



**Legislative Assembly  
Province of Alberta**

No. 31

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

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Thursday, May 2, 2002

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

**Members' Statements**

Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement regarding Dr. Sandy McEwan, Cross Cancer Institute, for his work on the Positron Emission Tomography program.

Mr. Strang, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, made a statement regarding the Edson Royal Canadian Legion Joe Wynne Branch 51 on its 75th anniversary, May 18, 2002.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding the Charter of Rights and Freedoms and comments made in the Assembly on April 29, 2002, surrounding the Charter.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, made a statement regarding the Supreme Court of Canada M versus H decision, May 20, 1999, concerning same sex relationships.

## **Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees**

Mr. Ducharme, Deputy Chair, Select Special Auditor General and Information and Privacy Commissioner Search Committee, presented the following report:

Report of the Select Special Auditor General and Information and Privacy Commissioner Search Committee, Part Two dated May 2, 2002, recommending the appointment of Franklin J. Work as Alberta's Information and Privacy Commissioner

Sessional Paper 380/2002

## **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, presented a petition from 36 Albertans requesting the Government not delist services, raise health care premiums, introduce user fees or further privatize health care.

## **Notices of Motions**

Pursuant to Standing Order 34(2)(a), Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following Written Questions and Motions for Returns to be dealt with Monday, May 6, 2002:

Written Questions: Stand and retain their places.

Motions for Returns: MR9.

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Mr. Goudreau, Hon. Member for Dunvegan:

Petition signed by 4,225 Albertans expressing opposition to the closure of the Grimshaw Hospital's acute care facility and urging the Government to keep the facility open

Sessional Paper 381/2002

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Fax dated April 26, 2002, from Dr. D.C. Bereznicki of Edmonton to Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Learning, with attached Archbishop MacDonald School Grade 10 Student Progress Report for Dominika Christine Bereznicki-Szyling, expressing concerns surrounding recently announced funding cuts to grade 10 programming

Sessional Paper 382/2002

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

Letter dated April 29, 2002, from Tim Belec of Westeros to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing opposition to Bill 16, Racing Corporation Amendment Act, 2002, which Mr. Belec feels offers subsidies to the racing and gambling industry, and expressing concerns regarding the level of subsidies offered to day care centres

Sessional Paper 383/2002

2 letters dated March 11, 2002 and April 17, 2002, from Kathleen P. Sudak of Calgary to Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Health and Wellness, expressing concerns regarding the inability of her mother to be given continuing care by the Calgary health care system because she is a resident of Hinton

Sessional Paper 384/2002

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

Petition signed by 2 Edmonton and Lethbridge residents requesting that the War Amputations of Canada have access to the Alberta Motor Vehicle Operators List for the purposes of the Key Tag Identification Program

Sessional Paper 385/2002

Globe and Mail article dated May 1, 2002, entitled "Canada's silence on Sudan is a vote for oppression"

Sessional Paper 386/2002

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

Petition signed by 1 Edmonton resident requesting that the War Amputations of Canada have access to the Alberta Motor Vehicle Operators List for the purposes of the Key Tag Identification Program

Sessional Paper 387/2002

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

Letter dated April 25, 2002, from Bill Longstaff, Acting Secretary, Fair Vote Canada - Calgary Chapter, to Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, expressing support for Bill 209, Electoral Fairness Commission Act

Sessional Paper 388/2002

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands:

Proposed amendments to the Control of Corporations Regulation (AR 373/94), prepared by the Legislative Projects Unit, Municipal Services Branch, Municipal Affairs

Sessional Paper 389/2002

Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Energy:

Letter dated May 2, 2002, from Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Energy, to Don Lowry, President and Chief Executive Officer, EPCOR, requesting better communication with EPCOR customers in the UtiliCorp service area regarding confusing electricity bills

Sessional Paper 390/2002

Letter dated May 2, 2002, from Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Energy, to Robert K. Green, President and Chief Executive Officer, Aquila, Inc., and Don Lowry, President and Chief Executive Officer, EPCOR, requesting extra effort by Aquila and EPCOR in clearing outstanding metering data problems

Sessional Paper 391/2002

## **Projected Government Business**

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Ms Blakeman, Acting 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 May 6 to May 9, 2002:

|                |           |                                    |
|----------------|-----------|------------------------------------|
| Monday, May 6  | 9:00 p.m. | - <b>Government Motions</b>        |
|                |           | Motion 24                          |
|                |           | <b>Government Bills and Orders</b> |
|                |           | <b>Second Reading</b>              |
|                |           | Bill 26                            |
|                |           | <b>Committee of the Whole</b>      |
|                |           | Bill 21, 24                        |
|                |           | And as per the Order Paper         |
| Tuesday, May 7 | Aft.      | - <b>Introduction of Bills</b>     |
|                |           | Bill 28                            |
|                |           | <b>Government Bills and Orders</b> |
|                |           | <b>Committee of Supply</b>         |
|                |           | Main Estimates (Day 24 of 24)      |
|                |           | Municipal Affairs (Designated)     |

**Revert to Introduction of Bills**

Bill 27

And as per the Order Paper

Eve. - **Government Motions**

Motion 25

**Government Bills and Orders**

**Second Reading**

Bill 26

**Committee of the Whole**

Bill 22, 23, 24

And as per the Order Paper

Wednesday, May 8

Aft. - **Government Bills and Orders**

**Second Reading**

Bill 27, 28

**Third Reading**

Bill 2, 4, 5, 6

And as per the Order Paper

Eve. - **Government Bills and Orders**

**Committee of the Whole**

Bill 24, 26

And as per the Order Paper

Thursday, May 9

Aft. - **Government Bills and Orders**

**Committee of the Whole**

Bill 27, 28

**Third Reading**

Bill 7, 10, 11, 13, 28

And as per the Order Paper

# ORDERS OF THE DAY

## Government Bills and Orders

### Unanimous Consent - Standing Order 58(4)

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 58(4) to allow the afternoon's consideration of the estimates for the Department of Gaming to go beyond two hours, with the vote on those estimates to take place no later than 5:15 p.m., or sooner if no one wished to speak.

### Committee of Supply (Day 23 — Main Estimates)

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair and Ms Graham reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions, reports as follows, and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that a sum not exceeding the following be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2003, for the Department and purposes indicated:

#### Gaming

|                 |                       |
|-----------------|-----------------------|
| \$215,860,000   | Operating Expense     |
| \$1,211,098,000 | Lottery Fund Payments |

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

## Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Stevens, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:14 p.m. until Monday, May 6, 2002, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski,  
Speaker

Title: Thursday, May 2, 2002