

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**

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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.”

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**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.