

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 35

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Thursday, May 9, 2002

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

Members' Statements

Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, made a statement regarding the Friends of Seniors Foundation.

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding an environmental report card provided to the Government by the Official Opposition.

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, made a statement regarding the Green Certificate Program, an apprenticeship training program established in 1975 by Agriculture, Food and Rural Development and the farming industry.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding electricity deregulation.

Presenting Petitions

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, presented a petition from 117 Albertans urging the Government to reduce post-secondary tuition fees by 30%.

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 13, 2002:

Written Questions: WQ5, WQ6, WQ7, WQ8, WQ9.

Motions for Returns: None appearing on the Order Paper.

Tabling Returns and Reports

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

Memorandum dated November 27, 1997, from Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, and Members of Executive Council, regarding the proposed sale of the Holy Cross Hospital in Calgary

Sessional Paper 441/2002

Hon. Mr. Cardinal, Minister of Sustainable Resource Development:

Responses to questions raised on April 16, 2002, Department of Sustainable Resource Development, 2002-2003 Committee of Supply debate

Sessional Paper 442/2002

Hon. Mr. Boutilier, Minister of Municipal Affairs, pursuant to the Special Areas Act, cS-16, s19(2):

Special Areas Trust Account, Financial Statements, December 31, 2001 Sessional Paper 443/2002

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Letter dated April 17, 2002, from S.A. Heather-Kalau, Chief Administrative Officer, Village of Coutts, to Mr. Jacobs, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, stating that the Village Council passed a resolution on April 10, 2002, supporting the reinstatement of the Community Lottery Boards

Sessional Paper 444/2002

Letter dated March 26, 2002, from Patricia Barr, Chairman, Carstairs Library, to Hon. Mr. Stevens, Minister of Gaming, protesting the cancellation of the Community Lottery Board program

Sessional Paper 445/2002

Letter dated April 3, 2002, from Don Hepburn, Chairman, Normandeau Cultural and Natural History Society, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, stating that the Society recently passed a resolution supporting the reinstatement of the Community Lottery Boards

Sessional Paper 446/2002

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 1995, 1996 and 1997

Sessional Paper 447/2002

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

Statement requesting support for the United Food and Commercial Workers Union Local 401 strike against the Shaw Conference Centre

Sessional Paper 448/2002

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

21 letters dated March 25, 2002, from Albertans to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concerns regarding the lack of safe, affordable housing in Alberta Sessional Paper 449/2002

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Health and Wellness, pursuant to the Mental Health Act, cM-13, s47(2):

Mental Health Patient Advocate Office, 2001 Annual Report Sessional Paper 450/2002

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Health and Wellness:

Return to Order of the Assembly MR5, asked for by Dr. Taft on April 29, 2002:

A detailed breakdown of costs for the administration and collection of health care premiums for the fiscal years 1992/93 - 2001/02, including, but not limited to, manpower costs; materials, supplies, equipment and postage; computing services; money paid to external collection agencies, including the number of cases referred to external collection agencies; banking services and income verification.

Sessional Paper 451/2002

Return to Order of the Assembly MR6, asked for by Dr. Taft on April 29, 2002:

A breakdown of consultant and research fees charged by the Premier's Advisory Council on Health, including organizations and/or individuals employed.

Sessional Paper 452/2002

Return to Order of the Assembly MR8, asked for by Dr. Taft on April 29, 2002:

A copy of any directives or guidelines given by the Department of Health and Wellness, or any other Alberta Government department, to external collection agencies who have undertaken the task of collecting overdue health care premiums for the fiscal years 1992-93 to 2000-01 and April 1, 2001 to March 18, 2002.

Sessional Paper 453/2002

Projected Government Business

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Mr. Bonner, 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 13 to May 16, 2002:

Monday, May 13 9:00 p.m. - **Government Motions**

Motion 26, Spring Adjournment

Third Reading

Bill 27, 29

Committee of the Whole

Bill 26

Third Reading

Bill 26

And as per the Order Paper

Tuesday, May 14 Aft. - Introduction of Bills

Bill 31

Royal Assent

And as per the Order Paper

Anticipated House Adjournment

pursuant to Government

Motion 26

ORDERS OF THE DAY

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

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

Third Reading

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

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- Bill 29 Intestate Succession Amendment Act, 2002 Hon. Mr. Hancock

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The following Bill was taken under consideration:

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

Pursuant to Standing Order 61(4), at 5:15 p.m., the Chair interrupted the proceedings and immediately put the question on the Appropriation Bill standing on the Order Paper referred to Committee of the Whole, which was agreed to.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported:

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

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

Mr. Lougheed, 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-Gold Bar) — Debate adjourned

Sessional Paper 454/2002

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:18 p.m. until Monday, May 13, 2002, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Thursday, May 9, 2002