

The House met at 4:00 P.M.

Prayers.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Hon. M. Samson, Minister of Acadian Affairs, tabled the 2013 Progress Report on French-language services provided by the Government of Nova Scotia.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Hon. K. Regan, Minister of Labour and Advanced Education, delivered a statement respecting the observance of the National Day of Mourning for Workers.

Comments were made by Hon. P. Dunn and Hon. M. MacDonald.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1389 – Hon. M. Samson, Government House Leader, on behalf of Hon. S. McNeil, Premier - acknowledging April 28th as Holocaust Memorial 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. 1390 - Hon. J. Baillie, Leader of the Official Opposition - recognizing Yom HaShoah and let today serve as a reminder of the horrors that intolerance and hatred can produce, and to resolve never to let these crimes be forgotten or repeated.

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.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Res. No. 1391 – Hon. P. Dunn, Pictou Centre – congratulating coach Shannon MacInnis and his group of mini stars for their recent stellar performance as Nova Scotia's Provincial Mini Boys basketball champions.

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

Res. No. 1392 – Hon. M. MacDonald, Leader of the New Democratic Party - honouring the memory of those who have lost their lives by committing to improve health and safety in the workplace.

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

Res. No. 1393 – Hon. M. Samson, Government House Leader, on behalf of Hon. K. Murphy, Eastern Shore – thanking Beverly Hugli for giving her time in the preservation of the Acadian culture on the Eastern Shore.

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

Res. No. 1394 – E. Orrell, Northside-Westmount - congratulating those recognizing on the Donor Wall of Caring at the Northside Community Guest Home for their generosity and for making this facility second to none.

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

Res. No. 1395 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Queens-Shelburne - supporting the creation of a public, multi-year, rural road plan so that Nova Scotians, such as those living along Lockes Island Road and the Ferry West Road, would be given more information and clarity of when they can expect their roads to be repaired or repaved.

Res. No. 1396 – J. Treen, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - thanking the Eastern Passage/Cow Bay Lions Club for their unwavering support to our community and wish them 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. 1397 – A. MacMaster, Inverness - acknowledging Wayne Aucoin for following his heart and providing confidence and positive reinforcement for all his lifelong clients.

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

Res. No. 1398 – Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulating the TASA Female Bantam AA players, coaches and parents on such a successful year and recognizing the contributions that TASA association is making to this generation's players and fans of women's hockey.

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

Res. No. 1399 – Hon. T. Ince, Cole Harbour-Portland Valley - congratulating Melinda Daye on being named the 2014 Education Week Partners Award winner.

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

Res. No. 1400 – A. MacLeod, Sydney River-Mira-Louisbourg – congratulating Natasha Burke-Morash, of Little Lorraine, who was recently nominated for the prestigious NSTU's Teachers Make a Difference campaign.

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

Res. No. 1401 – L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill-Millbrook-Salmon River - congratulating Doug MacInnes and other participants for helping raise funds for the Big Brothers Big Sisters organization.

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

Res. No. 1402 – K. Irving, Kings South – congratulating Adam Melanson who has recently been declared the Outstanding First Year Male Athlete of the Year by Acadia Athletics.

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

Res. No. 1403 – E. Orrell, Northside-Westmount - thanking the students and staff of Robin Foote Elementary School for their yearly Valentine's Day event to entertain veterans at the Harbourview Hospital.

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

Res. No. 1404 – S. Lohnes-Croft, Lunenburg - congratulating Adam Bower and his wife Christina, owners of the Grand Banker Seafood Bar and Grill.

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

Res. No. 1405 – A. Rowe, Dartmouth South - congratulating Fran Bellefontaine-Kelly on celebrating 40 years in business at Busy Bee Daycare Centres.

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

Res. No. 1406 – M. Miller, Hants East - congratulating Makayla Lynn on the production of this album and wishing her continued success in all of her musical pursuits.

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

Res. No. 1407 – L. Hines, Guysborough-Eastern Shore-Tracadie – expressing support for the adult learning and the difference it can make in people's lives.

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

Res. No. 1408 – B. Maguire, Halifax Atlantic – congratulating Rob Romans and Jan Drisdelle on embarking on a new endeavour on January 6, 2014, opening their family business, Kool T's & More, on Isleville Street.

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

Res. No. 1409 – I. Rankin, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulating Kevin Cox for his efforts to give children the opportunity to have early success in sports and to lead active, healthy lifestyles.

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

Res. No. 1410 – G. Wilson, Clare-Digby – congratulating Patrice Boulianne and his group Blou on their recent album.

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

Res. No. 1411 – Hon. M. Furey, Lunenburg West - congratulating all participants of the Bridgewater Music Festival for their performances and thanking the festival organizers for their hard work and dedication to making the Bridgewater Music Festival a success.

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

Res. No. 1412 – P. Arab, Fairview-Clayton Park - congratulating Edith Brumby and thanking her for all her years of volunteer service 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. 1413 – Hon. K. Regan, Bedford – congratulating Elaine Loney on being named one of two Adult Bedford Volunteers of the Year and commending her outstanding service 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. 1414 – Hon. K. Regan, Bedford – congratulating Veronica Parker on being named one of the two Adult Bedford Volunteers of the Year and commending her outstanding service to her community.

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

PUBLIC BILLS

Hon. M. Samson, Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 67. Invest Nova Scotia Board

A debate ensued during which the following took part: K. MacFarlane, Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse and Hon. M. Samson 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. L. Kousoulis, Minister of Internal Services, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 69. House of Assembly Management Commission Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. C. d'Entremont and Hon. L. Kousoulis 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.

CWH 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. 35. Property Valuation Services Corporation Act

The following bills were reported with certain amendments by the Law Amendments Committee to the Committee of the Whole House, without further amendment:

No. 43. Direct Sellers' Regulation Act**No. 45. Apprenticeship and Trades Qualifications System Reform (2014) Act**

The following bill, with certain amendments:

No. 51. Municipal Government Act

The bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

PUBLIC BILLS FOR THIRD READING

Hon. Z. Churchill, Minister of Natural Resources, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 32. Forestry Agreement Statutes Repeal (2014) Act

There being no debate, the question was put by the 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. K. Regan, Minister of Labour and Advanced Education, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 33. Fair Registration Practices Act

There being no debate, the question was put by the Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. M. Furey, Minister of Municipal Affairs, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 55. Halifax Regional Municipality Charter

There being no debate, the question was put by the Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. M. Furey, Minister of Municipal Affairs, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 57. Cemetery and Funeral Services Act and the Embalmers and Funeral Directors Act

There being no debate, the question was put by the Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. M. Furey, Minister of Municipal Affairs, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 58. Oil Refineries and L.N.G. Plants Municipal Taxation Act

There being no debate, the question was put by the 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

The House adjourned to meet Tuesday, April 29th at 2:00 P.M.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

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

Res. No. 1415 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – congratulating "The Town Heroes" on winning two awards at this year's ECMA awards in Charlottetown.

Res. No. 1416 – Hon. P. Dunn, Pictou Centre - congratulating Fred Baines who has brought a part of distant worlds to our town in the form of unique and foreign blends of quality teas.

Res. No. 1417 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South - marking the Day of Mourning by remembering those who have died and thanking everyone who has worked tirelessly on this campaign to prevent workplace accidents.

Res. No. 1418 – Hon. L. Metlege Diab, Halifax Armdale - congratulating the 2014 Our Lady of Lebanon Parish First Communion Class and wishing them continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1419 – Hon. L. Metlege Diab, Halifax Armdale – congratulating Mary Ann and her husband Paul Crowley presented with a Long-Service Award in recognition of their volunteerism during the 2014 Nova Scotia Liberal Annual General Meeting.

Res. No. 1420 – Hon. L. Metlege Diab, Halifax Armdale - congratulating Zakhour Faddoul on his outstanding achievements and volunteerism and wishing him continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1421 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating team member Toni Jewer-Pineau on a successful basketball season and wishing her continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1422 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating team member Alaina Britney on a successful basketball season and wishing her continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1423 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating team member Ally Garand on a successful basketball season and wishing her continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1424 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating team member Anika Mensing on a successful basketball season and wishing her continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1425 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Assistant Coach Nick Baskwill on a successful basketball season and wishing him continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1426 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Coach Greg Bower on a successful basketball season and wishing him continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1427 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating team member Courtney Garand on a successful basketball season and wishing her continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1428 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating team member Eden Burke on a successful basketball season and wishing her continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1429 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating team member Emma Gillespie on a successful basketball season and wishing her continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1430 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating team member Erica Theisen on a successful basketball season and wishing her continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1431 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Jennifer Adams on a successful basketball season and wishing her continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1432 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating team member Kyra Britney on a successful basketball season and wishing her continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1433 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating team member Lauren Wentzell on a successful basketball season and wishing her continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1434 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating Martina MacKinnon on a successful basketball season and wishing her continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1435 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating team member Maridith Brown on a successful basketball season and wishing her continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1436 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating team member Sage Dixon on a successful basketball season and wishing her continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1437 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating team member Sydney Smith on a successful basketball season and wishing her continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1438 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulating team member Tara Armstrong on a successful basketball season and wishing her continued success in the future.

Res. No. 1439 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating the Jost family on starting a new business venture in Colchester North.

Res. No. 1440 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Betty MacNeil, a charter member of the Great Village and District Ladies Fire Auxiliary, Colchester North, for being presented a 45-year service award.

Res. No. 1441 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Meredith Layton, a charter member of the Great Village and District Ladies Fire Auxiliary, Colchester North, for being presented a 45-year service award at the annual firemen's banquet.

Res. No. 1442 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Peter and Rhonda Fahey for their generosity and hard work on behalf of single mothers and for making the true meaning of Christmas a reality.

Res. No. 1443 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating track star Sarah MacRitchie from Lower Onslow, Colchester North, for becoming the ninth winner of the Bryan Scallion and Diane Powell Award.

Res. No. 1444 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Sarah Millman, a Grade 12 student at the Cobequid Educational Centre in Truro, for receiving the Loren scholarship.

Res. No. 1445 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating the staff at the Tatamagouche Elementary School in Colchester North for their enthusiastic and rewarding participation in the Chignecto Central Regional School Board Accreditation Program.

Res. No. 1446 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating the residents of Tatamagouche for their initiative in applying for and being accepted to host the national meeting of Slow Foods Canada.

Res. No. 1447 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Justin Thibault for being named Student of the Month for September 2013 at North Colchester High School.

Res. No. 1448 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Noah Barrett for being selected as Student of the Month for February 2014.

Res. No. 1449 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Jennie Underwood for being selected as the Student of the Month for March 2014.

Res. No. 1450 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Devin Hayman for being selected as Student of the Month for March 2014.

Res. No. 1451 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Wade Rutherford for receiving a 20-year service award at the annual banquet celebrating the 88th anniversary of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1452 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Trevor Spencer for receiving the Most Improved Firefighter Award at the annual banquet celebrating the 88th anniversary of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1453 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Terry Spence for receiving the Claude O'Brien Fellowship Award at the annual banquet celebrating the 88th anniversary of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1454 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Masstown Hardware for receiving the Steve Francis Memorial Award,

which recognizes a business that has shown outstanding support to the Great Village and District Fire Brigade

Res. No. 1455 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Kathy Giles for receiving a 15-year service award at the annual banquet celebrating the 88th anniversary of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1456 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Kate Cameron for receiving a 5-year service award at the annual banquet celebrating the 88th anniversary of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1457 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Joe Slack for receiving the Officer of the Year Award and a 20-year service award at the annual banquet celebrating the 88th anniversary of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1458 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Gregg Kinsman for receiving a 20-year service award at the annual banquet celebrating the 88th anniversary of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1459 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Gary Slack for receiving a 20-year service award at the annual banquet celebrating the 88th anniversary of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1460 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Derrick Works for receiving the Firefighter of the Year Award at the annual banquet celebrating the 88th anniversary of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1461 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Chris Congdon for receiving a 10-year service award at the annual banquet celebrating the 88th anniversary of the Great Village and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1462 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Evan Hansen for receiving a 15-year service award at the annual banquet celebrating the 41st annual banquet of the North River and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1463 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Emile Boudreau for receiving an award for 10 years of service with the

North River and District Fire Brigade in Colchester North, plus 22 years with the Enfield Fire Department.

Res. No. 1464 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Brian Irving for receiving an award for 30 years of service with the North River and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1465 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Adrienne MacKay for receiving a 10-year award at the 41st annual banquet of the North River and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1466 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Keith Wood for receiving an award for 10 years of service at the 41st annual banquet of the North River and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1467 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating LeRoy Hansen for receiving an award for 30 years of service at the 41st annual banquet of the North River and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1468 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Mark Brownell for being named Member of the Year at the 41st annual banquet of the North River and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1469 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Nathan MacKinnon for receiving a 10-year award at the 41st annual banquet of the North River and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1470 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Tracey Hill for receiving a 25-year award at the 41st annual banquet of the North River and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1471 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Susan Wood for receiving a 10-year award at the 41st annual banquet of the North River and District Fire Brigade.

Res. No. 1472 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Tracey Hill for receiving a 25-year award at the 41st annual banquet of the North River and District Fire Brigade.