

# Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 36

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

First Session

Twenty-Seventh Legislature

Wednesday, October 22, 2008

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

#### **Members' Statements**

Ms Woo-Paw, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mackay, made a statement regarding the Calgary Board of Education's Waste Reduction Week initiative, and recognizing the Calgary Board of Education and Chevron Canada on receiving the International Partnership Network's Global Best award.

Mr. Bhullar, Hon. Member for Calgary-Montrose, made a statement regarding Blake Bothwell who passed away on October 15, 2008.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding the 50th anniversary of Capilano School.

Mrs. McQueen, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Calmar, made a statement regarding the Beverage Container Recycling Program.

Mr. Elniski, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, made a statement regarding the Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund public meeting held on October 16, 2008.

Mr. Doerksen, Hon. Member for Strathmore-Brooks, made a statement encouraging students, parents, and teachers to nominate a teacher or principal for a 2009 Excellence in Teaching Award.

# **Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees**

Mrs. Forsyth, Chair, Select Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, presented the following report:

Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, Annual Report dated October 2008 Sessional Paper 402/2008

Mr. Rodney, Chair, Standing Committee on Community Services, presented the following report:

Standing Committee on Community Services, Report on Bill 18, Film and Video Classification Act, dated October 2008

Sessional Paper 403/2008

Mr. Speaker, I request the concurrence of the Assembly with respect to this report.

The question being put, concurrence in the report was granted.

Mr. VanderBurg, Chair, Standing Committee on Public Safety and Services, presented the following report:

Standing Committee on Public Safety and Services, Report on Bill 10, Security Services and Investigators Act, dated October 2008

Sessional Paper 404/2008

Mr. Speaker, I request the concurrence of the Assembly with respect to this report.

The question being put, concurrence in the report was granted.

Mr. Prins, Chair, Standing Committee on Resources and Environment, presented the following report:

Standing Committee on Resources and Environment, Report on Bill 23, Weed Control Act, dated October 2008

Sessional Paper 405/2008

Mr. Speaker, I request the concurrence of the Assembly with respect to this report.

The question being put, concurrence in the report was granted.

Mr. Allred, Chair, Standing Committee on the Economy, presented the following report:

Standing Committee on the Economy, Report on Bill 204, Traffic Safety (Hand-Held Communication Devices) Amendment Act, 2008, dated October 2008 Sessional Paper 406/2008

Mr. Speaker, I request the concurrence of the Assembly with respect to this report.

The question being put, concurrence in the report was granted.

Mr. Horne, Chair, Standing Committee on Health, presented the following report:

Standing Committee on Health, Report on Bill 24, Adult Guardianship and Trusteeship Act, dated October 2008

Sessional Paper 407/2008

Mr. Speaker, I request the concurrence of the Assembly with respect to this report.

The question being put, concurrence in the report was granted.

## **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.

#### **Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Notice having been given:

Bill 208 Alberta Affordable Mortgage Protection Act — Mr. Weadick

Bill 209 Traffic Safety (Driver Disqualification and Seizure of Vehicles Arising From Drug Offences) Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Quest

#### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

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

Booklet entitled "Agir ensemble, Francophonie 2006-2009" prepared by the Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie

Sessional Paper 408/2008

Document dated July/August 2008 entitled "Parlements et Francophonie" prepared by the Assemblée parlementaire de la Francophonie

Sessional Paper 409/2008

## **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Dr. Morton, Minister of Sustainable Resource Development:

Surface Rights Board and Land Compensation Board, 2007 Annual Report Sessional Paper 410/2008

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

Return to Order of the Assembly MR9, asked for by Mr. Taylor on October 20, 2008:

A copy of all documents regarding the degree-granting status of post-secondary institutions in the province, excluding the University of Alberta and the University of Calgary, from January 1, 2003, to May 6, 2008.

Sessional Paper 411/2008

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

Accelerating Carbon Capture and Storage in Alberta, Interim Report dated September 30, 2008, prepared by the Alberta Carbon Capture and Storage Development Council

Sessional Paper 412/2008

### **Speaker's Statement - Strangers in the Legislative Assembly**

Honourable Members, before proceeding to Orders of the Day, a little historic vignette with respect to strangers in the Alberta Legislative Assembly. On seven occasions strangers – that is, individuals other than Members or Officers of the Assembly – have been given permission to address our Assembly from the floor. In 1935 William Aberhart spoke to the Assembly about the Douglas Social Credit plan before he became a Member and Premier of the province later that same year. In 1997 wheelchair athlete and fundraiser Rick Hansen addressed the Assembly on the 10th anniversary of his Man in Motion World Tour. Daniel Novak, Page speech contest winner, read his entry to the Assembly in 1999. In 2002 Prince Michael of Kent, cousin of Queen Elizabeth II, addressed the House on the occasion of the Queen's Golden Jubilee celebrations. In 2005 the Honourable Sam Lieberman spoke on behalf of the province's Second World War veterans on the 60th anniversary of VE Day.

On May 24, 2005, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II delivered the first ever address by a reigning monarch to the Assembly, and on March 15, 2006, Ray Speaker presented an address on behalf of all former Members.

On May 4, 2006, Her Excellency the Right Honourable Michaëlle Jean, Governor General of Canada, addressed the Alberta Legislative Assembly. Among the words spoken by her were the following:

"The pioneer spirit of independence and resourcefulness in this province is legendary, yet your deserved reputation for fierce individualism and economic self-reliance belie another lesser known aspect of Alberta's character: your people are among the most generous of Canadians. Eighty-five per cent of you make financial contributions to charitable and nonprofit organizations. Combined with those who volunteer their time, 94 per cent of your citizens believe in giving back."

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY

#### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 38 Securities Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Fawcett

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

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

Bill 39 Court Statutes Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Denis

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

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 Notley 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.

Debate adjourned, Dr. Taft speaking.

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

- Bill 28 Jury Amendment Act, 2008 Hon. Ms Redford
- Bill 29 Alberta Capital Finance Authority Amendment Act, 2008 (\$) Hon. Ms Evans

# Adjournment

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

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER, 22, 2008 — 7:30 P.M.

#### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Second Reading**

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.

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

#### **Third Reading**

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

Bill 9 Land Agents Licensing Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Campbell on behalf of Mr. Mitzel

A debate followed.

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

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

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

Bill 20 Agriculture Statutes Repeal Act, 2008 — Mr. Campbell on behalf of Mr. Griffiths

#### **Second Reading**

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. Mason moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

# Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:03 p.m. until Thursday, October 23, 2008, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, October 22, 2008