

# Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 50

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

First Session

Twenty-Seventh Legislature

Monday, November 24, 2008

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

# **Members' Statements**

Mr. Elniski, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, made a statement regarding the Shepherd's Care Foundation on receiving the first CARF (Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities) accreditation for its aging services network.

Ms Calahasen, Hon. Member for Lesser Slave Lake, made a statement regarding the Deliberative Democracy and Climate Workshop held in Edmonton from September 25-29, 2008.

Mr. Hehr, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, made a statement congratulating the Calgary Stampeder Football Club on winning the 96th Canadian Football League Grey Cup on November 23, 2008.

Mr. Xiao, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, made a statement regarding the Finding Balance Injury Prevention Campaign launched in Edmonton on November 3, 2008.

Mr. Bhardwaj, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement regarding the the ICE (Inspire, Connect and Educate) 2008 Information Technology Conference held in Edmonton from November 3-5, 2008.

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Mr. Rodney, Hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed, made a statement congratulating the Calgary Stampeder Football Club on winning the 96th Canadian Football League Grey Cup held on November 23, 2008.

### **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, presented a petition from over 1,200 Canadians urging the Government to develop an energy policy which encourages conservation, promotes the use of safe, clean, renewable energy sources and explicitly rejects nuclear power in this province.

Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, on behalf of Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, presented a petition from over 1,200 Albertans urging the Government to develop an energy policy which encourages conservation, promotes the use of safe, clean, renewable energy sources and explicitly rejects nuclear power in this province.

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

Notice having been given:

Bill 52 Health Information Amendment Act, 2008 — Mr. Rogers

On motion by Hon. Mr. Renner, Deputy Government House Leader, the following Bill was placed on the Order Paper under Government Bills and Orders:

Bill 52 Health Information Amendment Act, 2008 - Mr. Rogers

### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, on behalf of Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition:

Westernwheel.com web site article dated November 12, 2008, entitled "Province steps up to help fund Foothills Country Hospice"

Sessional Paper 586/2008

PC Alberta website article dated June 29, 2008, entitled "Hey MLA, Where's the Money?"

Sessional Paper 587/2008

Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona:

Canadian Broadcasting News article dated November 24, 2008, entitled "Secret advice to politicians: oilsands emissions hard to scrub" with attached document, undated, entitled "Key Messages for Ministers"

Sessional Paper 588/2008

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

13 recent e-mail messages from Albertans to Hon. Mr. Stelmach, Premier, requesting full funding for the Safe Visitation pilot program

Sessional Paper 589/2008

Pamphlet entitled "The Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Campaign, November 19 - December 24" prepared by The Salvation Army Sessional Paper 590/2008

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to Standing Order 114:

Legislative Assembly of Alberta, 2007 Annual Report and 2007 Annual Report of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, Alberta Branch Sessional Paper 591/2008

# **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

Hon. Mr. Renner, Deputy Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 8(1) to allow the Assembly to proceed to Government Bills and Orders.

#### Message From His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor

Hon. Mr. Snelgrove, President of the Treasury Board, delivered a Message from His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor.

The Speaker read the Message to the Assembly (the Members standing).

Hon. Mr. Snelgrove, President of the Treasury Board, tabled the following budget-related document, pursuant to the Government Accountability Act, cG-7, s8(1):

2008-09 Supplementary Supply Estimates, General Revenue Fund Sessional Paper 592/2008

### **Government Motions**

21. Moved by Hon. Mr. Snelgrove:

Be it resolved that the Message from His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 2008-09 Supplementary Supply Estimates for the General Revenue Fund and the Lottery Fund, and all matters connected therewith, be referred to Committee of Supply.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.



22. Moved by Hon. Mr. Snelgrove:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 61(9), the number of days that Committee of Supply will be called to consider the 2008-09 Supplementary Supply Estimates for the General Revenue Fund and the Lottery Fund shall be one day.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

# Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

#### Second Reading

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

Bill 208 Alberta Affordable Mortgage Protection Act — Mr. Weadick

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was defeated.

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

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

A debate followed.

Mr. Weadick, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, moved the motion be amended by deleting all the words after "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 209, Traffic Safety (Driver Disqualification and Seizure of Vehicles Arising From Drug Offences) Amendment Act, 2008, be not now read a Second time but that it be read a Second time this day six months hence.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to.

## Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Renner, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:22 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

# **Motions Other Than Government Motions**

514. Moved by Dr. Taft:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to make rodeo Alberta's official sport.

A debate followed.

During debate the following documents were tabled:

Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition:

Letter dated November 16, 2008, from Ab Brewster, President, Central Alberta Rodeo Association, to Dr. Taft, Leader of the Official Opposition, expressing support for Motion 514

Sessional Paper 593/2008

Letter dated November 21, 2008, from Danny Jones, Board of Directors, Ponoka Stampede Association, to Dr. Taft, Leader of the Official Opposition, expressing support for Motion 514

Sessional Paper 594/2008

Mr. Denis, Hon. Member for Calgary-Egmont:

Canada.com web site reprint of a Calgary Herald article dated November 7, 2008, entitled "Taft's Stetson must be too tight"

Sessional Paper 595/2008

Canada.com web site reprint of an Edmonton Journal article dated November 6, 2008, entitled "Liberal leader wants rodeo to be Alberta's official sport"

Sessional Paper 596/2008

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

# **Government Bills and Orders**

#### Second Reading

The following Bill was read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 40 Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Amendment Act, 2008 -Mr. Dallas

#### **Third Reading**

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

- Bill 41 Municipal Government Amendment Act, 2008 (No. 2) Hon. Mr. Danyluk
- Bill 47 Mines and Minerals (New Royalty Framework) Amendment Act, 2008 Mr. Webber
- Bill 48 Alberta Corporate Tax Amendment Act, 2008 (\$) Hon. Ms Evans

# Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Renner, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:16 p.m. until Tuesday, November 25, 2008, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Monday, November 24, 2008