

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 3

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Thursday, February 28, 2002

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, made a statement regarding the annual Viking Cup hockey tournament, which has taken place in Alberta for the past 22 years.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding provincial fiscal policies.

Mr. Horner, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, made a statement regarding athletes Jennifer Heil and Don Bartlett, both of Spruce Grove, who participated in the 2002 Olympic Winter Games.

Notices of Motions

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, gave oral notice of her intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly affirm the importance of open access to reading material by recognizing February 24 to March 2, 2002 as Freedom to Read Week.

Pursuant to Standing Order 34(2)(a), Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following Written Questions and Motions for Returns to be dealt with on Monday, March 4, 2002:

Written Questions: None appearing on the Order Paper.

Motions for Returns: None appearing on the Order Paper.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 202 Environmental Protection and Enhancement (Clean-up Instructions) Amendment Act, 2002 — Mrs. Jablonski

Bill 203 Gas Flaring Elimination Act — Mr. Mason

Tabling Returns and Reports

Clerk of the Assembly, pursuant to Standing Order 37.1(2):

Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Third Quarter Update 2001-02 Quarterly Report, Hon. Mr. Melchin, Minister of Revenue

Sessional Paper 15/2002

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development:

Map showing the 2002 grasshopper forecast for Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba, prepared by Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development

Sessional Paper 16/2002

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Article entitled "Enron for Dummies" outlining questions and answers relating to the Enron Corporation

Sessional Paper 17/2002

Article entitled "Now Who, Exactly, Got Us Into This?" relating to the Enron Corporation

Sessional Paper 18/2002

Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview:

Several recent e-mail messages between Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, and Greg Balanko-Dickson, Dianne Gazdewich, R. Moore and family, and Jeff Goth, all expressing concerns regarding the teachers' strike, teachers' salaries, and class sizes

Sessional Paper 19/2002

Discussion paper entitled "Making Medicare Better" prepared by the Alberta Liberal Caucus

Sessional Paper 20/2002

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

Several recent e-mail messages between Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, and Norman Blais, Pat Eckel, Lyle Weis, and David Sloan, a letter dated October 23, 2001, from Corinne Whelan, Counsellor, St. Francis Xavier School, and a letter dated February 6, 2002, from Lorie Welk of Edmonton, both to Ms Carlson, all expressing concerns regarding the teachers' strike, teachers' salaries, and class sizes

Sessional Paper 21/2002

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

Bookmark containing information regarding public education in Alberta, prepared by the Alberta Teachers' Association

Sessional Paper 22/2002

Flyer listing 3 conditions of support shown to Edmonton Public teachers by Edmonton Catholic teachers

Sessional Paper 23/2002

Advertisement soliciting students attendance at the Faculty of Education and the Faculty of Science at the University of Alberta

Sessional Paper 24/2002

Advertisement to attend a public forum held on February 15, 2002, to discuss the teachers' strike

Sessional Paper 25/2002

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General on behalf of Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development:

Library Association of Alberta article dated February 2002, entitled "Help Celebrate Freedom to Read Week"

Sessional Paper 26/2002

Letter dated February 28, 2002, from Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development, to Rick Leach, President, Library Association of Alberta, extending thanks for bringing Freedom to Read Week to his attention, and for the Association's support and participation of the freedom to read principle

Sessional Paper 27/2002

Mrs. Tarchuk, Chair, Select Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Election Act, cE-1, s4(3):

Financial Addendum to the Report of the Chief Electoral Officer 2000 Provincial Confirmation Process and Monday March 12, 2001 Provincial General Election of the Twenty-fifth Legislative Assembly, prepared by the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer

Sessional Paper 28/2002

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

Letter dated February 13, 2002, from Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, to Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Energy, expressing concerns regarding the composition of the Energy and Utilities Board Advisory Committee and its mandate

Sessional Paper 29/2002

Letter dated November 21, 2000, from David Moule, President, Board of Directors, King Edward Child Care Society, to Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, expressing concerns regarding the elimination of the daycare operating allowance

Sessional Paper 30/2002

Projected Government Business

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Ms Carlson, Official Opposition House Leader, asked a question pertaining to the order of Government Business to be brought before the Assembly for the following week.

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of March 4 to March 7, 2002:

Monday, March 4	9:00 p.m	Government Bills and Orders
		Committee of Supply
		Supplementary Estimates (Day 1 of 1)
		Revert to Introduction of Bills
		Bill 8
		And as per the Order Paper
Tuesday, March 5	Aft	Government Bills and Orders
		Second Reading
		Bill 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8
		And as per the Order Paper
	8:00 p.m	Government Bills and Orders
		Address in Reply to the Speech From the Throne (Day 3 of 10)

Second	Reading

Bill 1, 8

And Second Readings not completed during the afternoon

And as per the Order Paper

Wednesday, March 6

Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 7, 9, 10, 11

And as per the Order Paper

8:00 p.m. - Government Bills and Orders

Address in Reply to the Speech From the Throne (Day 4 of 10)

Committee of the Whole

Bill 1, 8

Second Reading

Bills not completed Tuesday or

Wednesday afternoon

And as per the Order Paper

Thursday, March 7

- Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

Bill 8

Aft.

Second Reading

Any outstanding Second Readings

Address in Reply to the Speech From the Throne (Day 5 of 10)

And as per the Order Paper

Motions Under Standing Order 40

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly affirm the importance of open access to reading material by recognizing February 24 to March 2, 2000 as Freedom to Read Week.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Message From Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor

Hon. Mrs. Nelson, Minister of Finance, delivered a Message from Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor.

The Speaker read the Message to the Assembly (the Members standing).

The Minister of Finance then tabled a copy of the Supplementary Supply Estimates, pursuant to the Government Accountability Act, cG-5.5, s8(1):

2001-02 Supplementary Estimates (No. 2): General Revenue Fund Sessional Paper 31/2002

Government Motions

4. Moved by Hon. Mrs. Nelson:

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

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

5. Moved by Hon. Mrs. Nelson:

Be it resolved that the Message of Her Honour, the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 2001-02 Supplementary Supply Estimates (No. 2) for the General Revenue Fund, and all matters connected therewith, be referred to Committee of Supply.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

6. Moved by Hon. Mrs. Nelson:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 58(9), the number of days that Committee of Supply will be called to consider the 2001-02 Supplementary Supply Estimates (No. 2) for the General Revenue Fund, shall be one day.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

7. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

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

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Consideration of Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech (Day 1)

Moved by Mr. Horner and seconded by Mr. Cenaiko:

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

To Her Honour Mrs. Lois E. Hole, C.M., 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.

A debate followed.

Hon. Mrs. Nelson moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:07 p.m. until Monday, March 4, 2002, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Thursday, February 28, 2002