

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 37

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Sixth Legislature

Wednesday, May 11, 2005

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, made a statement regarding the Life and Times of the Motorcycle exhibit which will open at the Reynolds-Alberta Museum in Wetaskiwin on May 14, 2005.

Mr. Mitzel, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding Mark Heinricks, a teacher from Eagle Butte High School in Dunmore who was recently awarded the Prime Minister's Certificate of Achievement for Teaching Excellence.

Mr. Knight, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Smoky, made a statement regarding the Aboriginal Workforce Participation Initiative, a partnership agreement between the Federal Government, the Province of Alberta, and Grande Prairie Regional College.

Mr. Rogers, Hon. Member for Leduc-Beaumont-Devon, made a statement regarding the results of Alberta Venture magazine's annual survey to find Alberta's most respected corporations.

Mrs. Mather, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, made a statement regarding the Boyle McCauley Health Centre and its Kindred House harm-reduction program.

Ms Pastoor, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, made a statement regarding the importance of all-party committees to the democratic process.

Speaker's Comment

The Speaker commented that on May 11, 1870, the area known as Rupert's Land was purchased by Sir John Rose acting as a Canadian agent in London, England. The purchase price of £300,000 or the equivalency of \$11 million included much of what is now the Canadian prairies and northern territories and, in particular, what is now the Province of Alberta. The purchase of Rupert's Land was motivated historically by both the British desire to secure the West in the face of American interest and Confederation which had occurred three years earlier. In fact, on June 23, 1870, the Rupert's Land and North-West Territories Order brought Rupert's Land, mostly Alberta, into the Dominion of Canada.

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Backs, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, presented a petition from 106 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. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, presented a petition from 54 Albertans requesting the Government increase infrastructure development funding for Highway 63.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Finance:

Responses to questions raised by several Members of the Legislative Assembly on April 21, 2005, Department of Finance, 2005-06 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 433/2005

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

Letter dated May 11, 2005, from Mr. Martin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, to Mrs. Tarchuk, Chair, Select Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, requesting an emergency meeting of the Select Standing Committee on Legislative Offices to discuss the mandate and jurisdiction of the Auditor General to conduct an investigation of enforcement processes of the Alberta Securities Commission

Sessional Paper 434/2005

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

4 letters from Richard Vanderveen, Roger Jubinville, and Wade Williams to Members of the Legislative Assembly, expressing concern regarding a variety of issues related to apprenticeship training and the use of foreign replacement workers in the Alberta labour force

Sessional Paper 435/2005

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 23 — Main Estimates)

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(Assembly in Committee)

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(3), at 5:30 p.m. the Committee recessed until 8:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2005 — 8:00 P.M.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker assumed the Chair and Mr. Mitzel reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions, 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:

Health and Wellness

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases \$8,973,425,000 Capital Investment \$33,500,000

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

Committee of Supply (Day 24 — Main Estimates)

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Groeneveld 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:

Community Development

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases \$235,249,000 Capital Investment \$41,192,000

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

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to revert to Introduction of Bills.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

- Bill 38 Pharmacy and Drug Amendment Act, 2005 Mrs. Ady
- Bill 40 Alberta Personal Income Tax Amendment Act, 2005 (No. 2) (\$) Hon. Mrs. McClellan

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 8 Personal Information Protection Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Groeneveld

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 assumed the Chair.

The following Bills were reported:

- Bill 26 Corporate Tax Statutes Amendment Act, 2005 (\$) Hon. Mrs. McClellan
- Bill 39 Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2005 Mr. Magnus
- Bill 40 Alberta Personal Income Tax Amendment Act, 2005 (No. 2) (\$) Hon. Mrs. McClellan

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 35 Employment Pension Plans Amendment Act, 2005 — Dr. Brown

Mr. Shariff, Deputy Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 39 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity) — Defeated Sessional Paper 436/2005

Amendment to Bill 35 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Nose Hill) — Agreed to Sessional Paper 437/2005

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:24~p.m. until Thursday, May 12,2005, at 1:30~p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, May 11, 2005