

The House met at 1:00 P.M.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

C. Chender, Dartmouth South, tabled a petition calling on the government to protect the Lakes of Dartmouth.

S. Craig, Sackville-Cobequid, tabled a petition calling on the province to increase access to affordable housing for seniors and residents on a fixed income.

B. Adams, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage, tabled a petition requesting the government to provide immediate funding for a collaborative health centre for Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage.

S. Leblanc, Dartmouth North, tabled a petition requesting an approach to identifying laws that contribute to unsafe road conditions.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Hon. K. Murphy, Speaker, tabled the Auditor General's Financial Report for October 2019.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1425 – Hon. S. McNeil, Premier – congratulating Alfred Burgesson on his appointment to the Prime Minister's Youth Council.

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

Res. No. 1426 – Hon. R. Delorey, Minister of Health and Wellness – recognizing preventable injuries as a serious health issue and commending the efforts of the Atlantic Collaborative on Injury Prevention.

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

Res. No. 1427 – Hon. K. Colwell, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture – recognizing the improvements to the Nova Scotia Fisheries & Aquaculture Loan Board has helped a record number of clients.

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

Res. No. 1428 – Hon. L. Glavine, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage – recognizing Canadian Men's Arm Wrestling Champion Garry Kell and wishing him luck at the 2019 World Arm Wrestling & Para Arm Wrestling Championships.

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

Res. No. 1429 – Hon. C. Porter, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing – recognizing November 17 – 23 as Municipal Awareness Week and the importance of municipal governments.

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

Res. No. 1430 – Hon. K. Regan, Minister of Community Services – thanking Bonny Lea Farm for their role in providing Nova Scotians with disabilities diverse opportunities to succeed in their community.

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. 217. An Act to Amend Chapter 260 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Liquor Control Act

(T. Houston – Pictou East)

No. 218. An Act to Preserve the Independence of Student Unions

(B. Comer – Sydney River-Mira-Louisbourg)

ADDRESS IN REPLY

On motion, the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply was then resumed during which the following took part: S. Craig.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE ON BILLS

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

The following bills were carried without debate:

**No. 183. Digby Town and Municipal Housing Corporation
in the Town of Digby**

No. 195. Union of Certain Churches Therein Named

The following bill was debated and after an amendment on Clause 3, 35A(1) was carried and amendments on Clause 3 35A(2) and 35A(3) were defeated, the bill carried:

No. 204. Workers' Compensation Act

The following bill was debated and after amendments on Clause 3 39A(a), Clause 3 39H(1)(a), Clause 3 39H(5) were carried and amendments on Clause 1, Clause 3 39A(b), Clause 3 39E, Clause 3 39F, Clause 3 39G(1)(4), Clause 3 39H, Clause 3 39H(5) were defeated, the bill carried:

No. 180. Fatality Investigations Act

The following bill was debated and after amendments on Clauses 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12(1), 12(3), 14(1), 15 were defeated, the bill carried:

No. 213. Sustainable Development Goals Act

The House reconvened and the Chair reported that the Committee had met and considered the foregoing bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, with and without amendments. The bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

PUBLIC BILLS FOR THIRD READING

The adjourned debate on the following bill was resumed:

No. 152. Plastic Bags Reduction Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: G. Burrill, A. MacMaster, J. Lohr, L. Roberts, B. Adams, E. Smith-McCrossin and Hon. G. Wilson closed debate. The question being put by the Speaker, 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, Attorney General and Minister of Justice, moved third reading for the following bill:

No. 189. House of Assembly Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: K. Masland, C. Chender, E. Smith-McCrossin and Hon. M. Furey closed debate. The question being put by the Speaker, 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. C. Porter, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, moved third reading for the following bill:

No. 192. Municipal Elections Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: E. Smith-McCrossin, L. Roberts and Hon. C. Porter closed debate. The question being put by the Speaker, 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. R. Delorey, Minister of Health and Wellness, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 193. Massage Therapist Titles Protection Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: E. Smith-McCrossin, T. Martin and Hon. R. Delorey closed debate. The question being put by the Speaker, 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. P. Arab, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Internal Services, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 197. Companies Act, Co-operative Associations Act and Corporations Registration Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. MacMaster, L. Roberts and Hon. P. Arab closed debate. The question being put by the Speaker, 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. C. Porter, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 201. Municipal Government Act and Halifax Regional Municipality Charter

A debate ensued during which the following took part: E. Smith-McCrossin, L. Roberts and Hon. C. Porter closed debate. The question being put by the Speaker, 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 Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, October 30th at 9:00 A.M.

NOTICE OF QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWERS

W.Q. 10 – C. Chender, Dartmouth South, to Hon. Z. Churchill, Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development – assess and report on the costs and effectiveness of the IBM Tech Advantage Program.

W.Q. 11 – S. Leblanc, Dartmouth North, to Hon. K. Regan, Minister of Community Services – status update on the existing and future homes of the community housing for persons with intellectual disabilities and ASD.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

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

Res. No. 1431 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Guy Gallant on his success at the FireFit Canadian and World Championships.

Res. No. 1432 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Willow Lodge on their 50th anniversary.

Res. No. 1433 – K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne – congratulating the grade 9 students from Matt Sheffield's class at Liverpool Regional High School for their work with the Queens Manor Community Connections program.

Res. No. 1434 – K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne – congratulating Linda Smith and her team at Memories Café on being recipients of the Outstanding Service Award at the Lunenburg Queens Business Excellence Awards.

Res. No. 1435 – K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne – congratulating the Region of Queens Municipality on being presented with the Workplace for Wellness Silver Award during the Fall AMANS Conference.

Res. No. 1436 – K. Masland, Queens-Shelburne – congratulating three Syrian brothers Said, Mohamad and Ahmad on their hard work to receive their Grade 12 diplomas from Shelburne Regional High School after missing 3 years of school after the family fled war-torn Aleppo.

Res. No. 1437 – Hon. G. Wilson, Clare-Digby – congratulating Charles Haliburton on receiving the Joe Casey Humanitarian Award for his contributions to the Town of Digby.

Res. No. 1438 – Hon. G. Wilson, Clare-Digby – congratulating Riley Deveau for his silver medal at the 2019 Junior Karate Championships in the Kumite Individual Male Junior 61kg division.

Res. No. 1439 – Hon. G. Wilson, Clare-Digby – congratulating Trysten Deveau for her bronze medal at the 2018 North American Cup in the Individual Female Kumite 55kg category.

Res. No. 1440 – Hon. G. Wilson, Clare-Digby – congratulating Trysten Deveau for her gold medal at the 2019 Senior Karate Championships in the Kumite Individual Female Senior 55kg division.