

# Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 34

## **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Fourth Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Wednesday, April 28, 2004

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 workers who have been killed or injured in the workplace.

#### **Ministerial Statements**

Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, made a statement regarding the National Day of Mourning for Persons Killed or Injured in the Workplace, April 28, 2004.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, commented on the statement.

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to comment on the Ministerial Statement.

## Recognitions

Mrs. Jablonski, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North: Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation initiative "Live Outside the Box" and the importance of exercise and active living for young Albertans

Mr. Ducharme, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake: Allison Keating, Kate Welwood, and Jessica Moe, recipients of a Canadian Merit Foundation Scholarship

Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition: The need for a hospital in southeast Calgary

Mrs. O'Neill, Hon. Member for St. Albert: Fred Stenson, recipient of the 2004 Grant MacEwan Author's Award, and Rachelle Delaney, Meghan Masterson, Carley Okamura, and Wela Quan, recipients of a 2004 Grant MacEwan Young Writer's Scholarship

Mr. McFarland, Hon. Member for Little Bow: Dean Lien, retired Farmer's Advocate for Alberta

Mr. Knight, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Smoky: Perky McCullough, who will be inducted into the Alberta Sports Hall of Fame on May 28, 2004

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar: National Day of Mourning for Persons Killed or Injured in the Workplace, April 28, 2004

## **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. Lukaszuk, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, presented a petition from 30 Camrose residents requesting the Legislative Assembly support Bill 204, Blood Samples Act.

Mr. Lukaszuk, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, presented a petition from 226 Calgary and area residents requesting the Legislative Assembly support Bill 204, Blood Samples Act.

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Dr. Taylor, Minister of Environment:

Report dated March 2004, entitled "Water and Oil: An overview of the use of water for enhanced oil recovery in Alberta" prepared by Alberta Environment Sessional Paper 273/2004

Preliminary report dated March 31, 2004, entitled "Advisory Committee on Water Use Practice and Policy" prepared by Alberta Environment

Sessional Paper 274/2004

Hon. Mr. Woloshyn, Minister of Seniors:

Response to a question raised by Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, on February 25, 2004, Department of Seniors, 2003-04 Supplementary Estimates Committee of Supply debate

Sessional Paper 275/2004

Letter dated April 13, 2004, from Hon. Mr. Woloshyn, Minister of Seniors, to Mr. MacDonald, Chair, Standing Committee on Public Accounts, responding to questions asked by Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, during a Public Accounts Committee meeting held March 10, 2004

Sessional Paper 276/2004

Response to Written Question WQ50, asked for by Ms Blakeman on April 19, 2004:

What measures has the Government taken to implement the Auditor General's recommendation contained in his 2002-2003 Annual Report that the Department of Seniors improve its system for monitoring the performance of management operations that deliver social housing programs for the Ministry?

Sessional Paper 277/2004

## Hon. Mr. Coutts, Minister of Government Services:

Report, undated, entitled "2003 Highlights. Making a difference. For the industry, for Alberta" with attached information sheet entitled "Need information for waterfront purchasers?," both prepared by the Alberta Real Estate Foundation

Sessional Paper 278/2004

#### Hon. Mrs. Forsyth, Solicitor General:

Alberta Law Enforcement Review Board, 2002 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 279/2004

Victims Programs Status Report 2002/2003 prepared by Alberta Solicitor General Sessional Paper 280/2004

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

InnoVisions Canada web site article entitled "Royal Bank of Canada Survey - January 2002" regarding an IPSOS-Reid survey on telecommuting

Sessional Paper 281/2004

Fraser Alert article dated April 2004, entitled "Lemons and Peaches: Comparing Auto Insurance Across Canada" prepared by the Fraser Institute

Sessional Paper 282/2004

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

Business in Calgary article dated April 2004, entitled "Charged Up: Empty Government Promises, Cranky Business Owners and the Real Cost of Electricity Deregulation"

Sessional Paper 283/2004

Letter dated April 16, 2004, from Roger Mariner, FOIP Coordinator, Alberta Finance, to Frank Borsato, Portfolio Officer, Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner, objecting to recommendations of an investigation regarding file #2906

Sessional Paper 284/2004

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry:

News release dated April 8, 2004, entitled "RTO West Becomes Grid West" prepared by Grid West

Sessional Paper 285/2004

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

## **Committee of Supply** (Day 17 — 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 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:

#### **Health and Wellness**

\$7,994,063,000 Operating Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases 24,895,000 Capital Investment

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, it was agreed at 5:15 p.m. that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. it would be in Committee of Supply and the Acting Speaker left the Chair.

## **Committee of Supply** (Day 18 — Main Estimates)

(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:

#### **Justice and Attorney General**

\$256,645,000 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**

## **Third Reading**

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

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

#### **Second Reading**

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

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

Hon. Mrs. McClellan moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

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

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

# Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:34 p.m. until Thursday, April 29, 2004, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, April 28, 2004