

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 20

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Seventh Legislature

Thursday, May 15, 2008

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

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Liepert, Minister of Health and Wellness, made a statement announcing the establishment of the Alberta Health Services Board, a new health care system governance model.

Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, commented on the statement.

Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to comment on the Ministerial Statement.

Members' Statements

Mr. Anderson, Hon. Member for Airdrie-Chestermere, made a statement recognizing May 11-17, 2008, as National Police Week.

Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, made a statement regarding camping in Alberta's provincial parks.

Mr. Xiao, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement regarding the devastating earthquake in Sichuan Province in southwest China.

Mr. Dallas, Hon. Member for Red Deer-South, made a statement recognizing Bill Olafson, Red Deer Citizen of the Year, and Spencer Hachey, Red Deer Young Citizen of the Year, awarded by the Red Deer Rotary Club.

Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, made a statement expressing opposition to nuclear power in Alberta.

Presenting Petitions

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, presented a petition from 56 Albertans urging the Government to commission an independent and public inquiry into the Alberta Government's administration of or involvement with the Local Authorities Pension Plan, the Public Service Pension Plan, and the Alberta Teachers' Retirement Fund.

Mr. Kang, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall, presented a petition from 47 Albertans urging the Government to commission an independent and public inquiry into the Alberta Government's administration of or involvement with the Local Authorities Pension Plan, the Public Service Pension Plan, and the Alberta Teachers' Retirement Fund.

Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, presented a petition from 172 Calgary and area residents requesting the Legislative Assembly pass legislation that will prohibit emotional bullying and psychological harassment in the workplace.

Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, presented a petition from 83 Albertans urging the Government to commission an independent and public inquiry into the Alberta Government's administration of or involvement with the Local Authorities Pension Plan, the Public Service Pension Plan, and the Alberta Teachers' Retirement Fund.

Ms Pastoor, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, presented a petition from 123 Albertans urging the Government to commission an independent and public inquiry into the Alberta Government's administration of or involvement with the Local Authorities Pension Plan, the Public Service Pension Plan, and the Alberta Teachers' Retirement Fund.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

- Bill 14 Court of Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2008 Hon. Mr. Renner on behalf of Hon. Ms Redford
- Bill 15 Family Law Amendment Act, 2008 Hon. Mr. Renner on behalf of Hon. Ms Redford

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona:

E-mail message dated May 15, 2008, from Ann Goldblatt of Edmonton to Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Aboriginal Relations, expressing opposition to consolidation of the Regional Health Authorities

Sessional Paper 172/2008

Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity:

E-mail message dated May 6, 2008, from Serge Mercier to all Members of the Legislative Assembly expressing opposition to the Department of Employment and Immigration's decision to transfer the contract for Francophone job-seeking services from a Francophone service provider in Calgary to Bow Valley College Sessional Paper 173/2008

E-mail message dated May 13, 2008, from Serge Mercier to all Members of the Legislative Assembly regarding the negative impact on the Francophone community in Calgary following a decision by the Department of Employment and Immigration regarding Francophone services

Sessional Paper 174/2008

Report dated May 2008 entitled "Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) Sustainability Initiative Key Messages" prepared for Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, by Calgary Family and Community Support Services

Sessional Paper 175/2008

154 letters, undated, from Calgary residents to a Member of the Legislative Assembly suggesting five changes be implemented to Alberta labour laws

Sessional Paper 176/2008

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

Document, undated, soliciting donations for the Western Sky Land Trust for the conservation of a parcel of land along the Bow River

Sessional Paper 177/2008

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Goudreau, Minister of Employment and Immigration, pursuant to the Engineering, Geological and Geophysical Professions Act, cE-11, s12(4):

Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta, Annual Report 2007

Sessional Paper 178/2008

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

Letter dated May 15, 2008, from Hon. Mr. Knight, Minister of Energy, to Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, attaching information regarding Budget 2008 non-renewable resource revenue forecasts

Sessional Paper 179/2008

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 May 20 to May 22, 2008:

Tuesday, May 20 Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Committee of Supply

Main Estimates Municipal Affairs

Second Reading

Bill 1, 3, 4, 12, 13

And as per the Order Paper

Eve. - **Government Bills and Orders**

Committee of Supply

Main Estimates

Housing and Urban Affairs

Second Reading

Bill 1, 3, 4, 12, 13

And as per the Order Paper

Wednesday, May 21 Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Committee of Supply

Main Estimates Solicitor General and Public Security

Second Reading

Bill 3, 12, 13

And as per the Order Paper

Eve. - Government Bills and Orders

Committee of Supply

Main Estimates

Finance and Enterprise /

Treasury Board

Second Reading

Bill 3, 10, 12, 13

And as per the Order Paper

Thursday, May 22 Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Committee of Supply

Main Estimates Agriculture and Rural

Development

All votes on the 2008-09 Offices of the Legislative Assembly Estimates and the 2008-09 Government Estimates

Committee of the Whole

Bill 1, 3, 4, 12, 13

And as per the Order Paper

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Committee of Supply (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 of the Department Sustainable Resource Development, 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

Pursuant to Standing Order 3(4)(a), and on motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:26 p.m. until Tuesday, May 20, 2008, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Thursday, May 15, 2008