

# Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 40

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Fourth Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Monday, May 10, 2004

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

## Deputy Speaker's Statement - Pages of the Legislative Assembly

On behalf of the Speaker and Members, Mr. Tannas, Deputy Speaker, made a statement noting that Pages Greg Andrews, Maya Gordon, Andrea Balon, Natalie Wilson, and Lara Kinkartz would not be returning for the next Session of the Legislature and presented the Pages with a gift in recognition of their tireless efforts.

## **Speaker's Statement - Pages of the Legislative Assembly**

The Speaker read a letter he received from the 5 Pages of the Legislative Assembly who will not be returning for the next Session.

## Recognitions

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre: Upcoming retirement of David Lovett from the Fine Arts Theatre Design Program, University of Alberta

Mr. Ducharme, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake: National Nursing Week, May 10-16, 2004

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose: Nominees and recipients of the Leaders of Tomorrow Awards from the Wetaskiwin-Camrose constituency

Mr. Tannas, Hon. Member for Highwood: Organizers of the 2004 Alberta Summer Games to be held in Okotoks, High River, and the Municipal District of Foothills, July 22-25, 2004

Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition: National Nursing Week, May 10-16, 2004

Mr. Jacobs, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner: Melissa Krizsan, Gloria Layton, Virginia Layton, and Kristen Reti, recipients of Apex Youth Awards sponsored by the Taber Rotary Club and the Taber Times

Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West: 6th annual Art from the Heart dinner and auction hosted by the Rotary Club of Calgary Sarcee on May 7, 2004

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

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

Bill 32 Appropriation Act, 2004 (\$) — Hon. Mrs. Nelson

Notice having been given:

- Bill 211 Alberta Personal Income Tax (School Tax Credit) Amendment Act, 2004 Mr. Vandermeer
- Bill 212 Alberta Association of Former M.L.A.s Act Mr. Johnson
- Bill 214 Public Automobile Insurance Commission Act Dr. Pannu
- Bill 215 Alberta Official Folk Dance Act Mr. Yankowsky
- Bill 216 Low-cost Electricity for Alberta Act Mr. MacDonald
- Bill 217 Government Accountability (Identification of Expenditures) Amendment Act, 2004 Mr. Cao

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development:

Letter dated May 10, 2004, from Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development, to Bob Nicholson, President, Hockey Canada, congratulating the members of Hockey Canada on winning their second-straight World Hockey Championship in Prague, Czech Republic on May 9, 2004

Sessional Paper 326/2004

Letter dated May 10, 2004, from Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development, to Brad Banister, President and General Manager, Calgary Roughnecks Lacrosse Club, congratulating the Club on winning the 2004 Champion's Cup in Calgary on May 7, 2004

Sessional Paper 327/2004

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier:

Term paper, undated, entitled "Allende, Pinochet and the Chilean Media" prepared by Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier

Sessional Paper 328/2004

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, on behalf of Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition:

Letter dated November 7, 2003, from David D. Megran, M.D., C.M., F.R.C.P.C., Chair, Medical Advisory Board, Calgary Health Region, to 14 addressees with names struck out, discussing a purported conflict of interest concerning the Calgary Health Region's Division Chief of Ophthalmology

Sessional Paper 329/2004

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Letter dated March 15, 2004, from Julie Woodyer, Campaigns Director, Zoocheck Canada Inc., to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, with associated attachments, expressing concern regarding poor conditions at the Guzoo Animal Farm in Three Hills

Sessional Paper 330/2004

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry, on behalf of Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar:

Document dated April 16, 1998, entitled "Financial Administration Act, Treasury Board Directive No. 14/98" with associated attachments, prepared by the Provincial Treasurer

Sessional Paper 331/2004

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, on behalf of Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar:

Memorandum dated September 24, 2003, from Julian Nowicki, Deputy Minister, Executive Council, to all Cabinet Ministers enclosing several documents concerning documentation required for Ministry related expenses

Sessional Paper 332/2004

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, on behalf of Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands:

Letter dated May 10, 2004, unsigned, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding comments made by Mr. Klein during Oral Question Period on May 6, 2004, in relation to the military coup d'état in Chile on September 11, 1973

Sessional Paper 333/2004

Letter dated May 7, 2004, to the Editor of the Edmonton Journal, from Leo Campos Aldunez of Edmonton expressing concern regarding comments made by Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, during Oral Question Period on May 6, 2004, in relation to the military coup d'état in Chile on September 11, 1973

Sessional Paper 334/2004

Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, pursuant to the Engineering, Geological and Geophysical Professions Act, cE-11, s12(4):

Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta (APEGGA), Annual Report 2003

Sessional Paper 335/2004

Hon. Mr. Dunford, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, pursuant to the Regulated Accounting Profession Act, cR-12, s25(2):

Certified Management Accountants of Alberta, Financial Statements, June 30, 2003

Sessional Paper 336/2004

# ORDERS OF THE DAY

#### **Written Ouestions**

The following Written Questions were accepted:

**WO67.** Moved by Ms Carlson on behalf of Ms Blakeman:

What was the Government purpose that resulted in the Trade Director for Mexico, Central America, and Caribbean charging \$226 to the Alberta taxpayer at the Four Seasons restaurant on September 30, 2002?

**WQ70.** Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

What established service quality benchmarks is the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board using to ensure quality customer service following its December 19, 2003 announcement to implement service quality plans for regulated gas and electric rate tariff providers and electric wire owners effective January 1, 2004 and how were these benchmarks determined?

## **WQ74.** Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

How often are utility companies in Alberta required to submit performance reports?

## **WQ82.** Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Dr. Massey:

What measures has the Government taken to implement the Auditor General's recommendation contained in his 2002-2003 Annual Report that the Department of Learning measure whether the tuition fee policy and its related programs are effective in making post-secondary education affordable to students?

#### **WQ83.** Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Dr. Massey:

What measures has the Government taken to implement the Auditor General's recommendation contained in his 2002-2003 Annual Report that the Department of Learning require public post-secondary institutions to comply with the tuition fee policy?

#### **WQ84.** Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Dr. Massey:

What measures has the Government taken to implement the Auditor General's recommendation contained in his 2002-2003 Annual Report that the Department of Learning improve its grant processes by not approving the money before defining the nature and extent of the grant commitment or establishing accountability criteria?

#### **WQ87.** Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Dr. Massey:

What progress has the Government made and what measures have been put in place to implement all the class size recommendations of the Alberta Commission on Learning?

## **WQ88.** Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

How much money has the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board distributed to energy customers whose utilities were disconnected in error between January 1, 2004 and March 9, 2004?

The following Written Questions were accepted as amended:

#### **WQ85.** Moved by Ms Carlson on behalf of Ms Blakeman:

What measures has the Ministry of Community Development taken to conduct an evaluation of the cost effectiveness of "service delivery alternatives" to managing parks and protected areas to correct serious flaws in its implementation as indicated in the Auditor General's 2002-2003 Annual Report?

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development, moved the motion be amended to read:

What measures has the Ministry of Community Development taken to conduct an evaluation of the cost effectiveness of "service delivery alternatives" *for operating* parks and protected areas *as recommended* in the Auditor General's 2002-2003 Annual Report?

#### **WQ86.** Moved by Ms Carlson on behalf of Ms Blakeman:

What measures has the Ministry of Community Development taken to implement the changes to the process for awarding and monitoring park management contracts to private operators as recommended in the Auditor General's 2002-2003 Annual Report to ensure that taxpayers' dollars are not being wasted?

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Community Development, moved the motion be amended to read:

What measures has the Ministry of Community Development taken to *improve* the process for awarding and monitoring park management contracts to private operators as recommended in the Auditor General's 2002-2003 Annual Report?

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

None appearing on the Order Paper.

#### **Motions for Returns**

The following Motions for Returns were accepted:

## MR90. Moved by Ms Carlson:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total dollar amount spent on information technology initiatives within the Department and Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, broken down by initiative, for the fiscal year 2002-2003.

## MR148. Moved by Ms Carlson on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents, including but not limited to correspondence, business plans, budgets, and contracts related to the creation of the Utilities Consumer Advocate Office between September 22, 2003 and February 17, 2004.

The following Motion for Returns was accepted as amended:

## MR108. Moved by Ms Carlson on behalf of Dr. Massey:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total dollar amount spent by the Region 1 Southwest Alberta Child and Family Services Authority on contracts for information technology services, broken down by company and total dollar amount for each, for the 2002-2003 fiscal year.

Hon. Ms Evans moved the motion be amended to read:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:

The total dollar amount spent by the Region 1 Southwest Alberta Child and Family Services Authority, and each of the Child and Family Services Authorities, or their predecessors, referred to in Motions for Returns 108-116 inclusive, and 121, on contracts for information technology services, broken down by company and total dollar amount for each, for the 2002-2003 fiscal year.

The following Motions for Returns were removed from the Order Paper as a result of the acceptance of Motion for Returns MR108 as amended:

MR109, MR110, MR111, MR112, MR113, MR114, MR115, MR116, MR121.

The following Motions for Returns were rejected:

# MR88. Moved by Ms Carlson:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total dollar amount, broken down by transaction, of funds transferred into and out of the Capital Plan between April 1, 2003 and February 17, 2004.

## MR89. Moved by Ms Carlson:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total dollar amount, broken down by transaction, of funds transferred into and out of the Alberta Fiscal Stability Fund between April 1, 2003 and February 17, 2004.

## **MR91.** Moved by Ms Carlson:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total number of oil and gas wells drilled within 25 kilometres of a park or protected area in Alberta between January 1, 1985 and February 17, 2004, broken down by the type of well and the number of wells drilled for each year.

## **MR92.** Moved by Ms Carlson:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total number of oil and gas wells drilled within 50 kilometres of an urban area in Alberta between January 1, 1985 and February 17, 2004, broken down by the type of well and the number of wells drilled for each year.

## MR93. Moved by Ms Carlson:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total amount of each bonus and aggregate amount of all bonuses awarded to senior officials within the Office of the Premier over the 2002-2003 fiscal year broken down by position and amount paid to each official.

#### **MR94.** Moved by Ms Carlson:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total amount of each bonus and aggregate amount of all bonuses awarded to senior officials within Executive Council over the 2002-2003 fiscal year broken down by position and amount paid to each official.

#### **MR95.** Moved by Ms Carlson:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The number of natural gas pipeline ruptures, bursts, breaches, and leaks that have occurred in Alberta in the calendar years 2002 and 2003, broken down by location and level of environmental damage.

#### **MR96.** Moved by Ms Carlson:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total amount of each bonus and aggregate amount of all bonuses awarded to senior officials within the Ministry and Department of Economic Development over the 2002-2003 fiscal year broken down by position and amount paid to each official.

## **MR97.** Moved by Ms Carlson:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total amount of each bonus and aggregate amount of all bonuses awarded to senior officials within the Ministry and Department of Environment over the 2002-2003 fiscal year broken down by position and amount paid to each official.

#### **MR98.** Moved by Ms Carlson:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total amount of each bonus and aggregate amount of all bonuses awarded to senior officials within the Ministry and Department of Sustainable Resource Development over the 2002-2003 fiscal year broken down by position and amount paid to each official.

#### **MR99.** Moved by Ms Carlson:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total amount of each bonus and aggregate amount of all bonuses awarded to senior officials within the Ministry and Department of International and Intergovernmental Relations over the 2002-2003 fiscal year broken down by position and amount paid to each official.

#### MR100. Moved by Mr. Bonner:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: All monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2002-2003 issued to the Deputy Minister, all Assistant Deputy Ministers, Executive Directors, Directors, Branch Heads, Managers, and Unit Leaders for the Department of Municipal Affairs.

## MR101. Moved by Mr. Bonner:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: All monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2002-2003 issued to the Deputy Minister, all Assistant Deputy Ministers, Executive Directors, Directors, Branch Heads, Managers, and Unit Leaders for the Department of Revenue.

## MR102. Moved by Mr. Bonner:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: All monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2002-2003 issued to the Deputy Minister, all Assistant Deputy Ministers, Executive Directors, Directors, Branch Heads, Managers, and Unit Leaders for the Department of Transportation.

# MR103. Moved by Mr. Bonner:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total dollar amount spent by the Ministry of Transportation on contracts for information technology services, broken down by company and total dollar amount for each, for the 2002-2003 fiscal year.

## MR104. Moved by Mr. Bonner:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all correspondence received by the Premier between January 1, 2002 and November 18, 2003 regarding potential conflicts of interest over the usage of a private-public partnership to build the Calgary court house.

## **MR105.** Moved by Mr. Bonner:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all reports in the possession of the Government detailing a cost analysis for the use of private-public partnerships for infrastructure development.

#### MR117. Moved by Ms Carlson on behalf of Mr. Bonner:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The business and cost analysis for the proposed private-public partnership for the hospital in south Calgary including any analysis of the savings accrued by using a private-public partnership over a public model.

## MR118. Moved by Ms Carlson on behalf of Ms Blakeman:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total dollar amount of and a copy of all receipts for the Premier's trip to Asia between January 11, 2004 and January 21, 2004, broken down by travel costs, dining costs, costs for hosting events, entertainment costs, accommodation costs, and miscellaneous costs.

#### **MR119.** Moved by Ms Carlson on behalf of Ms Blakeman:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total dollar amount of and a copy of all receipts for the Minister of Community Development's trip to India between January 11, 2004 and January 21, 2004, broken down by travel costs, dining costs, costs for hosting events, entertainment costs, accommodation costs, and miscellaneous costs.

#### **MR120.** Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all minutes taken at meetings of the Treasury Board between January 1, 1994 and February 17, 2004.

#### **MR122.** Moved by Ms Carlson on behalf of Ms Blakeman:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total dollar amount spent by the Ministry of Solicitor General on contracts for information technology services, broken down by company and total dollar amount for each, for the 2002-2003 fiscal year.

## **MR123.** Moved by Mr. Bonner:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total dollar amount spent by the Ministry of Infrastructure on contracts for information technology services, broken down by company and total dollar amount for each, for the 2002-2003 fiscal year.

## **MR128.** Moved by Mr. Bonner:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copy of the current information technology services contract tendering policy and process for the Personnel Administration Office.

#### MR134. Moved by Ms Carlson on behalf of Dr. Taft:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: All monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2002-2003 issued to the Deputy Minister, all Assistant Deputy Ministers, Executive Directors, Directors, Branch Heads, Managers, and Unit Leaders for the Department of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development.

## MR135. Moved by Ms Carlson on behalf of Ms Blakeman:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: All monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2002-2003 issued to the Deputy Minister, all Assistant Deputy Ministers, Executive Directors, Directors, Branch Heads, Managers, and Unit Leaders for the Department of Justice and Attorney General.

#### **MR136.** Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Dr. Massey:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: All monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2002-2003 issued to the Deputy Minister, all Assistant Deputy Ministers, Executive Directors, Directors, Branch Heads, Managers, and Unit Leaders for the Department of Children's Services.

#### MR137. Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Dr. Massey:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: All monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2002-2003 issued to the Deputy Minister, all Assistant Deputy Ministers, Executive Directors, Directors, Branch Heads, Managers, and Unit Leaders for the Department of Learning.

## MR138. Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Dr. Massey:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: All monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2002-2003 issued to the Deputy Minister, all Assistant Deputy Ministers, Executive Directors, Directors, Branch Heads, Managers, and Unit Leaders for the Department of Innovation and Science.

## MR139. Moved by Mr. Bonner:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: All monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2002-2003, issued to the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development and the Minister's Executive Assistant.

## MR140. Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: All monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2002-2003, issued to the Minister of Energy and the Minister's Executive Assistant.

## MR141. Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Dr. Massey:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: All monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2002-2003, issued to the Minister of Children's Services and the Minister's Executive Assistant.

#### MR142. Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Dr. Massey:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: All monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2002-2003, issued to the Minister of Innovation and Science and the Minister's Executive Assistant.

#### MR143. Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Dr. Massey:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: All monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2002-2003, issued to the Minister of Learning and the Minister's Executive Assistant.

#### MR146. Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Dr. Massey:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total dollar amount spent by the Ministry of Children's Services on contracts for information technology services, broken down by company and total dollar amount for each, for the 2002-2003 fiscal year.

#### MR147. Moved by Ms Carlson on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents, correspondence, and recommendations from the Utilities Consumer Advocate to the Government regarding consumer utilities issues between September 22, 2003 and February 17, 2004.

## MR149. Moved by Ms Carlson on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents regarding Government compensation to companies whose natural gas wells in the Athabasca-Wabasca-McMurray region have been ordered shut-in by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board.

#### MR150. Moved by Ms Carlson on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents regarding the development of regulations and/or guidelines for the development of natural gas in coal or coalbed methane between January 1, 2001 and February 17, 2004.

## MR151. Moved by Ms Carlson on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents, including but not limited to correspondence, meeting agendas, and meeting minutes of the Natural Gas in Coal Multi-Stakeholder Advisory Committee between January 1, 2003 and February 17, 2004.

#### **MR152.** Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all economic reviews and evaluations of the Alberta Crude Oil Royalty Marketing Process between January 1, 2003 and February 17, 2004.

#### MR153. Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents, business plans, and correspondence regarding the Government's electricity transmission development policy between January 1, 2001 and February 17, 2004.

#### MR154. Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents, reports, statistical data, and correspondence regarding the blow-out of a Redwood Energy well located near Edson between June 7, 2001 and February 17, 2004.

#### MR155. Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents, business plans, performance measures, and statistical data regarding the Government's deregulation of electricity between January 1, 1992 and January 1, 2001.

#### MR156. Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all correspondence between TransAlta Corporation, including any subsidiaries, and the Government regarding electricity deregulation between January 1, 1990 and February 17, 2004.

#### MR157. Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all performance measures and statistical data regarding the effect of the Government's deregulation of electricity on residential, and small and medium business customers between January 1, 2001 and February 17, 2004.

#### MR158. Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The total cost of all reports commissioned by the Government regarding electricity deregulation between January 1, 1990 and February 17, 2004, broken down by the cost for each report.

#### **MR159.** Moved by Mr. Bonner:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2002-2003 issued to the Minister of Finance and the Minister's Executive Assistant.

#### **MR160.** Moved by Mr. Bonner:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all monthly business credit card statements for the fiscal year 2002-2003 issued to the Minister of Infrastructure and the Minister's Executive Assistant.

#### **MR161.** Moved by Mr. Bonner on behalf of Mr. MacDonald:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of all business plans or business models prepared by the Government regarding electricity deregulation between January 1, 1995 and March 16, 2004. The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

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, MR211, MR212, MR213.

#### **Unanimous Consent**

Following consideration of Motion for Returns MR120, Mr. Lukaszuk, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 34(2) to allow the Assembly to move on to Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders at 5:00 p.m.

# **Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Third Reading**

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 203 Canada Pension Plan Credits Statutes Amendment Act, 2004—Ms Kryczka

Bill 204 Blood Samples Act — Mr. Lukaszuk

#### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 206 Alberta Wheat and Barley Test Market Amendment Act, 2004—Mr. Hlady

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Mr. Mason speaking.

## Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(1), the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

## **Motions Other Than Government Motions**

#### **508.** Moved by Mr. McFarland:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to raise the legal drinking age in Alberta to 19 as is the current requirement in the neighbouring Provinces of British Columbia and Saskatchewan.

#### A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Mr. Shariff in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 26

Abbott Hlady Mar Jablonski Marz Bonner Cao Jacobs Maskell Cardinal Johnson McFarland Coutts Jonson Nelson Danyluk Klapstein O'Neill DeLong Kryczka VanderBurg Doerksen Lord Yankowsky **Evans** MacDonald

Against the motion: 16

AmeryGrahamPhamDucharmeGraydonSnelgroveDunfordGriffithsStevensFritzKnightTarchukGordonLukaszukZwozdesky

Goudreau

## **509.** Moved by Ms Graham:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to take measures to establish a dedicated fund for the purpose of conducting research to develop scientifically credible information about the safety and effectiveness of complementary and alternative medicine (CAM), that will assist health care professionals, health policy-makers, and the public in making informed decisions.

## A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

## **Government Bills and Orders**

## **Second Reading**

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

- Bill 31 Highways Development and Protection Act Hon. Mr. Stelmach
- Bill 33 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2004 Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky on behalf of Hon. Mr. Hancock
- Bill 34 Income Trusts Liability Act Mr. Hlady
- Bill 35 Companies Amendment Act, 2004 Mr. Hutton

# Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:45 p.m. until Tuesday, May 11, 2004, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Monday, May 10, 2004