

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 35

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Seventh Legislature

Tuesday, October 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 recognizing October 19-25, 2008, as Foster Family Week.

Mr. Hehr, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, made a statement regarding the need for funding to hire additional police officers in Alberta's cities.

Mr. Anderson, Hon. Member for Airdrie-Chestermere, made a statement regarding the need for governments and the judiciary to address the issue of sexual violence against children.

Mr. Bhullar, Hon. Member for Calgary-Montrose, made a statement recognizing October 19-25, 2008, as Waste Reduction Week.

Mr. Rodney, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, made a statement recognizing October 20-26, 2008, as Responsible Gambling Awareness Week.

Mrs. Leskiw, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake, made a statement regarding a \$3.5 million government grant to the Cold Lake Affordable Housing Society.

Speaker's Statement - Members of the Legislative Assembly Appointed to the Canadian Senate

Honourable Members, I'm going to continue with a historical vignette for you today. Honourable Members should know that they have a one in 60 chance of becoming appointed to the Canadian Senate. In the history of Alberta there have been 791 Members that have served in this Assembly; 13 Members of the past have subsequently become Senators in Canada. The 13 Members, interestingly enough, go back almost to the turn of the history of our Legislative Assembly.

Leverett George Deveber, who served as a Member of the Legislative Assembly for Lethbridge in 1905-1906 as a Liberal, after one year in this Assembly was appointed to the Senate as a Liberal and served in the Canadian Senate from 1906 to 1925.

Edward Michener, who served from 1909 to 1918 as a Member of the Legislative Assembly for Red Deer as a Conservative, was appointed to the Canadian Senate in 1918 and served to 1947. He was the father of Governor General Roland Michener.

Jean Leon Côté, who served in this Assembly first as the Member of the Legislative Assembly for Athabasca, Liberal Member from 1909 to 1913, then he served from 1913 to 1924 as a Liberal Member for Grouard, then in 1924 was appointed to the Senate. It was a short term in the Senate, just a matter of approximately one year.

William Ashbury Buchanan served as a Liberal from Lethbridge from 1909 to 1911, then served as a Liberal Member of Parliament from Medicine Hat from 1911 to 1917, and then served as a Liberal Member of Parliament from 1917 to 1921 for Lethbridge. He became a Senator in 1925 and served in the Canadian Senate till 1954.

Prosper-Edmond Lessard represented Pakan as a Liberal – Pakan is in the east-central part of Alberta – as a Member of the Legislative Assembly from 1909 to 1913, then he represented the St. Paul constituency from 1913 to 1921, then was appointed to the Canadian Senate in 1925 and served till 1931.

Duncan McLean Marshall represented the Olds constituency as a Liberal Member of the Legislative Assembly from 1909 to 1921, then he became a Senator in Ontario – appointed in Ontario, though – from 1938 to 1946.

James Gray Turgeon, who we talked about yesterday being a Member of Parliament and a Member of the Legislative Assembly, served as a Member of the Legislative Assembly from 1913 to 1921 as a Liberal representing the provincial constituency of Ribstone. He then moved to British Columbia and became a Member of Parliament from 1935 to 1945 representing Caribou in B.C. In 1947 he joined the Canadian Senate and served to 1964.

James Harper Prowse, is an Edmonton Independent who sat in this Assembly from 1945 to 1948. From 1948 to 1958 he served as a Liberal in the city of Edmonton, and then became a Senator and served from 1966 to 1976.

Ernest Charles Manning became a Member of the Legislative Assembly representing a constituency in Calgary as a Social Credit Member from 1935 to 1940. Then he represented the Greater Edmonton constituency from 1940 to 1959 as a Social Credit Member of the Legislative Assembly, represented the constituencies of Strathcona-East from 1959 to 1970 as a Social Credit Member of the Legislative Assembly, and in 1970 he joined the Canadian Senate and served to 1983.

Ronald David Ghitter served in this Assembly from 1971 to 1979 for the constituency of Calgary-Buffalo as a Progressive Conservative. He joined the Senate in 1993 and then retired from the Senate in 2000.

Nicholas W. Taylor served in this Assembly for Westlock-Sturgeon as a Liberal from 1986 to 1993, then as the Member of the Legislative Assembly for Redwater from 1993 to 1996. He joined the Canadian Senate and served from 1996 until his mandatory retirement in 2002.

Elaine McCoy represented the constituency of Calgary-West as a Progressive Conservative in this Assembly from 1986 to 1993, then joined the Canadian Senate in 2005, the Progressive Conservative Senate.

The latest appointment is D. Grant Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell was a Member in this Assembly representing Edmonton-Meadowlark as a Liberal from 1986 to 1993, then Edmonton-McClung from 1993 to 1996. He joined the Canadian Senate in 2005.

So, 13 Senators from this Assembly in the past: nine Liberals, three Progressive Conservatives, one Social Credit.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Mr. Campbell, Chair, Select Special Ethics Commissioner Search Committee presented the following:

Report of the Select Special Ethics Commissioner Search Committee dated October 20, 2008, recommending that Neil R. Wilkinson be appointed as Ethics Commissioner for the Province of Alberta

Sessional Paper 361/2008

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, presented a petition from 34 Calgary residents requesting the Legislative Assembly pass legislation that will prohibit emotional bullying and psychological harassment in the workplace.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Horner, Minister of Advanced Education and Technology:

Report dated July 2008 entitled "Making the Food-Health Connection, An Alberta Framework for Innovation" prepared by the Alberta Life Sciences Institute

Sessional Paper 362/2008

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

Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, First Quarter Update for the three months ended June 30, 2008

Sessional Paper 363/2008

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

Calgary Gymnastics Centre 2008 Media Guide

Sessional Paper 364/2008

Information package regarding the Vocational and Rehabilitation Research Institute

Sessional Paper 365/2008

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, on behalf of Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona:

Copies of 6 memoranda with attachments from John Mould, Child and Youth Advocate, Children's Services/Children and Youth Services, to Hon. Mrs. Forsyth, Minister of Children's Services and Hon. Ms Tarchuk, Minister of Children and Youth Services, regarding quarterly reports for the Office of the Child and Youth Advocate

Sessional Paper 366/2008

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

Pamphlet entitled "Page Biographies, Legislative Assembly of Alberta, 27th Legislature, First Session, Fall 2008"

Sessional Paper 367/2008

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, cF-25, s63(2):

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner, Annual Report 2007-2008 Sessional Paper 368/2008

Tablings to the Clerk

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

Alberta Energy Ministerial Order 31/2008 dated May 5, 2008, and Alberta Energy Ministerial Order 46/2008 dated June 26, 2008

Sessional Paper 369/2008

Clerk of the Assembly, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45 and the Government Accountability Act, cG-7, s14, on behalf of:

Hon. Mr. Horner, Minister of Advanced Education and Technology:

Advanced Education and Technology, Annual Report 2007-08

Sessional Paper 370/2008

Hon. Mr. Groeneveld, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development:

Agriculture and Food, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 371/2008

Hon. Ms Tarchuk, Minister of Children and Youth Services:

Alberta Children's Services, Annual Report 2007-08

Sessional Paper 372/2008

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Education:

Education, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 373/2008

Hon. Mr. Goudreau, Minister of Employment and Immigration:

Employment, Immigration and Industry, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 374/2008

Hon. Mr. Knight, Minister of Energy:

Energy, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 375/2008

Hon. Mr. Renner, Minister of Environment:

Environment, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 376/2008

Hon. Mr. Stelmach, Premier:

Executive Council, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 377/2008

Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Finance and Enterprise:

Finance, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 378/2008

Hon. Mr. Liepert, Minister of Health and Wellness:

Health and Wellness, Annual Report 2007-2008, Section I

Sessional Paper 379/2008

Health and Wellness, Annual Report 2007-2008, Section II

Sessional Paper 380/2008

Hon. Mr. Hayden, Minister of Infrastructure and Hon. Mr. Ouellette, Minister of Transportation:

Infrastructure and Transportation, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 381/2008

Hon. Mr. Stevens, Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations, and Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Aboriginal Relations:

International, Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Relations, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 382/2008

Hon. Ms Redford, Minister of Justice and Attorney General:

Justice and Attorney General, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 383/2008

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

Municipal Affairs and Housing, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 384/2008

Hon. Mrs. Jablonski, Minister of Seniors and Community Supports:

Seniors and Community Supports, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 385/2008

Hon. Mrs. Klimchuk, Minister of Service Alberta:

Service Alberta, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 386/2008

Hon. Mr. Lindsay, Solicitor General and Minister of Public Security:

Solicitor General and Public Security, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 387/2008

Hon. Dr. Morton, Minister of Sustainable Resource Development:

Sustainable Resource Development, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 388/2008

Hon. Mrs. Ady, Minister of Tourism, Parks and Recreation:

Tourism, Parks, Recreation and Culture, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 389/2008

Hon. Mr. Snelgrove, President of the Treasury Board:

Treasury Board, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 390/2008

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Finance and Enterprise, and Hon. Mr. Snelgrove, President of the Treasury Board:

Pursuant to the Government Accountability Act, cG-7, s10:

Consolidated Financial Statements of the Government of Alberta, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 391/2008

Measuring Up, Progress Report on the Government of Alberta Business Plan, Annual Report 2007-2008

Sessional Paper 392/2008

Pursuant to the Government Accountability Act, cG-7, s8(1):

Budget 2008, First Quarter Fiscal Update 2008-09

Sessional Paper 393/2008

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Finance and Enterprise:

Alberta Heritage Scholarship Fund, Financial Statements, Year Ended March 31, 2008

Sessional Paper 394/2008

Pursuant to the Members of the Legislative Assembly Pension Plan Act, cM-12, s4:

Members of the Legislative Assembly Pension Plan, Annual Report for the year ended March 31, 2007

Sessional Paper 395/2008

Members of the Legislative Assembly Pension Plan, Annual Report for the year ended March 31, 2008

Sessional Paper 396/2008

Pursuant to the Securities Act, cS-4, s20(2):

Alberta Securities Commission, 2008 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 397/2008

Pursuant to the Alberta Cancer Prevention Legacy Act, cA-14.2, s3(5):

Alberta Cancer Prevention Legacy Fund, Financial Statements dated March 31, 2008

Sessional Paper 398/2008

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

Pursuant to the Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research Act, cA-21, s7(4):

Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research Endowment Fund, Financial Statements dated March 31, 2008

Sessional Paper 399/2008

Pursuant to the Alberta Heritage Foundation for Science and Engineering Research Act, cA-22, s7(6):

Alberta Heritage Science and Engineering Research Endowment Fund, Financial Statements, Year Ended March 31, 2008

Sessional Paper 400/2008

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

Report entitled "General Revenue Fund, Details of Grants, Supplies and Services, Capital Assets and Other, by Payee for the Year Ended March 31, 2008"

Sessional Paper 401/2008

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 28 Jury Amendment Act, 2008 — Hon. Ms Redford

A debate followed.

Ms Pastoor moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

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

Bill 29 Alberta Capital Finance Authority Amendment Act, 2008 (\$) — Hon. Ms Evans

A debate followed.

Dr. Swann moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

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

Bill 31 Financial Administration Amendment Act, 2008 — Hon. Mr. Snelgrove

A debate followed.

Ms Pastoor 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 30 Alberta Evidence Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Bhullar

Third Reading

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

Bill 7 Post-secondary Learning Amendment Act, 2008 — Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky on behalf of Mr. Bhullar

Debate adjourned, Mr. Mason speaking.

Adjournment

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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2008 — 7:30 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

- Bill 7 Post-secondary Learning Amendment Act, 2008 Mr. Bhullar
- Bill 8 Climate Change and Emissions Management Amendment Act, 2008 Hon. Ms Redford on behalf of Hon. Mr. Renner
- Bill 14 Court of Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 2008 Hon. Ms Redford
- Bill 15 Family Law Amendment Act, 2008 Hon. Ms Redford
- Bill 16 Municipal Government Amendment Act, 2008 Hon. Mr. Danyluk
- Bill 21 Heating Oil and Propane Rebate Act Mr. Johnson on behalf of Mr. Griffiths
- Bill 25 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2008 Hon. Ms Redford

Second Reading

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

Bill 32 Meat Inspection Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Griffiths

A debate followed.

Ms Pastoor moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

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

Bill 33 Agriculture Financial Services Amendment Act, 2008 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Groeneveld

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 35 Government Organization Amendment Act, 2008 — Hon. Mr. Hayden

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 34 Employment Pension Plans Amendment Act, 2008 — Dr. Brown

A debate followed.

Ms Blakeman moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:08 p.m. until Wednesday, October 22, 2008, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Tuesday, October 21, 2008