



**Legislative Assembly  
Province of Alberta**

No. 17

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Third Session

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Thursday, April 12, 2007

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

**Members' Statements**

Mr. Marz, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, made a statement recognizing Hon. Mr. Kowalski on his 10th anniversary as Speaker of the Legislative Assembly on April 14, 2007.

Mr. Strang, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, made a statement regarding the Community Development Master Agreement signed by the towns of Edson and Hinton, Yellowhead County, and Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Mr. VanderBurg, Hon. Member for Whitecourt-Ste. Anne, made a statement regarding Harold Gibson of Sangudo who passed away on April 9, 2007.

Ms Calahasen, Hon. Member for Lesser Slave Lake, made a statement regarding Bob Maskell, former Member of the Legislative Assembly.

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, made a statement regarding the need to plan for environmental sustainability.

Mr. Agnihotri, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement recognizing April 13, 2007, as Vaisakhi, also known as Khalsa Day, an important event in the Indian and Sikh communities.

Mr. Mason, Hon. Leader of the New Democrat Opposition, made a statement regarding Betty Mardiros of Edmonton who passed away on March 30, 2007.

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Ouellette, Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation:

Response to questions raised by Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, during Oral Question Period on April 11, 2007, regarding highway 63  
Sessional Paper 225/2007

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

7 e-mail messages and 1 letter from Albertans to several Members of the Legislative Assembly and to Whom it May Concern expressing opposition to clear cut logging and further development in the west Bragg Creek and Kananaskis areas  
Sessional Paper 226/2007

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

Letter dated February 14, 2007, unsigned, from Rick and JoAnn Gravestock of Edmonton to Mr. Backs, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, requesting an investigation into the circumstances in which an Edmonton Smitty's restaurant sponsored and hired workers from Fiji  
Sessional Paper 227/2007

Copy of a petition signed by 45 Albertans who would like the accused killer of Joshua Hunt tried and sentenced as an adult  
Sessional Paper 228/2007

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Letter dated April 12, 2007, from Robert W. Parker to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing concern regarding his inability to pay for medical services  
Sessional Paper 229/2007

E-mail message dated March 27, 2007, from Denise Wood to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, and Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Health and Wellness, expressing concern regarding the sterilization of a piece of equipment used in a procedure 15 years ago  
Sessional Paper 230/2007

E-mail message dated March 27, 2007, from Jane Edgett to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing concern regarding issues that arose due to staffing cutbacks at the Red Deer Regional Hospital in the late 1990s  
Sessional Paper 231/2007

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

E-mail message dated January 30, 2007, from Allan D. Laird to Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, requesting wage enhancement and professional development funds for all childcare professionals working with children up to 12 years of age

Sessional Paper 232/2007

E-mail message dated January 30, 2007, from Tammy Hebert of Edmonton to Mrs. Mather, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, expressing concern regarding the amount of rent she is paying for a townhouse that is in need of repair

Sessional Paper 233/2007

Mr. Mason, Hon. Leader of the New Democrat Opposition:

ProQuest web page reproducing an Edmonton Journal article dated February 15, 2000, entitled "Highlands byelection attracting interest"

Sessional Paper 234/2007

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

10 recent letters from Albertans, unsigned, to Hon. Mr. Stelmach, Premier, and Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Employment, Immigration and Industry, requesting amendments to the Employment Standards Act to ensure the protection of workers who take compassionate care leave

Sessional Paper 235/2007

## **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Boutilier, Minister of International, Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Relations:

Response to Written Question WQ29, asked for by Dr. Swann on behalf of Mr. Bonko on April 24, 2006:

What measures has the Government taken to work collectively with the Federal Government and the Alberta China Office to address human rights concerns in China, specifically in regards to Falun Gong supporters?

Sessional Paper 236/2007

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Lindsay, Solicitor General and Minister of Public Security:

Pursuant to the Gaming and Liquor Act, cG-1, s30(2), Alberta Liquor and Gaming Commission, 2005/2006 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 237/2007

Pursuant to the Horse Racing Alberta Act, cH-11.3, s10(2), Horse Racing Alberta, 2005 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 238/2007

## **Projected Government Business**

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(6), 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. Hancock, Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of April 16 to April 19, 2007:

Tuesday, April 17

### **Government Motions**

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### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Second Reading**

Bill 19, 22, 28

#### **Committee of the Whole**

Bill 15, 17, 18, 22

#### **Third Reading**

Bill 3, 15

And as per the Order Paper

Wednesday, April 18

### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Committee of the Whole**

Bill 18, 19, 22, 28

#### **Third Reading**

Bill 6, 10, 12, 16, 17, 21, 22

### **Government Motions**

As per the Order Paper

And as per the Order Paper

Thursday, April 19

**Temporary Recess**

**Messages**

**Budget Address**

**Government Motions**

As per the Order Paper

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## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 28 Provincial Court Amendment Act, 2007 — Hon. Mr. Stevens

#### **Third Reading**

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 21 Securities Amendment Act, 2007 — Mr. Pham

#### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 27 Emblems of Alberta Amendment Act, 2007 — Hon. Mr. Goudreau

#### **Third Reading**

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

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

Mr. Mason, Hon. Leader of the New Democrat Opposition, moved that the motion be amended by striking out the words after “that” and substituting the following:

Bill 3, Climate Change and Emissions Management Amendment Act, 2007, be not now read a third time because the proposed measures to reduce the intensity of specified gas emissions contained therein, combined with rapid oilsands development will allow ongoing, dramatic increases in specified gas emissions and make it impossible to meet the requirements of the Kyoto Protocol.

A debate followed on the amendment.

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

### **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 4:59 p.m. until Monday, April 16, 2007, at 1:00 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski,  
Speaker

Title: Thursday, April 12, 2007