

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 23

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Thursday, March 27, 2003

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

The Speaker offered a prayer and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of His Honour Edward Glancefield (Ted) Hole, husband of Her Honour the Honourable Lois E. Hole, C.M., Lieutenant Governor, who passed away on March 26, 2003.

Members' Statements

Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert, made a statement regarding His Honour Edward Glancefield (Ted) Hole, who passed away on March 26, 2003.

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding Canadian unity.

Mr. Lord, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, made a statement regarding small business entrepreneurs.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding auto insurance premiums.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Mr. MacDonald, Chair, Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented the following report:

Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, Twenty-fifth Legislature, Second Session (Spring and Fall Sittings), February 2002 - November 2002

Sessional Paper 291/2003

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, April 7, 2003:

Written Questions: Stand and retain their places.

Motions for Returns: Stand and retain their places.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Children's Services:

Letter dated March 18, 2003, from Glen Allan School Council Executive to Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Children's Services, praising Ms Evans for her commitment to children and expressing concern regarding teachers' pay increases Sessional Paper 292/2003

Hon. Mr. Norris, Minister of Economic Development:

Report dated March 2003, entitled "Small Business Research, In Search of Canada's Small Business Hotbeds" prepared by Tim O'Neill, Chief Economist, BMO Financial Group

Sessional Paper 293/2003

Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, pursuant to the Architects Act, cA-44, s6(4):

Alberta Association of Architects, 2002 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 294/2003

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

Document, undated, entitled "Earl Buxton 2002-2003, Plan for 2003-2004" listing information regarding teaching positions and class sizes

Sessional Paper 295/2003

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

Letter, undated, from Chad R. Willms of Lethbridge to Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, expressing concern regarding development in the Evan-Thomas Recreation Area in the Kananaskis valley

Sessional Paper 296/2003

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

Letter dated February 25, 2003, from Michael Kurjata of Edmonton to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding education funding

Sessional Paper 297/2003

Letter dated February 25, 2003, from Dean Rosychuk of Edmonton to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding a lack of funding at Kenilworth School for the 2003-2004 school year, large class sizes, and a reduction in teaching positions

Sessional Paper 298/2003

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

Letter dated March 21, 2003, from Trina Chrzanowski, President, Green Circle Preschool, also signed by 22 Edmonton residents, to Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, expressing concern regarding the impact of a classroom lease rate increase on the preschool

Sessional Paper 299/2003

Letter dated March 25, 2003, from Patricia Unsworth of Edmonton to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding a lack of education funding and requesting the Government restore adequate funding to public schools

Sessional Paper 300/2003

E-mail message dated March 25, 2003, from Donna Provost of Edmonton to Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, expressing concern regarding a lack of education funding

Sessional Paper 301/2003

E-mail message dated March 25, 2003, from Ryan Dunkley of Edmonton to Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, expressing concern regarding the impact of education under-funding on extra-curricular school activities

Sessional Paper 302/203

E-mail message dated March 24, 2003, from Judith L. Nyrose to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, and Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Learning, expressing concern regarding the funding shortfall for the arbitrated settlement for teachers' salaries

Sessional Paper 303/2003

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

Letter dated March 4, 2003, from Donald Smith, Professor of History, to Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development, requesting the Government establish a policy of consulting with the Alberta Historical Resources Foundation when naming provincial parks

Sessional Paper 304/2003

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

Letter dated March 10, 2003, from William H. Percy of Stettler to Mrs. Gordon, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Stettler, expressing concern regarding the high cost of utilities and expressing opposition to energy deregulation

Sessional Paper 305/2003

Projected Government Business

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Ms Carlson, 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. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of April 7 to April 10, 2003:

Monday, April 7 9:00 p.m. - **Government Motions**

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Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 23, 24

Committee of the Whole

Bill 22

Third Reading

Bill 22

And as per the Order Paper

Tuesday, April 8 3:30 pm - Messages

Government Motions

Motion 18, 19

Budget Address

Eve. - Government Motions

Motion 13, 19

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 33, 34, 35

And as per the Order Paper

Wednesday, April 9 Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Committee of Supply

Legislative Assembly Estimates

Main Estimates (Day 1 of 24)

Revenue (Designated)

And as per the Order Paper

Eve. - Government Bills and Orders

Committee of Supply

Main Estimates (Day 2 of 24)

Innovation and Science

And as per the Order Paper

Thursday, April 10 Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Committee of Supply

Main Estimates (Day 3 of 24)

Gaming (Designated)

And as per the Order Paper

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

10. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that, when the Assembly adjourns on Thursday, March 27, 2003, at the regular hour of 5:30 p.m., it shall stand adjourned until Monday, April 7, 2003, at 1:30 p.m.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 22 Child and Family Services Authorities Amendment Act, 2003 — Hon. Ms Evans

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

Bill 18 Energy Statutes Amendment Act, 2003 — Ms DeLong

A debate followed.

Dr. Taft 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 22 Child and Family Services Authorities Amendment Act, 2003 — Hon.

Ms Evans

Second Reading

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

Bill 26 Corrections Amendment Act, 2003 — Hon. Mrs. Forsyth

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

Bill 29 Law of Property Amendment Act, 2003 — Ms Graham

A debate followed.

Dr. Taft moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

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

Bill 31 Local Authorities Election Amendment Act, 2003 — Mr. Graydon

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

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 13 Government Organization Amendment Act, 2003 — Ms DeLong

Adjournment

Pursuant to Government Motion 10 agreed to on March 27, 2003, and on motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:09 p.m. until Monday, April 7, 2003, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Thursday, March 27, 2003