

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

K. Coombes, Cape Breton Centre, tabled a petition requesting the Premier and Minister of Health and Wellness to reconsider providing photopheresis treatment in Nova Scotia.

K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes, tabled a petition calling on the Province to partner with Develop Nova Scotia and a local service provider to make improvements to provide fiber optic to Boularderie Island.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 345 - Hon. Z. Churchill, Minister of Health and Wellness - recognizing April 7th as World Health Day.

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

Res. No. 346 - Hon. K. Regan, Minister of Seniors - thanking Seniors Safety Coordinators for their work in their communities.

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

Res. No. 347 - Hon. K. Irving, Minister of Environment and Climate Change - recognizing the twelve new members of the Round Table on the Environment and Sustainable Prosperity.

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

Res. No. 348 - Hon. K. Colwell, Minister of Agriculture - recognizing Philip Keddy's accomplishments in agricultural innovation.

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

Res. No. 349 - Hon. K. Colwell, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture - recognizing Brazil Rock 33/34 Lobster Association for its commitment to lobster quality.

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. 92. An Act to Establish a Registry for Continuing Care Assistants

(Hon. Z. Churchill – Minister of Health and Wellness)

No. 93. An Act Respecting Health-care for New and Expectant Mothers

(E. Smith-McCrossin – Cumberland North)

No. 94. An Act to Amend Chapter 10 of the Acts of 1994-95, the Workers' Compensation Act

(K. Coombes – Cape Breton Centre)

No. 95. An Act to Amend Chapter 160 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Parenting and Support Act

(Hon. R. Delorey – Minister of Justice)

No. 96. An Act to Amend Chapter 27 of the Acts of 2000, the Employment Support and Income Assistance Act, Respecting Employment Insurance Protection

(K. Coombes – Cape Breton Centre)

No. 97. An Act to Amend Chapter 25 of the Acts of 2004, the Electricity Act

(Hon. C. Porter – Minister of Energy and Mines)

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

B. Johns, Deputy House Leader of the Official Opposition, called the following bill:

No. 86. Efficient Operating Rooms Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: B. Adams, S. Leblanc, Hon. R. Delorey and E. Smith-McCrossin. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

B. Johns, Deputy House Leader of the Official Opposition, called the following bill:

No. 60. Mental Health Crisis Hotline Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: J. Lohr, L. Roberts, Hon. B. Maguire and B. Comer. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

POINT OF ORDER

B. Johns, Deputy House Leader of the Official Opposition, rose on a point of order alleging the Member for Halifax Atlantic referred to the Official Opposition by an erroneous party name. The Speaker ruled the matter to be a disagreement of facts and not a point of order.

SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY

On motion that the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply, a debate ensued during which the following took part: J. Lohr and K. MacFarlane. The question being put by the Speaker, the motion carried.

The Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairperson took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the following Resolution was called:

No. E10, relating to the Department of Health and Wellness.
ADJOURNED.

On motion, the Committee rose and the Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chair reported that the Committee had made progress and begged leave to sit again.

PUBLIC BILLS FOR SECOND READING

Hon. L. Kousoulis, Minister of Finance and Treasury Board, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 85. Securities Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: M. Ryan, C. Chender 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.

Hon. L. Kousoulis, Minister of Finance and Treasury Board, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 87. Pension Benefits Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: M. Ryan, C. Chender 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.

PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS FOR SECOND READING

Hon. Z. Churchill, Yarmouth, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 74. Yarmouth Golf and Country Club Incorporation Act

There being no debate, the question was put by the Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a second time. Ordered referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

Hon. G. Wilson, Clare-Digby, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 77. Digby Marketing and Promotions Levy Act

There being no debate, the question was put by the Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a second time. Ordered referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, April 8th at 11:00 A.M.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32(3)

The following notice was passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 350 – J. Lohr, Kings North - congratulating Jeff Carter on his outstanding commitment to cleaning up the Scot's Bay Salt Marsh.