

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 35

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Wednesday, November 28, 2001

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:30 p.m.

Presenting Petitions

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, presented a petition from 447 Albertans requesting that the Government of Alberta provide health care coverage for medical supplies for diabetic children and financial assistance to parents for costs associated with the special dietary requirements of their children.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mrs. Nelson, Minister of Finance:

Provincial Judges and Masters in Chambers Pension Plan, Annual Report for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2000

Sessional Paper 578/2001

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development, pursuant to the Premier's Council on the Status of Persons With Disabilities Act, cP-14.5, s7(2):

The Premier's Council on the Status of Persons With Disabilities, Annual Report 2001

Sessional Paper 579/2001

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Hon. Mr. Coutts, Minister of Government Services:

Report dated November 23, 2001, entitled "Lobbyist Registration Research Study" prepared by Alberta Government Services

Sessional Paper 580/2001

Hon. Mr. Boutilier, Minister of Municipal Affairs:

Safety Codes Council, Annual Report 2000

Sessional Paper 581/2001

Letter dated November 28, 2001, from Hon. Mr. Boutilier, Minister of Municipal Affairs, to Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry, responding to questions raised by Mr. Bonner during Oral Question Period on November 27, 2001

Sessional Paper 582/2001

Mr. Ducharme, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake:

Report dated July 2001, entitled "Parlement Francophone des Jeunes - Chartre du jeune citoyen francophone du XXIè siècle" prepared by the Francophone Youth Parliament and sponsored by the Assemblée parlementaire de la Francophonie Sessional Paper 583/2001

Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert:

Letter dated November 23, 2001, from His Worship Richard H.M. Plain, Ph.D., Mayor, City of St. Albert, to Hon. Mr. Stelmach, Minister of Transportation, outlining the St. Albert Royal Canadian Mounted Police Community Advisory Committee's resolution endorsed by the St. Albert City Council, and requesting changes to the regulations of the Traffic Safety Act

Sessional Paper 584/2001

Mr. Shariff, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall:

Document, undated, entitled "Women's Shelters: Did You Know..." listing statistics relating to women's shelters, prepared by the Alberta Council of Women's Shelters

Sessional Paper 585/2001

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

Pamphlet, undated, entitled "Millwoods Welcome Centre for Immigrants" prepared by Catholic Social Services, Indo Canadian Women's Association, and the Mennonite Centre for Newcomers

Sessional Paper 586/2001

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Newsletter dated September 2001, prepared by the Terra Association of Edmonton

Sessional Paper 587/2001

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods:

Leduc Representative article dated November 23, 2001, entitled "An Open Letter from the Principals of Black Gold Regional Schools"

Sessional Paper 588/2001

Copy of Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission licensing information with an application for casino eligibility

Sessional Paper 589/2001

41 documents, undated, signed by Albertans entitled "Get Education on Track" expressing support for Bill 218, School (Class Size Targets) Amendment Act, 2001, and increased funding in the education system

Sessional Paper 590/2001

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar:

40 documents, undated, signed by Albertans entitled "Get Education on Track" expressing support for Bill 218, School (Class Size Targets) Amendment Act, 2001, and increased funding in the education system

Sessional Paper 591/2001

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona:

E-mail message dated November 18, 2001, from Natasha Wiebe, Department of Pediatrics, University of Alberta, to Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Children's Services, and Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, expressing concerns regarding Government funding for the Welcome Home Community Sessional Paper 592/2001

News release dated November 27, 2001, entitled "Community meeting over cuts to programming and the effect to children and families" prepared by the Edmonton Aboriginal Coalition for Children and Families

Sessional Paper 593/2001

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry:

Letter dated September 14, 2001, from Penny Davis, R.N., B.Sc.N., also signed by 44 individuals, expressing support for Bill 209, Highway Traffic (Bicycle Safety Helmet) Amendment Act, 2001

Sessional Paper 594/2001

E-mail message dated June 22, 2001, from Steve Papp of Edmonton to Members of the Legislative Assembly, expressing concerns regarding education funding and the Government's apathy toward teachers

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Recognitions

Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West: official opening of the Webber Academy in Calgary-West

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie: Mill Woods Welcome Centre for Immigrants

Mrs. Jablonski, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North: Lindsay Thurber High School women's volleyball team on winning the Provincial 4A championship

Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert: International Human Rights Day, December 10, 2001

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre: citizens of Alberta who are living with HIV (human immunodeficiency virus) and AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome), and the organizations providing support to these citizens

Rev. Abbott, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Calmar: Town of Drayton Valley on being the first municipality in Canada to implement the Character Cities Initiative

Mr. Knight, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Smoky: opening of the Big Smoky Bridge

Recognitions - Pages of the Legislative Assembly

Mr. Tannas, Deputy Speaker, made a special presentation on behalf of all Members of the Legislative Assembly, to Brent Shewchuk, Head Page, and all the Pages of the Legislative Assembly in recognition of their dedication and tireless efforts.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Question was ordered to stand: WQ7.

Motions for Returns

The following Motion for Returns was ordered to stand: MR18.

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 207 Alberta Personal Income Tax (Tools Credit) Amendment Act, 2001 — Mr. Lougheed

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and the Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

The question was put that Bill 209, Highway Traffic (Bicycle Safety Helmet) Amendment Act, 2001, be reported, which was agreed to. With Mr. Tannas in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 31

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| Blakeman | Graydon | Maskell | | |
| Bonner | Hlady | Massey | | |
| Boutilier | Horner | Oberg | | |
| Calahasen | Hutton | O'Neill | | |
| Cao | Jablonski | Pham | | |
| Cardinal | Kryczka | Rathgeber | | |
| Danyluk | Lord | Stelmach | | |
| Ducharme | Lougheed | Tarchuk | | |
| Fritz | Magnus | Zwozdesky | | |
| Gordon | | | | |
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| Against the motion: 11 | | | | |

| Ady | Dunford | Marz |
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| Coutts | Fischer | Snelgrove |
| DeLong | Haley | Vandermeer |
| Doerksen | Knight | |

The Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 209 Highway Traffic (Bicycle Safety Helmet) Amendment Act, 2001 – Mrs. Fritz

Third Reading

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 208 Alberta Official Song Act - Mr. Cao

Bill 209 Highway Traffic (Bicycle Safety Helmet) Amendment Act, 2001 – Mrs. Fritz

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:23 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2001 — 8:00 P.M.

Government Motions

22. Moved by Hon. Mr. Coutts:

Be it resolved that:

1. A Select Special Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act Review Committee of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta be appointed to review the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act as provided in Section 91 of that Act consisting of the following Members, namely:

| Rathgeber (Chair) | DeLong | MacDonald |
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| Jablonski (Deputy Chair) | Jacobs | Mason |
| Carlson | Lukaszuk | Masyk |

- 2. The Chair and Members of the Committee shall be paid in accordance with the schedule of Category "A" Committees provided in the most recent Members' Services Committee Allowances Order.
- 3. Reasonable disbursements by the Committee for advertising, staff assistance, equipment and supplies, rent, travel and other expenditures necessary for the effective conduct of its responsibilities shall be paid, subject to the approval of the Chair.
- 4. In carrying out its duties, the Committee may undertake limited travel within Alberta to consult with interested Albertans.
- 5. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Committee may, with the concurrence of the head of the department, utilize the services of the public service employed in that department or the staff employed by the Assembly or the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner.
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- 6. The Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned.
- 7. The Committee must submit its report, including any proposed amendments to the Act, within one year after commencing its review.
- 8. When its work has been completed, the Committee must report to the Assembly if it is then sitting. During a period when the Assembly is adjourned, the Committee may release its report by depositing a copy with the Clerk and forwarding a copy to each Member of the Assembly.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

- Bill 24 Regulated Forestry Profession Amendment Act, 2001 Mr. Strang
- Bill 25 Victims Restitution and Compensation Payment Act (\$) Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky on behalf of Hon. Mr. Hancock
- Bill 26 Trustee Amendment Act, 2001 Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky on behalf of Hon. Mr. Hancock
- Bill 27 Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2001 Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky on behalf of Hon. Mr. Hancock
- Bill 29 Alberta Municipal Financing Corporation Amendment Act, 2001 Hon. Mrs. Nelson on behalf of Mr. Magnus
- Bill 30 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2001 (No. 2) (\$) Hon. Mrs. Nelson

Second Reading

The following Bill was read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 31 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky on behalf of Hon. Mr. Hancock

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and the Acting Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

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And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 31 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2001 (No. 2)—Hon. Mr. Hancock

Mr. Maskell, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of an amendment considered by the Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 31 (Hon. Minister of Community Development) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 596/2001

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:21 p.m. until Thursday, November 29, 2001, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, November 28, 2001