



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

Day 21

ORDER PAPER

First Session

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Wednesday, April 13, 2005

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ROUTINE

O Canada (First sitting day of each week)

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

18. Hon. Mrs. McClellan to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Messages from His Honour, the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 2005-06 Offices of the Legislative Assembly Estimates, the 2005-06 Government and Lottery Fund Estimates, fiscal and business plans, and all matters connected therewith, be referred to Committee of Supply.

19. Hon. Mrs. McClellan to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Assembly approve in general the business plans and fiscal policies of the Government.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Adjourned debate: Dr. Brown

- Bill 36 Police Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Cenaiko

Adjourned debate: Ms Blakeman

- Bill 38 Pharmacy and Drug Amendment Act, 2005 — Mrs. Ady

Adjourned debate: Mr. Elsalhy

Committee of the Whole

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

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

- 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 22 Animal Protection Amendment Act, 2005 — Rev. Abbott

- Bill 26 Corporate Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2005 (\$) — Hon. Mrs. McClellan

- Bill 31 Real Estate Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Lund

- Bill 34 Insurance Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Oberle

Third Reading

- Bill 5 Family Law Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Stevens
Bill 8 Personal Information Protection Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Groeneveld
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 17 Agrology Profession Act — Mr. Danyluk
Bill 19 Securities Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Knight
Bill 23 Administrative Procedures Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Stevens
Bill 24 Fatality Inquiries Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Stevens
Bill 25 Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Stevens
Bill 28 Municipal Government Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Renner
Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Renner
Bill 32 Animal Keepers Act — Mr. Goudreau
Bill 33 Stray Animals Amendment Act, 2005 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Horner

Private Bills

Referred to Private Bills Committee

- Bill Pr1 Bow Valley Community Foundation Act — Mrs. Tarchuk
Bill Pr2 Camrose Lutheran College Corporation Act — Mr. Johnson
Bill Pr3 Medicine Hat Community Foundation Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Mitzel
Bill Pr4 Brooklynn Hannah George Rewega Right of Civil Action Act — Mr. Oberle

Bills Awaiting Royal Assent

- Bill 3 City of Lloydminster Act — Mr. Snelgrove
Bill 4 Alberta Science and Research Authority Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Doerksen
Bill 6 Fair Trading Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Ducharme
Bill 7 Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Ms Evans
Bill 13 Railway (Alberta) Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Dr. Oberg
Bill 18 Alberta Order of Excellence Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Rogers
Bill 20 Alberta Personal Income Tax Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Ducharme

Written Questions

- 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?
- WQ24.** Mr. MacDonald to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 30):
How much additional revenue from synthetic crude oil and bitumen royalties does the Ministry and Department of Energy estimate will be collected per year once the royalty rate for oil sands projects increases to 25% for the years 2005 to 2015?
- WQ25.** Mr. Taylor to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 30):
What is the rate of default on Alberta student loans for students attending or graduating from all eligible institutions in Alberta, broken down by institution over each of the fiscal years 1994-95 to 2003-04 inclusive?
- WQ26.** Mr. Taylor to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 30):
What is the total number and percentage of Alberta Student Loan Program applicants receiving the maximum allowable loan over each of the academic (or administrative) years 2000 to 2003-04 inclusive, broken down by year, learning institution, and program of applicant?

- WQ27.** Mr. Taylor to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 30):
What is the total number of Albert Student Loan Program applicants who have appealed their award over each of the academic/administrative years 2000-01 to 2003-04 inclusive, broken down by year, learning institution, reason for appeal, and whether the appeal was successful?
- WQ28.** Mr. Bonko to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 30):
What is the total dollar amount of public property lost due to theft in the Department of Sustainable Resource Development for the 2003-2004 fiscal year?
- WQ29.** Mr. Flaherty to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 30):
What consultations, studies, research, or other information-gathering exercises pertaining to full-day kindergarten are currently planned or underway under the auspices of the Ministry of Education?
- WQ30.** Dr. Taft to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 30):
What is the total dollar amount spent by the Department of Municipal Affairs on the investigation into Calgary's Ward 10 election process following the October 2004 municipal election?
- WQ31.** Dr. Pannu to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 30):
What is the total budgetary allocation for the international health symposium to be held in Calgary from May 3 to 5, 2005 from all Government departments and/or health authority budgets?
- WQ32.** Mr. Martin to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 35):
For each of the fiscal years 2000-2001, 2001-2002, 2002-2003, and 2003-2004, how many Albertans received benefits from the AISH (Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped) program and for each of those years, how many received the maximum benefit rate?

Motions for Returns

- 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.
- MR27.** Mr. Flaherty to propose the following motion (Due Day 30):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all documents including, but not limited to, letters, faxes, memos, meeting notes, reports, contracts, and competing bids related to the October 2004 agreement between the Government and Microsoft Inc. for the provision of Microsoft Office software to Alberta's educational institutions.
- MR28.** Mr. Taylor to propose the following motion (Due Day 30):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all documents including reports, studies, statistical data, stakeholder submissions, meeting agendas, and correspondence prepared or received by the Ministry of Advanced Education (formerly Learning) between January 1, 2002 and February 28, 2005, relating to legislation or regulations governing Alberta's post-secondary tuition fees.

- MR29.** Mr. Elsalhy to propose the following motion (Due Day 31):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all documents pertaining to the Government's decision to transfer responsibility for the Alberta SuperNet project from the Ministry of Innovation and Science to the Ministry of Restructuring and Government Efficiency.
- MR30.** Mr. Taylor to propose the following motion (Due Day 30):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all documents pertaining to the Government's approval for the University of Phoenix to offer accredited baccalaureate or masters level degrees in Alberta including, but not limited to, all submissions by the University of Phoenix to the Private Colleges Accreditation Board (PCAB), written decisions, or recommendations by the PCAB to the Ministry of Advanced Education/Learning, correspondence between Ministry officials and representatives of the University of Phoenix, and the Ministerial Order or Order in Council granting the approval.
- MR31.** Mr. Taylor to propose the following motion (Due Day 30):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all documents currently in the possession of the Ministry of Advanced Education including, but not limited to reports, studies, statistical data, and correspondence pertaining to income-contingent student loan repayment systems.
- MR32.** Mr. Chase to propose the following motion (Due Day 30):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A financial statement detailing the private sector loan interest rate compared to that of the Government for the proposed Anthony Henday Drive P3 project.
- MR33.** Mr. Chase to propose the following motion (Due Day 30):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A list of all projects that are potential P3 projects being considered by the Government.
- MR34.** Mr. Miller to propose the following motion (Due Day 30):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all appeals received by the Alberta Pension Administration Corporation for the fiscal years 1994-95 through 2003-04 inclusive.

- MR35.** Dr. Pannu to propose the following motion (Due Day 30):
- That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
An itemized list detailing the honoraria, speaking fees, travel, and other expenses being paid to each of the speakers and presenters to the international health symposium being held in Calgary from May 3 to 5, 2005.
- MR36.** Dr. Pannu to propose the following motion (Due Day 30):
- That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Details and costs of the construction upgrades at the Canmore Nordic Centre for the calendar year 2004 and to March 21, 2005.
- MR37.** Mr. Mason to propose the following motion (Due Day 30):
- That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all memos and reports submitted to the Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations or his office by Murray Smith or any official at the Alberta Office in Washington acting on Mr. Smith's behalf since Mr. Smith's appointment.
- MR38.** Dr. Pannu to propose the following motion (Due Day 30):
- That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the minutes from the Private Colleges Accreditation Board meetings for the calendar years 2000-2004 and January 1 to March 21, 2005 and the Campus Alberta Quality Council from January 1 to March 21, 2005.
- MR39.** Mr. Martin to propose the following motion (Due Day 30):
- That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all contracts and agreements signed between or on behalf of the Government and the P3 consortium selected to construct the Southeast Edmonton ring road.
- MR40.** Dr. Pannu to propose the following motion (Due Day 30):
- That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all correspondence, memos, letters, reports, minutes, e-mails, and studies concerning Columbia College for the calendar years 2001-2004 and from January 1 to March 21, 2005.
- MR41.** Mr. Martin to propose the following motion (Due Day 31):
- That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all documents that compare the cost of constructing the southeast Edmonton ring road using a private-public partnership versus the use of conventional public financing for its construction.

MR42. Mr. Martin to propose the following motion (Due Day 31):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all correspondence, including letters and e-mails, between the Workers' Compensation Board and the Ministry of Human Resources and Employment pertaining to the case of Ana Guitierrez.

MR43. Mr. Martin to propose the following motion (Due Day 33):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the Government MLA (Member of the Legislative Assembly) committee report reviewing labour relations practices in the construction industry including "merfing" and "salting," submitted to the Minister of Human Resources and Employment in late 2003 or early 2004.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

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 (Time remaining: 83 minutes)

Debate adjourned: Mr. Eggen speaking.

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

Bill 205 Fair Trading (Telemarketing) Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Pham

Committee of the Whole

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

Third Reading

Bill 201 Smoke-free Places Act — Mr. Rodney (Due Day 19)

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

Bill 37 Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2005 (\$) — Hon. Mrs. McClellan

Bill 39 Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Magnus

Projected Government Business

Wednesday, April 13	Approx. 2:45 p.m.	- Temporary Recess
	Approx. 3:00 p.m.	- Messages
		Budget Address And as per the Order Paper
	Eve.	- Government Motions Motion 18
		Government Bills and Orders
		Committee of Supply Offices of the Legislative Assembly Estimates Main Estimates (Day 1 of 24) Restructuring and Government Efficiency And as per the Order Paper
Thursday, April 14	Aft.	- Government Bills and Orders Opposition Leaders' responses to the Budget And as per the Order Paper

Due Dates Under Standing Order 34(3) for Written Questions Accepted and Motions for Returns Agreed to

Day 45 MR4.
Day 49 WQ1, WQ2, WQ3, WQ4, WQ5, WQ6, WQ9, WQ10, WQ11, MR2, MR3,
MR8, MR11, MR12, MR13.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, April 13, 2005