



**Legislative Assembly  
Province of Alberta**

No. 8

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

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Tuesday, March 7, 2006

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

**Speaker's Comment**

The Speaker commented that in 1916, Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba granted women the right to vote in provincial elections. On June 17, 1917, in that particular provincial election, Mrs. Louise McKinney won the election as an Independent Member in the contested constituency of Claresholm.

In August 1917 under the "Province at Large" category, Miss Roberta McAdams was elected as a non-partisan MLA from this Province at Large designation for Soldiers and Nurses.

Louise McKinney was the first woman elected to a Legislature in the British Empire. She earned this designation as Roberta McAdams was not elected until August 1917, although both were sworn into the Alberta Legislative Assembly on the same day. These two women were the first women elected to any Parliament in the British Empire.

Mrs. McKinney ran under the United Farmers of Alberta banner in 1921 and failed to be re-elected. A number of newspaper articles of the day credited her defeat to her opposition to alcohol and tobacco. In 1925 she was the only woman to sign the "Basis of Union" which created the United Church of Canada. In 1928 she was one of five women who petitioned Ottawa for a ruling on the question of women being qualified to sit in the Canadian Senate. She died in Claresholm on July 10, 1931.

On February 18, 1918, Roberta McAdams became the first woman in the British Empire to introduce a piece of legislation - the War Veterans' Next-of-Kin Association. She did not seek re-election in 1921, moved to the Peace River area with her husband and then to Calgary where she lived until her death on December 16, 1959.

### **Members' Statements**

Mr. Agnihotri, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding National Social Work Week, March 6-10, 2006.

Mr. Danyluk, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul, made a statement regarding the Alberta Youth Advisory Panel and its work with the Children's Services Youth Secretariat.

Mr. Cao, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fort, made a statement regarding Pharmacist Awareness Week, March 6-12, 2006.

Mr. Knight, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Smoky, made a statement regarding the Natural Luge World Cup held in the Grande Prairie area from February 28 to March 4, 2006, and the 2006 Ford World Women's Curling Championship to be held in Grande Prairie on March 18-26, 2006.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, made a statement regarding the federal-provincial child care agreement.

### **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. Elsalhy, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, presented a petition from 43 Albertans urging the Government to require school boards to eliminate all fees for instructional supplies and general school services and to ensure that the necessary resources for these supplies and services are provided.

### **Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Notice having been given:

Bill 20 Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2006  
— Mrs. Jablonski

On motion by Hon. Mr. Stevens, Deputy Government House Leader, the following Bill was placed on the Order Paper under Government Bills and Orders:

Bill 20 Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 2006  
— Mrs. Jablonski

## Tabling Returns and Reports

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

E-mail message dated February 22, 2006, from Karen Ockerman to Mr. Elsalhy, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, expressing concern regarding the Government's approach to seniors' health, the environment, and private health care

Sessional Paper 69/2006

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, on behalf of Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition:

Advocate article dated February 16, 2006, entitled "Enmax CEO says initial introduction of power deregulation a disaster"

Sessional Paper 70/2006

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

Excerpt of a draft document, undated, regarding Albertans' resource revenue share and benefits for review by a Standing Policy Committee

Sessional Paper 71/2006

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

E-mail message dated March 3, 2006, from Leslie Hall of Edmonton to Mr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, expressing opposition to the Government's Health Policy Framework

Sessional Paper 72/2006

E-mail message dated March 6, 2006, from Janette Pole to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Health and Wellness, and Mr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, expressing opposition to private health care and allowing doctors to work in both the public and the proposed private health care systems

Sessional Paper 73/2006

Mr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, on behalf of Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition:

E-mail message dated March 1, 2006, from Martha Dobbin to several Members of the Legislative Assembly expressing opposition to private health care and the lack of debate on the issue by Government Members of the Legislative Assembly

Sessional Paper 74/2006

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

E-mail message dated March 6, 2006, from Reny Miklos of Edmonton to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, attaching the text of a letter Mr. Miklos sent to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, and Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Health and Wellness, expressing concern regarding the Government's Health Policy Framework

Sessional Paper 75/2006

Letter dated March 4, 2006, from Roseline Bouchie of Benalto to Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Health and Wellness, expressing opposition to private health care and doctors being allowed to work in both the public and the proposed private health care systems

Sessional Paper 76/2006

E-mail message dated March 3, 2006, from Paul Armstrong, Director, Alberta Coalition of Concerned Citizens, to Dr. Brown, Hon. Member for Calgary-Nose Hill, and Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing opposition to allowing doctors to work in both the public and the proposed private health care systems and suggesting the Government accredit more doctors from other countries

Sessional Paper 77/2006

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

Letter dated November 7, 2005, from D.W. Irons to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing opposition to the Government's contract with Aon Consulting

Sessional Paper 78/2006

Pamphlet dated November 8, 2005, entitled "Is the Third Way a good idea? How might it affect you?" prepared by the Seniors' Action and Liaison Team (SALT)

Sessional Paper 79/2006

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

Article, undated, entitled "A Greener Alberta, Green Fund: Transit Initiatives and Toxic Cleanup" prepared by the Alberta NDP (New Democratic Party) Opposition

Sessional Paper 80/2006

Article, undated, entitled "Time to rethink royalties" prepared by Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder

Sessional Paper 81/2006

## **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Health and Wellness:

Letter dated March 6, 2006, from Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Health and Wellness, to Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, providing preliminary observations concerning the Alberta Liberal Opposition report entitled "Creating a Healthy Future"

Sessional Paper 82/2006

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Message From His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor**

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Finance, delivered a Message from His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor.

The Speaker read the Message to the Assembly (the Members standing).

The Minister of Finance then tabled a copy of the Interim Supply Estimates:

2006-07 Interim Supply Estimates, General Revenue Fund, Lottery Fund  
Sessional Paper 83/2006

### **Government Motions**

**8.** Moved by Hon. Mrs. McClellan:

Be it resolved that the Message from His Honour, the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 2006-07 Interim Supply Estimates and all matters connected therewith, be referred to Committee of Supply.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

**9.** Moved by Hon. Mrs. McClellan:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 58(9), the number of days that Committee of Supply will be called to consider the 2006-07 Interim Supply Estimates shall be two days.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

## **Consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech** (Day 6)

Moved by Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Webber:

That an humble address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To His Honour the Honourable Norman L. Kwong, CM, AOE, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

A debate followed.

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

## **Government Bills and Orders**

### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 9 Income and Employment Supports Amendment Act, 2006 — Mr. Shariff

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A debate followed.

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

## **Government Bills and Orders**

### **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.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 19 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2006 (\$) — Hon.  
Mrs. McClellan

### **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Stevens, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:12 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2006 — 8:00 P.M.

## **Government Bills and Orders**

### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 14 Health Professions Statutes Amendment Act, 2006 — Mr. Mitzel

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 16 Peace Officer Act — Mr. Johnston

A debate followed.

Ms Blakeman moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

### **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:

Bill 19 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2006 (\$) — Hon.  
Mrs. McClellan

### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 17 Libraries Amendment Act, 2006 — Hon. Mr. Mar

### **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Stevens, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:33 p.m. until Wednesday, March 8, 2006, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski,  
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, March 7, 2006