

The House met at 1:00 P.M.

Prayers.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 222 - Hon. I. Rankin, Premier - recognizing March 21, 2021, as International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

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

Res. No. 223 - Hon. K. Irving, Minister of Environment and Climate Change - congratulating David MacKinnon on receiving the International Union for Conservation of Nature's Fred Packard Award.

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

Res. No. 224 - Hon. K. Irving, Minister of Environment and Climate Change - recognizing the important contribution of Restaurants Canada and the Restaurants Association of Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 225 - Hon. K. Colwell, Minister of Agriculture - recognizing the efforts of Farm Safety Nova Scotia and the Canadian Agricultural Safety Association.

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

Res. No. 226 - Hon. L. Metlege Diab, Minister of Acadian Affairs and Francophonie - recognizing the International Francophonie Day during this month of les Rendez-Vous de la francophonie.

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

Res. No. 227 - Hon. S. Lohnes-Croft, Minister of Communities, Culture and Heritage - acknowledging the extraordinary life of Budge Wilson and her contributions to literature.

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

Res. No. 228 - Hon. B. Jessome, Minister of the Public Service Commission - recognizing the public service "All Together" strategy and the commitment to eliminate systemic racism, discrimination and prejudice in our workplaces.

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

Res. No. 229 - Hon. L. Kousoulis, Minister of Finance and Treasury Board:

“Mr. Speaker, I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall

- (1) read and table the message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor transmitting the Estimates of Sums required for the service of the Province for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022, for the consideration of this House;
- (2) table the Estimate Books;
- (3) table the Government Business Plans;
- (4) table the Estimate resolutions;
- (5) deliver my Budget Speech; and
- (6) move that the Estimates of Sums required for the service of the Province, for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022, being Supply to be granted to Her Majesty, be referred to the Committee of the Whole on Supply.

Mr. Speaker, for the information of the House, the budget will be presented on Thursday, March 25, 2021.”

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. 28. An Act to Amend Chapter 250 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Land Titles Clarification Act, Respecting the Land Titles Initiative

(Hon. R. Delorey – Attorney General and Minister of Justice)

No. 29. An Act to Establish Emancipation Day

(B. Johns – Sackville-Beaver Bank)

No. 30. An Act to Establish a Commission of Inquiry into Long-term Care

(S. Leblanc – Dartmouth North)

No. 31. An Act to Establish a Co-ordinated Maritime Pandemic Health Strategy

(E. Smith-McCrossin – Cumberland North)

No. 32. An Act Respecting Green Jobs

(G. Burrill – Halifax Chebucto)

No. 33. An Act to Amend Chapter 8 of the Acts of 2008, the Personal Directives Act

(K. Masland – Queens-Shelburne)

No. 34. An Act to Support the Creative Economy

(S. Leblanc - Dartmouth North)

No. 35. An Act to Amend Chapter 8 of the Acts of 2002, the Guardianship Act

(K. Masland – Queens-Shelburne)

No. 36. An Act Respecting a Pilot Project for Seasonal Tourist Businesses

(C. Chender – Dartmouth South)

No. 37. An Act Respecting the Viability of Cape Breton Regional Municipality

(K. Coombes – Cape Breton Centre)

- No. 38. An Act to Amend Chapter 203 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Homes for Special Care Act, Respecting Staffing Levels**

(S. Leblanc - Dartmouth North)

- No. 39. An Act to Amend Chapter 203 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Homes for Special Care Act, Respecting Public Funds**

(S. Leblanc - Dartmouth North)

- No. 40. An Act to Amend Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, the Municipal Government Act, and Chapter 39 of the Acts of 2008, the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter, Respecting Inclusionary Zoning**

(K. Coombes – Cape Breton Centre)

- No. 41. An Act to Amend Chapter 203 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Homes for Special Care Act, Respecting a Room for Every Resident**

(G. Burrill – Halifax Chebucto)

- No. 42. An Act to Establish an Economic Recovery Task Force**

(G. Burrill – Halifax Chebucto)

- No. 43. An Act to Recognize Housing as a Human Right and Adopt a Provincial Housing Policy**

(G. Burrill – Halifax Chebucto)

- No. 44. An Act to Limit Increases in Rent for Residential Premises**

(L. Roberts – Halifax Needham)

- No. 45. An Act Respecting Tenants' Right to Know About Human Health Hazards**

(L. Roberts - Halifax Needham)

- No. 46. An Act to Amend Chapter 401 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Residential Tenancies Act**

(L. Roberts - Halifax Needham)

PUBLIC BILLS FOR SECOND READING

Hon. K. Regan, Minister of Community Services, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 23. Adoption Records Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: B. Adams, K. Coombes, S. Craig and Hon. K. Regan 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.

ADDRESS IN REPLY

On motion, the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne was resumed with E. Smith-McCrossin and K. Coombes, who adjourned debate.

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, March 24th at 1:00 P.M.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32(3)

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

Res. No. 230 - Hon. I. Rankin, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulating Sawyer Burke for his leadership and compassion to help others and for showing all of us that you are never too young to make a difference.