

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 8

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Sixth Legislature

Tuesday, March 20, 2007

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

Speaker's Statement - Members' Anniversaries

The Speaker made a statement in recognition of the 18th anniversaries of Mr. Cardinal, Hon. Member for Athabasca-Redwater, Ms Calahasen, Hon. Member for Lesser Slave Lake, and Mr. Lund, Hon. Member for Rocky Mountain House, who were elected to the Legislative Assembly of Alberta on March 20, 1989.

Members' Statements

Mr. Ducharme, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake, made a statement recognizing March 20, 2007, as the International Day of Francophonie, and Les Rendez-vous de la Francophonie taking place from March 9-25, 2007.

Mr. Marz, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, made a statement regarding the Cremona Legion cribbage team who recently won the Alberta-Northwest Territories provincial championship, and who will compete in the national championship in Halifax, Nova Scotia, from April 27-30, 2007.

Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, made a statement recognizing the achievements of the William Aberhart High School Trojan girls' wrestling team and regarding the need for the Government to fund gastroparesis research.

Mr. Cao, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fort, made a statement regarding the Calgary Maple Sugar Festival held March 17-18, 2007.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, made a statement regarding the need for the Government to improve standards in long-term care facilities.

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, presented a petition from 88 Albertans urging the Government to prevent the development of the Sherritt Dodds-Roundhill coal gasification project until the expressed consent of the families in the communities in the affected and surrounding areas is obtained, and to develop a comprehensive energy plan that uses our abundant energy resources to develop a green and sustainable future.

Mr. Elsalhy, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, presented a petition from 80 Edmonton residents urging the Government to complete, as soon as possible, the overpasses and interchanges at the locations where the Anthony Henday Drive (Edmonton ring road) intersects Lessard Road, Callingwood Road (62nd Avenue), and Cameron Heights Drive.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Dépôt de projets de loi (Première lecture)

Upon recommendation of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 22 Alberta Investment Management Corporation Act (\$) — Hon. Dr. Oberg

Notice having been given: L'avis ayant été donné:

Bill 24 Real Estate Amendment Act, 2007 — Mr. Rogers

Bill 204 Emblems of Alberta Projet de loi 204 Loi modificative de (Franco-Albertan Recognition) Amendment Act, 2007 — Mr. Oberle Projet de loi 204 Loi modificative de 2007 sur les emblèmes de l'Alberta (reconnaissance du fait franco-albertain) — M. Oberle

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

Bill 24 Real Estate Amendment Act, 2007 — Mr. Rogers

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Letter dated March 13, 2007, from Bonita Davidson of Edmonton to Whom it May Concern expressing concern regarding working conditions and salaries for caregivers of people with disabilities

Sessional Paper 87/2007

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

News release dated November 28, 2006, entitled "Stelmach Issues Statement About the Teachers' Pension Fund Liability" prepared by the Ed Stelmach Leadership Campaign

Sessional Paper 88/2007

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

Letter dated March 19, 2007, from Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, to Hon. Mr. Groeneveld, Minister of Agriculture and Food, requesting an internal investigation and apology regarding a posting on the SaveMyCWB website

Sessional Paper 89/2007

News release dated December 20, 2006, entitled "Alberta Farmers Continue to Pay a High Price for Electricity Deregulation" prepared by the Alberta Liberal Caucus

Sessional Paper 90/2007

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

Letter dated February 27, 2007, from Viviane Bouliane, Unity Centre of North East Edmonton, to the Affordable Housing Task Force expressing concern regarding the homeless

Sessional Paper 91/2007

Petition signed by 110 Albertans who would like the accused killer of Joshua Hunt tried and sentenced as an adult

Sessional Paper 92/2007

Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity:

Canada.com website article dated March 15, 2007, entitled "Life-changing device helps local kids stay active, provincial funding needed for gastroparesis patients" prepared by Alex Fraser Harrison

Sessional Paper 93/2007

Mr. Agnihotri, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

E-mail message dated October 31, 2006, from Linda Smith to Mr. Agnihotri, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, expressing concern regarding the Young Offenders Act

Sessional Paper 94/2007

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Horner, Minister of Advanced Education and Technology:

Pursuant to the Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research Act, cA-21, s22, Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research, 2005-2006 Programs and Financial Highlights

Sessional Paper 95/2007

Pursuant to the Alberta Heritage Foundation for Science and Engineering Research Act, cA-22, s7(6), Alberta Ingenuity Fund, 05/06 Annual Report Sessional Paper 96/2007

Pursuant to the Apprenticeship and Industry Training Act, cA-42, s6(2), Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training Board, 2005-2006 Annual Report Sessional Paper 97/2007

Alberta Prion Research Institute, 2005-2006 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 98/2007

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Finance:

Report dated January 2006 entitled "Organization and Governance Review of Alberta Investment Management (AIM)" prepared for Alberta Finance by Capelle Associates Incorporated on behalf of Capelle Associates Incorporated and KPA Advisory Services Limited

Sessional Paper 99/2007

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 1 Lobbyists Act — Hon. Mr. Stelmach

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

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

Bill 20 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2007 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Snelgrove

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 3 Climate Change and Emissions Management Amendment Act, 2007 — Hon. Mr. Renner

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 1 Lobbyists Act — Hon. Mr. Stelmach

A debate followed.

Dr. Taft moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

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

Bill 20 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2007 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Snelgrove

Bill 25 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2007 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Snelgrove

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

Moved by Mr. Ducharme and seconded by Mr. Johnston:

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. Miller moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

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

Bill 1 Lobbyists Act — Hon. Mr. Stelmach

Dr. Pannu moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Renner, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 6:00 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:51 p.m. until Wednesday, March 21, 2007, at 1:00 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Tuesday, March 20, 2007