial condition has greatly improved over the past decade (March 28/13)
- (D) - Point of Order by Hon. Mr. d'Entremont on a serious matter regarding personal information of a client in the care of her department (March 28/13)
- (ST) - Message from the Minister, from Public Accounts for the year ended March 31, 2009 reported a surplus of \$19.7 million (March 28/13)
- (R) - Report of the Auditor General February 2013 Annual Surplus or Deficit shows the province incurred a surplus in eight of the past ten years; recent two years were NDP (March 28/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from an editorial from The Chronicle Herald, January 28, 2013 regarding the Maritime Link (April 2/13)
- (W) - "Amid skeptics, Nova Scotia vows to end deficit" from The Globe and Mail, April 1,

- 2013 regarding NDP government balancing the budget, where other provinces and federal government have failed (April 2/13)
- (W) - “NDP promises more jobs, health care services in election platform” from May 12, 2009, CBC News website (April 3/13)
- (S) - Schedule 3D: Projected Net Debt (\$ millions) - Estimate from 2011-12 to 2015-16 (April 3/13)
- (ST) - Message from the Minister, from Public Accounts for the year ended March 31, 2009 reported a surplus of \$19.7 million (April 3/13)
- (C) - Letter to The Globe and Mail from Minister of Finance, February 21, 2012 stating there have been three deficit budgets during this period, under 1 per cent of GDP (April 3/13)
- (PH) - Photo of Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party at last convention in front of the podium stating: “Lower Taxes. STOP wasteful spending. More JOBS.” (April 3/13)
- (W) - “Provincial Deficit; From MOU to MOU-too” excerpt from The Chronicle Herald website, September 16, 2009 tabled during the Resolution 42 debate in the House (April 3/13)
- (S) - Table 282-0087 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by sex and age group, seasonally adjusted and unadjusted from Statistics Canada (April 4/13)
- (S) - “Average weekly earnings, health care and social assistance, by province and territory, March 27, 2013 from Statistics Canada (April 4/13)
- (PR) - Radio release from Province of Nova Scotia on Q104 Radio regarding balancing the budget; stating it is going to be tough over the next bit (April 8/13)
- (C) - “An NDP look at a ‘Liberal advantage’” from Letter to the Editor of the Amherst Daily News regarding Liberals transferred funds into their party’s unrestricted account (April 8/13)
- (W) - Electronic mail from Mr. Whynott, April 8, 2013 regarding the Member for Argyle in the

- Vanguard, February 3, 2009 stating Nova Scotians not knowing what kind of programs available to them (April 8/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Hansard May 16, 2001, May 21, 2002 and April 22, 2003 on comments from the member for Halifax Fairview addressing the Financial Measures Bill (April 9/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Hansard April 24, 2003, April 28, 2005 and April 2, 2007 on comments from the member for Halifax Fairview addressing the Financial Measures Bill (April 9/13)
- (D) - Capital Health - Cafeteria Summary; April - December Actual - Fiscal 2012-2013 regarding the loss attributable to Tim Horton's franchise and what is part of the cafeteria services (April 9/13)
- (W) - "Timmies' employees making \$20/hr plus benefits?" from the TorontoSun website, May 31, 2012 (April 9/13)
- (S) - Historical Funding vs Enrolment Per School Board Funding Profile Sheet Data chart for 2000-01 to 2013-14 (April 9/13)
- (W) - Electronic Mail from CNS Release to the member for Inverness regarding Energy - Natural Gas Coming to Pictou County, April 5, 2013 and that natural gas is a good thing (April 9/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Hansard, April 12, 2010 regarding the budget and the member for Inverness differs with Minister of Finance (April 9/13)
- (W) - "Liberal Platform; So, whose dog ate page 34?" from The Chronicle Herald website, May 23, 2009 outlining the plan for the future by Liberal Leader, Stephen McNeil (April 9/13)
- (C) - Letter from Auditor General to the House of Assembly on the Estimates of Revenue for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2014, used in the April 4, 2013 Budget, April 2, 2013 (April 9/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Hansard, from the Minister of Finance regarding the increase in fees and

- other expenses (April 9/13)
- (B) - Portion of the handbook known as, *Investing in Early Childhood Development* states accountability requires a plan to include goals and objectives, timelines and targets, ... as they build towards a system (April 10/13)
- (W) - “Capital Health strike would be felt in ‘days’” from CBC News website, April 11, 2012 outlining results of a long strike regarding Bill No. 35 (April 10/13)
- (W) - “NDP a ‘mystery’ to Baillie; Tory Leader: Ferry not supported, but railway is” from The Sunday Herald, October 2, 2011 regarding Bill No. 35 (April 10/13)
- (W) - “The Good the Bad Tory: Strikes, lawsuits and rumoured defections: in 2001, it wasn’t easy being the preem” from The Daily News website, December 27, 2001 regarding Bill No. 35 (April 10/13)
- (W) - “N.S. health care anti-strike bill left in legislative limbo by Tory government” from The Canadian Press website, December 6, 2007 regarding Bill No. 35 (April 10/13)
- (W) - “Health-care workers get 15% raises; Deal still not best in region, union says” from The Chronicle Herald website, August 19, 2004 regarding Bill No. 35 (April 10/13)
- (W) - “Capital Health strike deadline postponed to Thursday - Health minister won’t intervene in contract dispute” from The CBC News website, April 24, 2012 regarding Bill No. 35 (April 10/13)
- (W) - “Nova Scotia health minister won’t intervene as clock ticks towards strike” from The Globe and Mail, April 24, 2012 regarding Bill No. 35 (April 10/13)
- (R) - Recommendation of MacKay task force providing the definition of bullying, cyberbullying and the consequences of committing that offence (April 11/13)
- (S) - Public Accounts Volume 3 - Supplementary Information for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2012 - Expenditures from April 1, 2011 to



- March 31, 2012 (April 12/13)**
- (W) - "Anger mounting over power rates" from The Kings County Register, February 16, 2012 regarding importing cheap Quebec electricity rather than Newfoundland (April 15/13)**
  - (W) - "Liberal Solutions to Combat Rising Power Bills" from the Nova Scotia Liberal Caucus website regarding cheaper, cleaner energy from Hydro Quebec (April 15/13)**
  - (W) - "Liberal Platform; So, whose dog ate page 34?" from The Chronicle Herald, May 23, 2009 regarding the Liberal 32 page platform plus a 33<sup>rd</sup> page (April 15/13)**
  - (W) - "McNeil ready to be premier" from The Cape Breton Post, March 23, 2013 on eliminating the efficiency program tax now (April 15/13)**
  - (R) - Nova Scotia Business Inc. report on Employment Impact 2011/12 tabled during Estimates (April 15/13)**
  - (W) - "Maritime Link won't be short-circuited by hearings" from The Cape Breton Post website, March 29, 2013 regarding the Lower Churchill hydroelectric project (April 15/13)**
  - (C) - From Office of Hon. Mr. Parker, Minister of Energy to Mr. Gurnham, Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board dated April 12, 2013 regarding maintaining current language of the Act and Regulations (April 15/13)**
  - (W) - "Maritime Link won't be short-circuited by hearings" from The Cape Breton Post, March 29, 2013 Nova Scotians have said they can't afford to pay more for power (April 16/13)**
  - (W) - "NDP'S attack on Liberals highlights a double standard" from The Cape Breton Post website, April 13, 2013, response to the president of Nova Scotia Liberal Party concerning Liberal trust fund (April 16/13)**
  - (A) - "Lighting glows brighter at less cost in six NAPA Auto Parts outlets" from efficiency Nova Scotia Corporation saving \$2,000 annually per location (April 16/13)**
  - (D) - "The Liberal Association of Nova Scotia - Financial Statements, Year Ended December**

- 31, 2009, Auditor's Report by SV Shupe & Associates (April 16/13)**
- (D) - **"The Liberal Association of Nova Scotia - Financial Statements, Year Ended December 31, 2012, Auditor's Report by SV Shupe & Associates (April 16/13)**
- (W) - **"An NDP look at a 'Liberal advantage'" from The Cape Breton Post, April 5, 2013 Letter to the Editor regarding the donations made to the Liberal Party (April 16/13)**
- (D) - **Direct Testimony of individuals on behalf of The Consumer and Small Business Advocate regarding the Maritime Link project being lowest long-term cost alternative for Nova Scotia (April 17/13)**
- (D) - **"Six Month Update - March 2013 - Joint Review of the East Coast Forensic Hospital's Community Access Privileges" outlining actions completed and in progress (April 17/13)**
- (W) - **"Knowledge economy; Choosing grads over gov't jobs" from The Chronicle Herald website, November 10, 2012 outlining letter from Scott Richards, President of PROJEX Atlantic (April 17/13)**
- (D) - **"Liberals Dance Around Trust Funds" by Stephen Kimber, November 26, 2006 regarding the Liberal's Trust Funds: Disbursements (April 17/13)**
- (S) - **Chart of Liberal Party's Summary of Restricted Funds, Fiscal 2007-2011 (April 17/13)**
- (D) - **Utility and Review Board's consultant's filed evidence on the Maritime Link Project outlining it has not been demonstrated a definitive least-cost incremental supply resource for NSPI's system (April 18/13)**
- (D) - **Testimony of another independent consultant hired by Utility and Review Board who repute the Maritime Link Project is the lowest-cost alternative (April 18/13)**
- (R) - **Report of the Joint Review Panel on Lower Churchill Hydroelectric Generation Project,**

- (W) - Nalcor Energy - Executive Summary and Recommendations August 2011 (April 18/13)  
 “PUB says not enough time for full Muskrat review” from the CBC News website, January 11/12 (April 18/13)
- (W) - Mark Laventure’s tweet regarding Andrew Younger’s questioning of someone’s credibility (April 18/13)
- (ST) - Message from the Minister for the financial statements of the province ending in 2009 reporting a surplus of \$19.7 (April 18/13)
- (C) - Letter to The Globe and Mail from Minister of Finance, February 21, 2012 stating there have been three deficit budgets during this period, under 1 per cent of GDP (April 18/13)
- (C) - From Mr. Doncaster, President, Two Rivers Development Association to Hon. Mr. Parker, Minister of Energy and Natural Resources, February 6, 2012 concerning valuable core funding dollars for their park (April 18/13)
- (ST) - Written Statement to the Press; October 7, 2011 regarding the MV Miner Crisis; Hon. The Premier stated he would have the vessel quickly removed, January 31, 2013 (April 18/13)
- (R) - Report on the Recommendations of the Avalon Sexual Assault Centre, March 2007 (April 23/13)
- (R) - Building the Creative Economy in Nova Scotia 2009 questioning the NDP government’s intent on attaching the arts community and killing NSCAD’s independence (April 23/13)
- (C) - Letters to the Editor regarding, “Provincial Tories closed-mouthed on EI changes” from The Cape Breton Post, April 22, 2013 (April 23/13)
- (S) - Table 282-0054 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by province and economic regions based on 2006 Census boundaries, 3-month moving average, unadjusted for seasonality from Statistics Canada (April 23/13)
- (S) - Table 282-0003 Job vacancy statistics (JVS), unemployment-to-job vacancies ratio by

- North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), province and territory, 3-month moving average, unadjusted for seasonality from Statistics Canada (April 23/13)
- (W) - "Tory budget offers a little to everyone" from The Daily News website, May 10, 2006 encouraging conserving fuel, not subsidize energy use with an HST cut (April 24/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from April 24, 2013 Hansard of Question Period regarding the budget for EIBI was \$2 million, and it's now \$4 million (April 25/13)
- (S) - Chart outlining in 2012 over 18,000 Nova Scotians chose to move away from our province to other parts of Canada (April 25/13)
- (ST) - Message from the Minister for the financial statements of the province ending in 2009 reporting a surplus of \$19.7 (April 25/13)
- (D) - Bill Briefing - Amendments to the Animal Protection Act: 12:00 April 22, 2013 stating it is clear to SPCA that NDP government made animal welfare a high priority (April 25/13)
- (W) - "Nova Scotia walked the walk today, they not only talked about the issue of Cyber-Bullying they've done something about it" from CTV National News, April 25, 2013 (April 26/13)
- (W) - "Teach respect, I implore you as a rape survivor" from The Chronicle Herald website, April 24, 2013 stemming from the Rehtaeh Parsons case (April 26/13)
- (D) - "North American Energy Markets, Lower Churchill and Energy Independence" from CIBC, April 30, 2013 regarding the prospect for continental energy independence and its implications (April 30/13)
- (D) - "Business Barometer - Provincial Summary" from CFIB Economics, April 2013 stating Nova Scotia has the biggest dive in business optimism of any province (April 30/13)
- (W) - "Large projects will drive economy of N.S., forum told" APEC president stating it would

- be wrong to think the economy will not turned around (April 30/13)
- (D) - “Notes on the Economy” Unemployment has increased in every region of the province since June of 2009 (April 30/13)
- (W) - “Armstrong brushes off Burrill’s debate challenge” from The Daily News website, April 12, 2013 concerning changes to Employment Insurance (April 30/13)
- (S) - Table 282-0087 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by sex and age group, seasonally adjusted and unadjusted from Statistics Canada (May 1/13)
- (R) - Comparison of Suspended (Actual) and Continuous Indexing of \$100 (1994-2000) from the Dorsey report stating indexation should increase to 100% over time (May 1/13)
- (S) - “Budget Highlights For The Fiscal Year 2004-2005 - Steady economic performance ... strong provincial revenues” April 22, 2004 commend Dan Leger on his work, Bill No. 4 (May 1/13)
- (R) - Report of the Auditor General ... February 2013 - Indicators of Financial Condition regarding Annual Surplus or Deficit (May 1/13)
- (R) - Report of the Leader of the Third Party which supports the province’s decision to rescind the balanced budget legislation and urges not to replace with fiscal rule (May 1/13)
- (W) - “Maritime Link won’t be short-circuited by hearings” from the Cape Breton Post website, March 29, 2013 where Hon. The Premier is stating Bill No. 64 is going through (May 1/13)
- (W) - “Government to review allegations of abuse at Home for Colored Children” from The Canadian Press website, March 26, 2013 where Hon. The Premier advised government will launch an independent panel to review accusations of abuse (May 2/13)
- (S) - Table 282-0087 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by sex and age group, seasonally adjusted and unadjusted from Statistics Canada (May 2/13)

- (S) - **Statistics Canada Table 2008-2012 showing the population of Nova Scotia increasing from 937,000 to 948,700 (May 2/13)**
- (D) - **Elections Nova Scotia's question and answer circular on what a guarantor of a loan is and what happens if a union or corporation signs as a guarantor on electoral loans (May 2/13)**
- (Mem) - **From Chief Electoral Officer to Official Agents of registered parties, April 12, 2013 regarding Circular 1301 - Loans and what happens in the event of a default (May 2/13)**
- (PR) - **"Mid-Sized Cities Looking to Recover Recession-era Job Losses" May 6, 2013 news release from The Conference Board of Canada stating economy shrinking since 2009 (May 7/13)**
- (D) - **Last page of Memorandum of Understanding regarding the Province's additional contributions as stated in the memorandum (May 7/13)**
- (PR) - **"Municipal Funding, Op-ed" news release from Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, June 10, 2011 concerning where taxpayer's dollars are going and cuts to education and health care (May 7/13)**
- (R) - **Report of the Auditor General, February 2013 stating there is no such thing as a structural deficit and Nova Scotia has incurred a surplus in eight of the last ten years (May 8/13)**
- (ST) - **"Message from the Minister" from Minister of Finance showing in 2009 the Hon. Premier inherited a surplus of \$19.7 million (May 8/13)**
- (W) - **Excerpts from the Nova Scotia website of various items on jobsHere, Better Care Sooner, Kids and Learning First and the NS NDP Political Ad (May 8/13)**
- (D) - **New Brunswick government repealed their failed deregulated system stating other changes will help NB Power pay down debt and operate like a business (May 8/13)**
- (W) - **"Watchdog urges consumer electricity contracts after shocking April price spike" from Calgary Herald, May 6, 2013 Edmonton**

- prices rocketed in February from 3 cents to 32 cents per kilowatt-hour in April (May 8/13)
- (D) - The New Brunswick Energy Blueprint, Energy Action Plan's page 14 states the competitive market has not developed in New Brunswick given the failure of competitive markets (May 8/13)
- (D) - Government Advertising Act, February 18, 2013 from NDP Official Opposition, British Columbia (May 8/13)
- (C) - From Tony Smith, VOICES to Hon. The Premier, March 7, 2013 regarding the engagement of a restorative process to the victims of the Nova Scotia Home for Colored Children (May 9/13)
- (W) - "Former home residents feel misled by province" from The Chronicle Herald website, May 9, 2013 outlining Hon. The Premier's intention around a public inquiry (May 9/13)
- (PR) - CNS Release "PREMIER'S OFFICE - Province Takes Next Steps on Review of Nova Scotia Home for Colored Children" May 9, 2013 appointing Robert Wright to lay the groundwork and seek to bring healing (May 9/13)
- (C) - From Dr. Burnley Jones, Ujamaa Association stating the participants of Ujamaa Black Family Meeting held April 5 & 6, 2013 support the VOICES organization in their demand for a public inquiry (May 9/13)
- (R) - Report and Disposition of Complaint dated June 9, 2009 against Nova Scotia New Democratic Party stating the contraventions of MPEDA were serious and not simply technical (May 9/13)
- (R) - "Can Nova Scotians Afford To Eat Healthy?" Report on 2012 Participatory Food Costing from Mount Saint Vincent University (May 9/13)
- (S) - Table 281-0027 Average weekly earnings (SEPH), by type of employee for selected industries classified using the North American

- Industry Classification System (NICS) from Statistics Canada (May 9/13)**
- (S) - **Table 282-0054 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by provinces and economic regions based on 2006 Census boundaries, 3-month moving average, unadjusted for seasonality from Statistics Canada (May 9/13)**
- (R) - **2012 report of Participatory Food Costing project shows cost for families and individuals to eat healthy in Nova Scotia (May 9/13)**
- (D) - **HungerCount 2012 survey shows the number of Nova Scotians who relied on food banks in March (May 9/13)**
- (D) - **Nova Scotia Breast Screening Program showing the Site, Community and Dates of the Eastern Mobile Schedules for 2013 (May 9/13)**
- (W) - **“NDP irked province cutting Preston mammogram service” from January 6, 2001, The Chronicle Herald website shows cut back mobile screening services to Preston area once every two years (May 9/13)**
- (PR) - **“Mid-Sized Cities Looking to Recover Recession-era Job Losses” May 6, 2013 from The Conference Board of Canada stating economy shrinking since 2009 (May 9/13)**

#### NATURAL RESOURCES

- (D) - **“Clearcutting Reform” Ecology Action Centre, March 13, 2013 Minister of Natural Resources brought forward a definition of “clear-cutting” which basically allows anything (April 4/13)**
- (W) - **“Nova Scotia arrests tug that was towing bulk carrier when it grounded” October 6, 2011 from The Canadian Press on possible impact on lobster fishing grounds (April 11/13)**
- (W) - **“Nova Scotia arrests tug that was towing bulk carrier when it grounded” October 6, 2011 from The Canadian Press on NDP possibly taking on the job, if necessary (April 11/13)**
- (S) - **“Retail Trade February 2013” from Stats Canada April 23, 2013 any way you take it the figures were down (April 24/13)**



## TABLED SESSIONAL PAPERS

- (W) - Electronic mail from Dr. Michael Chiasson to Hon. Mr. MacMaster, April 6, 2013 regarding tax rates stating our taxes are too high (April 24/13)
- (C) - From Sean Kirby, Mining Association of Nova Scotia to the Hon. Mr. Belliveau, Minister of Environment regarding the Government's Parks and Protected Areas Plan (May 1/13)
- (S) - Natural Resources Flight Utilization Report For Period Starting January 1, 2012 Ending February 28, 1013 showing the helicopter usage (May 8/13)

## SERVICE NOVA SCOTIA AND MUNICIPAL RELATIONS

- (W) - "Do you qualify for the rebate?" excerpt from government website showing the maximum rebate amounts (May 1/13)
- (C) - From Hon. Mr. MacDonell, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations to President, HCCC #350 regarding the changes to the *Condominium Act* (May 8/13)

## TREASURY BOARD

- (ST) - Message from the Minister, from Public Accounts for the year ended March 31, 2009 reported a surplus of \$19.7 million (March 27/13)
- (W) - Excerpt from Hansard, Special Committee (AG), March 5, 2013 regarding motion by member for Lunenburg approving Auditor General's budget request (April 2/13)
- (C) - From Hon. Mr. Corbett, Minister of Labour and Advanced Education to President and Vice-chancellor, Acadia University, March 25, 2013 regarding allocation schedule for the 2013-14 operating grant (April 3/13)

**APPENDIX C**  
**STATUS OF BILLS**

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**Bill 1.            Accountability in Economic Development Assistance Act**

**Honourable Stephen McNeil - Annapolis**

First Reading. . . . . March 26, 2013

**Bill 2.            Reliability in the Delivery of Electricity Act**

**Andrew Younger - Dartmouth East**

First Reading. . . . . March 26, 2013

**Bill 3.            Support for Parents of Critically Ill or Abducted Children Act (Labour Standards Code - amended)**

**Honourable Frank Corbett - Minister of Labour and Advanced Education**

First Reading. . . . . March 27, 2013  
Second Reading . . . . . April 2, 2013  
Law Amendments Committee . . . . . April 29, 2013  
Committee of the Whole House . . . . . April 30, 2013  
Third Reading. . . . . May 2, 2013  
Royal Assent. . . . . May 10, 2013  
Commencement . . . . . Proclamation  
2013 Statutes. . . . . Chapter 11

**Bill 4.            Balanced Budget Act**

**Honourable Jamie Baillie - Cumberland South**

First Reading. . . . . March 27, 2013

**Bill 5.            Elections Act - amended**

**Honourable Stephen McNeil - Annapolis**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 6.            Next Generation Act (Finance Act - amended)**

**Honourable Jamie Baillie - Cumberland South**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 7. Liquor Control Act - amended**

**Diana Whalen - Halifax Clayton Park**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 8. Food Bank Donation Tax Credit for Farmers Act  
(Income Tax Act - amended)**

**Leo Glavine - Kings West**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 9. Review to Invest in Student Achievement Act**

**Honourable Karen Casey - Colchester North**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 10. Geothermal Heating and Cooling Systems, An Act to  
Promote the Development of District and  
Neighbourhood (Public Utilities Act - amended)**

**Andrew Younger - Dartmouth East**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 11. Affordable Higher Education Act**

**Zach Churchill - Yarmouth**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 12. Public Service Act - amended**

**Honourable Stephen McNeil - Annapolis**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 13. Liquor Control Act - amended**

**STATUS OF BILLS**

**Diana Whalen - Halifax Clayton Park**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 14. Diabetic Persons Support Act**

**Leo Glavine - Kings West**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 15. Education Act - amended**

**Honourable Karen Casey - Colchester North**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 16. Green Energy Promotion Act**

**Andrew Younger - Dartmouth East**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 17. Blueprint for the Future of Public Education in Nova Scotia Act**

**Honourable Stephen McNeil - Annapolis**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 18. Life-threatening Illness Student Support Act**

**Honourable Karen Casey - Colchester North**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 19. Increasing Immigration to Nova Scotia Act**

**Diana Whalen - Halifax Clayton Park**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 20. Electricity Act - amended**

**Andrew Younger - Dartmouth East**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 21. Supporting All Students' Success in the Classroom Act**

**Honourable Stephen McNeil - Annapolis**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 22. Joseph Howe Day Act**

**Diana Whalen - Halifax Clayton Park**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 23. Sound Recording Tax Credit Act (Income Tax Act - amended)**

**Harold (Junior) Theriault - Digby–Annapolis**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 24. Multi-year Funding Act**

**Kelly Regan - Bedford–Birch Cove**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 25. Health Act - amended**

**Honourable Stephen McNeil - Annapolis**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 26. Sales Tax Act - amended**

**Harold (Junior) Theriault - Digby–Annapolis**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 27. Day Care Act - amended**

## STATUS OF BILLS

**Kelly Regan - Bedford–Birch Cove**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 28. Tax Review (2013-14) Act****Honourable Stephen McNeil - Annapolis**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 29. Housing Development Corporation Act - amended****Kelly Regan - Bedford–Birch Cove**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 30. Housing Development Corporation Act - amended****Kelly Regan - Bedford–Birch Cove**

First Reading. . . . . March 28, 2013

**Bill 31. Full Disclosure of Accounting Changes Act (Finance Act - amended)****Honourable Jamie Baillie - Cumberland South**

First Reading. . . . . April 2, 2013

**Bill 32. Solemnization of Marriage Act - amended****Honourable John MacDonell - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations**

First Reading. . . . . April 3, 2013

Second Reading . . . . . April 4, 2013

Law Amendments Committee . . . . . April 29, 2013

Committee of the Whole House . . . . . April 30, 2013

Third Reading. . . . . May 2, 2013

Royal Assent. . . . . May 10, 2013

Commencement . . . . . Royal Assent

2013 Statutes. . . . . Chapter 28

- Bill 33. Rural Nova Scotia Physicians Act**  
**Honourable Stephen McNeil - Annapolis**  
 First Reading. . . . . April 4, 2013
- Bill 34. Ratepayer Protection Act**  
**Andrew Younger - Dartmouth East**  
 First Reading. . . . . April 4, 2013
- Bill 35. Protect Patients and Provide for the Fair Resolution of Contract negotiations in Health Care and Community Services, An Act to (Trade Union Act - amended)**  
**Honourable Jamie Baillie - Cumberland South**  
 First Reading. . . . . April 8, 2013
- Bill 36. Provincial Court Act - amended**  
**Honourable Ross Landry - Minister of Justice**  
 First Reading. . . . . April 8, 2013  
 Second Reading . . . . . April 25, 2013  
 Law Amendments Committee . . . . . April 29, 2013  
 Committee of the Whole House . . . . . April 30, 2013  
 Third Reading. . . . . May 2, 2013  
 Royal Assent. . . . . May 10, 2013  
 Commencement:  
     Section 1, subsection 3(1) &  
     Section 4. . . . . April 1, 2002  
     Section 6. . . . . May 11, 2010  
     Section 2, subsection 3(2) and  
     Section 5. . . . . January 1, 2011  
     Subsection 3(3). . . . . April 1, 2012  
 2013 Statutes. . . . . Chapter 27
- Bill 37. Innovative Transportation Act (Motor Vehicle Act - amended)**  
**Honourable Maurice Smith - Minister of**



**Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal**

First Reading. . . . . April 10, 2013  
 Second Reading . . . . . April 25, 2013  
 Law Amendments Committee . . . . . April 29, 2013  
 Committee of the Whole House . . . . . April 30, 2013  
 Third Reading. . . . . May 2, 2013  
 Royal Assent. . . . . May 10, 2013  
 Commencement . . . . . Royal Assent  
 2013 Statutes. . . . . Chapter 4

**Bill 38. Trade Union Act - amended****Honourable Jamie Baillie - Cumberland South**

First Reading. . . . . April 11, 2013

**Bill 39. Trade Union Act - amended****Honourable Jamie Baillie - Cumberland South**

First Reading. . . . . April 11, 2013

**Bill 40. Education Act - amended****Eddie Orrell - Cape Breton North**

First Reading. . . . . April 12, 2013

**Bill 41. Child Protection Intervention Act****Honourable Jamie Baillie - Cumberland South**

First Reading. . . . . April 15, 2013

**Bill 42. Pension Benefits Act - amended****Honourable Frank Corbett - Minister of Labour and  
Advanced Education**

First Reading. . . . . April 15, 2013  
 Second Reading . . . . . April 25, 2013  
 Law Amendments Committee . . . . . April 29, 2013

Committee of the Whole House . . . . . April 30, 2013  
 Third Reading . . . . . May 2, 2013  
 Royal Assent . . . . . May 10, 2013  
 Commencement . . . . . Royal Assent  
 2013 Statutes . . . . . Chapter 25

**Bill 43. Trustees of the Onslow Cemetery Company, An Act to Incorporate the - amended**

**Honourable Karen Casey - Colchester North**

First Reading . . . . . April 15, 2013  
 Second Reading . . . . . April 29, 2013  
 Law Amendments Committee . . . . . May 2, 2013  
 Committee of the Whole House . . . . . May 3, 2013  
 Third Reading . . . . . May 3, 2013  
 Royal Assent . . . . . May 10, 2013  
 Commencement . . . . . Royal Assent  
 2013 Statutes . . . . . Chapter 30

**Bill 44. Ratepayer Fairness Act (Public Utilities Act - amended)**

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