



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

Day 12

ORDER PAPER

First Session

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Prayers

ROUTINE

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

Consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech

(Day 9)

Moved by Mr. Lukaszuk and seconded by Mrs. Ady:

That an humble address be presented to His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To His Honour the Honourable Norman L. Kwong, CM, AOE, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Hancock

Government Motions

15. Hon. Mr. Klein to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne be engrossed and presented to His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor by such Members of the Assembly as are Members of Executive Council.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 1 Access to the Future Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Klein

Adjourned debate: Mr. Chase

Bill 3 City of Lloydminster Act — Mr. Snelgrove

Adjourned debate: Mr. Snelgrove

Bill 7 Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Ms Evans

Adjourned debate: Mr. Mitzel

Bill 8 Personal Information Protection Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Groeneveld

Bill 9 Post-secondary Learning Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Hancock

Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Hancock

Bill 10 Residential Tenancies Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Strang

Bill 11 Stettler Regional Water Authorization Act — Mr. Mitzel

Bill 12 Victims of Crime Amendment Act, 2005 — Mrs. Jablonski

- Bill 13 Railway (Alberta) Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Dr. Oberg
- Bill 14 Student Financial Assistance Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Hancock
- Bill 15 Workers' Compensation Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Webber
- Bill 16 Business Corporations Amendment Act, 2005 — Dr. Brown
- Bill 19 Securities Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Knight
- Bill 20 Alberta Personal Income Tax Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Ducharme
- Bill 22 Animal Protection Amendment Act, 2005 — Rev. Abbott
- Bill 23 Administrative Procedures Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Stevens
Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Stevens
- Bill 24 Fatality Inquiries Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Stevens
- Bill 25 Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Stevens
Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Stevens
- Bill 26 Corporate Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2005 (\$) — Hon. Mrs. McClellan
- Bill 28 Municipal Government Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Renner
- Bill 31 Real Estate Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Lund
- Bill 34 Insurance Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Oberle

Committee of the Whole

- Bill 4 Alberta Science and Research Authority Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Doerksen
- Bill 5 Family Law Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Stevens
- Bill 6 Fair Trading Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Ducharme
- Bill 17 Agrolology Profession Act — Mr. Danyluk
- Bill 18 Alberta Order of Excellence Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Rogers
- Bill 27 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2005 (\$) — Hon. Mrs. McClellan
- Bill 30 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2005 (\$) — Hon. Mrs. McClellan

Third Reading

- Bill 2 Alberta Centennial Medal Act — Hon. Mr. Mar
- Bill 21 Hotel Room Tax (Tourism Levy) Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Rodney

Written Questions

- WQ1.** Dr. Pannu to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 18):
For each of the fiscal years 2000-2001, 2001-2002, 2002-2003, and 2003-2004, what was the total number of student loan defaults, broken down by the last post-secondary institution or private vocational school attended by the student?
- WQ2.** Dr. Pannu to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 18):
For each of the fiscal years 2000-2001, 2001-2002, 2002-2003, and 2003-2004, what was the total dollar value of student loan defaults, broken down by the last post-secondary institution or private vocational school attended by the student?
- WQ3.** Dr. Pannu to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 18):
For each of the fiscal years 2001-2002, 2002-2003, and 2003-2004, what was the total number of students who received student loans while attending a post-secondary institution or private vocational school in Alberta, broken down by institution?
- WQ4.** Dr. Pannu to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 18):
For each of the fiscal years 2001-2002 and 2002-2003, what was the total dollar value of student loans received by students in Alberta, broken down by post-secondary institution or private vocational school attended by the student?
- WQ5.** Dr. Taft to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 20):
Which reports, consultation groups, and stakeholder reviews have indicated to the Government that \$55 million is the total amount needed to fully fund the provincial takeover of ground ambulance services on April 1, 2005?
- WQ6.** Ms Pastoor to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 20):
How much money is being spent on leasing accommodation for the Alberta representative in Washington, D.C. for the 2004-05 fiscal year?
- WQ7.** Mr. MacDonald to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 20):
Of the total number of coalbed methane wells drilled in Alberta in 2004, how many produced either saline or non-saline water?

- WQ8.** Mr. Miller to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 20):
Of the Albertans who received an automobile insurance rebate between October 1, 2004 and February 28, 2005, what percentage of these received less than \$50?
- WQ9.** Ms Pastoor to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 20):
What is the breakdown of the total dollar value of cash, medical, and other benefits provided monthly to AISH (Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped) recipients in 2003-04 by the Government?
- WQ10.** Mr. Taylor to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 20):
What is the dollar value of all Alberta Student Loan Program relief benefits and completion payments provided to students attending public post-secondary educational institutions, broken down by institution, in each of the 2000-01 to 2003-04 fiscal years?
- WQ11.** Mr. Taylor to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 20):
What is the dollar value of all Alberta Student Loan Program relief benefits and completion payments provided to students attending private, for-profit educational or training institutions, broken down by institution, in each of the 2000-01 to 2003-04 fiscal years?
- WQ12.** Mr. Bonko to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 22):
How much money has the Ministry and Department of Economic Development spent on trade shows in the fiscal years 1992-93 through 2003-04 inclusive?
- WQ13.** Mr. Bonko to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 22):
How much money has the Ministry and Department of Economic Development spent on trade missions in the fiscal years 1992-93 through 2003-04 inclusive, broken down by mission and year?
- WQ14.** Mr. Flaherty to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 22):
What is the total revenue received by Alberta school boards from school fees, broken down by school board and by fee type for the fiscal years 2000-01 through 2003-04 inclusive?
- WQ15.** Mr. Flaherty to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 22):
What is the total revenue received by Alberta school boards from school-based fundraising initiatives, broken down by school for the fiscal years 2000-01 through 2003-04 inclusive?

WQ16. Mr. MacDonald to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 22):

How much money in total did the Ministry and Department of Energy spend on communications contracts in the 2003-04 fiscal year, broken down by organization?

WQ17. Ms Pastoor to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 22):

How much money has been spent by the Ministry of International and Intergovernmental Relations on hosting expenses in the fiscal years 1996-97 through 2003-04 inclusive, broken down by function and year?

WQ18. Mr. Elsalhy to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 22):

What measures has the Ministry of Innovation and Science taken to improve the information technology security awareness of Government employees as recommended in the Auditor General's 2003-04 Annual Report?

WQ19. Mr. Bonko to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 22):

What measures has the Government taken to ensure that reforestation timelines are being met by timber harvesting companies?

WQ20. Mr. Taylor to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 24):

What is the dollar amount of student loans provided to students attending public post-secondary educational institutions in Alberta under the Alberta Student Loan Program in each of the fiscal years 2000-01 to 2003-04 inclusive?

WQ21. Mr. Taylor to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 24):

What is the dollar amount of student loans provided to students attending private for-profit educational or training institutions in Alberta under the Alberta Student Loan Program in each of the fiscal years 2000-01 to 2003-04 inclusive?

WQ22. Mr. Miller to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 23):

What was the total amount paid to the Premier's former Chief of Staff, Mr. Peter Elzinga, in each of the 2002-03 and 2003-04 fiscal years, broken down according to salary, allowances, bonuses, and severance pay?

WQ23. Mr. Miller to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 23):

What is the total maximum amount scheduled to be paid to the Premier's current Chief of Staff, Mr. Rod Love, for each year of the current contract, broken down according to salary, allowances, bonuses, and severance pay?

Motions for Returns

- MR1.** Mr. Martin to propose the following motion (Due Day 18):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the Cambridge Strategies review of the Risk Management Fund commissioned by Alberta Justice.
- MR2.** Dr. Pannu to propose the following motion (Due Day 18):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the Ministerial Order authorizing the University of Phoenix to operate in Alberta.
- MR3.** Dr. Pannu to propose the following motion (Due Day 18):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all documents including, but not limited to, memos, faxes, reports, letters, applications, and responses related to the approval of the University of Phoenix to operate as a post-secondary institution in Alberta.
- MR4.** Mr. Mason to propose the following motion (Due Day 18):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
For each of the fiscal years 2001-2002, 2002-2003, and 2003-2004, an itemized list of all groups and individuals representing either specific tobacco-related companies, or any association, group, or organization representing the interests of the tobacco industry who have met with the Premier, the Minister of Health and Wellness, the Deputy Minister of Health and Wellness, the Assistant Deputy Minister of Health and Wellness, or any Alberta Standing Policy Committee.
- MR5.** Mr. Eggen to propose the following motion (Due Day 18):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
For each of the fiscal years 2001-2002, 2002-2003, and 2003-2004, a list of applications to drill coalbed methane wells that were denied by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board.
- MR6.** Mr. Eggen to propose the following motion (Due Day 18):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
For each of the fiscal years 2001-2002, 2002-2003, and 2003-2004, a list of applications to drill coalbed methane wells that were approved by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board.

- MR7.** Mr. Eggen to propose the following motion (Due Day 18):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all documents including, but not limited to, contracts, proposals, memos, and reports (including interim reports) relating to the P2406 Sour Gas Blowout Ignition Study in the possession of the Ministry of Energy prepared by the Bercha Group of Calgary.
- MR8.** Mr. Eggen to propose the following motion (Due Day 18):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the P2406 Sour Gas Blowout Ignition Study, or a copy of the most recent draft of the study, prepared by the Bercha Group of Calgary for the Department of Energy.
- MR9.** Mr. Eggen to propose the following motion (Due Day 18):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
For each of the fiscal years 2001-2002, 2002-2003, and 2003-2004, a list of applications to drill critical gas wells that were denied by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board.
- MR10.** Mr. Eggen to propose the following motion (Due Day 18):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
For each of the fiscal years 2001-2002, 2002-2003, and 2003-2004, a list of applications to drill critical gas wells that were approved by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board.
- MR11.** Mr. Bonko to propose the following motion (Due Day 20):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A breakdown of the Minister of Sustainable Resource Development's business expenses including, but not limited to, airfare, food, accommodation, and conference fees from February 18, 2003 to November 22, 2004.
- MR12.** Mr. Bonko to propose the following motion (Due Day 20):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2003-2004 issued to the Minister of Sustainable Resource Development and the Minister's Executive Assistant.
- MR13.** Mr. Bonko to propose the following motion (Due Day 20):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2003-2004 issued to the Deputy Minister, all Assistant Deputy Ministers, Executive Directors, Directors, Branch Heads, Managers, and Unit Leaders for the Department of Sustainable Resource Development.

- MR14.** Dr. Taft to propose the following motion (Due Day 20):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A breakdown of the Minister of Municipal Affairs' expenses including, but not limited to, airfare, food, accommodation, and conference fees from February 18, 2003 to November 22, 2004.
- MR15.** Dr. Taft to propose the following motion (Due Day 20):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2003-04 issued to the Deputy Minister, all Assistant Deputy Ministers, Executive Directors, Directors, Branch Heads, Managers, and Unit Leaders for the Department of Municipal Affairs.
- MR16.** Dr. Taft to propose the following motion (Due Day 20):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2003-2004 issued to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and the Minister's Executive Assistant.
- MR17.** Mr. Flaherty to propose the following motion (Due Day 20):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2003-04 issued to the Deputy Minister, Assistant Deputy Minister, Directors, Branch Heads, Managers, and Unit Leaders for the Department of Learning.
- MR18.** Mr. Elsalhy to propose the following motion (Due Day 20):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2003-04 issued to the Deputy Minister, Assistant Deputy Minister, Directors, Branch Heads, Managers, and Unit Leaders for the Department of Innovation and Science.
- MR19.** Dr. Taft to propose the following motion (Due Day 22):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of any documents from the Department of Municipal Affairs for the fiscal years 2003-2004 and 2002-2003 referring to the provincial takeover of ground ambulance services from municipalities on April 1, 2005.
- MR20.** Mr. Bonko to propose the following motion (Due Day 22):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all documents, including but not limited to, budget, business, and operational plans related to the establishment of an Alberta Office in Washington, D.C.

- MR21.** Ms Pastoor to propose the following motion (Due Day 22):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all cost-benefit analyses for the newly-established Alberta Office in Washington, D.C.
- MR22.** Ms Pastoor to propose the following motion (Due Day 23):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the detailed budget breakdown for the Alberta Office in Washington, D.C. for the 2004-05 fiscal year.
- MR23.** Ms Pastoor to propose the following motion (Due Day 23):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all submissions to the Renewing AISH (Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped) Committee between August 1, 2004 and December 31, 2004.
- MR24.** Mr. Backs to propose the following motion (Due Day 23):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of any and all documents pertaining to the June 2004 Memorandum of Understanding between the Government and the Federal Government regarding foreign temporary workers.
- MR25.** Mr. MacDonald to propose the following motion (Due Day 22):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
The salaries of contracted employees and/or consultants employed by the Ministry and Department of Energy during the 2003-04 fiscal year, broken down by amount and position title.
- MR26.** Mr. MacDonald to propose the following motion (Due Day 22):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A detailed breakdown of all expenses incurred by the Minister of Energy, his staff, and/or designate on non-international trips during the 2003-04 fiscal year.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

- 503.** Moved by Mr. Knight (Time remaining: 27 minutes):
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the advisability of increasing the value of the Alberta Ingenuity Fund to \$1 billion over the 2006-07 and 2007-08 fiscal years.
Debate adjourned: Mr. Goudreau speaking.

- 504.** Dr. Swann to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement a royalty reduction program to provide incentives for industry to develop new technologies for cleaner energy.
- 505.** Mr. Herard to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the benefits of requiring five credits in Fine Arts as a condition for high school graduation in the Province.
- 506.** Mr. Chase to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Traffic Safety Act to prohibit the use of hand-held cellular phones while operating a motor vehicle.
- 507.** Mr. Mason to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to prohibit smoking in public buildings and indoor workplaces.
- 508.** Mr. Danyluk to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to institute an aggressive program aimed at hiring and retaining health care professionals throughout the Province targeting areas of need such as rural Alberta.
- 509.** Dr. Pannu to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a commission on advanced education to thoroughly review Alberta's public post-secondary education system and recommend changes to enhance accessibility and affordability while ensuring excellence in areas of research and instruction.
- 510.** Mr. Marz to propose the following motion:
- Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt net metering of electricity for producers of all sizes, thereby allowing them the opportunity to sell any excess electricity they produce back to the grid at the same rate as the purchase price.
- 511.** Withdrawn.

512. Mr. Griffiths to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to index the salaries of all Government employees to the average weekly earnings index and provide salary adjustments based on supply and demand pressures within one year following a provincial election.

513. Mr. Goudreau to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require gas station owners to initiate land remediation within a reasonable time following closure of their businesses to ensure that the property can be used by subsequent property owners.

514. Dr. Morton to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to use all legal and political means possible to preserve the traditional definition of marriage as the lawful union of one man and one woman to the exclusion of all others.

515. Mr. Amery to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to mandate the labelling of alcoholic beverages warning Albertans of the dangers of drinking, similar to the health warnings on cigarette packages and other containers of tobacco products.

516. Mr. Oberle to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to expedite the implementation of the recommendations of the Northern Alberta Development Council contained in their 2002 Northern Highways Strategy.

517. Mr. Miller to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish an independent commission to conduct a full review of all pension plans in which the Government has a continuing or outstanding financial obligation.

518. Dr. Miller to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Police Act to require that all critical internal police investigations be automatically assigned to an independent external special investigations body.

519. Mr. Pham to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider increasing funding for low income programs such as Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped and Alberta Works in proportion with increases in inflation rates.

520. Mr. McFarland to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to increase the mandatory school attendance age from 16 to 17 years of age and ensure that all able students in the Province abide by the attendance requirements.

521. Mr. Elsalhy to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require all software suppliers whose products are available in Alberta to fully inform purchasers or users of the presence and effect of spyware included with their software and to provide them with an opportunity to explicitly consent before the spyware code is activated.

522. Withdrawn.

523. Mr. Eggen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish an independent commission to examine the effects of the deregulation of Alberta's electricity industry including the export of power as well as potential and actual market manipulation.

524. Withdrawn.

525. Mr. Cao to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to create additional short-term internship positions within the Government for qualified immigrants who seek work experience for the first time in Canada, thereby encouraging private corporations and the Federal Government to do the same.

526. Ms Pastoor to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Protection for Persons in Care Act to include all continuing care residents.

527. Mr. Strang to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require Albertans applying for any class of Alberta motor vehicle operator's licence to have a valid first aid certificate.

528. Mr. Flaherty to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require school boards to eliminate primary and secondary school fees for basic educational services, including general school fees and other instructional fees for basic programs (such as physical education, music, and art) and to compensate school boards for all foregone revenue from these fees.

529. Mr. Taylor to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a fully independent commission to conduct a comprehensive review of Alberta's post-secondary education system in accordance with recommendation #12 from the October 2003 report by the Alberta Commission on Learning.

530. Mrs. Mather to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to make the Children's Advocate an Officer of the Legislature.

531. Mr. Martin to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to establish a Seniors' Advocate who would be an Officer of the Legislature and whose office would be responsible for ensuring seniors receive the best possible services from the Government by investigating complaints of elder abuse and advocating legislative and policy changes to improve the quality of seniors' lives in Alberta.

532. Dr. Pannu to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize the ongoing reality of domestic violence in Alberta, increase resources available to women leaving shelters so they are not forced back into abusive relationships, develop and implement counselling programs that specifically address intimate-partner violence, and create early-intervention programs targeted at children experiencing domestic violence.

533. Withdrawn.

534. Mr. VanderBurg to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to extend the natural gas rebate program, in its exact form, to span the entire year.

535. Mr. Johnson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to encourage and provide assistance for youth cultural sports exchange programs to increase awareness of, and interaction with, other cultures around the world.

536. Mr. Chase to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to create two new provincial parks in memory of the Late, The Honourable Dr. Lois E. Hole and the Late, Honourable Ernest C. Manning to honour their service to Albertans.

537. Mr. Tougas to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the relative percentage of casino revenue allocated to charitable organizations by urban and rural casinos and report back to the Legislative Assembly with the results.

538. Mr. Mason to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to remove the Public Affairs Bureau from the direct control of the Premier's Office and take steps to ensure the Public Affairs Bureau only provides non-partisan, objective communications services.

539. Mr. Ducharme to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Alberta College of Physicians and Surgeons to establish a public registry of physicians who have committed malpractice.

540. Mr. Agnihotri to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider doubling the annual funding for the Alberta Foundation for the Arts.

541. Withdrawn.

542. Mr. Bonko to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish regulations requiring strict reforestation timelines for forestry management agreements and timber licences, regular monitoring by provincial forest officers, and setting non-compliance penalties including reductions to, or suspensions of, harvesting privileges and substantial fines.

543. Mr. Cao to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider funding pollution cleanup in residential areas where the polluter has delayed doing so, with the costs fully recoverable from the polluter in addition to any fines that may be levied against the offender.

544. Dr. Brown to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider strategies to increase the number of students who successfully complete the requirements for high school graduation.

545. Withdrawn.

546. Mr. VanderBurg to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to investigate the possibility of extending the electric utility sector's Regulated Rate Option, currently set to expire in June 2006, for another two years to allow the retail market further time to develop.

547. Dr. Taft to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to begin the process of amending the Alberta Act to ensure the autonomy of municipalities in areas of exclusive municipal jurisdiction.

548. Withdrawn.

549. Withdrawn.

550. Withdrawn.

551. Withdrawn.

552. Mr. McFarland to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to raise the legal drinking age in Alberta from 18 to 19 years of age.

553. Mr. Johnson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to investigate and introduce legislation to regulate the payday loans industry.

554. Dr. Miller to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to strike a committee to review and make recommendations regarding procedures used to train provincial protection officers in tactical communications, non-violent crisis management techniques, and conflict resolution in order to enhance their ability to cope with potentially violent situations without resorting to the use of force.

- 555.** Ms Pastoor to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to index benefits under the Alberta Seniors Benefit Program to the Alberta Consumer Price Index.
- 556.** Withdrawn.
- 557.** Withdrawn.
- 558.** Withdrawn.
- 559.** Mr. Pham to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to increase the number of trade-related opportunities available to low income Albertans in career training institutions.
- 560.** Mrs. Jablonski to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the advisability of implementing a \$6,000 annual tax exemption per child in a family as a means of lowering the tax burden for parents.
- 561.** Withdrawn.
- 562.** Mr. Lougheed to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review the status of all individuals living in long-term care facilities in the Province to determine if community living would be more cost-effective to the health region and more beneficial to the individual.
- 563.** Withdrawn.
- 564.** Mr. Groeneveld to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work with provincial governments and the Federal Government to standardize health and slaughter protocols for cattle across the country, thereby increasing interprovincial beef trade.
- 565.** Withdrawn.

566. Mr. Taylor to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider restoring its financial commitment to post-secondary education by providing proportional increases to the base operating grants of Alberta's public post-secondary institutions of \$100 million per year over the next three fiscal years.

567. Withdrawn.

568. Mr. Elsalhy to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to replace the Office of the Utilities Consumer Advocate with an independent, government-funded Utilities Consumer Ombudsman.

569. Rev. Abbott to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider increasing the per capita grant given to Alberta libraries by 50% in recognition of the Late, The Honourable Dr. Lois E. Hole to encourage library enhancement and increased participation in our public libraries.

570. Mr. Knight to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review the feasibility and practicality of reinstating roadside provincial campsites in an effort to promote Alberta's natural landscapes as well as attract Canadian and international motoring travellers.

571. Withdrawn.

572. Withdrawn.

573. Withdrawn.

574. Mr. Flaherty to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to support safe and productive educational environments for teachers and students by reviewing its processes for assessing infrastructure renewal and maintenance needs of school divisions to avoid the accumulation of deferred infrastructure projects.

575. Withdrawn.

576. Dr. Morton to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to use all legal and political means possible to limit the impact of the Supreme Court of Canada's ruling in *R. v. Powley* from undermining the effective conservation of Alberta's fisheries and wild game animals, thereby protecting all Albertans' equal rights to hunt and fish regardless of race, religion, or colour of skin.

577. Withdrawn.

578. Mr. Hinman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement a program to aggressively promote and develop value-added processing of Alberta beef using similar incentive programs such as those used to attract capital investment for the petroleum and mining industries.

579. Mr. Martin to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to take immediate steps to create a tribunal to review long-standing contentious claims with the Workers' Compensation Board as authorized by the Workers' Compensation Amendment Act, 2002, but never implemented.

580. Mr. MacDonald to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to set standard licensing requirements for estheticians to protect the public from potentially dangerous and unhealthy practices.

581. Withdrawn.

582. Withdrawn.

583. Withdrawn.

584. Mr. Miller to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to improve the quality of life for Albertans earning less than \$29,000 annually by reducing personal income tax rates from ten per cent to nine per cent.

585. Dr. Swann to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to declare a moratorium on the development of coalbed methane until the surface and water impacts of its development are known and a plan is in place to protect agriculture, rangeland, and associated natural resources.

586. Rev. Abbott to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Election Act to require Elections Alberta to mail a non-partisan “vote at” card indicating the physical address of the polling station where each eligible voter may vote, at least two weeks prior to polling day in a provincial general election or by-election.

587. Ms DeLong to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish rules or guidelines for restraining orders, in particular ex parte orders, so that they do not unwarrantedly separate children from either of their contending parents.

588. Mr. Backs to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to provide a tax credit to parents or guardians for out-of-pocket costs related to their children’s organized, extra-curricular, physical, or cultural activities.

589. Withdrawn.

590. Mrs. Jablonski to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop, implement, and oversee regulations and standards for private not-for-profit and private for-profit long-term care facilities similar to those enacted for public long-term care facilities.

591. Withdrawn.

592. Dr. Brown to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider new initiatives to increase student participation rates within the Province’s post-secondary and training institutions.

593. Withdrawn.

594. Withdrawn.

595. Withdrawn.

596. Mr. Eggen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider dedicating a portion of the funds annually spent on road construction and maintenance to the development of public transportation including the Edmonton LRT (light rail transit) expansion and the development of bicycle trails and pedestrian pathways.

597. Mr. Backs to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce whistleblower protection legislation to protect employees who speak out against wrongdoing in the workplace.

598. Mr. Griffiths to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to create a policy to enhance the development of an economy based on environmental issues.

599. Mr. Tougas to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt a gambling awareness week based on the principles adopted in Nova Scotia.

600. Mrs. Mather to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure that there is adequate and stable funding for programs to assist troubled teens.

601. Withdrawn.

602. Mr. Goudreau to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the feasibility of providing enhanced home living assistance for seniors to allow them to remain in their homes, maintain their property, and sustain an above average standard of living.

603. Mr. Hinman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider providing additional funding to rural school boards so that they can offer both enhanced academic and vocational educational curriculums similar to those offered in larger urban centres.

604. Mr. Bonko to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider committing \$75 million, to be matched by industry and universities, to an Alberta technology venture fund to generate a venture capital industry in Alberta.

605. Withdrawn.

606. Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to include midwifery services as insured services under the Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan.

607. Dr. Taft to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to include municipalities in budgetary consultation processes to ensure that their needs are addressed and provide them with stable and adequate funding.

608. Withdrawn.

609. Mr. Groeneveld to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to continue developing an open grain marketing system for Alberta farmers to provide marketing options other than the Canada Wheat Board.

610. Mr. Lougheed to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to provide all Albertans with an annual health benefit statement detailing what services and benefits have been paid by Alberta Health and Wellness on their behalf.

611. Mr. MacDonald to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce tax incentives for stay-at-home parents.

612. Ms DeLong to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish regulations in cases where parents are living apart to encourage the active involvement of both parents in the lives of their children as equally effective as those currently used by the Government to encourage financial support.

613. Withdrawn.

614. Withdrawn

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 203 Report on Alberta's Legacy Act — Mr. MacDonald

Bill 204 Pharmacy and Drug (Methamphetamine Limiting) Amendment Act, 2005
— Mr. Strang

Committee of the Whole

Bill 201 Smoke-free Places Act — Mr. Rodney (Due Day 15)

Bill 202 Protection of Children Abusing Drugs Act — Mrs. Jablonski (Due Day 19)

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

Bill 32 Animal Keepers Act — Mr. Goudreau

Bill 33 Stray Animals Amendment Act, 2005 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Horner

Bill 35 Employment Pension Plans Amendment Act, 2005 — Dr. Brown

Projected Government Business

Tuesday, March 22	Aft.	- Government Bills and Orders Second Reading Bill 1, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 28 And as per the Order Paper
	Eve.	- Government Bills and Orders Third Reading Bill 21 Second Reading Bill 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 23, 24, 25

		<p>Committee of the Whole</p> <p>Bill 1, 6, 27, 30</p> <p>And as per the Order Paper</p>
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	Eve.	<p>- Government Bills and Orders</p> <p>Second Reading</p> <p>As per the Order Paper</p> <p>Committee of the Whole</p> <p>Bill 1, 3, 4, 5, 6</p> <p>Third Reading</p> <p>Bill 27, 30</p> <p>And as per the Order Paper</p>
Thursday, March 24	Aft.	<p>- Royal Assent</p> <p>Bill 21, 27, 30</p> <p>Government Bills and Orders</p> <p>Second or Third Reading</p> <p>As per the Order Paper</p> <p>And as per the Order Paper</p>

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, March 22, 2005