



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 4

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Sixth Legislature

Monday, March 7, 2005

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 the deaths of Constable Anthony Fitzgerald Orion Gordon, Constable Lionide Nicholas Johnston, Constable Peter Christopher Schiemann, and Constable Brock Warren Myrol, members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) killed in the line of duty on March 3, 2005.

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Cenaiko, Solicitor General, made a statement regarding the need to honour the deaths of four members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) killed in the line of duty on March 3, 2005, and a national public memorial service to be held for the fallen officers on March 10, 2005.

Dr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, commented on the statement.

Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to allow Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, to comment on the Ministerial Statement.

Speaker's Comment

The Speaker commented that in March 1906, the first Edmonton-to-Calgary automobile journey was undertaken in a 29-horsepower Ford. Twenty gallons of gasoline and a gallon of lubrication oil were used to complete the journey.

Recognitions

Mr. Lukaszuk, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs: Rescue of nine year old Steven Hillman from the North Saskatchewan River by Patrizio and Patricia Bartolozzi, Jack King, and Lawrence Yuskow on February 24, 2005

Mr. Danyluk, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul: University of Alberta Pandas women's hockey team on completing their season undefeated and winning the Canada West Conference Championship on February 26, 2005

Mr. Cao, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fort: Kyle Shewfelt, gold medallist in the floor event of men's gymnastics at the 2004 Summer Olympic Games in Athens, Greece

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose: University of Alberta Golden Bears men's volleyball team on winning the 2005 Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS) Championship on March 6, 2005

Mrs. Jablonski, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North: Spitz Sylvan Lake Ice Marathon organized by the Foothills Speed Skating Marathon Association on February 26, 2005 in Sylvan Lake

Mr. Agnihotri, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie: The effects of recent flooding in Guyana

Mr. Elsalhy, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung: Pharmacists Awareness Week, March 7-13, 2005

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, presented a petition from 401 Albertans requesting the Government institute a fair and equitable minimum floor price for cattle.

Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Cenaiko, Solicitor General, gave oral notice of the following motion:

Be it resolved that, when the Assembly adjourns at the regular hour on Wednesday, March 9, 2005, it shall stand adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Monday, March 14, 2005, to permit Members' attendance at Thursday's memorial service for the deaths last Thursday of the four RCMP (Royal Canadian Mounted Police) Officers in Mayerthorpe.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

- Bill 2 Alberta Centennial Medal Act — Hon. Mr. Mar
- Bill 3 City of Lloydminster Act — Mr. Snelgrove
- Bill 4 Alberta Science and Research Authority Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Doerksen
- Bill 5 Family Law Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Stevens
- Bill 6 Fair Trading Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Ducharme
- Bill 7 Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Ms Evans
- Bill 201 Smoke-free Places Act — Mr. Rodney
- Bill 202 Protection of Children Abusing Drugs Act — Mrs. Jablonski

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

- Bill 3 City of Lloydminster Act — Mr. Snelgrove
- Bill 6 Fair Trading Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Ducharme

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder:

Document dated March 7, 2005, entitled "Proposal for Question Period, 26th Legislature, Alberta" prepared by the New Democrat Opposition
Sessional Paper 17/2005

Copy of an article from the Peace River Block Daily News website dated September 7, 2004, entitled "Tender Beef wants your questions" written by Gary Rusak

Sessional Paper 18/2005

Mr. Tougas, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

Position paper dated January 2005, entitled "AFGA (Alberta Fish and Game Association) Position on Métis Hunting and Fishing Rights in Alberta" prepared by the Alberta Fish and Game Association

Sessional Paper 19/2005

Mr. Backs, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning:

Letter dated January 3, 2005, from Sylvia McIntosh, Industry Liaison, Academy of Learning, Edmonton South, unaddressed, providing information regarding the availability of skilled workers from Venezuela and Curacao

Sessional Paper 20/2005

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

Letter dated February 16, 2005, with associated attachment, from Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, to Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, Ms Blakeman, Official Opposition House Leader, and Mr. Martin, New Democrat Opposition House Leader, requesting amendments to the Standing Orders regarding the Public Accounts Committee's mandate and authority

Sessional Paper 21/2005

Letter dated February 25, 2005, from Joanne Dykstra, Chair, Fulton Child Care Association and the Fulton Afterschool Association, to Jenise Bidulock, Director of Planning and Transportation, Edmonton Public Schools, expressing concern regarding the potential closure of Fulton Place School

Sessional Paper 22/2005

Copy of a petition signed by 77 Edmonton and area residents requesting that Fulton Place School not be closed

Sessional Paper 23/2005

Dr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora:

2 e-mail messages dated March 25, 2001, from Richard B. Sanders to Andrew Edison and March 26, 2001, from Richard B. Sanders to Peter Keohane, both regarding "Project Stanley tapes"

Sessional Paper 24/2005

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Renner, Minister of Municipal Affairs, pursuant to the Government Organization Act, cG-10, schedule 10, s10(3):

Alberta Boilers Safety Association, Annual Report 2003

Sessional Paper 25/2005

Alberta Elevating Devices and Amusement Rides Safety Association, Annual Report, April 1, 2003 to March 31, 2004

Sessional Paper 26/2005

Petroleum Tank Management Association of Alberta, Annual Report 2003

Sessional Paper 27/2005

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Renner, Minister of Municipal Affairs, pursuant to the Safety Codes Act, cS-1, s25(3):

Safety Codes Council 2003 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 28/2005

Authorized Accredited Agencies Activity Summary for April 1, 2002 to March 31, 2003

Sessional Paper 29/2005

Submissions to the Speaker - Oral Question Period

On the issue of rotation of questions during Oral Question Period, the Speaker heard submissions from Ms Blakeman, Mr. Mason, Mr. Hinman, Hon. Mr. Hancock, Mr. Chase, Ms Haley, Dr. Pannu, Dr. Brown, and Mr. Knight.

As indicated on March 3, 2005, the Speaker stated he would rule on this matter at 5:15 p.m. on March 8, 2005.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

WQ1, WQ2, WQ3, WQ4.

Motions for Returns

The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

MR1, MR2, MR3, MR4, MR5, MR6, MR7, MR8, MR9, MR10.

Unanimous Consent

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 73(1) to allow for Second Reading of Bill 201, Smoke-free Places Act. Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 8(1) to allow for consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech.

Consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech (Day 1)

Moved by Mr. Lukaszuk and seconded by Mrs. Ady:

That an humble address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To His Honour the Honourable Norman L. Kwong, CM, AOE, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Stevens, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:24 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2005 — 8:00 P.M.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

501. Moved by Ms Blakeman:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider using taxes from tobacco sales to create a wellness fund to support wellness programs, public health initiatives, and research.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was defeated. With Hon. Mr. Kowalski in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 11

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| Backs | Eggen | Miller (Edmonton-Glenora) |
| Blakeman | Elsalhy | Pastoor |
| Bonko | Flaherty | Swann |
| Chase | Hinman | |

Against the motion: 31

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| Ady | Goudreau | Mitzel |
| Brown | Groeneveld | Oberg |
| Calahasen | Haley | Pham |
| Cao | Hancock | Prins |
| Cardinal | Johnston | Renner |
| Cenaiko | Knight | Rogers |
| Coutts | Liepert | Stevens |
| Danyluk | Lindsay | Strang |
| DeLong | Magnus | Tarchuk |
| Doerksen | Marz | Webber |
| Fritz | | |

Government Motions

4. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that the Assembly resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, when called, to consider certain Bills on the Order Paper.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

5. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock on behalf of Hon. Mrs. McClellan:

Be it resolved that the Assembly do resolve itself into Committee of Supply, when called, to consider supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

6. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that, when the Assembly adjourns on Thursday, March 24, 2005, at the regular hour of 5:30 p.m., it shall stand adjourned until Monday, April 4, 2005, at 1:30 p.m.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

7. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that, when the Assembly adjourns to recess the Spring Sitting of the First Session of the 26th Legislature, it shall stand adjourned until a time and date as determined by the Speaker, after consultation with the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

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A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Stevens moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:58 p.m. until Tuesday, March 8, 2005, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Monday, March 7, 2005