



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

Day 2

ORDER PAPER

Fourth Session

Twenty-Seventh Legislature

Wednesday, February 23, 2011

Prayers

ROUTINE

O Canada (First sitting day of each week)

Oral Question Period (1:50 p.m. daily)

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Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Presenting Petitions

Notices of Motions

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Tabling Returns and Reports

Tablings to the Clerk

Projected Government Business (Thursday)

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech

Mr. Drysdale to propose the following motion, seconded by Mr. Bhullar:

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

To His Honour Colonel (Retired) the Honourable Donald S. Ethell, OC, OMM, AOE, MSC, CD, LLD, 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.

Government Motions

2. Hon. Mr. Hancock to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly resolve into Committee of the Whole, when called, to consider certain Bills on the Order Paper.

3. Hon. Mr. Hancock to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly resolve into Committee of Supply, when called, to consider supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

4. Hon. Mr. Hancock to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 4(1), the Legislative Assembly shall meet in Committee of Supply for consideration of the 2010-11 Supplementary Supply Estimates for the General Revenue Fund on the evening of Monday, February 28, 2011, commencing at 7:30 p.m.

5. Hon. Mr. Hancock to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that this motion apply for the consideration of the 2011-12 Main Estimates:

1. When they are laid before the Assembly, the Main Estimates of the Government and the Offices of the Legislative Assembly stand referred to Committee of Supply and the Policy Field Committees according to the schedule included with this motion.
2. The estimates of each department shall be considered by Committee of Supply or a Policy Field Committee for 3 hours unless there are no Members who wish to speak before the expiration of the 3 hours in which case the respective committee's consideration of the estimates of the particular department is deemed to have been completed.

3. When a department's estimates are considered by Committee of Supply on a Tuesday or Wednesday afternoon, the committee's consideration shall continue until it is complete, notwithstanding Standing Orders 3(1) and 4, so proceedings may conclude later than the normal adjournment hour of 6:00 p.m.
4. A Policy Field Committee shall commence its consideration of a department's estimates in the Chamber at 6:30 p.m. or, if Committee of Supply has met that afternoon and the Assembly has adjourned later than 6:00 p.m., one half hour after Committee of Supply has concluded its consideration of a department's estimates for that day.
5. At the end of 3 hours' consideration of a department's estimates, or at the conclusion if there are no Members who wish to speak, the Committee of Supply rises and reports progress without question put. If a Policy Field Committee is considering the Main Estimates, it stands adjourned at the completion of its consideration that evening without question put.
6. The allotment of time in Committee of Supply or a Policy Field Committee for the consideration of the Main Estimates shall be as follows:
 - (a) the Minister, or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister's behalf, may make opening comments not to exceed 10 minutes;
 - (b) for the hour that follows, members of the Official Opposition and the Minister, or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister's behalf, may speak;
 - (c) for the next 20 minutes, the members of the third party, if any, and the Minister, or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister's behalf, may speak;
 - (d) for the next 20 minutes, the members of the fourth party, if any, and the Minister, or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister's behalf, may speak;
 - (e) for the next 20 minutes, the members of any other party represented in the Assembly, any independent Members and the Minister, or the member of the Executive Council acting on the Minister's behalf, may speak; and
 - (f) any Member may speak thereafter.
7. When an amendment to a department's estimates is moved in Committee of Supply or in a Policy Field Committee, the vote on the amendment stands deferred until the vote on the Main Estimates occurs.
8. All votes on a department's estimates in Committee of Supply or in a Policy Field Committee stand deferred until the evening of April 20, 2011.
9. On the evening of April 20, 2011, Committee of Supply shall meet at either 7:30 p.m. or one half hour after the committee has completed its consideration of the Main Estimates for that afternoon, whichever is later, and commence voting on the Main Estimates.
10. There shall be one vote on the Main Estimates on the evening of April 20, 2011, unless
 - (a) additional votes are required on amendments previously moved in Committee of Supply or in a Policy Field Committee prior to calling the vote on the Main Estimates; or

- (b) on at least one day's notice, a Member has provided written notification to the Chair and the Clerk of his or her desire that the estimates of a particular department be voted on separately, in which case that department's estimates shall be voted on separately and the final vote for the Main Estimates shall consist of the estimates of any departments not yet voted upon.
11. All votes on the Main Estimates in Committee of Supply, including votes on amendments, shall be taken without debate or further amendment.
 12. For greater clarity, Standing Order 32(3.1) applies to divisions in Committee of Supply during any votes on the Main Estimates.
 13. When a Policy Field Committee has completed its consideration of the Main Estimates of the departments indicated in the schedule, the Chair shall so report to Committee of Supply on the date scheduled for the vote on the Main Estimates without question put.
 14. Prior to the vote on the Main Estimates, the Chair shall put the question to approve the estimates of the Legislative Assembly, as approved by the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services, and the estimates of the Officers of the Legislature, which shall be decided without debate or amendment.

And be it further resolved that Standing Orders 59.01, 59.03, 60(1) and 63 shall not apply to the consideration of the 2011-12 Main Estimates of the Government of Alberta and the Offices of the Legislative Assembly.

(Schedule)

2011-2012 Main Estimates

February 24

Budget Address

March 1

Evening

International and Intergovernmental Relations (PFC - Resources and Environment)

March 2

Afternoon

Finance and Enterprise (COS)

Evening

Aboriginal Relations (PFC - Public Safety and Services)

March 7

Evening

Service Alberta (PFC - Public Safety and Services)

March 8

Evening

Seniors and Community Supports (PFC - Health)

March 9

Afternoon

Energy (COS)

Evening

Housing and Urban Affairs (PFC - Community Services)

March 14

Evening

Employment and Immigration (PFC - Economy)

March 15

Evening

Tourism, Parks and Recreation (PFC - Community Services)

March 16

Evening

Children and Youth Services (PFC - Health)

March 21

Evening

Treasury Board (PFC - Public Safety and Services)

March 22

Afternoon

Environment (COS)

Evening

Justice (PFC - Public Safety and Services)

March 23

Afternoon

Culture and Community Spirit (COS)

Evening

Transportation (PFC - Economy)

April 11

Evening

Solicitor General and Public Security (PFC - Public Safety and Services)

April 12

Afternoon

Executive Council (COS)

Evening

Advanced Education and Technology (PFC - Economy)

April 13

Afternoon

Health and Wellness (COS)

Evening

Sustainable Resource Development (PFC - Resources and Environment)

April 18

Evening

Municipal Affairs (PFC - Community Services)

April 19

Afternoon

Education (COS)

Evening

Agriculture and Rural Development (PFC - Resources and Environment)

April 20

Afternoon

Infrastructure (COS)

Evening

Main Estimates Votes (COS)

(COS) - Committee of Supply

(PFC) - Policy Field Committee

6. Hon. Mr. Snelgrove to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Message from His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 2010-11 Supplementary Supply Estimates for the General Revenue Fund, and all matters connected therewith, be referred to Committee of Supply.

7. Hon. Mr. Snelgrove to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 61(2), the number of days that Committee of Supply will be called to consider the 2010-11 Supplementary Supply Estimates for the General Revenue Fund shall be one day.

8. Hon. Mr. Snelgrove to propose the following motion:

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

9. Hon. Mr. Hancock to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the following changes to:

- A. the Standing Committee on Private Bills be approved:
 - that Ms Redford replace Hon. Mr. Olson
 - that Dr. Morton replace Mr. Bhardwaj
 - that Mr. Horner replace Mr. Amery
- B. the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be approved:
 - that Mr. Allred replace Hon. Mr. Olson
- C. the Standing Committee on Members' Services be approved:
 - that Mr. Amery replace Hon. Mr. Weadick
 - that Mr. Bhullar replace Hon. Mr. Oberle
- D. the Standing Committee on Health be approved:
 - that Mr. Griffiths replace Hon. Mr. Olson
 - that Dr. Swann replace Dr. Taft

- E. the Standing Committee on Resources and Environment be approved:
that Mr. Marz replace Mr. Dallas
- F. the Standing Committee on the Economy be approved:
that Mr. Dallas replace Mr. Griffiths
that Ms Tarchuk replace Mr. Marz
that Mr. Johnson replace Hon. Mr. Weadick
- G. the Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund be approved:
that Dr. Taft replace Ms Blakeman

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 1 Asia Advisory Council Act — Hon. Mr. Stelmach

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

- Bill 2 Protection Against Family Violence Amendment Act, 2011 — Dr. Brown
- Bill 3 Engineering, Geological and Geophysical Professions Amendment Act, 2011 — Mr. Rogers
- Bill 4 Securities Amendment Act, 2011 — Dr. Brown
- Bill 5 Notice to the Attorney General Act — Mr. Rogers
- Bill 6 Rules of Court Statutes Amendment Act, 2011 — Hon. Mr. Olson
- Bill 201 Health Insurance Premiums (Health Card Donor Declaration) Amendment Act, 2011 — Mr. Sandhu
- Bill 202 Legislative Assembly (Transition Allowance) Amendment Act, 2011 — Mr. Anderson

Written Questions

WQ1. Ms Blakeman to ask the Government the following question:

How much oil was spilled as a result of the wellhead failure at Devon Energy Corporation's Jackfish oil sands site, which sent a plume of bitumen-laced, high temperature steam into the air for nearly 36 hours on July 10 and 11, 2010?

- WQ2.** Ms Blakeman to ask the Government the following question:
Which groups, that previously received funding from the Wild Rose Foundation, but were no longer able to receive funding after the program was cut, were unable to obtain similar funding through publicly funded grant programs, such as the Community Initiatives Program?
- WQ3.** Dr. Swann to ask the Government the following question:
What was the average turnover rate for registered nurses within Alberta Health Services for the years 2008, 2009, and 2010?
- WQ4.** Dr. Swann to ask the Government the following question:
How many foreign-trained physicians have been recruited to Alberta in the last five years?
- WQ5.** Dr. Swann to ask the Government the following question:
How many foreign-trained registered nurses have been recruited to Alberta in the last five years?

Motions for Returns

- MR1.** Mr. Kang to propose the following motion:
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all reports, studies, financial forecasts, and any other materials prepared for Alberta Transportation regarding the construction of the proposed Calgary airport trail tunnel.
- MR2.** Mr. Kang to propose the following motion:
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all detailed information, including flight records, final destinations, duration of stay, unscheduled stops, and a list of occupants on each flight, however recorded, stored, or archived, by electronic means or otherwise, that relates to the operation and usage of any provincially leased or owned aircraft from January 1, 2009, to December 15, 2010.
- MR3.** Mr. Hehr to propose the following motion:
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all correspondence between Bruce Power and the Government regarding proposals for nuclear power in Alberta for the time period between January 1, 2006, and February 20, 2011.

MR4. Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of documents relating to the participation of the Ministry of Culture and Community Spirit in the development of the Alberta Creative Hub, including documents created by or submitted to the Ministry to assist in the Ministry's decision to provide funding for the project.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

501. Mr. Amery to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Employment Standards Code that would require all employers to provide an unpaid leave of absence of up to 13 weeks for employees who donate organs.

502. Mr. Amery to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to make warning labels mandatory on all alcohol sold at retail outlets in the province.

503. Mr. VanderBurg to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider establishing a task force to review legislation and programs related to child exploitation.

504. Mr. Anderson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to repeal the amendments made to legislation by the Electric Statutes Amendment Act, 2009, to ensure that proposed transmission line projects are subject to an objective needs assessment hearing by the Alberta Utilities Commission, are openly and transparently tendered, and that affected landowners are compensated fairly with recourse to the courts.

505. Mr. Dallas to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to utilize incentives to encourage visitability standards in all newly constructed single-family homes, including one zero-step entrance, wider doorways (minimum 32 inch clear door opening), and a main floor half bathroom.

506. Ms Woo-Paw to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review the procedures and rules that determine post-secondary student funding to ensure that student funding meets the diverse and evolving needs of students in the 21st century.

- 507.** Mr. Allred to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation abolishing the common law doctrine of adverse possession in Alberta and all statutory references to adverse possession in Alberta legislation.
- 508.** Mr. Hinman to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to repeal the Alberta Land Stewardship Act and the Alberta Land Assembly Project Area Act and entrench property rights in the constitution of Alberta to ensure all forms of property loss are compensated fairly with recourse to courts.
- 509.** Ms Notley to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to table in the Assembly a clear plan to set a maximum fee for child care at a rate affordable for low- and middle-income families while ensuring child care providers have funding to deliver high quality care.
- 510.** Mr. Mason to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to protect workers who report workplace issues, including occupational health and safety violations, from reprisal or termination and establish a clear, accessible, and impartial mechanism to investigate complaints of such reprisals.
- 511.** Mr. Xiao to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to investigate the feasibility of implementing measures designed to promote voter turnout in provincial elections.
- 512.** Withdrawn
- 513.** Withdrawn
- 514.** Mr. Bhullar to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work with other levels of government, key stakeholders, and community groups to develop and implement a plan to end domestic violence in 10 years.
- 515.** Mr. Prins to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop a policy that advances Alberta as a commercial energy hub for natural gas transportation and natural gas liquid extraction, and supports the next wave of development in Alberta's petrochemical industry.

516. Withdrawn

517. Mr. Groeneveld to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to encourage the Federal Government to support Bill C-619, An Act to amend the Canadian Wheat Board Act, allowing western Canadian producers to opt out of the Canadian Wheat Board, thereby giving Alberta farmers the choice to market their product as they choose.

518. Withdrawn

519. Mr. Kang to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider providing sustainable funding for construction of the Calgary airport trail access tunnel.

520. Withdrawn

521. Mr. Chase to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to immediately develop a comprehensive child poverty reduction strategy.

522. Withdrawn

523. Mr. MacDonald to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to propose a tax credit for citizens who volunteer for community crime prevention patrols.

524. Dr. Swann to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to require the establishment of an industry-supported cleanup fund for downstream oil and gas operations, abandoned gas stations, and other contaminated industrial sites throughout Alberta.

525. Mr. Cao to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore setting a mandatory amount of Canadian history instruction in the high school curriculum.

526. Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to include workplace bullying in the Alberta Human Rights Act.

527. Withdrawn

- 528.** Mr. Anderson to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to require Members of the Legislative Assembly to publicly disclose on a monthly basis all Member related expenses, including personal and office expenses, allowances, and benefits claimed and received by the Member.
- 529.** Mr. Hehr to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Traffic Safety Act to implement a zero tolerance policy toward alcohol consumption for all drivers who are under the age of 21.
- 530.** Mr. Dallas to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure that advanced English as a second language programs are available to and affordable for people wishing to enhance their language skills.
- 531.** Withdrawn
- 532.** Dr. Sherman to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Election Act to prescribe fixed election dates and representative recall.
- 533.** Mr. Quest to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation that will reduce scrap metal theft by requiring individuals selling scrap metal to provide identification before completing a transaction.
- 534.** Mr. MacDonald to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act to require registered constituency associations to publicly disclose expenses above \$375 in the annual financial statements filed under the Act.
- 535.** Mr. Sandhu to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation that would protect consumers who purchase homes from owner-homebuilders.
- 536.** Mrs. Sarich to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop a comprehensive poverty reduction strategy, so that the policies the Government is pursuing become strengthened and more coordinated amongst the Ministries.

- 537.** Mr. Chase to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation requiring all-terrain vehicle (ATV) operators to have a licence to drive an ATV regardless of whether the vehicle is being operated on public or private land.
- 538.** Withdrawn
- 539.** Dr. Taft to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to restructure Alberta Health Services to ensure the delivery of health services is performed in a way that provides greater autonomy and decision making at local levels.
- 540.** Mr. Elniski to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the feasibility of providing alternative funding options to faith-based organizations, which, for moral and ethical reasons, do not want to receive funds from sources such as gambling, alcohol sales, and tobacco sales.
- 541.** Dr. Sherman to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly establish a committee to review the Premier's and Ministers' current salaries to determine if they should be adjusted to pre-May 2008 levels and to consider the feasibility of restricting transitional allowances to three terms, up to a maximum of 12 years.
- 542.** Ms Woo-Paw to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to conduct a comprehensive study to evaluate seniors' quality of life and community engagement to ensure that Alberta is meeting its responsibilities to current and future seniors by delivering access to services that assist all Alberta seniors.
- 543.** Withdrawn
- 544.** Withdrawn
- 545.** Mr. Kang to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation requiring the use of protective headgear when operating all-terrain vehicles on both public and private land.
- 546.** Withdrawn

- 547.** Mr. Berger to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the feasibility of reviewing current legislation and repealing what is considered to be redundant.
- 548.** Withdrawn
- 549.** Mr. Sandhu to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation that will create a tax credit to recognize the contributions of community volunteers.
- 550.** Mr. McFarland to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to amend the farm land valuation process to include the footprint concept to address disparities in the assessment of intensive and extensive types of farm operations as recommended by the MLA Farm Property Assessment Review Committee.
- 551.** Mr. Bhardwaj to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish an equitable pay grid in recognition of teachers who have received vocational diplomas from technical schools, such as NAIT or SAIT, that would provide them with salaries on par with teachers who have received graduate degrees.
- 552.** Withdrawn
- 553.** Withdrawn
- 554.** Mr. Sarich to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop an integrated approach to kindergarten to grade 12 education research and development so that there is greater coordination to policy, innovation, and learning outcomes.
- 555.** Dr. Swann to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Occupational Health and Safety Act to protect paid farm workers while continuing to exempt family members and other unpaid labourers.
- 556.** Withdrawn
- 557.** Withdrawn
- 558.** Withdrawn

- 559.** Mr. Benito to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement measures designed to increase consumer spending in order to push the Alberta economy into faster recovery.
- 560.** Mr. Boutilier to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation that limits year-over-year actual increases in spending by Government to the rate of inflation plus population growth.
- 561.** Mr. Bhardwaj to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to continue its policy to reduce classroom size when resources are available.
- 562.** Withdrawn
- 563.** Mr. Taylor to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to produce a made-in-Alberta poverty reduction strategy by pursuing non-partisan, broad-based public consultation and study best practices in other jurisdictions.
- 564.** Withdrawn
- 565.** Withdrawn
- 566.** Mr. Rodney to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation which requires that children must ride in a booster seat until they achieve a specified height, weight, and/or age.
- 567.** Mr. Cao to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review how Workers' Compensation Board (WCB) benefit payments are calculated, specifically how Canada Pension Plan disability payments affect provincial WCB payment calculations.
- 568.** Mr. Prins to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop a comprehensive, value-added strategy that considers the long-term future of North American and global gas markets, energy infrastructure needs, regulatory policy, and integrated value chains.
- 569.** Withdrawn

570. Mr. Elniski to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the feasibility of a plain language taxation model whereby all monies collected by the Government, excluding those received by the direct sales of goods or services, would be referred to as a tax, thereby eliminating such phrases as "levy," "fee," and "licence" from legislation.

571. Mr. Johnson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish and operate emergency and medical response sites in strategic locations along the Fort McMurray traffic corridors.

572. Withdrawn

573. Withdrawn

574. Mr. McFarland to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require all provincial government organizations to have telephone operators available to assist Albertans requiring service.

575. Withdrawn

576. Withdrawn

577. Ms Notley to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation which requires that all proposed electrical transmission lines be subject to an open and transparent public consultation process and that the costs of new transmission lines be shared equitably by consumers and industry.

578. Withdrawn

579. Mr. Bhullar to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to create an innovation office tasked with helping all government departments save money by fostering innovation and efficiency.

580. Dr. Brown to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Labour Relations Code to include a provision which would make union membership or payment of union dues voluntary.

581. Ms Pastoor to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to index Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped (AISH) benefits to the average weekly earnings for Alberta, as is done with salaries for Members of the Legislative Assembly, and commit to conducting an annual review of the program.

582. Mr. Johnston to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to give preference for public service jobs that are advertised to the public to the surviving spouses of public service employees who have died in the course of fulfilling their duties.

583. Mr. Taylor to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to reinstate a needs assessment process for consumer-funded electrical transmission infrastructure that is independent of government.

584. Withdrawn

585. Withdrawn

586. Ms Pastoor to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to immediately implement a moratorium on new water licences for deep well flooding with fresh groundwater and to phase out within one year all existing water licences that allow deep water flooding with fresh groundwater in settled areas of the province where groundwater is or may be required for human consumption.

587. Withdrawn

588. Mrs. Leskiw to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider introducing a policy whereby each new school would have a basic playground, funded in full by the Government, completed by the time the school is opened.

589. Mr. VanderBurg to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore the feasibility of allowing seniors' centres to apply for funding through existing grant structures to cover the costs of utilities.

590. Withdrawn

- 591.** Mr. Quest to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to limit the construction of high voltage, above-ground power lines near densely populated areas.
- 592.** Dr. Taft to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to amend all relevant legislation to require all Alberta universities to meet municipal zoning requirements regarding transportation, parking, density, and all future site development.
- 593.** Withdrawn
- 594.** Dr. Brown to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation enabling the Lieutenant Governor in Council to designate specified public gatherings or demonstrations to be places where no person may disguise or conceal their identity in circumstances when there is a reasonable apprehension of personal injury or destruction of property.
- 595.** Mr. Boutilier to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to host an international forum to determine the economic and environmental implications of carbon capture and storage.
- 596.** Mr. Hehr to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Tobacco Reduction Act to prohibit smoking in vehicles where a person under 18 years of age is present.
- 597.** Mr. Allred to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to solicit public opinion on the creation of a single public secular school board.
- 598.** Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to restore the province's competitiveness within the Canadian film industry by introducing a tax credit system or by reorganizing the current three-stream system into two streams, and to consider removing the cap that limits the amount of funding available to any given production.

599. Mr. Mason to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to protect the rights of landowners, ensuring property rights cannot be arbitrarily violated or extinguished without consultation and fair compensation.

600. Mrs. Forsyth to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to increase the number of treatment beds, and counselling and community supports for Albertans dealing with drug and alcohol addiction and mental illness.

601. Withdrawn

602. Withdrawn

603. Withdrawn

604. Mr. Benito to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Employment Standards Code that would establish provisions for confidential reporting of workplace harassment incidents.

605. Mr. Rodney to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to reach an agreement with applicable levels of government regarding construction of the southwest portion of the Calgary ring road in 2011 with construction to begin in 2012.

606. Mrs. Forsyth to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to increase the number of long-term care beds (nursing home beds) for Alberta seniors in order to move them from overcrowded acute care settings.

607. Mr. Hinman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to decentralize health care administration by returning decision-making authority to local service providers and to encourage more efficient delivery of care through competitive delivery of publicly funded services.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, February 23, 2011