

The House met at 1:00 P.M.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

J. Lohr, Kings North, tabled a petition requesting an inquiry into the hiring process for the Senior Director of Mental Health and Addictions at the Nova Scotia Health Authority.

A. Paon, Cape Breton- Richmond, tabled a petition requesting an inquiry into the hiring process for the Senior Director of Mental Health and Addictions at the Nova Scotia Health Authority.

K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne, tabled a petition requesting an inquiry into the hiring process for the Senior Director of Mental Health and Addictions at the Nova Scotia Health Authority.

Hon. P. Dunn, Pictou Centre, tabled a petition requesting an inquiry into the hiring process for the Senior Director of Mental Health and Addictions at the Nova Scotia Health Authority.

L. Harrison, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley, tabled a petition requesting an inquiry into the hiring process for the Senior Director of Mental Health and Addictions at the Nova Scotia Health Authority.

T. Halman, Dartmouth East, tabled a petition requesting an inquiry into the hiring process for the Senior Director of Mental Health and Addictions at the Nova Scotia Health Authority.

B. Adams, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage, tabled a petition requesting an inquiry into the hiring process for the Senior Director of Mental Health and Addictions at the Nova Scotia Health Authority.

E. Smith-McCrossin, Cumberland North, tabled a petition requesting an inquiry into the hiring process for the Senior Director of Mental Health and Addictions at the Nova Scotia Health Authority.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 735 – Hon. P. Arab, Minister of Internal Services – congratulating award recipients in the Department of Internal Services and Dalhousie University 3rd annual Open Data Contest.

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

Res. No. 736 – Hon. L. Metlege Diab, Minister of Acadian Affairs and Francophonie – welcoming the members of the intergovernmental network of the Canadian Francophonie 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. 737 – Hon. I. Rankin, Minister of Lands and Forestry – thanking Ralph Wheadon on his 30 years of service toward Nova Scotia's natural resources.

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

Res. No. 738 – Hon. K. Colwell, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture – recognizing the Eastern Shore Fishermen's Protective Association for receiving the Minister's Award of Excellence for their contributions to the lobster industry at the 21st Annual Fisheries and Aquaculture Minister's Conference.

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

Res. No. 739 – Hon. K. Colwell, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture – congratulating Riverside Lobster for receiving the Minister's Award of Excellence for their commitment to their employees, customers and community at the 21st Annual Fisheries and Aquaculture Minister's Conference.

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. 97. An Act to Amend Chapter 4 of the Acts of 1994, the Credit Union Act

(Hon. K. Casey – Minister of Finance and Treasury Board)

No. 98. An Act to Amend Chapter 7 of the Acts of 2011, the Fair Drug Pricing Act

(T. Martin – Cape Breton Centre)

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

C. Chender, New Democratic Party House Leader, called the following bill:

No. 89. Workers' Compensation Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: S. Leblanc, Hon. C. Porter, T. Rushton and L. Zann. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

C. Chender, New Democratic Party House Leader, called the following bill:

No. 86. Emergency Department Standards Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: G. Burrill, S. Lohnes-Croft, K. MacFarlane and T. Martin. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, March 7th at 1:00 P.M.

MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)

The Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5). The topic of late debate as submitted by A. MacMaster, Inverness:

“Therefore be it resolved that the government has failed to provide adequate access to mental health services.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: J. Lohr, L. Roberts and B. Maguire.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

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

Res. No. 740 – K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne – congratulating Tanya and Catlin Merry on the birth of their son.

Res. No. 741 – K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne – congratulating Kayleigh Roy and Travis Wolfe on the birth of their son.

Res. No. 742 – K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne – congratulating Cassandra Roy and Tyler Dagley on the birth of their child.

Res. No. 743 – Hon. I. Rankin, Timberlea-Prospect – congratulating Ben and Michelle Joly for community service on October 31.