

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 29

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Sixth Legislature

Wednesday, April 27, 2005

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

Members' Statements

Dr. Brown, Hon. Member for Calgary-Nose Hill, made a statement regarding the Anne Frank in the World 1929-1945 exhibit currently displayed at Calgary City Hall.

Mr. VanderBurg, Hon. Member for Whitecourt-Ste. Anne, made a statement regarding Northlands Park.

Mr. Lukaszuk, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, made a statement regarding the construction of an academic school in south Edmonton by the Edmonton Catholic School District.

 $\label{lem:matter} \mbox{Mr. Goudreau, Hon. Member for Dunvegan-Central Peace, made a statement regarding Alberta's agricultural industry.}$

Mrs. Mather, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, made a statement regarding Education Week, April 24-30, 2005.

Mr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, made a statement regarding Chris Muller of Cochrane who was killed in a hang-gliding competition on April 22, 2005 in Orlando, Florida.

Notices of Motions

Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, gave oral notice of his intention to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, that the Assembly adjourn to discuss a matter of urgent importance, namely the loss of investor confidence in the Alberta Securities Commission's ability to adequately regulate the securities market and the resulting threat to Alberta's capital markets.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Lund, Minister of Government Services:

Report dated April 14, 2005, entitled "Response to DOE's (Department of Energy) Call for Comments on its Discussion Paper on Wholesale and Retail Market Design" prepared by Ted Pound, Chair, Utilities Consumer Advocate Advisory Council for the Utilities Consumer Advocate

Sessional Paper 372/2005

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

E-mail message dated April 26, 2005, from Brad Wutzke, Vice-President TWU (Telecommunications Workers Union) Local 204, "to all addressed" providing an update regarding the current labour situation at TELUS Corporation

Sessional Paper 373/2005

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

News release dated April 27, 2005, entitled "Alberta's Centennial - 100 Years, 9,219 Workplace Deaths, AFL (Alberta Federation of Labour) Adds Up Workplace Fatalities for International Day of Mourning" prepared by the Alberta Federation of Labour

Sessional Paper 374/2005

Excerpt from the Government of Alberta Consumer Choice website providing questions and answers regarding the purchase of electricity or natural gas by consumers from a competitive retailer

Sessional Paper 375/2005

Motion for Adjournment for an Emergency Debate

Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, requested leave to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, that the Assembly adjourn to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely the loss of investor confidence in the Alberta Securities Commission's ability to adequately regulate the securities market and the resulting threat to Alberta's capital markets.

A debate followed on urgency.

The Speaker ruled that the request for leave was not in order.

Unanimous Consent - Standing Order 58(5)

The Speaker requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 58(5) to allow Committee of Supply to be called after 3:10 p.m.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Committee of Supply (Day 11 — 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. Lindsay 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:

Infrastructure and Transportation

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$3,463,437,000
Capital Investment	\$699,618,000

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 5:24 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 27, 2005 — 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Day 12 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Lindsay 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:

Executive Council

Expense

\$26,246,000

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

Government Motions

20. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, on May 5, 2005, welcome to the floor of the Assembly three representatives of the Canadian Armed Forces, one from each branch of the services, with one of those members being invited to address the Assembly to mark the occasion of the 60th anniversary of VE (Victory in Europe) Day.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

21. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly recognize July 27 to be Korea War Veterans Day.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

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

During Third Reading consideration of Bill 37, Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2005, Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Finance, tabled the following:

Response to questions raised during Second Reading consideration of Bill 37, Financial Statutes Amendment Act, 2005

Sessional Paper 376/2005

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 16 Business Corporations Amendment Act, 2005 — Dr. Brown

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 15 Workers' Compensation Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Webber

Mr. Lindsay, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of an amendment considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 16 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Nose Hill) — Agreed to Sessional Paper 377/2005

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:02 p.m. until Thursday, April 28, 2005, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, April 27, 2005