



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 5

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Sixth Legislature

Wednesday, March 1, 2006

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

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Advanced Education, made a statement regarding a ceremony held today at the Legislature Building honouring Roman Sokolowski, Barbara McLean, Karen Leung, and Jacqueline Quittenbaum, the first recipients of the Lois Hole Humanities and Social Sciences Scholarship.

Mr. Taylor, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, commented on the statement.

Mr. Martin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, 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 quoted former Member Solon Earl Low: "...the most important responsibility we have [is to] the individual citizen of this country. He it is who should be considered, he is the man whose rights should be the fount and source of all things we do." (*Source: House of Commons Debates, 20th Parliament, 2nd Session, May 13, 1946*)

The Speaker then commented that Solon Earl Low was born in 1900 at Cardston. A farmer, school teacher, and school principal, Mr. Low was elected the Social Credit Member for the constituencies of Warner and Vegreville from 1935 to 1945. Mr. Low lost his seat in Warner in the 1940 general election. Member-elect George Woytkiw resigned to provide a seat for Mr. Low, who was then returned in a by-election by acclamation. He was appointed Provincial Treasurer in 1937, Minister Without Portfolio in 1944, and Minister of Education in 1943, and he sponsored the Bill establishing the Alberta Treasury Branches. Mr. Low was the Leader of the Federal Social Credit Party from 1944 to 1961. He was elected to the House of Commons representing Peace River from 1945 to 1958. In 1961 he was appointed a Family and Juvenile Court Judge in Lethbridge. Mr. Low died December 22, 1962.

Members' Statements

Mr. McFarland, Hon. Member for Little Bow, made a statement regarding the Be Smart Be Safe national injury prevention program.

Mr. Johnston, Hon. Member for Calgary-Hays, made a statement regarding Fraud Awareness Month, March 2006.

Mr. Groeneveld, Hon. Member for Highwood, made a statement regarding Shannon Kleibrink, Amy Nixon, Glenys Bakker, Christine Keshen, and Sandra Jenkins, bronze medallists in the Women's Curling event at the Olympic Winter Games held in Torino, Italy, February 10-26, 2006.

Mrs. Mather, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, made a statement regarding the proposed national child care program.

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, made a statement regarding the 25th anniversary Viking Cup International Hockey Tournament held from December 26, 2005 to January 2, 2006 in Camrose.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding Frank Atkinson of Edmonton and his efforts as a community volunteer.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

E-mail message dated February 22, 2006, from Brock Skywalker to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing opposition to the Government's proposed health care reforms

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Book published in 2004 entitled "Prescription for Excellence, How innovation is saving Canada's health care system" written by Michael Rachlis, M.D.

Sessional Paper 46/2006

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

Conference notes, undated, from a bid clarification meeting between CNRL (Canadian Natural Resources Limited), Fluor Canada Limited, and HQCEC (China Huanqiu Contracting and Engineering Corporation)

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

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

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly 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.

7. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that the Legislative 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.

Committee of Supply (Day 1 — Supplementary Estimates (No. 2))

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. Oberle reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the Supplementary Estimates (No. 2), General Revenue Fund, 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 Departments and purposes indicated:

Finance

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$1,000,000,000
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Innovation and Science

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$30,000,000
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Seniors and Community Supports

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases \$31,850,000

Mr. Speaker, the Committee of Supply has also had under consideration certain resolutions of the Department of Health and Wellness, reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to table a list of the approved Supplementary Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2006

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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 5:26 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, MARCH 1, 2006 — 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Day 2 — Supplementary Estimates (No. 2))

(Assembly in Committee)

Pursuant to Standing Order 58(1) and Government Motion 5 agreed to on February 28, 2006, at 10:02 p.m., the Chair interrupted the proceedings and immediately put the question on the Supplementary Estimates (No. 2) resolutions for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2006.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

The Acting Speaker assumed the Chair and Ms Haley reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the Supplementary Estimates (No. 2), General Revenue Fund, 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 \$30,200,000

Education

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases \$11,000,000

Health and Wellness

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases \$141,183,000

Human Resources and Employment

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases \$6,100,000

Infrastructure and Transportation

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases \$39,900,000

Justice and Attorney General

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases \$3,720,000

Municipal Affairs

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases \$39,850,000

Solicitor General and Public Security

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases \$4,982,000

Sustainable Resource Development

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases \$15,700,000

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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, the Assembly adjourned at 10:08 p.m. until Thursday, March 2, 2006, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, March 1, 2006