

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 33

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Tuesday, May 7, 2002

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

Members' Statements

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, made a statement regarding the United Nations special session on children to be held May 8-10, 2002.

Rev. Abbott, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Calmar, made a statement regarding North American Occupational Safety and Health Week, May 5-11, 2002.

Mr. Broda, Hon. Member for Redwater, made a statement regarding the Williams Energy Group and the ribbon-cutting ceremony held on April 30, 2002 at their Redwater olefin facility.

Mrs. Gordon, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Stettler, made a statement regarding Wayne Hampton, Principal, Lacombe Upper Elementary School on being named Canadian Principal of the Year by the Canadian Association of Principals.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

- Bill 28 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2002 Hon. Mr. Hancock
- Bill 29 Intestate Succession Amendment Act, 2002 Hon. Mr. Hancock
- Bill 30 Adult Interdependent Relationships Act Hon. Mr. Hancock

Tabling Returns and Reports

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

Letter dated May 3, 2002, from Marguerite Shewchuk, Executive Director, Sturgeon Foundation, to Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert, with associated attachments, requesting that Mrs. O'Neill urge the Government to increase funding to the provincial seniors' housing industry

Sessional Paper 413/2002

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Letter dated April 27, 2002, from Wendy Ettinger, President, Edmonton Evergreen Community Association, to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing approval for paid floor staff at the Fort Road Bingo Sessional Paper 414/2002

Petition signed by 3 Edmonton 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 415/2002

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

Document, undated, listing several settlements reached in Civil False Claims Act cases relating to medicare in the United States in 1999 and 2000

Sessional Paper 416/2002

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

Memorandum of Decision in the Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta dated December 7, 2001, between Thomas Shuchuk and Randy Wolfert, the Workers' Compensation Board, Gene Mudry, Dr. Paul Green, and Dr. Gordon King Sessional Paper 417/2002

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

Letter dated April 23, 2002, from Roy Romanow, Commissioner, Commission on the Future of Health Care in Canada, to Ray Pinkoski, Director, Edmonton-Gold Bar Liberal Constituency Association, acknowledging a letter dated April 8, 2002, from the Constituency Association to Mr. Romanow offering input regarding the future of public health care

Sessional Paper 418/2002

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

Letter dated May 1, 2002, from Joan Trettler, President, Public School Boards' Association of Alberta, to Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Learning, setting out issues the Association feels should be dealt with in the proposed independent review of kindergarten to grade 12 education in Alberta, and concerning the make-up of the review panel

Sessional Paper 419/2002

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

Letter dated April 17, 2002, from Janice McTighe, Executive Director, Renfrew Educational Services, to Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, expressing concerns regarding the cancellation of funding to the Calgary Community Lottery Board and requesting the Government reconsider their decision

Sessional Paper 420/2002

Letter dated April 21, 2002, from Kim Turcotte, Program Director, Abbottsfield Youth Project, to Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, expressing concerns regarding the elimination of the Edmonton Community Lottery Board and requesting the decision be reversed

Sessional Paper 421/2002

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

Memorandum dated May 7, 2002, from Mr. Hlady, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, to Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, requesting that Bill 207, Alberta Wheat and Barley Test Market Act, be given early consideration in Committee of the Whole

Sessional Paper 422/2002

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General:

Responses to questions raised on April 23, 2002, Department of Justice, 2002-2003 Committee of Supply debate

Sessional Paper 423/2002

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Unanimous Consent - Standing Order 58(4)

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy 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 Municipal Affairs 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 24 — Main Estimates)

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

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, and pursuant to the unanimous consent of the Assembly agreed to prior to calling Committee of Supply, at 5:15 p.m., the Committee of Supply adjourned to rise and report, the Acting Speaker assumed the Chair and Mr. Maskell 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 Departments and purposes indicated:

Municipal Affairs

\$133,081,000 Operating Expense and Capital Investment

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

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to revert to Introduction of Bills.

Upon recommendation of Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 27 Appropriation Act, 2002 (\$) — Hon. Mrs. Nelson

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:19 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2002 — 8:00 P.M.

Government Motions

25. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly concur in the May 2, 2002 Report-Part Two of the Select Special Auditor General and Information and Privacy Commissioner Search Committee and recommend to the Lieutenant Governor in Council that Franklin J. Work be appointed Information and Privacy Commissioner for a 5-year term.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

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)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

The following Bills were reported:

- Bill 22 Tobacco Tax Amendment Act, 2002 Hon. Mr. Melchin
- Bill 23 Municipal Government Amendment Act, 2002 Mr. VanderBurg

Third Reading

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

- Bill 2 Child and Family Services Authorities Amendment Act, 2002 Hon. Mr. Hancock on behalf of Hon. Ms Evans
- Bill 4 Public Health Amendment Act, 2002 Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky on behalf of Hon. Mr. Mar
- Bill 5 Interjurisdictional Support Orders Act Mr. Rathgeber
- Bill 6 Student Financial Assistance Act (\$) Hon. Dr. Oberg

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 26 Workers' Compensation Amendment Act, 2002 — Hon. Mr. Dunford

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

Amendment to Bill 26 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 424/2002

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:38 p.m. until Wednesday, May 8, 2002, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Tuesday, May 7, 2002