

The House met at 12:01 A.M.

Prayers.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Hon. J. Bernard, Minister of Community Services, rose to make a statement respecting Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Comments were made by K. MacFarlane and G. Gosse.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notice was passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 831 – Hon. K. Regan, Minister of Labour and Advanced Education - celebrating the week of March 29 to April 6, 2014, as International Adult Learners' Week in the Province of Nova Scotia.

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 notice was passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 832 – E. Orrell, Northside-Westmount - saluting Royal Canadian Legion Branch 83 for its community-minded spirit and generosity.

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE ON BILLS

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

The Chair 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. 37. Essential Health and Community Services Act

The foregoing bill was ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

Hon. M. Samson, Government House Leader, requested unanimous consent to have Bill No. 37 considered for third reading on this day. The motion was defeated.

Hon. M. Samson, Government House Leader, moved the House recess until 2:15 P.M. at which time the Budget Speech will be delivered. The motion carried.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Res. No. 800 - Estimates: Committee of the Whole on Supply – Referral

“Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the notice of motion given by me on March 28th, 2014, and the Rules and Forms of Procedure of the House of Assembly, 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, 2015, which is:

‘I hereby transmit Estimates of Sums required for the Public Service of the Province, for the year ending March 31, 2015, and in accordance with the Constitution Act of 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)

Linda Lee Oland
Administrator of the Province

Halifax, N.S.
April 2, 2014”

The same Honourable Minister then tabled the message from Her Honour the Administrator of the Province transmitting the Estimates for the consideration of this House, the Estimates Book, the Government Business Plan, the Crown Corporation Business Plans, table the Estimate and 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, 2015, being Supply, to be granted to Her Majesty and the Crown Corporation Business Plans be referred to the Committee of the Whole on Supply. A debate ensued during which the following took part: T. Houston and Hon. M. MacDonald, who adjourned the debate.

Hon. M. Samson, Government House Leader, requested unanimous consent to have Bill No. 37 considered for third reading on this day. The motion was defeated.

ADJOURNMENT

The House adjourned to meet Friday, April 4th at 12:01 A.M.