

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Sixth Legislature

Wednesday, May 30, 2007

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

Speaker's Statement - Centennial Series Books

The Speaker made a statement regarding a collection of books produced by the staff of the Legislative Assembly Office, entitled "The Centennial Series: Legislative Assembly of Alberta" highlighting the Lieutenant Governors, Premiers, Speakers, and election results in Alberta over the past 100 years, and introduced Sandra Perry, Legislature Librarian, and Dr. David McNeil, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, who played key roles in the production of these books.

Members' Statements

Mr. Marz, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, made a statement congratulating several Legislative Assembly Office staff for their efforts in producing a collection of books entitled "The Centennial Series: Legislative Assembly of Alberta."

Mr. Shariff, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall, made a statement congratulating several recipients of Commonwealth Parliamentary Association bursaries.

Mr. Prins, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Ponoka, made a statement congratulating several recipients of the 2006 Queen's Golden Jubilee Citizenship medals.

Mr. Zwozdesky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Creek, made a statement regarding the Aga Khan Foundation Canada's 23rd annual World Partnership Walk held on May 27, 2007, in Edmonton.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding Alberta Government grants provided to several Alberta golf courses over the past three fiscal years.

Ms Pastoor, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, made a statement regarding the need to begin construction of a school planned for west Lethbridge.

Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Renner, Deputy Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the disposition of Written Questions and Motions for Returns, pursuant to Standing Order 34(3.1):

Written Questions: Stand and retain their places.

Motions for Returns: Stand and retain their places.

Tabling Returns and Reports

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

List of Alberta Government grants provided to Alberta golf courses during the 2003-04, 2004-05, and 2005-06 fiscal years

Sessional Paper 519/2007

Mr. Taylor, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie:

Open letter dated May 4, 2007, from His Worship Dave Bronconnier, Mayor of Calgary, to residents of Calgary outlining the amount of funding the City of Calgary will receive from the Alberta Government in the 2007-08 budget

Sessional Paper 520/2007

7 recent letters from Iain Strathern, FOIP (Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy) Advisor, Alberta Environment, to David Kincade, Alberta Liberal Caucus, regarding request E07-G-0117 for access to documents pertaining to the race track and mega-mall development in the Balzac area

Sessional Paper 521/2007

Ms Pastoor, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East:

7 recent letters and 5 recent e-mail messages from Albertans to Ms Pastoor, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, expressing concern regarding the unfunded liability of the Alberta Teachers' Pension Fund and a lack of education funding

Sessional Paper 522/2007

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View:

Letter dated February 7, 2007, unsigned, from Christopher Ayers, B.Eng (RMC), MD, CCFP, to Hon. Mr. Stelmach, Premier, expressing concern regarding the effect of rent increases on some of his patients

Sessional Paper 523/2007

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

Energy Solutions Alberta website article dated May 15, 2007, entitled "Money well spent: Calgary family builds geothermal dream home"

Sessional Paper 524/2007

Alberta Building Trades Council news release dated May 14, 2007, entitled "Alberta Building Trades Council ready to assist CNRL (Canadian Natural Resources Limited)"

Sessional Paper 525/2007

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

Legislature of the State of Idaho motion entitled "House Joint Memorial No. 5" agreed to during the First Regular Session (2007) of the 59th Legislature

Sessional Paper 526/2007

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

Collection of books entitled "The Centennial Series: Legislative Assembly of Alberta" comprised of "On Behalf of the Crown," "The Mantle of Leadership," "A Higher Duty," and "A Century of Democracy" highlighting the Lieutenant Governors, Premiers, Speakers, and election results in Alberta over the past 100 years

Sessional Paper 527/2007

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Danyluk, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing:

Responses to questions raised by Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, and Ms Pastoor, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, on May 15, 2007, Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing, 2007-08 Main Estimates debate Sessional Paper 528/2007

Petroleum Tank Management Association of Alberta, Annual Report 2006 Sessional Paper 529/2007

ABSA (Alberta Boilers Safety Association), Annual Report 2006 Sessional Paper 530/2007

Pursuant to the Safety Codes Act, cS-1, s25(3), Safety Codes Council, 2006 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 531/2007

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Melchin, Minister of Seniors and Community Supports:

Responses to questions raised by several Members of the Legislative Assembly on May 15 and 16, 2007, Department of Seniors and Community Supports, 2007-08 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 532/2007

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Knight, Minister of Energy:

Response to questions raised by Mr. Strang, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, and Mr. Cao, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fort, on May 16, 2007, Department of Energy, 2007-08 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 533/2007

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

23. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly refer Bill 2, Conflicts of Interest Amendment Act, 2007, to the Standing Committee on Government Services for the committee's consideration, review, and comment, and request the committee to report to the Assembly on or before the first week of the Fall 2007 sitting.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 29 Farm Implement Amendment Act, 2007 — Rev. Abbott

Rev. Abbott moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

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

Bill 39 Engineering, Geological and Geophysical Professions Amendment Act, 2007 — Mr. Lukaszuk on behalf of Mr. Dunford

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

Committee of Supply (Hours 40 to 42 — Main Estimates)

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

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair and Dr. Brown reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions, for the Departments of Energy, Infrastructure and Transportation, Sustainable Resource Development, and Environment, reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

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 5:47 p.m. that when the Assembly reconvened at 7:00 p.m. it would be in Committee of Supply and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 2007 — 7:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Hours 43 to 45 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker assumed the Chair and Mr. Mitzel reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions, for the Departments of Agriculture and Food, Tourism, Parks, Recreation and Culture, International, Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Relations, and Justice and Attorney General, reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

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 9.51~p.m. until Thursday, May $31,\,2007,$ at 1.00~p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, May 30, 2007