



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 7

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Thursday, February 26, 2004

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

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, tabled the following:

Document, undated, entitled "Residential Bill Comparison as of January 1, 2004" comparing electricity costs for Edmonton, Whitecourt, Calgary, and Grande Prairie

Sessional Paper 72/2004

Members' Statements

Mr. Vandermeer, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, made a statement regarding the 12th annual Silver Skate Festival held at Hawrelak Park on February 21, 2004.

Mr. Hutton, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, made a statement regarding Peter Elzinga, Chief of Staff, Office of the Premier.

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry, made a statement regarding the achievements of the Edmonton Public School Board.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, made a statement regarding Alberta's public health care system.

Speaker's Statement - United Way Campaign

The Speaker made a statement regarding the Legislative Assembly Office being nominated for a 2003 United Way Spirit Award for its Ladies and Gents of the Legislature 2004 Swimsuit Calendar organized by Carole Knowles and Michelle Grove, and the \$15,166 raised by the Legislative Assembly in last year's United Way campaign.

Presenting Petitions

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, presented a petition from 92 Albertans urging the Government to reinstate natural gas rebates.

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, March 1, 2004:

Written Questions: Stand and retain their places.

Motions for Returns: Stand and retain their places.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Upon recommendation of Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 14 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2004 (\$) — Hon. Mrs. Nelson

Notice having been given:

Bill 203 Canada Pension Plan Credits Statutes Amendment Act, 2004 — Ms Graham on behalf of Ms Kryczka

Bill 204 Blood Samples Act — Mr. Lukaszuk

Tabling Returns and Reports

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

Excerpt of a document dated December 2001, regarding provincial health care spending as a percentage of nominal gross domestic product in Alberta, prepared by the Premier's Advisory Council on Health

Sessional Paper 73/2004

Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment:

Return to Order of the Assembly MR14, asked for by Dr. Pannu on April 28, 2003:

A copy of those portions of the financial audit of the Alberta Career Computer Centre Inc. prepared in late 2002 or early 2003 for the Ministry of Human Resources and Employment by Doug Courts, Chartered Accountant, that may be disclosed under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Sessional Paper 74/2004

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

Letter dated February 20, 2004, from Kathy Briant of Calgary to Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, and Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, expressing concern regarding her mother having an 8-hour wait at the Foothills Hospital without being seen by a doctor, and regarding poor treatment of other patients in the emergency department at the Foothills Hospital

Sessional Paper 75/2004

E-mail message dated February 25, 2004, from Moneca Blackwell of Calgary to Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, and Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, expressing concern regarding the poor treatment her friend received in the emergency department at the Foothills Hospital

Sessional Paper 76/2004

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

Letter dated July 21, 2003, from Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Energy, to Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, in response to Mr. MacDonald's letter of June 26, 2003 requesting information on companies receiving the Alberta Royalty Tax Credit

Sessional Paper 77/2004

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

E-mail copy of a letter dated January 30, 2004, from Dan Friedt, Principal, St. Gerard Elementary School, to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing concern regarding recommendation 78 of Alberta's Commission on Learning

Sessional Paper 78/2004

Letter dated December 15, 2003, unsigned, from Delia McCrae of Edmonton to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing concern with several recommendations of Alberta's Commission on Learning

Sessional Paper 79/2004

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Cardinal, Minister of Sustainable Resource Development:

Surface Rights Board and Land Compensation Board, Annual Report 2003
Sessional Paper 80/2004

Projected Government Business

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Ms Blakeman, 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 March 1 to 4, 2004:

Monday, March 1	9:00 p.m.	- Government Bills and Orders Second Reading Bill 6, 13 Committee of the Whole Bill 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9 And as per the Order Paper
Tuesday, March 2	Aft.	- Government Bills and Orders Second Reading Bill 12, 13, 14 Committee of the Whole Bill 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9 Third Reading Bill 2, 5, 11 And as per the Order Paper
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Wednesday, March 3	Aft.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Government Bills and Orders Second Reading Bill 10, 15, 16 Committee of the Whole Bill 12, 13, 14 Third Reading Bill 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 And as per the Order Paper
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Thursday, March 4	Aft.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Government Bills and Orders As per the Order Paper And as per the Order Paper

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 13 Forest Reserves Amendment Act, 2004 — Mr. Marz

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

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

Bill 6 Income and Employment Supports Amendment Act, 2004 — Mr. Lukaszuk

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.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 2 Black Creek Heritage Rangeland Trails Act — Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 4:11 p.m. until Monday, March 1, 2004, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Thursday, February 26, 2004