

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 39

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Thursday, May 6, 2004

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

Members' Statements

Mrs. Gordon, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Stettler, made a statement regarding May being Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding the effects of energy deregulation.

Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, made a statement regarding the New School Initiative Committee in Calgary-West.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre made a statement regarding the implementation of a ticketing service developed by the Pumphouse Theatre Society in Calgary.

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Lukaszuk, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, presented a petition from 76 Lethbridge and area residents requesting the Legislative Assembly support Bill 204, Blood Samples Act.

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, presented a petition from 116 Albertans requesting the Government pass legislation that eliminates health care premiums.

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, May 10, 2004:

Written Questions: WQ67, WQ70, WQ74, WQ82, WQ83, WQ84, WQ85,

WQ86, WQ87, WQ88.

Motions for Returns: 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, MR134, MR135, MR136, MR137, MR138, MR139, MR140, MR141, MR142, MR143, MR146, MR147, MR148, MR149, MR150, MR150, MR151, MR152, MR153, MR156, MR156,

MR151, MR152, MR153, MR154, MR155, MR156, MR157, MR158, MR159, MR160, MR161, MR162,

MR164, MR165, MR166, MR167, MR168, MR174, MR175, MR176, MR177, MR178, MR179, MR180,

MR183, MR184, MR185, MR186, MR187, MR188, MR189, MR190, MR191, MR192, MR193, MR194,

MR195, MR196, MR197, MR198, MR199, MR200, MR201, MR202, MR203, MR204, MR205, MR207,

MR208, MR209, MR210.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

- Bill 33 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2004 Hon. Mr. Hancock
- Bill 34 Income Trusts Liability Act Mr. Hlady
- Bill 35 Companies Amendment Act, 2004 Mr. Hutton

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

- Bill 34 Income Trusts Liability Act Mr. Hlady
- Bill 35 Companies Amendment Act, 2004 Mr. Hutton

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development:

Response to Written Question WQ1, asked for by Dr. Taft on behalf of Mr. MacDonald on March 8, 2004:

What increase in remuneration or salary and benefits is required for the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development to attract and maintain sufficient numbers of veterinary pathologists to meet requirements for timely testing of animals since the discovery of bovine spongiform encephalopathy in Alberta?

Sessional Paper 309/2004

Response to Written Question WQ4, asked for by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Ms Carlson on March 8, 2004:

What programs are being developed to aid elk ranchers who have suffered economic losses due to shrinking markets as well as the recent case of bovine spongiform encephalopathy?

Sessional Paper 310/2004

Response to Written Question WQ5, asked for by Dr. Taft on behalf of Ms Carlson on March 8, 2004:

What consultations are presently taking place between the Government and game farm operators regarding the future of the elk ranching industry in Alberta?

Sessional Paper 311/2004

Response to Written Question WQ15, asked for by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Mr. MacDonald on March 8, 2004:

How much was spent on division and branch restructuring initiatives within the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, broken down by initiative, for the fiscal year 2002-2003?

Sessional Paper 312/2004

Return to Order of the Assembly MR21, asked for by Dr. Taft on behalf of Ms Carlson on March 8, 2004:

Any report received by the Government from the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in calendar years 2003, 2002, 2001, and 2000 regarding the well-being of animals at the Kneehill Animal Control and Rehabilitation Centre Ltd. (GuZoo)

Sessional Paper 313/2004

Return to Order of the Assembly MR43, asked for by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Ms Carlson on March 8, 2004:

The total dollar amount allocated by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development to applied research and forage associations, broken down by the amount given to each association, for the fiscal year 2002-2003

Sessional Paper 314/2004

Responses to questions raised by Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, on April 21, 2004, Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, 2004-2005 Committee of Supply debate

Sessional Paper 315/2004

Responses to questions raised by Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, on April 21, 2004, Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, 2004-2005 Committee of Supply debate

Sessional Paper 316/2004

Responses to questions raised by Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, on April 21, 2004, Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, 2004-2005 Committee of Supply debate

Sessional Paper 317/2004

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, 2003 Sessional Paper 318/2004

Hon. Ms Calahasen, Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development, pursuant to the Metis Settlements Act, cM-14, s211(2):

Metis Settlements Act Appeal Tribunal, 2003 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 319/2004

Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West:

Several summaries and agendas relating to discussions held by the New Schools Initiative Committee in Calgary-West held throughout 2002, 2003, and 2004, with attached committee contact sheet and backgrounder

Sessional Paper 320/2004

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

InnoVisions web site article, undated, entitled "US Telework Scene - Stats and Facts"

Sessional Paper 321/2004

Imperial Parking of Canada Corporation 'notice of debt owing' issued to Mr. Lord, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, on May 2, 2004

Sessional Paper 322/2004

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Copies of auto insurance rate quotes obtained from ING Insurance Company of Canada, Insurance Corporation of British Columbia, Saskatchewan Government Insurance, and Manitoba Public Insurance

Sessional Paper 323/2004

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

Program from the 2004 Graduation Convocation of the King's University College held on May 1, 2004

Sessional Paper 324/2004

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development:

Final Report of the Alberta Official Song Committee dated March 2004 Sessional Paper 325/2004

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky then played a portion of the winning song.

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. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of May 10 to May 13, 2004:

Monday, May 10 9:00 p.m. - Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 31, 33, 34, 35

And as per the Order Paper

Tuesday, May 11 Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 32

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Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

Bill 31, 33, 34, 35

And as per the Order Paper

Eve. - Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 32

Committee of the Whole /

Third Reading

Bill 31, 33, 34, 35

And as per the Order Paper

Wednesday, May 12 Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

Bill 32

And as per the Order Paper

Eve. - Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

Bill 32

And as per the Order Paper

Thursday, May 13 Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

Bill 32

And as per the Order Paper

Adjourn Spring Sitting pursuant

to Government Motion 7

ORDERS OF THE DAY

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 Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair and Mr. Klapstein 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:

Seniors

\$406,422,000 Operating Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were 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 5:16 p.m. until Monday, May 10, 2004, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Thursday, May 6, 2004