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Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Wednesday, March 19, 2003

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

Recognitions

Mr. Strang, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead: Royal Canadian Legion, Cadomin Branch 124, which will be celebrating its 70th anniversary on March 23, 2003

Mrs. Jablonski, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North: 11 year old Richard Christensen of Red Deer for receiving the National Gateway Safety Net Publications Award for saving his home from fire

Mr. Ducharme, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake: Les Rendez-vous de la Francophonie held throughout Canada from March 10-23, 2003

Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview: 25th annual Edmonton Journal Indoor Games

Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West: Provincial K1 ski competition held at Sunshine Village on March 15 and 16, 2003

Mr. Danyluk, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul: Lac La Biche Fisheries Enhancement Group

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona: Parent school councils and parent advocacy groups

Presenting Petitions

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, presented a petition from 31 Calgary residents urging the Government to implement the income recommendations of the 2001 MLA Review Committee on Low Income Programs.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development:

Letter dated March 19, 2003, from Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development, to Dr. Celia Smith, Chair of the Board of Directors, Northern Alberta Alliance on Race Relations, offering congratulations on the launch of their annual campaign for the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

Sessional Paper 207/2003

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

Letter dated December 11, 2002, from Darcy Handy of Grande Cache to Hon. Mr. Cardinal, Minister of Sustainable Resource Development, expressing concern regarding drilling, development, and environmental issues in the caribou zone of the Grande Cache area

Sessional Paper 208/2003

Letter dated February 7, 2003, from Aileen Pelzer of Calgary to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, and Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development, expressing concern regarding development in the Evan-Thomas Provincial Recreation Area

Sessional Paper 209/2003

Letter dated January 14, 2003, from Eileen Patterson of Canmore to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding development in the Evan-Thomas Provincial Recreation Area

Sessional Paper 210/2003

850 letters signed by people from several countries to Hon. Mr. Cardinal, Minister of Sustainable Resource Development, Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, and Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, expressing concern regarding the declining grizzly population and requesting the status of grizzly bears be upgraded to "threatened with extinction"

Sessional Paper 211/2003

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

Canadian Federation of Independent Businesses research paper, undated, entitled "Still in the Dark" relating to the impact of electricity deregulation and pricing on Alberta businesses

Sessional Paper 212/2003

Document dated January 7, 2003, entitled "Profile of Alberta Seniors" listing a wide range of statistics regarding seniors in Alberta

Sessional Paper 213/2003

Letter, undated, from Deborah A. LePage of Edmonton to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding increased class sizes and a lack of education funding

Sessional Paper 214/2003

Letter dated February 25, 2003, from Vern Griesheimer of Edmonton to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding increased class sizes

Sessional Paper 215/2003

Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Learning:

Letter dated March 18, 2003, from Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Learning, to all Alberta school boards, outlining the steps the Government is taking regarding international travel in view of the impending war with Iraq and requesting schools exercise caution with travel plans for students

Sessional Paper 216/2003

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

Letter dated February 25, 2003, from Marilyn and Marvin Bercovich of Edmonton to Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Learning, expressing concern regarding the loss of a teacher's aide in her autistic son's classroom

Sessional Paper 217/2003

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

E-mail message dated March 5, 2003, from R.H. Foerger of Edmonton to Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development, expressing concern regarding school board funding shortages

Sessional Paper 218/2003

E-mail message dated March 11, 2003, from Roger Abbott to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding Dr. Oberg's actions and comments relating to education issues and requesting Dr. Oberg be removed from the Learning Ministry portfolio

Sessional Paper 219/2003

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

Letter dated March 19, 2003, from Katherine Koch and Sharon Enslin of Edmonton to Riverdale area residents outlining the impact of funding shortfalls at Riverdale School

Sessional Paper 220/2003

Document, undated, entitled "Planning 2003-2004, McCauley School" prepared by the City Centre Education Project

Sessional Paper 221/2003

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)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 27 Labour Relations (Regional Health Authorities Restructuring) Amendment Act, 2003 — Hon. Mr. Dunford

A debate followed.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, on behalf of Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, moved the Bill be amended by striking out section 4.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Mr. Tannas in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 4

Bonner
Carlson

Massey

Pannu

Against the amendment: 40

Ady	Haley	Maskell
Amery	Hancock	McClellan
Boutilier	Hlady	Nelson
Calahasen	Hutton	Oberg
Cao	Jablonski	O'Neill
Cardinal	Jacobs	Pham
Danyluk	Klapstein	Rathgeber
DeLong	Kryczka	Renner
Doerksen	Lord	Smith
Dunford	Lukaszuk	Stelmach
Fritz	Magnus	Vandermeer
Gordon	Mar	Woloshyn
Goudreau	Marz	Yankowsky
Graydon		

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, on behalf of Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, moved the Bill be amended in section 5, in the proposed section 162.1(1), by striking out clause (f).

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Mr. Tannas in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 4

Bonner	Massey	Pannu
Carlson		

Against the amendment: 41

Ady	Hancock	Nelson
Amery	Hlady	Oberg
Calahasen	Hutton	O'Neill
Cao	Jablonski	Pham
Cardinal	Jacobs	Rathgeber
Danyluk	Klapstein	Renner
DeLong	Knight	Smith
Doerksen	Kryczka	Stelmach
Dunford	Lukaszuk	Strang
Fritz	Magnus	VanderBurg
Gordon	Mar	Vandermeer
Goudreau	Marz	Woloshyn
Graydon	Maskell	Yankowsky
Haley	McClellan	

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry, on behalf of Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, moved the Bill be amended in section 5, in the proposed section 162.1, by striking out subsection (3).

A debate followed on the amendment

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Mr. Tannas in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 5

Bonner	Massey	Pannu
Carlson	Nicol	

Against the amendment: 39

Ady	Graydon	Maskell
Amery	Haley	McClellan
Boutilier	Hancock	Nelson
Calahasen	Hlady	Oberg
Cao	Hutton	O'Neill
Cardinal	Jablonski	Ouellette
Danyluk	Klapstein	Pham
DeLong	Knight	Rathgeber
Doerksen	Kryczka	Renner
Dunford	Lukaszuk	Smith
Fritz	Magnus	VanderBurg
Gordon	Mar	Vandermeer
Goudreau	Marz	Woloshyn

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Committee recessed at 5:27 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2003 — 8:00 P.M.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 3 Electric Utilities Act — Mr. Knight

Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, on behalf of Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, moved the Bill be amended in section 17(c) by striking out “relative economic merit” and substituting “marginal cost”.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Mr. Shariff in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 4

Blakeman	Mason	Taft
Carlson		

Against the amendment: 36

Amery	Graydon	McClellan
Calahasen	Griffiths	McFarland
Cao	Hancock	Melchin
Cardinal	Hlady	Nelson
Danyluk	Hutton	O'Neill
DeLong	Jablonski	Pham
Doerksen	Klapstein	Rathgeber
Ducharme	Knight	Renner
Dunford	Kryczka	Smith
Fritz	Magnus	Strang
Gordon	Marz	Tarchuk
Goudreau	Maskell	Woloshyn

A debate followed on the main motion.

Pursuant to Standing Order 61(4), at 10:45 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.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Mr. Shariff in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 31

Amery	Graydon	McClellan
Calahasen	Griffiths	Melchin
Cao	Hancock	Nelson
Cardinal	Hlady	O'Neill
Danyluk	Hutton	Pham
DeLong	Jablonski	Renner
Doerksen	Klapstein	Smith
Ducharme	Kryczka	Strang
Dunford	Magnus	Tarchuk
Fritz	Marz	Woloshyn
Goudreau		

Against the motion: 4

Blakeman
Carlson

Mason

Taft

The Acting Speaker assumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 30 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2003 (\$) — Hon. Mrs. Nelson

Progress was reported on the following Bills:

Bill 3 Electric Utilities Act — Mr. Knight

Bill 27 Labour Relations (Regional Health Authorities Restructuring) Amendment Act, 2003 — Hon. Mr. Dunford

Mr. Klapstein, 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 27 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona on behalf of Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands) — Defeated on division
Sessional Paper 222/2003

Amendment to Bill 27 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie on behalf of Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar) — Defeated on division
Sessional Paper 223/2003

Amendment to Bill 27 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry on behalf of Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar) — Defeated on division
Sessional Paper 224/2003

Amendment to Bill 3 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview on behalf of Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar) — Defeated on division
Sessional Paper 225/2003

Amendment to Bill 3 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 226/2003

Amendment to Bill 3 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie on behalf of Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar) — Adjourned
Sessional Paper 227/2003

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:00 p.m. until Thursday, March 20, 2003, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, March 19, 2003