

# Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 41

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Third Session

Twenty-Sixth Legislature

Thursday, June 7, 2007

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

#### **Ministerial Statements**

Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Employment, Immigration and Industry, made a statement recognizing Louise McKinney and Roberta McAdams, the first women to be elected to a provincial legislature in Canada on June 7, 1917.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, commented on the statement.

The Speaker requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to allow Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, to comment on the Ministerial Statement.

#### **Members' Statements**

Mr. Cao, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fort, made a statement regarding the recent Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference held in Calgary.

Mr. Ducharme, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake, made a statement recognizing the Lac La Biche Watershed Steering Committee, recently presented with a silver 2007 Canadian Environment Award.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, made a statement regarding the value of volunteer organizations.

Mrs. Jablonski, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North, made a statement regarding the June 1, 2007, opening of Kentwood Place in Red Deer, a private assisted-care facility for individuals with severe mental illness.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding royalty revenues.

Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, made a statement regarding the need for an ecologically sustainable water management plan.

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

Notice having been given:

Bill 213 Regulatory Accountability and Transparency Act — Mr. Backs

#### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Groeneveld, Minister of Agriculture and Food:

Responses to questions raised by Ms Haley, Hon. Member for Airdrie-Chestermere, and Mr. Strang, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, on May 30, 2007, Department of Agriculture and Food, 2007-08 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 589/2007

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

Letter dated September 13, 2006, from Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, to Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Finance, expressing opposition to the lack of funding for junior kindergarten and to Government grants provided to golf courses, with attached chart entitled "Grants over \$5,000 from General Revenue Fund, Province of Alberta, Public Accounts Blue Book for the year ended March 31, 2005"

Sessional Paper 590/2007

Letter dated May 24, 2007, from Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, to Hon. Mr. Knight, Minister of Energy, requesting information regarding a high pressure steam pipeline rupture at MEG Energy Corporation's Christina Lake regional project

Sessional Paper 591/2007

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Health and Wellness, on behalf of Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Employment, Immigration and Industry:

Letter dated June 6, 2007, from Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Employment, Immigration and Industry, to Mr. Martin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, regarding questions raised by Mr. Martin on June 5, 2007, Department of Employment, Immigration and Industry, 2007-08 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 592/2007

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

Midwest Property Management notice and information document, undated, regarding heat metering

Sessional Paper 593/2007

Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder:

E-mail message dated June 4, 2007, from Susan Meyer of Edmonton to the New Democratic Opposition expressing concern regarding the lack of affordable housing

Sessional Paper 594/2007

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

Catholic Social Services, Annual Report 2006

Sessional Paper 595/2007

### **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Snelgrove, President of the Treasury Board and Minister of Service Alberta:

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, on May 29, 2007, Departments of the Treasury Board and Service Alberta, 2007-08 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 596/2007

#### **Projected Government Business**

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(6), Mr. Miller, Acting 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 11 to June 14, 2007:

Monday, June 11 **Introduction of Bills (First Reading)** 

Bill 43, 44

And as per the Order Paper

Tuesday, June 12 **Introduction of Bills (First Reading)** 

Bill 41, 42, 45

**Government Motions** 

Motion 28, 29

**Government Bills and Orders** 

**Second Reading** 

Bill 43, 44, Pr1

**Third Reading** 

Bill 26, 29, 32, 33, 39

And as per the Order Paper

Wednesday, June 13 Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Bill 46

**Government Bills and Orders** 

Committee of the Whole

Bill 43, 44, Pr1

**Third Reading** 

Bill 44, Pr1

And as per the Order Paper

Thursday, June 14 Royal Assent

**Government Bills and Orders** 

**Third Reading** 

As per the Order Paper

And as per the Order Paper

# **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

# **Committee of Supply** (Hours 57 to 60 — Main Estimates)

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

(Assembly in Committee)

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.04(1)(b), the question was put on the Estimates for the Department of Education, which was agreed to. With Mr. Shariff in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 30

Ouellette Adv Fritz Amery Graydon Pham Groeneveld Backs Prins Brown Haley Renner Cardinal Hancock Rogers Cenaiko Herard Snelgrove Danyluk Tarchuk Horner DeLong VanderBurg Knight Dunford Webber Mar Evans Morton Zwozdesky

Against the motion: 12

Agnihotri Flaherty Miller (Edmonton-Glenora)
Blakeman MacDonald Miller (Edmonton-Rutherford)

Bonko Martin Taft Eggen Mather Tougas

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.04(1)(b), the question was put on the Estimates for the Department of Environment, which was agreed to. With Mr. Shariff in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 30

Ady Fritz Ouellette Amery Graydon Pham Prins Backs Groeneveld Brown Haley Renner Cardinal Rogers Hancock Herard Snelgrove Cenaiko Tarchuk Danyluk Horner VanderBurg DeLong Knight Dunford Mar Webber Evans Morton Zwozdesky

Against the motion: 12

Agnihotri Flaherty Miller (Edmonton-Glenora)
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Pursuant to Standing Order 59.04(1)(b), the question was put on the Estimates for the Department of Executive Council, which was agreed to. With Mr. Shariff in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 30

Ouellette Adv Fritz Amery Graydon Pham Groeneveld Backs Prins Brown Haley Renner Cardinal Hancock Rogers Cenaiko Herard Snelgrove Danyluk Tarchuk Horner DeLong VanderBurg Knight Dunford Webber Mar Evans Morton Zwozdesky

Against the motion: 12

Agnihotri Flaherty Miller (Edmonton-Glenora)
Blakeman MacDonald Miller (Edmonton-Rutherford)

Bonko Martin Taft Eggen Mather Tougas

Pursuant to Standing Order 59.04(1)(b), the question was put on the Estimates for the Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing, which was agreed to. With Mr. Shariff in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 30

Ady Fritz Ouellette Amery Graydon Pham Prins Backs Groeneveld Brown Haley Renner Cardinal Rogers Hancock Herard Snelgrove Cenaiko Tarchuk Danyluk Horner VanderBurg DeLong Knight Dunford Mar Webber Evans Morton Zwozdesky

Against the motion: 12

Agnihotri Flaherty Miller (Edmonton-Glenora)
Blakeman MacDonald Miller (Edmonton-Rutherford)

Bonko Martin Taft Eggen Mather Tougas

The Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Shariff reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions, reports as follows, and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that a sum not exceeding the following be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2008, for the Departments and purposes indicated:

#### Offices of the Legislative Assembly

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Support to the Legislative Assembly	
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$52,086,000
Office of the Auditor General	
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$20,770,000
Office of the Ombudsman	
Expense	\$2,546,000
Office of the Chief Electoral Officer	
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$13,228,000
Office of the Ethics Commissioner	
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$884,000
Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner	
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$5,128,000
Government	
<b>Advanced Education and Technology</b>	
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases Non-budgetary Disbursements	\$2,918,055,000 \$118,300,000
Agriculture and Food	
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$574,522,000
Children's Services	
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$975,616,000
Education	
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases Non-budgetary Disbursements	\$4,248,416,000 \$1,000,000
<b>Employment, Immigration and Industry</b>	
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$856,883,000
Energy	
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$204,519,000

Environment		
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases Non-budgetary Disbursements	\$162,336,000 1,000,000	
<b>Executive Council</b>		
Expense	\$23,209,000	
Finance		
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases Non-budgetary Disbursements	\$124,346,000 \$59,695,000	
Health and Wellness		
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases Capital Investment	\$12,023,189,000 \$26,718,000	
Infrastructure and Transportation		
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases Capital Investment Non-budgetary Disbursements	\$3,173,447,000 \$1,448,512,000 2,175,000	
International, Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Relations		
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$67,671,000	
Justice		
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$358,777,000	
Municipal Affairs and Housing		
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$812,030,000	
Seniors and Community Supports		
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$1,754,655,000	
Service Alberta		
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$383,147,000	
Solicitor General and Public Security		
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases Capital Investment Lottery Fund Payments	\$489,123,000 \$23,894,000 \$1,454,407,000	
Sustainable Resource Development		
Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases Capital Investment	\$344,725,000 \$26,200,000	

# Tourism, Parks, Recreation and Culture

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$741,904,000
Capital Investment	\$19,284,000
Non-budgetary Disbursements	\$9,712,000

# **Treasury Board**

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases \$19,240,000

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

# Adjournment

The Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 6:27~p.m. until Monday, June  $11,\,2007,$  at 1:00~p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Thursday, June 7, 2007