



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 37

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Sixth Legislature

Thursday, May 31, 2007

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, made a statement regarding the Compassionate Friends of Edmonton Society.

Mr. Coutts, Hon. Member for Livingstone-Macleod, made a statement regarding the history of Pincher Creek.

Mr. Cenaiko, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, made a statement recognizing May 31, 2007, as World No Tobacco Day.

Mrs. Jablonski, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North, made a statement regarding the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Great Strides Walk held on May 27, 2007, and recognizing May 2007 as Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month.

Mr. Agnihotri, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding lottery grants.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, made a statement regarding high rent costs for seniors.

Presenting Petitions

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, presented a petition from 530 Albertans requesting the inclusion of complex decongestive therapy in the list of accepted therapeutic procedures covered by Alberta Health Care.

Tabling Returns and Reports

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

Program from the City of Edmonton Advisory Board on Services for Persons With Disabilities 2007 Mayor's Awards presented on May 17, 2007
Sessional Paper 534/2007

Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition:

E-mail message dated May 8, 2007, from Al Weir expressing concern regarding the financial difficulties he and his wife face living on AISH (Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped)
Sessional Paper 535/2007

Mr. MacDonald, Chair, Standing Committee on Public Accounts:

Letter dated May 28, 2007, from Mr. MacDonald, Chair, Standing Committee on Public Accounts, to Steve Petz, President and Chief Executive Officer, East Central Health Region, requesting confirmation of attendance at a meeting of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts to be held on September 11, 2007
Sessional Paper 536/2007

Letter dated May 28, 2007, from Mr. MacDonald, Chair, Standing Committee on Public Accounts, to Bernie Blais, Chief Executive Officer, Northern Lights Health Region, requesting confirmation of attendance at a meeting of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts to be held on September 11, 2007
Sessional Paper 537/2007

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

Letter dated May 14, 2007, from Robert R. Hoover of High River to Bob Hawkesworth, Member, ENMAX Board of Directors, expressing concern regarding manual re-closing of tripped high voltage circuit breakers
Sessional Paper 538/2007

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Brochure entitled "Breaking the Information Barrier" prepared by VoicePrint Canada
Sessional Paper 539/2007

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Tarchuk, Minister of Children's Services:

Responses to questions raised by several Members of the Legislative Assembly on May 16, 2007, Department of Children's Services, 2007-08 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 540/2007

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Snelgrove, Minister of Service Alberta:

Response to Written Question WQ12, asked for by Mr. Miller on May 14, 2007:

For each of the fiscal years 2001-2002 through 2005-2006, what percentage of requests for information under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act were met within 30 days of the initial request?

Sessional Paper 541/2007

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Renner, Minister of Environment:

Responses to questions raised by several Members of the Legislative Assembly on May 14 and 16, 2007, Department of Environment, 2007-08 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 542/2007

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Renner, Minister of Environment, and Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Health and Wellness:

Response to a question raised by Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, on May 16, 2007, Departments of Environment and Health and Wellness, 2007-08 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 543/2007

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

Responses to questions raised by several Members of the Legislative Assembly on May 8, 2007, Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing, 2007-08 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 544/2007

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 June 4 to June 7, 2007:

Monday, June 4	eve.	<p>Government Bills and Orders</p> <p>Committee of the Whole</p> <p>Bill 26, 32, 33</p> <p>Second Reading</p> <p>Bill 29, 39</p> <p>Committee of the Whole</p> <p>Bill 29, 39</p> <p>And as per the Order Paper</p>
Tuesday, June 5	aft.	<p>Government Motions</p> <p>Motion 27 (if required)</p> <p>Government Bills and Orders</p> <p>Committee of Supply (Hours 49 to 51)</p> <p>Infrastructure and Transportation; Employment, Immigration and Industry; Seniors and Community Supports (ND)</p> <p>And as per the Order Paper</p>
	eve.	<p>Government Bills and Orders</p> <p>Committee of Supply (Hours 52 to 54)</p> <p>Education; Employment, Immigration and Industry; Seniors and Community Supports; Children’s Services (Private Government Members)</p> <p>And as per the Order Paper</p>
Wednesday, June 6	aft.	<p>Government Bills and Orders</p> <p>Committee of Supply (Hours 55 to 57)</p> <p>Executive Council (Cross-ministry: LIB - 1.5 hr., ND - .5 hr., any Member - 1 hr.)</p> <p>And as per the Order Paper</p>
	eve.	<p>Government Bills and Orders</p> <p>As per the Order Paper</p> <p>And as per the Order Paper</p>

Thursday, June 7

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of Supply (Hours 58 to 60)

Energy; Sustainable Resource Development;
Municipal Affairs and Housing; Environment
(Cross-ministry: LIB - 1.5 hr., ND - .5 hr., any
Member - 1 hr.)

All votes on 2007-08 Offices of the
Legislative Assembly Estimates and 2007-08
Government Estimates

And as per the Order Paper

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

25. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to Standing Order 4, convene an evening sitting, beginning at 8:00 p.m., on Monday, June 4, 2007, for the consideration of Government Business.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Committee of Supply (Hours 46 to 48 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker assumed the Chair and Rev Abbott reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions, for the Departments of Sustainable Resource Development, International, Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Relations, and Tourism, Parks, Recreation and Culture, 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.

Government Motions

26. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to Standing Order 4, convene an evening sitting, beginning at 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, June 5, 2007, for the consideration of Main Estimates in Committee of Supply.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

24. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly refer Bill 31, Mental Health Amendment Act, 2007, to the Standing Committee on Community 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.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:53 p.m. until Monday, June 4, 2007, at 1:00 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Thursday, May 31, 2007