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Province of Alberta**

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**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

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Thursday, April 1, 2004

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

**Members' Statements**

Mr. Danyluk, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul, made a statement regarding the Amber Alert program and the recent attempted child abduction in Saddle Lake.

Mr. Lord, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, made a statement regarding the earned income tax credit initiative.

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry, made a statement regarding the proposed rail link to Fort McMurray.

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding Student and Youth Day of Action for Clean Energy Solutions, April 1, 2004.

**Speaker's Statement**

Honourable Members and the Honourable Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, I don't know if I'm being presumptuous, but I'm just guessing in my head that this will probably be the last opportunity for the Honourable Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie to participate in this particular Legislative Assembly.

The Honourable Member has been a Member for a number of terms now and advised all of us some time ago that she would be departing upon another venture, a venture with a certain degree of turbulence and rough waters and who knows what. But the Honourable Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, we bid you adieu and wish you good luck, and the same message will go to the Honourable Member for Lethbridge-East as well.

## **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. Lukaszuk, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, presented a petition from 688 Albertans requesting the Legislative Assembly support Bill 204, Blood Samples Act.

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, presented a petition from 140 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.

## **Notices of Motions**

Pursuant to Standing Order 34(2)(a), and Government Motion 6 agreed to on February 18, 2004, 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 19, 2004:

Written Questions: WQ47, WQ49, WQ50, WQ51, WQ52, WQ53, WQ54, WQ55, WQ56, WQ57, WQ58, WQ59.

Motions for Returns: MR18, MR19, MR23, MR24, MR25, MR26, MR27, MR28, MR29, MR30, MR31, MR34, MR35, MR36, MR37, MR38, MR39, MR40, MR41, MR42, MR44, MR45, MR46, MR47, MR48, MR49, MR52, MR53, MR55, MR56, MR57, MR58, MR59, MR60, MR61, MR62, MR64, MR65, MR66, MR67, MR68, MR69, MR70, MR71, MR72, MR73, MR75, MR78, MR79, MR80, MR81, MR82, MR83, MR84, MR85, MR86, MR87, MR88, MR89, MR90, MR91, MR92, MR93, MR94, MR95, MR96, MR97, MR98, MR99, MR100, MR101, MR102, MR103, MR104, MR105, MR108, MR109, MR110, MR111, MR112, MR113, MR114, MR115, MR116, MR117, MR118, MR119, MR120, MR121, MR122, MR123, MR128, MR129, MR130, MR131, MR132, MR133, MR134, MR135, MR136, MR137, MR138, MR139, MR140, MR141, MR142, MR143, MR146, MR159, MR160, MR162, MR164, MR165, MR166, MR167, MR168, MR169, MR170, MR171, MR172, MR173, MR174, MR175, MR176, MR177, MR178, MR179, MR180, MR181, MR182,

MR183, MR184, MR185, MR186, MR187, MR188,  
MR189, MR197, MR200, MR201, MR202, MR203,  
MR204, MR205.

### **Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Notice having been given:

Bill 28 Feeder Associations Guarantee Amendment Act, 2004 — Mr. Goudreau

Bill 30 Metis Settlements Amendment Act, 2004 — Mr. Ducharme

Bill Pr4 Northwest Bible College Amendment Act, 2004 — Mr. Masyk

Bill Pr5 Brooklyn Hannah George Rewega Right of Civil Action Act — Mr. Friedel

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

Bill 29 Agriculture Financial Services Amendment Act, 2004 (\$) — Hon.  
Mrs. McClellan

On motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, the following Bills were placed on the Order Paper under Government Bills and Orders:

Bill 28 Feeder Associations Guarantee Amendment Act, 2004 — Mr. Goudreau

Bill 30 Metis Settlements Amendment Act, 2004 — Mr. Ducharme

### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

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

News release dated March 29, 2004, entitled “Oil Sands Transportation Initiative Launched, Review of an Integrated Transportation Plan for Northeastern Alberta” prepared by Athabasca Oil Sands Transportation Corporation  
Sessional Paper 224/2004

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

Document, undated, providing information on Edmonton’s Food Bank  
Sessional Paper 225/2004

Memorandum dated October 25, 2002, from Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, to Ms Haley, Hon. Member for Airdrie-Rocky View, Caucus Whip, regarding Ms Haley’s inquiry concerning Ministers and Members of the Legislative Assembly appearing on behalf of constituents before quasi-judicial boards or tribunals

Sessional Paper 226/2004

Memorandum dated December 16, 2002, from Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, to George Pheasey, Chief Appeals Commissioner, Appeals Commission for Alberta Workers' Compensation, regarding Members of the Legislative Assembly appearing before quasi-judicial boards and tribunals

Sessional Paper 227/2004

Memo dated January 6, 2003, from George Pheasey, Chief Appeals Commissioner, Appeals Commission for Alberta Workers' Compensation, to all Hearing Chairs and Appeals Commissioners, advising that it is inappropriate for Ministers and Members of the Legislative Assembly to appear on behalf of constituents in matters before quasi-judicial tribunals

Sessional Paper 228/2004

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

4 False Claims Act Legal Center web site articles regarding Qui Tam whistleblower provisions and the False Claims Act

Sessional Paper 229/2004

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

Letter dated March 25, 2004, from Stephen Legault, Executive Director, Wildcanada.net, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, regarding the spring grizzly hunt in Alberta and the method used by the Office of the Premier for documenting calls from Albertans wanting to express their views concerning the grizzly bear hunt

Sessional Paper 230/2004

Letter dated March 20, 2004, unsigned, from Janice Radloff, to Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, suggesting changes to provincial and federal family law legislation

Sessional Paper 231/2004

Several pieces of correspondence relating to allegations by Anthony Hughes of Leduc that information relating to Mr. Hughes's Workers' Compensation Board claim file had been tampered with

Sessional Paper 232/2004

Letter dated November 20, 2003, from Judi Cook, Convenor, Health Care Issues Interest Group, and Connie Kenney, President, both of the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW), to a Member of the Legislative Assembly, presenting a resolution passed at the CFUW annual general meeting in August 2003, and expressing concerns relating to health care issues in Canada and the implementation of the recommendations of the Romanow Commission

Sessional Paper 233/2004

## Projected Government Business

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Ms Carlson, Acting 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 19 to 22, 2004:

Monday, April 19	9:00 p.m.	- <b>Government Bills and Orders</b> <b>Committee of Supply</b> Main Estimates (Day 7 of 24) Aboriginal Affairs And as per the Order Paper
Tuesday, April 20	Aft.	- <b>Government Bills and Orders</b> <b>Committee of Supply</b> Main Estimates (Day 8 of 24) Children's Services <b>Second Reading</b> Bill 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 And as per the Order Paper
	Eve.	- <b>Government Bills and Orders</b> <b>Committee of Supply</b> Main Estimates (Day 9 of 24) Transportation <b>Committee of the Whole</b> Bill 22, 25, 26 And as per the Order Paper
Wednesday, April 21	Aft.	- <b>Government Bills and Orders</b> <b>Committee of Supply</b> Main Estimates (Day 10 of 24) Agriculture <b>Second Reading</b> Bill 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 And as per the Order Paper

	Eve.	-	<b>Government Bills and Orders</b> <b>Committee of Supply</b> Main Estimates (Days 11 and 12 of 24) Finance and Revenue <b>Committee of the Whole</b> Bill 22, 25, 26 And as per the Order Paper
Thursday, April 22	Aft.	-	<b>Government Bills and Orders</b> <b>Committee of Supply</b> Main Estimates (Day 13 of 24) Learning <b>Second Reading</b> Bill 27, 28, 29 And as per the Order Paper

## ORDERS OF THE DAY

### **Committee of Supply** (Day 6 — Main Estimates)

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

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Deputy 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:

#### **Environment**

\$123,352,000 Operating Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases

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

## **Government Bills and Orders**

### **Second Reading**

The following Bills were read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 25 School Amendment Act, 2004 — Rev. Abbott

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

### **Adjournment**

Pursuant to Government Motion 6 agreed to on February 18, 2004, and on motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 4:34 p.m. until Monday, April 19, 2004, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski,  
Speaker

Title: Thursday, April 1, 2004