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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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Tuesday, November 6, 2007

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

Members' Statements

Ms DeLong, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow, made a statement regarding the Alberta film industry and Lorne MacPherson, former head of the Alberta Motion Picture Development Corporation.

Mrs. Jablonski, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North, made a statement regarding Gaetz Apartments at Michener Centre, a 42 unit affordable housing complex in Red Deer transformed from an empty provincial building.

Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, made a statement regarding low-income Albertans' lack of access to affordable and nutritious food.

Mr. Dunford, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, made a statement regarding the 50th anniversary of the Lethbridge Community College.

Mr. Cenaiko, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, made a statement regarding Lougheed House, an historic site located in the Calgary-Buffalo constituency.

Mr. Mason, Hon. Leader of the New Democrat Opposition, made a statement regarding natural resource royalty rates.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Mr. Cenaiko, Chair, Standing Committee on Government Services, presented the following reports:

Standing Committee on Government Services, Report on Bill 1: Lobbyists Act, dated November 2007

Sessional Paper 688/2007

Standing Committee on Government Services, Report on Bill 2: Conflicts of Interest Amendment Act, 2007, dated November 2007

Sessional Paper 689/2007

Mr. Marz, Acting Chair, Standing Committee on Community Services, presented the following reports:

Standing Committee on Community Services, Report on Bill 31: Mental Health Amendment Act, 2007, dated November 2007

Sessional Paper 690/2007

Standing Committee on Community Services, Report on Bill 41: Health Professions Statutes Amendment Act, 2007, dated November 2007

Sessional Paper 691/2007

Mr. Speaker, I request the concurrence of the Assembly with respect to the report on Bill 41.

The question being put, concurrence in the report was granted.

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Elsalhy, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, presented a petition from 82 Edmonton residents urging the Government to take immediate, meaningful measures to help low-income and fixed-income Albertans, Albertans with disabilities, and those who are hard-to-house maintain their places of residence and cope with the escalating and frequent increases in their monthly rental costs.

The petition put forth by Mr. Lund, Hon. Member for Rocky Mountain House, was not in order to be presented.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, presented a petition from 266 Albertans urging the Government to ensure that the remuneration paid to employees working with people with disabilities is standardized across the sector, regardless of whether these workers are employed by government, community-based, or private providers; ensure these employees are fairly compensated and that their wages remain competitive with other sectors to reflect the valuable and crucial service they provide; improve employees' access to professional development opportunities (training and upgrading); and introduce province-wide service and outcomes-focussed level-of-care standards.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Danyluk, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing:

Response to questions raised by Mr. Bonko, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, and Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, on June 7, 2007, Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing, 2007-08 Main Estimates debate
Sessional Paper 692/2007

Hon. Mr. Danyluk, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45, and the Government Accountability Act, cG-7, s14:

Municipal Affairs and Housing, Annual Report 2006-2007
Sessional Paper 693/2007

Hon. Mr. Danyluk, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing:

Alberta Elevating Devices and Amusement Rides Safety Association, Annual Report, April 1, 2006 to March 31, 2007
Sessional Paper 694/2007

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

Pursuant to the Agriculture Financial Services Act, cA-12, s15, Agriculture Financial Services Corporation, Annual Report 2006-2007
Sessional Paper 695/2007

Pursuant to the Brand Act, cB-6, s24(3), the Livestock Identification and Brand Inspection Act, cL-16, s38(3), the Livestock and Livestock Products Act, cL-18, s46(3), and the Stray Animals Act, cS-20, s33(3):

Livestock Identification Services Ltd. (LIS) Chief Operating Officer (COO) Report, Reporting Period: April 1, 2006 - March 31, 2007
Sessional Paper 696/2007

Ms Calahasen, Hon. Member for Lesser Slave Lake:

Copy of a petition signed by 76 Albertans requesting 25 extended care beds for Slave Lake residents
Sessional Paper 697/2007

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

Letter dated July 12, 2007, from Hon. Mr. Knight, Minister of Energy, to Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, responding to Mr. MacDonald's letter of June 19, 2007, regarding security measures taken by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board during a hearing in Rimbey
Sessional Paper 698/2007

Letter dated September 14, 2007, from Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, to Hon. Mr. Stelmach, Premier, requesting a full public inquiry into the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board's practice of hiring private investigators to attend and report on members of the public who take part in hearings

Sessional Paper 699/2007

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

E-mail message dated October 4, 2007, from Ryan Warden of Edmonton to Hon. Mr. Stelmach, Premier, and Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, providing feedback on the Alberta royalty review

Sessional Paper 700/2007

E-mail message dated August 31, 2007, from Mary Elizabeth Archer of Edmonton to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing concern regarding the human resources crisis in the human services sector

Sessional Paper 701/2007

E-mail message dated September 13, 2007, from Vernita Caron to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing concern regarding the health care system and hospital wait times

Sessional Paper 702/2007

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

Letter, undated, unsigned, from Lindsay Chevrier of Edmonton to Mrs. Mather, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, expressing concern regarding homelessness

Sessional Paper 703/2007

Letter dated November 4, 2007, unsigned, from Gabe Krahn of Camrose to Mrs. Mather, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, expressing concern regarding homelessness

Sessional Paper 704/2007

Letter, undated, unsigned, from Jaysey Carlson of Edmonton to Mrs. Mather, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, regarding the increasing cost of education

Sessional Paper 705/2007

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

Program from the Family Violence Prevention Month Proclamation held on November 1, 2007

Sessional Paper 706/2007

Copy of a petition signed by 190 Albertans who would like the accused killer of Joshua Hunt tried and sentenced as an adult

Sessional Paper 707/2007

Mr. Elsalhy, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung:

Letter dated October 23, 2007, from Inderjit Singh Chohan, MD, FRCPC, Consulting Forensic and General Adult Psychiatrist, to Mr. Elsalhy, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, expressing concern regarding racism and the misuse of mental illness labelling in public institutions for political and social control

Sessional Paper 708/2007

Copy of a document, undated, entitled "In Full Swing at the New Building" regarding the Edmonton City Young Men's Christian Association

Sessional Paper 709/2007

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

Page Biographies, Legislative Assembly of Alberta, 26th Legislature, Third Session, Fall 2007

Sessional Paper 710/2007

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Employment, Immigration and Industry, pursuant to the Land Surveyors Act, c-L3, s9(4):

Alberta Land Surveyors' Association, Report of Proceedings of the Ninety-eighth Annual General Meeting, April 27-28, 2007

Sessional Paper 711/2007

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Employment, Immigration and Industry:

Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors Radiation Health Administrative Organization, Annual Report Year End June 30, 2007, with attached Financial Statements, Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors dated June 30, 2007

Sessional Paper 712/2007

Alberta Veterinary Medical Association Radiation Protection Program, 2006 Annual Report, with attached Auditor's Report on Radiation Protection Program dated November 20, 2006

Sessional Paper 713/2007

Alberta Dental Association and College 2006 Radiation Health and Safety Program, Annual Report, January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006, with attached Financial Statements, Alberta Dental Association and College Radiation Administration Program dated December 31, 2006

Sessional Paper 714/2007

College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta Radiation Health Administrative Organization, Annual Report for the period of April 1, 2006 to March 31, 2007

Sessional Paper 715/2007

University of Alberta Authorized Radiation Health Administrative Organization,
Annual Report 2006-2007

Sessional Paper 716/2007

University of Calgary Authorized Radiation Health Administration Organization,
Annual Report for the period April 1, 2006 to March 31, 2007, with attached
Financial Statements for the years ended March 31, 2007 and 2006

Sessional Paper 717/2007

Point of Privilege

The Speaker heard comments from Ms Blakeman, Official Opposition House Leader, and Hon. Mr. Knight, Minister of Energy, concerning the purported question of privilege raised by Ms Blakeman on November 5, 2007.

The Speaker indicated he would rule on the matter on November 7, 2007.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 35 Alberta Personal Income Tax Amendment Act, 2007 — Mr. Rogers

Bill 36 Alberta Corporate Tax Amendment Act, 2007 — Mr. Rogers

Bill 37 Tobacco Tax Amendment Act, 2007 — Hon. Mr. Snelgrove on behalf of
Hon. Dr. Oberg

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 7 Private Vocational Schools Amendment Act, 2007 — Mr. Webber

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 8 Vital Statistics Act — Mr. VanderBurg

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Renner, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 6:00 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:57 p.m. until Wednesday, November 7, 2007, at 1:00 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, November 6, 2007