



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 5

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Seventh Legislature

Monday, April 21, 2008

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:30 p.m.

Members' Statements

Mr. Rogers, Hon. Member for Leduc-Beaumont-Devon, made a statement regarding the Capital Junior Hockey League's Leduc Myers Norris Penny Riggers and Beaumont Chiefs junior B hockey teams and their successes during the 2007-08 season.

Mrs. Sarich, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement recognizing the 130 semi-finalists of the 2008 Excellence in Teaching Awards.

Mr. Bhullar, Hon. Member for Calgary-Montrose, made a statement recognizing Calgary-Montrose constituents Laurie Gerdina and Heather Raskey, recipients of volunteer of the year awards for the community of Abbeydale.

Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, made a statement regarding a parks and protected areas plan to be released by the government.

Mrs. Forsyth, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, made a statement recognizing the Student Torch Relay Across Canada, which began in Newfoundland in October 2007 and is scheduled to end in Nunavut in June 2008, and its goal of increasing awareness of the importance of organ donation.

Mrs. McQueen, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Calmar, made a statement recognizing Amber Thomas of Drayton Valley who recently qualified in the event of swimming to compete at the Paralympic Games to be held in Beijing, China, this summer.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mrs. Sarich, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore:

Program from the 2008 Excellence in Teaching Awards Semi-Finalist Celebration held on April 15, 2008, in Edmonton

Sessional Paper 43/2008

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

5 letters, undated, from Albertans to a Member of the Legislative Assembly suggesting five changes be implemented to Alberta labour laws

Sessional Paper 44/2008

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

Letter dated March 17, 2008, unsigned, from Debbie Morris of Edmonton to Hon. Mr. Stelmach, Premier, and Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, expressing opposition to the privatization of health care and offering suggestions to improve the public health care system

Sessional Paper 45/2008

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Automobile Insurance Rate Board (AIRB) web site article entitled "AIRB Review of Mandatory Premiums, Formal Public Meetings" listing dates and locations of the public meetings

Sessional Paper 46/2008

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mrs. Ady, Minister of Tourism, Parks and Recreation, pursuant to the Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation Act, cA-34, s13(3):

Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation, 2001/2002 Annual Report, with attached Financial Statements dated March 31, 2002

Sessional Paper 47/2008

Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation, 2002/2003 Annual Report, with attached Financial Statements dated March 31, 2003

Sessional Paper 48/2008

Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation, 2003/2004 Annual Report, with attached Financial Statements dated March 31, 2004

Sessional Paper 49/2008

Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation, 2004/2005 Annual Report, with attached Financial Statements dated March 31, 2005

Sessional Paper 50/2008

Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation, 2005/2006 Annual Report, with attached Financial Statements dated March 31, 2006

Sessional Paper 51/2008

Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation, 2006/2007 Annual Report, with attached Financial Statements dated March 31, 2007

Sessional Paper 52/2008

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 Gaming and Liquor Commission, Annual Report 2006/2007

Sessional Paper 53/2008

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The Clerk of the Assembly advised that pursuant to temporary Standing Order 34(3.1), the following Written Questions were deemed to stand and retain their places:

None appearing on the Order Paper.

Motions for Returns

The Clerk of the Assembly advised that pursuant to temporary Standing Order 34(3.1), the following Motions for Returns were deemed to stand and retain their places:

None appearing on the Order Paper.

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 202 Alberta Volunteer Service Medal Act — Mr. Cao

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 201 Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Heritage Act — Mr. Mitzel

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Renner, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:27 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 21, 2008 — 7:30 P.M.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

501. Moved by Mr. Griffiths:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to study the feasibility of eliminating personal income tax in the province and replacing it with a consumption tax.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. With Hon. Mr. Kowalski in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 24

Berger	Fritz	Olson
Bhardwaj	Griffiths	Pastoor
Blackett	Jacobs	Redford
Calahasen	Johnson	Rodney
Cao	Knight	Sandhu
DeLong	Lukaszuk	Sarich
Doerksen	Mitzel	Snelgrove
Fawcett	Oberle	VanderBurg

Against the motion: 15

Ady	Drysdale	Renner
Benito	Johnston	Rogers
Brown	Kang	Swann
Chase	Marz	Weadick
Denis	Mason	Woo-Paw

Committee of Supply (Day 1 of 1 — Supplementary Supply Estimates)

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(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 of the 2007-08 Supplementary Supply Estimates (No. 2), General Revenue Fund, 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:

Aboriginal Relations

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$16,000,000
---	--------------

Education

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$52,000,000
---	--------------

Employment and Immigration

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$14,887,000
---	--------------

Energy

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$14,500,000
---	--------------

Environment

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$103,700,000
---	---------------

Finance and Enterprise

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$105,073,000
---	---------------

Housing and Urban Affairs

Expense and Equipment / Inventory Purchases	\$47,800,000
---	--------------

Transportation

Capital Investment	\$95,000,000
--------------------	--------------

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

Hon. Mr. Renner, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to revert to Introduction of Bills.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Upon recommendation of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 5 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2008 (\$) — Hon.
Mr. Snelgrove

Consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech

(Day 2)

Moved by Mrs. Leskiw and seconded by Mr. Bhullar:

That an humble address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To His Honour the Honourable Norman L. Kwong, CM, AOE, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Renner, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:53 p.m. until Tuesday, April 22, 2008, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Monday, April 21, 2008