



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 43

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Monday, May 12, 2003

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

Recognitions

Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert: Daniel Garsonnin of St. Albert who visits Edmonton area grade 6 classrooms to demonstrate motorized model airplanes

Mr. Lord, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie: Naval Museum of Alberta located in the constituency of Calgary-Currie

Mr. Lougheed, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan: Dow Chemical for donating \$1 million to a centennial activities centre currently being built in Fort Saskatchewan

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona: National Nursing Week, May 12-18, 2003

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry: Jean Laniuk of Edmonton who is retiring after 40 years of teaching

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose: Justine Bouchard, Natalie Jaburek, and Caleb Greenwall all from the Wetaskiwin-Camrose constituency who were medal winners at the National Wrestling Championship, and the Camrose Kodiaks hockey team for winning a silver medal at the Royal Bank National Junior A Championship held on May 11, 2003 in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island

Mr. Griffiths, Hon. Member for Wainwright: Hay West campaign organized by Navan, Ontario farmer Wyatt McWilliams in 2002

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Jacobs, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, presented a petition from 464 Albertans requesting the Government remove abortion from the list of insured health services.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 43 Post-secondary Learning Act — Hon. Dr. Oberg

Tabling Returns and Reports

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, 2002
Sessional Paper 495/2003

Mr. Cenaiko, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo:

13 letters, undated, from Albertans to Mr. Cenaiko, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, expressing support for Bill 206, Traffic Safety (Seizure of Vehicles in Prostitution Related Offences) Amendment Act, 2003
Sessional Paper 496/2003

Mr. Lord, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie:

Report dated October 2002, entitled “2002 Calgary Homelessness Study” prepared for the Calgary Homeless Foundation
Sessional Paper 497/2003

APA (American Psychological Association) Monitor Online Magazine article dated November 1999, entitled “Ignoring serious mental illness” prepared by Henry Tomes, Ph.D., APA Executive Director for Public Interest
Sessional Paper 498/2003

Document, undated, entitled “The Homeless Mentally Ill”
Sessional Paper 499/2003

Report, undated, entitled “Fact Sheet” prepared by Korie Helco setting out information regarding homelessness
Sessional Paper 500/2003

NewScientist.com website article dated May 7, 2003, entitled "Stem cells can become 'normal sperm'" prepared by Sylvia Pagán Westphal
Sessional Paper 501/2003

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

Copy of a petition signed by 208 Albertans urging the Government to increase SFI (Supports for Independence) and AISH (Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped) benefits

Sessional Paper 502/2003

Copy of a petition signed by 9 Leduc residents urging the Government to immediately reinstate natural gas rebates

Sessional Paper 503/2003

Letter dated May 9, 2003, from Linda Louise Meyer to Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, expressing concern regarding increasing electricity costs for people with fixed incomes and requesting an increase in AISH (Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped) benefits

Sessional Paper 504/2003

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

E-mail message dated May 10, 2003, from Shannon Sampert, Ph.D. candidate, University of Alberta, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, and Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing concern regarding decreased funding for post-secondary education

Sessional Paper 505/2003

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, on behalf of Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview:

Letter dated May 11, 2003, from Melanie Shapiro of Edmonton to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding a lack of education funding resulting in larger class sizes, with an attached report dated February 23, 2001, entitled "Small Class Size Project" prepared by Edmonton Public Schools and the Faculty of Education, University of Alberta

Sessional Paper 506/2003

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

Presentation dated May 1, 2003, entitled "Financial Implications of Provincial Budget for 2003-2004" prepared by Lois Burke Gaffney, Chair, Board of Trustees, Calgary Roman Catholic Separate School District No. 1

Sessional Paper 507/2003

Letter dated May 4, 2003, from Dr. John Wodak, M.A., Ph.D., of Sherwood Park to Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, providing comments regarding AISH (Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped) benefits and offering suggestions for improving the AISH program
Sessional Paper 508/2003

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

Letter dated March 10, 2003, from His Worship Douglas Faulkner, Mayor, Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, to Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, providing information concerning the Municipality's electricity costs from 2000 to 2002
Sessional Paper 509/2003

Letter dated April 8, 2003, from Ian Harvie, Reeve, Mountain View County, to Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, providing information concerning the County's electricity costs from 2000 to 2002
Sessional Paper 510/2003

Letter dated April 10, 2003, from Margaret Jones, Chief Administrative Officer, Beaver County, to Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, providing information concerning the County's electricity costs from 2000 to 2002
Sessional Paper 511/2003

News release dated May 8, 2003, entitled "Consumer electricity issues under review" prepared by the Government of Alberta
Sessional Paper 512/2003

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

Memorandum dated May 12, 2003, from Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, to all Members of the Legislative Assembly setting out the procedure for drafting proposed amendments to Bill 42, Electoral Divisions Act
Sessional Paper 513/2003

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

None appearing on the Order Paper.

Motions for Returns

The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

None appearing on the Order Paper.

Public Bills and Orders Other Than 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 Bill was reported:

Bill 206 Traffic Safety (Seizure of Vehicles in Prostitution Related Offences)
Amendment Act, 2003 — Mr. Cenaiko

Second Reading

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

Bill 208 Occupiers' Liability (Recreational Users) Amendment Act, 2003 —
Mr. Danyluk

A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:25 p.m., until 8:00 p.m.

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Motions Other Than Government Motions

510. Moved by Mr. Masyk:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation requiring every gasoline service station in Alberta to have at least one full service bay to improve accessibility for the disabled and the elderly.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was defeated.

511. Moved by Mr. Johnson:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly institute an all-party Former Members' Association of the Legislative Assembly to focus on the interests of the membership and the good of parliamentary precinct, history, and process.

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(3), debate adjourned, Mr. Maskell speaking.

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, the Acting Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Lougheed 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, 2004, for the Department and purpose indicated:

Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development

\$21,603,000 Operating Expense

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 40 Appropriation Act, 2003 (\$) — Hon. Mrs. Nelson

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 18 Energy Statutes Amendment Act, 2003 — Ms DeLong

- Bill 20 Alberta Municipal Financing Corporation Amendment Act, 2003 — Mr. Hlady
- Bill 25 Class Proceedings Act — Mr. Rathgeber
- Bill 26 Corrections Amendment Act, 2003 — Hon. Mr. Hancock on behalf of Hon. Mrs. Forsyth
- Bill 28 Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2003 — Hon. Mr. Coutts on behalf of Mr. Lukaszuk
- Bill 29 Law of Property Amendment Act, 2003 — Hon. Mr. Hancock on behalf of Ms Graham
- Bill 31 Local Authorities Election Amendment Act, 2003 — Mr. Graydon
- Bill 34 Livestock Industry Diversification Amendment Act, 2003 — Rev. Abbott
- Bill 35 Tobacco Tax Amendment Act, 2003 — Mr. Cao

Second Reading

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

- Bill 42 Electoral Divisions Act — Hon. Mr. Hancock

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:32 p.m. until Tuesday, May 13, 2003, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Monday, May 12, 2003