The House met at 1:00 P.M.

Prayers.

T. Houston, Leader of the Opposition, rose on a point of privilege alleging threats and physical contact by Hon. Z. Churchill, Yarmouth, on the previous afternoon.

Comments were made by Hon. Z. Churchill and L. Harrison.

The House recessed.

After reconvening, comments were made by Hon. T. Ince.

The House recessed again while the Speaker consulted with staff. Upon reconvening, the Speaker found a prima facie case and asked the Leader of the Opposition to restate his motion for consideration of the House.

"Therefore be it resolved that the matter be referred to a Committee on Internal Affairs and the committee's findings be reported back to the House without delay."

The motion was defeated.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 125. An Act to Amend Chapter 7 of the Acts of 2011, the Fair Drug Pricing Act

(T. Martin – Cape Breton Centre)

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

With the unanimous consent of the House, the New Democratic Party proceeded with Opposition Business notwithstanding the day having been assigned to the Official Opposition.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS FOR SECOND READING

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

No. 69. Vital Statistics Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: S. Leblanc, Hon. G. MacLellan, Hon. P. Arab and L. Roberts. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

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

No. 123. Sales Tax Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: G. Burrill, B. Jessome, Hon. G. MacLellan and C. Chender. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, March 28th 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 Hon. Z. Churchill, Yarmouth:

"Therefore be it resolved that the Nova Scotia to Maine ferry is of critical importance to the economic growth of Nova Scotia and that the Opposition rhetoric ignoring the importance of the service has created uncertainty to all Nova Scotians and international investors."

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Z. Churchill, S. Leblanc and G. Wilson.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

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

Res. No. 856 – Hon. I. Rankin, Timberlea-Prospect – thanking Sharon Kinsman for organizing a public event on fire safety for the community.

Res. No. 857 - K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne – congratulating Elizabeth Cromwell on her investiture into the Order of Canada on November 20, 2018.

Res. No. 858-K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne - congratulating the Town of Shelburne on being awarded the 2018 Creative Nova Scotia Community Arts and Culture Recognition Award.

- Res. No. 859 A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond commemorating the life of Anita Loretta Roberts.
- Res. No. 860 A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond commemorating the life of Catherine Anne (MacDonald) Stone.
- Res. No. 861 A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond commemorating the life of Gerard William Dort.
- Res. No. 862 A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond commemorating the life of Joseph William "Willie" Marchand.
- Res. No. 863 A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond commemorating the life of Laurie Ann Samson.
- Res. No. 864 A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond commemorating the life of Leona Mae Peddle.
- Res. No. 865 A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond commemorating the life of Mary Ellen Polegato.
- Res. No. 866 A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond commemorating the life of Chad Christopher Landry.
- Res. No. 867 A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond commemorating the life of Dan John "Stewart" MacDonald.
- Res. No. 868 A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond commemorating the life of Dorothy Rose Shears.
- Res. No. 869 A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond commemorating the life of Florence Josephine Morgan.
- Res. No. 870 A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond commemorating the life of Frances Joseph "Cooke" Cooke.
- Res. No. 871 A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond commemorating the life of Shirley Jane Hillier.
- Res. No. 872 A. Paon, Cape Breton-Richmond commemorating the life of Roderick Albert "Rock'n Roddy" Boudreau.