



**Legislative Assembly  
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**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

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Wednesday, May 28, 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 AlbertaSource.ca, the Heritage Community Foundation Alberta Online Encyclopedia, funded in part by an Alberta Centennial Legacy Grant.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, made a statement regarding Hope Hunter, Executive Director, Boyle Street Community Services, who will soon be retiring.

Mr. Bhardwaj, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding the 24th annual World Partnership Walk sponsored by the Edmonton chapter of the Aga Khan Foundation Canada, held on May 25, 2008, in Edmonton.

Mrs. Leskiw, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake, made a statement regarding the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Great Strides Walk held on May 25, 2008, at more than 40 Canadian locations, and recognizing May 2008 as Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month.

Mr. Cao, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fort, made a statement regarding the official opening of the expansion of the Ian Bazalgette Junior High School in Calgary held on May 22, 2008.

Mr. VanderBurg, Hon. Member for Whitecourt-Ste. Anne, made a statement regarding the Fallen Four Memorial Society's unveiling of four bronze statues, in honour of the four Royal Canadian Mounted Police who were killed in the line of duty on March 3, 2005, to be held on July 4, 2008, in Mayerthorpe.

## **Presenting Petitions**

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, presented a petition from 37 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 Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, on behalf of Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, presented a petition from 58 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 Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, on behalf of Mr. Kang, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall, presented a petition from 13 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. Taylor, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, presented a petition from 62 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.

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mrs. Klimchuk, Minister of Service Alberta:

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Kang, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall, Ms Pastoor, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, Mr. Weadick, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, and Mr. Allred, Hon. Member for St. Albert, on May 5, 2008, Department of Service Alberta, 2008-09 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 219/2008

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

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

Sessional Paper 220/2008

Ms Pastoor, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East:

Letter dated January 15, 2008, from Ms Pastoor, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, to Deb Bakker, Coordinator, Lethbridge Salvation Army Food Bank, pledging a donation to the food bank equal to one-half of Ms Pastoor's 4.9 percent salary increase, with attached copy of Ms Pastoor's cheque and a receipt for the donation

Sessional Paper 221/2008

## **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Liepert, Minister of Health and Wellness:

Response to Written Question WQ2, asked for by Ms Pastoor on May 12, 2008:

What was the total cost of implementing the InterRAI MDS (Minimum Data Set) system for continuing care facilities and home care, including hardware, software technical installation, and staff training between January 1, 2002, and December 31, 2007, broken down annually and by health region?

Sessional Paper 222/2008

Response to Written Question WQ6, asked for by Mr. Hehr on May 12, 2008:

What is the total number of litigants, broken down by year, dealt with by the Calgary Mental Health Diversion Project since its inception in April 2001 to February 4, 2008, and what is the total amount of annual funding provided to the Calgary Mental Health Diversion Project by the Alberta Health and Wellness Health Innovation Fund from April 1, 2004, to February 4, 2008?

Sessional Paper 223/2008

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Horner, Minister of Advanced Education and Technology:

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Taylor, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, and Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, on May 8, 2008, Department of Advanced Education and Technology, 2008-09 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 224/2008

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Stevens, Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations:

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Hehr, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, and Ms Pastoor, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, on May 12, 2008, Department of International and Intergovernmental Relations, 2008-09 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 225/2008

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Ouellette, Minister of Transportation:

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Kang, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall, Mr. Taylor, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, Mr. Lund, Hon. Member for Rocky Mountain House, and Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, on May 14, 2008, Department of Transportation, 2008-09 Main Estimates debate  
Sessional Paper 226/2008

## ORDERS OF THE DAY

### Government Bills and Orders

#### Third Reading

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

Bill 1 Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement Implementation Statutes Amendment Act, 2008 — Hon. Mr. Hancock on behalf of Hon. Mr. Stelmach

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: 37

Ady	Fritz	Olson
Allred	Goudreau	Ouellette
Amery	Groeneveld	Prins
Benito	Hancock	Redford
Berger	Hayden	Rodney
Blakett	Horner	Sandhu
Brown	Johnson	Sarich
Campbell	Johnston	Sherman
Cao	Leskiw	VanderBurg
Danyluk	Lund	Woo-Paw
DeLong	Marz	Xiao
Doerksen	Mitzel	Zwozdesky
Fawcett		

Against the motion: 6

Blakeman	Notley	Swann
Mason	Pastoor	Taylor

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 1 Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement Implementation Statutes Amendment Act, 2008 — Hon. Mr. Stelmach

### **Committee of the Whole**

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

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 22 Appropriation Act, 2008 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Snelgrove

### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 7 Post-secondary Learning Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Bhullar

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned, Dr. Sherman speaking.

### **Adjournment**

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(3), the Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2008 — 7:30 P.M.

### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **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 22 Appropriation Act, 2008 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Snelgrove

## **Second Reading**

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

Bill 16 Municipal Government Amendment Act, 2008 — Hon. Mr. Danyluk

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 8 Climate Change and Emissions Management Amendment Act, 2008 —  
Hon. Mr. Renner

Bill 9 Land Agents Licensing Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Mitzel

Bill 14 Court of Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2008 — Hon. Ms Redford

Bill 15 Family Law Amendment Act, 2008 — Hon. Ms Redford

Bill 17 Alberta Personal Income Tax Amendment Act, 2008 (\$) — Hon. Ms Evans

Bill 20 Agriculture Statutes Repeal Act, 2008 — Mr. Griffiths

Bill 21 Heating Oil and Propane Rebate Act — Mr. Griffiths

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:44 p.m. until Thursday, May 29, 2008, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski,  
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, May 28, 2008