

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 25

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Sixth Legislature

Wednesday, April 20, 2005

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Danyluk, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul, made a statement regarding National Soil Conservation Week, April 17-23, 2005.

Mr. Strang, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, made a statement regarding National Volunteer Week, April 17-23, 2005.

Rev. Abbott, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Calmar, made a statement regarding the Voyageurs Rendezvous Rupert's Land Canoe Brigade centennial canoe trip to take place May 21-23, 2005.

Mr. Lougheed, Hon. Member for Strathcona, made a statement regarding Finola Hackett of Tofield, CanWest CanSpell National Spelling Bee Champion and recipient of a \$10,000 scholarship who will compete in the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C. in May 2005.

Mr. Tougas, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, made a statement regarding the 78-year history of CKUA Radio.

Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, made a statement regarding the achievements of several volunteers and organizations in Calgary.

Speaker's Comment

The Speaker commented that on April 20, 1999, it was announced the Government of Alberta and the Métis Nation of Alberta Association signed a seven-year framework agreement focusing on "projects with positive and measurable outcomes for Métis people." The 1999 agreement comes to an end on March 31, 2006. The Speaker recognized there are at least four Members of the Legislative Assembly who are of Métis heritage, Hon. Ms Calahasen, Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development, Hon. Mrs. Fritz, Minister of Seniors and Community Supports, Hon. Mr. Ouellette, Minister of Restructuring and Government Efficiency, and Mr. Ducharme, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona:

New York Times article dated April 15, 2005, entitled "The Medical Money Pit" describing reasons for the high cost of health care in the United States

Sessional Paper 345/2005

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

Letter dated April 13, 2005, from Kerry Barrett, President, Alberta Federation of Labour, to Mr. Martin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, requesting debate on Bill 15, Workers' Compensation Amendment Act, 2005, be delayed until there is an opportunity for consultation with stakeholders

Sessional Paper 346/2005

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

Excerpt of a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission docket relating to Enron generating projects in Puerto Rico, Mexico, and Canada

Sessional Paper 347/2005

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

Letter dated April 13, 2005, from Kerry Barrett, President, Alberta Federation of Labour, to Mr. Backs, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, requesting debate on Bill 15, Workers' Compensation Amendment Act, 2005, be delayed until there is an opportunity for consultation with stakeholders

Sessional Paper 348/2005

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Finance:

Letter dated April 13, 2005, from Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Finance, to Fred Dunn, Auditor General, regarding the Auditor General's review of the Alberta Securities Commission's enforcement processes

Sessional Paper 349/2005

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Committee of Supply (Day 5 — 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 Ms Haley 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, 2006, for the Department and purposes indicated:

Energy

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases

\$121,467,000

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 5:18 p.m. that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. it would be in Committee of Supply and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

WEDNESDAY, April 20, 2005 — 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Day 6 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker assumed the Chair and Mr. Johnson 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, 2006, for the Department and purposes indicated:

Sustainable Resource Development

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases Capital Investment

\$219,215,000 \$20,500,000

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 29 Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mrs. Fritz

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

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

Bill 37 Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2005 (\$) — Hon. Mrs. McClellan

Third Reading

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

Bill 19 Securities Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Knight

A debate followed.

Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, on behalf of Mr. Martin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, moved the motion be amended by deleting all the words after "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 19, Securities Amendment Act, 2005, be not now read a Third time because it inadequately addresses the need for a national securities regulator.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

- Bill 11 Stettler Regional Water Authorization Act Mr. Mitzel
- Bill 19 Securities Amendment Act, 2005 Mr. Knight
- Bill 23 Administrative Procedures Amendment Act, 2005 Hon. Mr. Stevens
- Bill 32 Animal Keepers Act Mr. Goudreau
- Bill 33 Stray Animals Amendment Act, 2005 (\$) Hon. Mr. Horner

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:56 p.m. until Thursday, April 21, 2005, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, April 20, 2005