



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 14

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Sixth Legislature

Thursday, March 24, 2005

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

Speaker's Comment

The Speaker commented that on March 27, 1930, the Edmonton Grads beat the Seattle Ferry Lines by 59 points over two games to retain the Underwood Trophy and the women's international basketball title.

Members' Statements

Mrs. Tarchuk, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane, made a statement regarding the Open the Border website launched by Alex Baum and Dan Kroffat of Cochrane.

Mr. Taylor, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, made a statement regarding increased market value property assessments.

Mr. Danyluk, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul, made a statement regarding the 20 Parent Link Centres in Alberta.

Mr. Mason, Hon. Leader of the New Democrat Opposition, made a statement regarding the bombing of Air India flight 182 and the subsequent investigation by the RCMP (Royal Canadian Mounted Police) and CSIS (Canadian Security Intelligence Service).

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Elsalhy, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, presented a petition from 102 Albertans urging the Government to prohibit the importation of temporary foreign workers in oil sands facilities and on pipelines until several Albertan and Canadian groups have been accessed.

Mr. Taylor, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, presented a petition from 101 Albertans urging the Government to prohibit the importation of temporary foreign workers in oil sands facilities and on pipelines until several Albertan and Canadian groups have been accessed.

Mr. Backs, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, presented a petition from 101 Albertans urging the Government to prohibit the importation of temporary foreign workers in oil sands facilities and on pipelines until several Albertan and Canadian groups have been accessed.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, presented a petition from 100 Albertans urging the Government to prohibit the importation of temporary foreign workers in oil sands facilities and on pipelines until several Albertan and Canadian groups have been accessed.

Mr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, presented a petition from 100 Albertans urging the Government to prohibit the importation of temporary foreign workers in oil sands facilities and on pipelines until several Albertan and Canadian groups have been accessed.

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, April 4, 2005:

Written Questions: Stand and retain their places.

Motions for Returns: MR1, MR4.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Ducharme, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake:

Petition signed by hundreds of Albertans requesting the Provincial and Federal Governments make several changes to legislation regarding the ceiling on monetary allowances, pensions, income tax forms, building codes, care for seniors, and recreational programs for seniors

Sessional Paper 236/2005

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

E-mail message dated March 23, 2005, from Mick Beale to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing concern regarding the safety of Highway 63 north of Fort McMurray

Sessional Paper 237/2005

Mr. Elsalhy, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung:

2 e-mail messages dated February 16, 2005, from Dr. Donna Manca and Dr. Nigel Flook, both of Edmonton, expressing support for a ban on smoking in all public places in Alberta

Sessional Paper 238/2005

Letter dated March 10, 2005, from Karon Kosof, Executive Director, West Edmonton Business Association, to Mr. Rodney, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, expressing support for Bill 201, Smoke-free Places Act

Sessional Paper 239/2005

Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity:

E-mail message dated March 23, 2005, from Patricia J. Muir of Calgary to Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation, expressing opposition to the 16th Avenue interchange plan in Calgary and the lack of community consultation

Sessional Paper 240/2005

Mr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford:

Thompson's World Insurance News article dated March 14, 2005, entitled "Rumblings of rate rollback heard in Alberta"

Sessional Paper 241/2005

Mr. Bonko, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore:

Copy of a photograph of an animal carcass

Sessional Paper 242/2005

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

4 letters from Ronald L. Whaler, Dennis Tychkowsky, Dana Armstrong, and Cory Charlebois to Hon. Mr. Boutilier, Minister of Environment, and Hon. Mr. Cardinal, Minister of Human Resources and Employment, expressing concern regarding the use of foreign replacement workers in the Alberta labour force

Sessional Paper 243/2005

Mr. Martin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview:

Document dated March 9, 2005, entitled "Foreign Workers Program: Communications Plan for Suncor Major Projects and Oil Sands" prepared by Brenda Erskine, Warren Douglas, and Scott Rankin

Sessional Paper 244/2005

Excerpt of a report dated October 2001, entitled "Prepared for Growth: Building Alberta's Labour Supply" prepared by the Alberta Labour Force Planning Committee

Sessional Paper 245/2005

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

Initial Report dated August 2002 on company-specific separate proceedings and generic reevaluations, published natural gas price data, and Enron trading strategies, fact-finding investigation potential manipulation of electric and natural gas prices, Docket No. PA02-2-000 prepared by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Sessional Paper 246/2005

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 week of April 4, 2005.

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of April 4 to 7, 2005:

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| Monday, April 4 | 9:00 p.m. | - Government Bills and Orders |
| | | Second Reading |
| | | Bill 11, 12, 15, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 |
| | | Third Reading |
| | | Bill 3 |
| | | Government Motions |
| | | Motion 16 |
| | | And as per the Order Paper |
| Tuesday, April 5 | Aft. | - Government Bills and Orders |
| | | Second Reading |
| | | Bill 26, 31, 32, 33, 34 |
| | | And as per the Order Paper |

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| | Eve. | - Government Bills and Order Committee of the Whole Bill 1, 5, 7, 8, 12, 17, 20, 34 Government Motions As per the Order Paper And as per the Order Paper |
| Wednesday, April 6 | Aft. | - Government Bills and Orders Second Reading Bill 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 Third Reading Bill 3 Second Reading As per the Order Paper And as per the Order Paper |
| | Eve. | - Government Bills and Orders Committee of the Whole Bill 1, 5 As per the Order Paper Government Motions As per the Order Paper And as per the Order Paper |
| Thursday, April 7 | Aft. | - Government Bills and Orders Government Motions As per the Order Paper Government Bills and Orders Third Reading As per the Order Paper And as per the Order Paper |

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Royal Assent

His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Assembly and being seated on the Throne,

The Speaker addressed His Honour in the following words:

May it please Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly has, at its present sitting, passed certain Bills to which and in the name of the Legislative Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's assent.

The Clerk of the Assembly then read the title of the Bills that had been passed as follows:

- 2 Alberta Centennial Medal Act — Hon. Mr. Mar
- 21 Hotel Room Tax (Tourism Levy) Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Rodney
- 27 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2005 (\$) — Hon. Mrs. McClellan
- 30 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2005 (\$) — Hon. Mrs. McClellan

To these Bills, Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:

In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor doth assent to these Bills.

His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor then retired from the Assembly.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 26 Corporate Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2005 (\$) — Hon. Mrs. McClellan

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

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

Bill 34 Insurance Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Oberle

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

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

Bill 10 Residential Tenancies Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Strang

Bill 28 Municipal Government Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Renner

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and the Acting Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bills were reported:

Bill 6 Fair Trading Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Ducharme

Bill 20 Alberta Personal Income Tax Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Ducharme

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 3 City of Lloydminster Act — Mr. Snelgrove

Adjournment

Pursuant to Government Motion 6 agreed to on March 7, 2005, and on motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:12 p.m. until Monday, April 4, 2005 at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Thursday, March 24, 2005