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Thursday, March 16, 2006

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

**Speaker's Comment**

In keeping with the theme of the anniversary this year of 100 years of democracy in the Province of Alberta, last evening at a special and unique event for former Members and current Members we unveiled a new book, a book titled "100 Years at the Legislative Assembly of Alberta: A Centennial Celebration."

This project began three years ago when we concluded that we would hire an architectural photographer and ask that person to show the building, to take a series of visuals of the building in a way that many of us may have never seen it before. The photographer in question, a gentleman by the name of Jason Statler, accepted the challenge and excelled at the task. Then came the difficult part, the choosing of only about 100 photos from the thousands taken by both the architectural photographer as well as other photographers associated with the Legislative Assembly in the Province of Alberta.

Earlier today I introduced a number of people who did work on the book: the team leader Rhonda Sorensen; writing and book design, Wolfgang Maul; colour photographs of the building by the architectural photographer, Jason Statler and Wolfgang Maul as well; and editing and production by Rhonda Sorensen, Philip Massolin, Tracey Sales, and Kathy Hnatiuk.

We selected the 100 photographs from over 1,000 digital photos that were taken. All current and former Members of the Legislative Assembly will receive a copy of this publication. We've had 1,000 copies, 1,000 volumes, of the book published for our centennial event. We're in the process of publishing an additional 9,000 more so that all Albertans and Canadians can view and appreciate this book. The books will be available within six weeks at our gift shop. I will also be providing to all Members of the Legislative Assembly, sufficient copies to each Member so that they may distribute them to all of the libraries in their constituencies if they wish to participate. If the Member chooses not to participate in the delivery of such to the libraries within their constituencies, then of course we will arrange for the distribution. We hope to have this process in place by early May of this year.

The books were published in the Province of Alberta and you will see on the back page of the book the whole production team, the team that worked on it. This is the first time in 26 years that we've had a book done on the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta. The people who worked on it, again, I repeat, volunteered evenings, weekends, and holidays because they believed in the project here in the Legislative Assembly of Alberta. I'm really proud of them.

### **Members' Statements**

Mr. Lukaszuk, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, made a statement regarding Louis Warring and Jan Mitsosz Lisiecki, winners of the "What Democracy Means to Me" essay contest held by the Legislative Assembly.

Mr. McFarland, Hon. Member for Little Bow, made a statement congratulating the Speaker and Assembly staff on the Legislative Assembly centennial celebrations held on March 15, 2006.

Ms Pastoor, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, made a statement regarding the proposed Montana-Alberta Tie Line Project.

Mrs. Mather, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, made a statement regarding the role of grandparents.

Mr. Lindsay, Hon. Member for Stony Plain, made a statement regarding the March 14, 2006 announcement of the Keephills 3 Electricity Generation Plant, a partnership between TransAlta and EPCOR.

Mr. Martin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, made a statement regarding the Government granting a special labour code designation to CNRL (Canadian Natural Resources Limited).

## **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, presented a petition from 20 Edmonton residents urging the Government to establish public auto insurance as proposed in "People Before Profits" from the Alberta Liberal Caucus.

Mr. Taylor, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, presented a petition from 1,193 Albertans urging the Government to recognize the financial burden borne by post-secondary students in this province and to take action by implementing a significant rollback of tuition fees.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, on behalf of Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, presented a petition from 1,175 Albertans urging the Government to recognize the financial burden borne by post-secondary students in this province and to take action by implementing a significant rollback of tuition fees.

## **Notices of Motions**

Pursuant to Standing Order 34(2)(a), Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following Written Questions and Motions for Returns to be dealt with Monday, March 20, 2006:

Written Questions: WQ1, WQ3, WQ4, WQ5, WQ6, WQ7, WQ8, WQ9.

Motions for Returns: MR1, MR2, MR3, MR4, MR5, MR6, MR7, MR8, MR9, MR10, MR11, MR12, MR13, MR14, MR15, MR16, MR17, MR18, MR19.

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

Notice having been given:

Bill 23 Provincial Parks Amendment Act, 2006 — Hon. Mr. Mar

Bill 206 Designation of Child Access Exchange Centres Act — Ms DeLong

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Education, pursuant to the Teaching Profession Act, cT-2, s15(2):

Alberta Teachers' Association, 2004 Annual Report  
Sessional Paper 158/2006

Ms Pastoor, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East:

6 letters dated February 28, 2006, from Edmonton residents to Mrs. Mather, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, expressing opposition to the cancellation of a national child care agreement

Sessional Paper 159/2006

Dr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora:

6 letters dated February 28, 2006, from Edmonton residents to Mrs. Mather, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, expressing opposition to the cancellation of a national child care agreement

Sessional Paper 160/2006

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

Letter, undated, unsigned, from Gordon Inglis of Edmonton to Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Health and Wellness, expressing opposition to private health care, private health insurance, and allowing doctors to work in both the public and proposed private health care systems

Sessional Paper 161/2006

Letter dated March 15, 2006, unsigned, from Martha Dobbin of Edmonton to Whom it May Concern, regarding the differences between health care in the United States and Canada

Sessional Paper 162/2006

Letter dated March 13, 2006, unsigned, from Tonya Malo to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing opposition to the Government's plans to reform the health care system

Sessional Paper 163/2006

6 letters dated February 28, 2006, from Edmonton residents to Mrs. Mather, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, expressing opposition to the cancellation of a national child care agreement

Sessional Papers 164/2006

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

6 letters dated February 28, 2006, from Edmonton residents to Mrs. Mather, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, expressing opposition to the cancellation of a national child care agreement

Sessional Paper 165/2006

Mr. Flaherty, Hon. Member for St. Albert:

Report dated March 2006 entitled "Final Report Summary of Proceedings, January 28, 2006 Community Workshop Special Education Review" prepared by Kathryn Burke

Sessional Paper 166/2006

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

E-mail message dated March 8, 2006, from Cheryl Senger to Mr. Bonko, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, expressing concern regarding cuts to daycare subsidies and low wages for daycare workers

Sessional Paper 167/2006

E-mail message dated March 11, 2006, from Ted Woynillowicz to Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Health and Wellness, expressing opposition to private health care, private health insurance, and allowing doctors to work in both the public and proposed private health care systems

Sessional Paper 168/2006

E-mail message dated March 12, 2006, from Chris O'Brien of Edmonton to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing opposition to the Government's plans to reform health care and allowing doctors to work in both the public and the proposed private health care systems

Sessional Paper 169/2006

E-mail message dated March 14, 2006, from James Johnson of Edmonton to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing opposition to the privatization of health care and allowing doctors to work in both the public and the proposed private health care systems

Sessional Paper 170/2006

E-mail message dated January 31, 2006, from Colleen Mead of Edmonton to the Liberal Communications Branch attaching the text of an e-mail message to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, suggesting the Government research the health care systems in Britain and Australia before implementing changes in Alberta

Sessional Paper 171/2006

E-mail message dated March 15, 2006, from Virginia Stephen of Edmonton to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing opposition to the Government's Health Policy Framework

Sessional Paper 172/2006

Mrs. Mather, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods:

6 letters dated February 28, 2006, from Edmonton residents to Mrs. Mather, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, expressing opposition to the cancellation of a national child care agreement

Sessional Paper 173/2006

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

Alberta Federation of Labour website article, undated, entitled "The Horizon Project: Showdown Over Labour Rights"

Sessional Paper 174/2006

Letter dated February 26, 2006, from Tammy Winder of Lethbridge to Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, requesting assistance in determining why her developmentally disabled daughter did not receive proper support to manage her diabetes, with attached letter dated January 23, 2006, from Tammy Winder to Debbie Deak, Special Education Director, Holy Spirit Roman Catholic Separate Regional Division

Sessional Paper 175/2006

Mr. Tougas, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

19 recent letters and e-mail messages from Albertans to Mr. Flaherty, Hon. Member for St. Albert, to Whom it May Concern, and the Calgary Board of Education, outlining the difficulties in obtaining education for special needs children and requesting further funding for special needs programs

Sessional Paper 176/2006

## **Projected Government Business**

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Ms Blakeman, Official Opposition House Leader, asked a question pertaining to the order of Government Business to be brought before the Assembly for the following week.

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of March 20 to March 23, 2006:

Monday, March 20	9:00 p.m.	- <b>Government Motions</b> Motion 12, 13, 14 <b>Government Bills and Orders</b> <b>Third Reading</b> Bill 1, 3 <b>Second Reading</b> Bill 10, 13, 16 And as per the Order Paper
Tuesday, March 21	Aft.	- <b>Government Bills and Orders</b> <b>Committee of the Whole</b> Bill 10, 17, 18 And as per the Order Paper
	Eve.	- <b>Government Bills and Orders</b> <b>Committee of the Whole</b> Bill 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 And as per the Order Paper
Wednesday, March 22	Approx. 3:15 p.m.	- <b>Temporary Recess</b>
	Approx. 3:30 p.m.	- <b>Messages</b>

**Budget Address**

And as per the Order Paper

Eve. - **Government Motions**

As per the Order Paper

And as per the Order Paper

Thursday, March 23 Aft. - **Royal Assent**

**Government Motions**

As per the Order Paper

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**Government Bills and Orders**

**Committee of the Whole**

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

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 2 Drug-endangered Children Act — Hon. Mrs. Forsyth

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 1 Alberta Cancer Prevention Legacy Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Klein

Rev. Abbott, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Subamendment to Bill 1 (Hon. Member for Airdrie-Chestermere) —  
Agreed to

Sessional Paper 177/2006

Amendment to Bill 1 (introduced by the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview on March 14, 2006) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 178/2006

Amendment to Bill 2 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona) — Defeated  
Sessional Paper 179/2006

Rev. Abbott, Acting Chair of Committees, also tabled copies of documents tabled by Ms Blakeman during Committee of the Whole consideration of Bill 1.

Copy of the Tobacco Control Act, cT-14.1, Statutes of Saskatchewan, 2001  
Sessional Paper 180/2006

ASH (Action on Smoking and Health) advertisement entitled "The place we're most exposed to smoking is indoors"  
Sessional Paper 181/2006

## **Adjournment**

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(5), the Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until Monday, March 20, 2006, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski,  
Speaker

Title: Thursday, March 16, 2006