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. 30. An Act to Ensure the Provision of Essential Homesupport Services

(Hon. K. Regan - Minister of Labour and Advanced Education)

No. 31. An Act to Protect and Provide for the Fair Resolution of Contract Negotiations in Health Care and Community Services

(Hon. J. Baillie – Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 686 - Hon. J. Baillie, Leader of the Official Opposition – asking members to agree to adopt a method of resolving contract disputes in health care that doesn't cause worry, hardship, and service disruption for vulnerable people.

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

Res. No. 687 – Hon. M. MacDonald, Leader of the New Democratic Party - extending our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Loretta Saunders and resolving to support all efforts to examine and understand more fully what steps must be taken to end the unacceptable rate of death and disappearance among Aboriginal women in Canada.

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

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Hon. M. Samson, Government House leader, moved that the maximum number of hours this House may sit today be set at 15. The motion carried.

PUBLIC BILLS

Hon. M. Samson, Government House Leader, requested unanimous consent for Bill No. 30 to read for a second time on this day. The motion carried.

Hon. K. Regan, Minister of Labour and Advanced Education, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 30. Essential Home-support Services (2014) Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. J. Baillie, Hon. M. MacDonald, C. Porter, Hon. F. Corbett, Hon. D. Wilson, Hon. S. Belliveau, L. Zann, Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, G. Gosse and Hon. K. Regan in Reply. The question being put by the Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Hon. M. Samson, Government House Leader, requested unanimous consent for the House to sit on Saturday and Sunday. The motion did not carry.

The House recessed at 1:50 P.M. until 6:00 P.M. at which time an update on the status of Bill 30 in the Law Amendments Committee would be given.

Hon. M. Samson, Government House Leader, advised that the Law Amendments Committee would meet until after midnight and through the night if necessary. The Government House Leader again asked for unanimous consent for the House to sit on Saturday. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The House adjourned to meet Saturday, March 1st at 9:00 A.M.