



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 31

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Seventh Legislature

Tuesday, October 14, 2008

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

The Speaker offered a prayer and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of former Members: Colonel Arthur Ryan Smith, Member for Calgary, 1955 to 1957, who passed away on June 30, 2008, Dr. Lawrence Ralph Shaben, Member for Lesser Slave Lake, 1975 to 1989, who passed away on September 6, 2008, and Mr. Gordon Emil Stromberg, Member for Camrose, 1971 to 1986, who passed away on September 7, 2008.

Speaker's Statement - Federal Election

The Speaker made a statement regarding two federal elections held on October 14, the first in 1935 and the second in 2008.

Members' Statements

Mr. Rodney, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, made a statement recognizing October 5-11, 2008, as Mental Health Awareness week and regarding the work of the Schizophrenia Society of Alberta.

Mr. Rogers, Hon. Member for Leduc-Beaumont-Devon, made a statement congratulating Colin Oberst whose composition, Canadian Gold, was chosen as the new Canadian Broadcasting Corporation Hockey Night in Canada theme song.

Mr. Denis, Hon. Member for Calgary-Egmont, made a statement recognizing October 3, 2008, as German Unification Day.

Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, made a statement regarding non-renewable resource revenue dependency.

Mr. Weadick, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, made a statement regarding the 2008 Communities in Bloom national symposium and awards gala held in Lethbridge on September 20, 2008.

Ms Woo-Paw, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mackay, made a statement recognizing October 13-19, 2008, as Citizenship Week in Canada.

Presenting Petitions

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, presented a petition from 286 Albertans urging the Government to implement pre-, peri-, and post-natal midwife service as a core health care coverage under the Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan for all Albertans.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 207 Young Albertans' Advisory Council Act — Mr. Fawcett

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Ms Tarchuk, Minister of Children and Youth Services, pursuant to the Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Act, cC-12, s3(4):

Child and Youth Advocate, 2005-2006 Annual Report
Sessional Paper 317/2008

Child and Youth Advocate, 2006-2007 Annual Report
Sessional Paper 318/2008

Child and Youth Advocate, 2007-2008 Annual Report
Sessional Paper 319/2008

Report entitled "Response to the Office of the Child and Youth Advocate Annual Report 2005-2006" prepared by Alberta Children and Youth Services
Sessional Paper 320/2008

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

10 letters, undated, from Edmonton residents to a Member of the Legislative Assembly suggesting five changes to Alberta labour laws be implemented
Sessional Paper 321/2008

Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona:

Letter dated September 9, 2008, from Barrie Shibley, Vice-president, Sales and Marketing, Aramark Remote Services, to Chief Bernard Ominayak, Lubicon Lake Indian Reserve, regarding requests to meet concerning employment opportunities for First Nations and aboriginal communities

Sessional Paper 322/2008

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

Report, undated, entitled "Voices From the Street" regarding homelessness prepared by The Hindsight Group

Sessional Paper 323/2008

Report, undated, entitled "Working Together: Finding Solutions to Affordable Accommodations for Students" prepared by University of Calgary's Students' Union

Sessional Paper 324/2008

Calgary Society for Persons with Disabilities, 2008 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 325/2008

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Conflicts of Interest Act, cC-23, s46 (2):

Office of the Ethics Commissioner, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 326/2008

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Renner, Minister of Environment, pursuant to the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, cE-12, s34(2):

Environmental Protection Security Fund, Annual Report, April 1, 2007 - March 31, 2008

Sessional Paper 327/2008

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Renner, Minister of Environment:

Response to a question raised by Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, during Oral Question Period on May 28, 2008, concerning oil sands tailings

Sessional Paper 328/2008

Response to a question raised by Dr. Swann, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, during Oral Question Period on May 29, 2008, concerning oil sands tailings and groundwater monitoring

Sessional Paper 329/2008

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

Return to Order of the Assembly MR4, asked for by Ms Blakeman on behalf of Dr. Taft on May 26, 2008:

A complete list of attendees from government and industry at all meetings regarding potential changes to the Crown agreements with Suncor and Syncrude.
Sessional Paper 330/2008

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mrs. Fritz, Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs:

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Taylor, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, and Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, on May 20, 2008, Department of Housing and Urban Affairs, 2008-09 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 331/2008

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Snelgrove, President of the Treasury Board:

Responses to questions raised by Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, on May 21, 2008, Treasury Board, 2008-09 Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 332/2008

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 11 Insurance Amendment Act, 2008 — Hon. Ms Evans

A debate followed.

Dr. Taft 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 25 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2008 — Hon. Ms Redford

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bills were reported:

Bill 19 First Nations Sacred Ceremonial Objects Repatriation Amendment Act, 2008 — Hon. Mr. Blackett

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

Intersessional Deposits

Pursuant to temporary Standing Order 38.1(3), the following documents were deposited with the Clerk of the Assembly and are deemed to have been laid before the Assembly:

Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Finance and Enterprise, pursuant to the Insurance Act, cI-3, s655(2):

Alberta Automobile Insurance Rate Board, 2007 Annual Report for the Year Ended December 31, 2007, deposited on June 18, 2008

Sessional Paper 303/2008

Mrs. Forsyth, Chair, Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund:

Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, Annual Report 2007-2008, deposited on June 24, 2008

Sessional Paper 304/2008

Hon. Mr. Lindsay, Solicitor General and Minister of Public Security, pursuant to the Horse Racing Alberta Act, cH-11.3, s10(2):

Horse Racing Alberta, 2007 Annual Report, deposited on July 10, 2008

Sessional Paper 305/2008

Hon. Mr. Groeneveld, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, pursuant to the Brand Act, cB-6, s24(3):

Livestock Identification Services Ltd. (LIS) Chief Operative Officer (COO) Report, Reporting Period: April 1, 2007 - March 31, 2008 (Fiscal Year 2008), with attached Livestock Identification Services Ltd. Financial Statements dated March 31, 2008, and attached Livestock Identification Services Reporting Certificate dated May 26, 2008, deposited on July 17, 2008

Sessional Paper 306/2008

Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Finance and Enterprise, pursuant to the Alberta Economic Development Authority Act, cA-16, s6(2):

Alberta Economic Development Authority, Activity Report 2007, deposited on July 25, 2008

Sessional Paper 307/2008

Hon. Mr. Groeneveld, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, pursuant to the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act, cM-4, s14(2) :

Alberta Agricultural Products Marketing Council, Annual Report 2007-2008, deposited on August 7, 2008

Sessional Paper 308/2008

Hon. Ms Redford, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, pursuant to the Legal Profession Act, cL-8, s124(2):

Alberta Law Foundation, Annual Report 2008, deposited on August 28, 2008

Sessional Paper 309/2008

Hon. Ms Redford, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, pursuant to the Legal Profession Act, cL-8, s124(2):

Alberta Law Foundation, Financial Statements and Other Financial Information, Year Ended March 31, 2008, deposited on September 4, 2008

Sessional Paper 310/2008

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Education, pursuant to the Teaching Profession Act, cT-2, s15(2):

Alberta Teachers' Association, 2007 Annual Report, deposited on September 5, 2008

Sessional Paper 311/2008

Hon. Mr. Danyluk, Minister of Municipal Affairs, pursuant to the Government Organization Act, cG-10, sch10, s10(3) :

Petroleum Tank Management Association of Alberta, Annual Report 2007, deposited on September 5, 2008

Sessional Paper 312/2008

Mr. Mitzel, Chair, Select Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, pursuant to the Election Act, cE-1, s4(3):

The Report on the March 3, 2008 Provincial General Election of the Twenty-seventh Legislative Assembly, deposited on September 15, 2008

Sessional Paper 313/2008

Hon. Mr. Groeneveld, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, pursuant to the Agriculture Financial Services Act, cA-12, s15:

Agriculture Financial Services Corporation, Annual Report 2007-2008, deposited on September 23, 2008

Sessional Paper 314/2008

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Education, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45 and the Government Accountability Act, cG-7, s14:

Alberta Education, Annual Report 2007-2008, with attached highlights, deposited on October 6, 2008

Sessional Paper 315/2008

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Ombudsman Act, cO-8, s28:

Alberta Ombudsman, 41st Annual Report for the period April 1, 2007 through March 31, 2008, deposited on October 6, 2008

Sessional Paper 316/2008

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Renner, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:18 p.m. until Wednesday, October 15, 2008, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, October 14, 2008