



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 26

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Wednesday, March 31, 2004

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

Recognitions

Mr. McFarland, Hon. Member for Little Bow: Picture Butte Sugar Kings boys' basketball team on winning the Provincial 2A Basketball Championship held in Lethbridge on March 20, 2004

Mr. Danyluk, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul: Advanced Coronary Treatment Foundation High School CPR (cardio-pulmonary resuscitation) Program introduced in the St. Paul Education Regional Division No. 1

Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West: Grand re-opening of the renovated Trinity Lodge Retirement Residence in Calgary on March 27, 2004

Mr. Hutton, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora: Rotary Club of Edmonton for its charitable efforts

Mr. Lukaszuk, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs: Workers in emergency response occupations and the risks associated with exposure to bodily fluids

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar: Grand opening of a new facility for the Edmonton Food Bank

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre: SUN (Seniors United Now)

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Lukaszuk, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, presented a petition from 866 Albertans requesting the Legislative Assembly support Bill 204, Blood Samples Act.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, on behalf of Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, presented a petition from 121 Albertans requesting the Government withdraw the draft management plan for the Evan-Thomas Provincial Recreation Area and disallow any further commercial or residential development of the Kananaskis Valley.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 27 Alberta Corporate Tax Amendment Act, 2004 — Hon. Mr. Melchin

Unanimous Consent

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to change the sponsor of Bill 25, School Amendment Act, 2004, from Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Learning, to Rev. Abbott, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Calmar, and of Bill 26, Teaching Profession Amendment Act, 2004, from Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Learning, to Mr. Maskell, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, and to have the Bills reprinted to reflect the change in sponsorship.

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

Bill 26 Teaching Profession Amendment Act, 2004 — Mr. Maskell

Tabling Returns and Reports

Rev. Abbott, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Calmar:

Resolution No. 12-04S dated Spring 2004 entitled “Special Constable Authority”
regarding the special constable program prepared by Parkland County
Sessional Paper 213/2004

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

Response to Written Question WQ8 asked for by Mr. MacDonald on March 15, 2004:

What is the total dollar amount of public property lost due to theft in the Department of Human Resources and Employment for the 2002-2003 fiscal year?
Sessional Paper 214/2004

Hon. Mr. Doerksen, Minister of Innovation and Science:

Statement dated March 2004 entitled "Youth Science Month in Canada" signed by Hon. Mr. Doerksen, Minister of Innovation and Science

Sessional Paper 215/2004

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

Letter dated March 23, 2004, from Frank Work, Q.C., Information and Privacy Commissioner, to Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, responding to concerns expressed by Mr. MacDonald in a letter to Mr. Work dated March 18, 2004, regarding Bill 22, Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2004

Sessional Paper 216/2004

2 press releases, undated, entitled "Monthly Steel Statistics" and "Steel Facts 1995-2001" prepared by the Canadian Steel Producers Association, and document, undated, entitled "Canadian Steel Import Permits-YTD January 2004 vs. January 2003, Industry Class by Major Country, Volume, Price, % Changes" prepared by Stelco Incorporated

Sessional Paper 217/2004

Copy of a letter dated February 27, 2004, from Kellan Fluckiger, Executive Director, Electricity Division, Alberta Energy, to the Electric Utilities Act Advisory Committee, setting out the draft vision and principles for an electric wholesale market review

Sessional Paper 218/2004

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

Edmonton Public Schools website news release dated March 30, 2004, entitled "District disappointed by Infrastructure announcement"

Sessional Paper 219/2004

Edmonton Public Schools website document entitled "Capital Plan Highlights" setting out district capital plan priorities for 2003-2005

Sessional Paper 220/2004

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Health and Wellness:

Alberta Cancer Board, Annual Report 2002-2003

Sessional Paper 221/2004

Alberta Cancer Board, 2002-03 Financial Statements

Sessional Paper 222/2004

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Health and Wellness,
pursuant to the Health Facilities Review Committee Act, cH-3, s16(2):

Alberta Health Facilities Review Committee, Annual Report 2002-2003
Sessional Paper 223/2004

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Committee of Supply (Day 4 — Main Estimates)

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair and Ms Graham 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, 2005, for the Department and purposes indicated:

Government Services

\$238,685,000 Operating Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

Private Bills

Third Reading

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill Pr1 St. Mary's College Amendment Act, 2004 — Mr. Marz on behalf of Mrs. Ady

Bill Pr2 Sisters of Charity of St. Louis of Medicine Hat Statutes Repeal Act — Mr. Bonner

Bill Pr3 Living Faith Bible College Act — Mr. Marz

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, it was agreed at 5:06 p.m. that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. it would be in Committee of Supply and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, 2004 — 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Day 5 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker assumed 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, 2005, for the Department and purposes indicated:

Economic Development

\$57,509,000 Operating Expense

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:17 p.m. until Thursday, April 1, 2004, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, March 31, 2004