



**Legislative Assembly  
Province of Alberta**

No. 5

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Third Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

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Tuesday, February 25, 2003

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

**Members' Statements**

Mr. Rathgeber, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, made a statement regarding selling or privatizing the ATB (Alberta Treasury Branches).

Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, made a statement regarding a partnership between Ernest Manning High School and Shane Homes.

Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, made a statement regarding school councils.

Mr. Lord, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, made a statement regarding federal tax levies.

**Presenting Petitions**

Mrs. Ady, Hon. Member for Calgary-Shaw, presented a petition from 85 Albertans requesting an increase in provincial public education funding.

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, presented a petition from 53 Albertans requesting the minimum wage be immediately increased to \$8.50 per hour and indexed annually to reflect the cost of living.

## **Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Notice having been given:

- Bill 10 Health Information Amendment Act, 2003 — Hon. Mrs. Nelson on behalf of Hon. Mr. Mar
- Bill 14 Securities Amendment Act, 2003 — Mr. Hlady
- Bill 15 Forest and Prairie Protection Amendment Act, 2003 — Mr. Strang
- Bill 16 Agricultural Dispositions Statutes Amendment Act, 2003 — Hon. Mr. Cardinal

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the following Bills were placed on the Order Paper under Government Bills and Orders:

- Bill 14 Securities Amendment Act, 2003 — Mr. Hlady
- Bill 15 Forest and Prairie Protection Amendment Act, 2003 — Mr. Strang

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Health and Wellness, pursuant to Standing Order 37.1(2):

Pursuant to the Regional Health Authorities Act, cR-10, s14(3), Capital Health Authority, Annual Report 2001-2002

Sessional Paper 45/2003

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

Report dated December 2002, entitled “Natural Gas Prices in the North American Market” prepared by the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers

Sessional Paper 46/2003

Memorandum dated February 4, 2003, from Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, and all Government Members of the Legislative Assembly, outlining information to assist Members with inquiries regarding utilities and disconnection notices for recipients of AISH (Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped) and SFI (Supports for Independence)

Sessional Paper 47/2003

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Poster regarding the 2nd Annual Dance Lab Open Forum sponsored by Mile Zero Dance

Sessional Paper 48/2003

Program from the Inaugural Gala for the Davis Concert Organ held September 14, 2002, at the Francis Winspear Centre for Music

Sessional Paper 49/2003

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

Letter dated January 30, 2003, from the Northern Oilfield Contractors Association to the Slave Lake Chamber of Commerce requesting support for the resolution of issues in order to sustain a free and open business market on Alberta's Crown land

Sessional Paper 50/2003

Program from the Grand Opening Ceremony of the Edmonton North Division Police Station on January 16, 2003

Sessional Paper 51/2003

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

Media release dated February 19, 2003, entitled "Staff Reductions and Class Size Increases Likely, Public School Board Faces Million Dollar Shortfall" prepared by Red Deer Public Schools

Sessional Paper 52/2003

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

E-mail message dated February 24, 2003, from Rolf H. Lehmann of Stettler to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding natural gas price increases and requesting a rebate

Sessional Paper 53/2003

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Second Reading**

The following Bills were read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 4 Alberta Personal Income Tax Amendment Act, 2003 — Mr. Renner

Bill 6 Justice Statutes Amendment Act, 2003 — Hon. Mr. Hancock

Bill 9 Mines and Minerals Amendment Act, 2003 — Hon. Mr. Cardinal

Bill 11 Auditor General Amendment Act, 2003 — Mr. Yankowsky

On the motion that the following Bill be now read a Second time:

Bill 8 Health Foundations Act Repeal Act — Hon. Mr. Mar

Hon. Mr. Mar moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 4:46 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2003 — 8:00 P.M.

## **Government Bills and Orders**

### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 8 Health Foundations Act Repeal Act — Hon. Mr. Mar

On the motion that the following Bill be now read a Second time:

Bill 7 Real Estate Amendment Act, 2003 — Mr. Graydon

Mr. Graydon moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

### **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.

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 1 Premier's Council on Alberta's Promise Act— Hon. Mr. Klein

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

Amendment to Bill 1 (introduced by Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview on February 24, 2003) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 54/2003

Amendment to Bill 1 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 55/2003

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Stevens, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:20 p.m. until Wednesday, February 26, 2003, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski,  
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, February 25, 2003