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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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Wednesday, March 18, 2009

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

Members' Statements

Mr. Bhullar, Hon. Member for Calgary-Montrose, made a statement recognizing 197 Calgary-Montrose constituents, recipients of the Alexander Rutherford, Louise McKinney, and Jason Lang Scholarships.

Mr. Fawcett, Hon. Member for Calgary-North Hill, made a statement regarding the work being done by the Crossroads Community Association.

Mrs. Leskiw, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake, made a statement regarding the 2009 Bantam B Female provincial hockey tournament held in Bonnyville on March 13, 2009.

Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, made a statement regarding the need for the government to regularly monitor and enforce foster care standards.

Mr. Elniski, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, made a statement regarding the 65th anniversary of the 418 Squadron Association, based at the Alberta Aviation Museum in Edmonton.

Ms Woo-Paw, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mackay, made a statement regarding the Eco Village of Hope, an Alberta-initiated international development project.

Speaker's Statement - Tabling Returns and Reports

Honourable Members, on several occasions the Chair has risen in this House to discuss the issue of tablings. On Thursday, March 12, 2009, an Honourable Member tabled a document on behalf of one of his honourable colleagues, and this document has been brought to the Chair's attention for several reasons. The issues are as follows: it is not clear what the document is about; there's no cover page, no title, and no heading; the document is not dated nor signed, nor is there an author identified. While the document appears to be an excerpt from a document that is part of legal proceedings, there is no indication of what the document is an excerpt from.

Honourable Members, it is important to note that all documents tabled in the House become official records of the Assembly. They are available to the public through the Legislature Library. The description of Sessional Papers in the Votes and Proceedings is an actual description of the document and is not based on the comments of the Member tabling the document. If there is no way of identifying the document, it is difficult for those producing the official records of the Assembly to be accurate in their description of the document. Staff should not be expected to waste time trying to decipher these documents. There is need to set additional guidelines, and the Chair would ask all Honourable Members to follow them.

Copies should be of good quality and legible: five copies collated, stapled or clipped together. Letters should be signed and the name of the sender should be legible. Web site articles should clearly indicate the name of the web site so that we can properly quote the site. Responses to Written Questions and Motions for Returns must indicate that they are such. Please do not table only a set of documents. It should be clear to all of us that the documents are provided as responses. Reports, charts, and similar items must have a title or heading on the document. The general rule is that Members should table documents under Tabling Returns and Reports. The Chair will be advised when tablings do not meet these guidelines, and those purported tablings will be returned to Members.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Upon recommendation of Her Honour the Administrator of the Province of Alberta, and notice having been given:

Bill 27 Alberta Research and Innovation Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Horner

Notice having been given:

Bill 28 Energy Statutes Amendment Act, 2009 — Mr. McFarland

Bill 32 Alberta Public Agencies Governance Act — Mr. Horne

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the following Bills were placed on the Order Paper under Government Bills and Orders:

Bill 28 Energy Statutes Amendment Act, 2009 — Mr. McFarland

Bill 32 Alberta Public Agencies Governance Act — Mr. Horne

Tabling Returns and Reports

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

Letter dated January 13, 1999, from Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, to The Right Honourable Jean Chrétien, Prime Minister of Canada, expressing support for the objectives and principles contained in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child

Sessional Paper 134/2009

Document, undated, entitled "Convention on the Rights of the Child, Adopted and opened for signature, ratification and accession by General Assembly resolution 44/25 of 20 November 1989, entry into force 2 September 1990, in accordance with article 49"

Sessional Paper 135/2009

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

E-mail message dated March 4, 2009, from Claude and Eugenie Dube of Edmonton to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing concern regarding an increase in Alberta Blue Cross premiums

Sessional Paper 136/2009

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

Pamphlet entitled "A single purpose. A profound effect." prepared by Ducks Unlimited Canada

Sessional Paper 137/2009

Mr. Hehr, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo:

Document dated January 2005 entitled "Policy Directive, Subject: Appointment of Independent Counsel" prepared by the Manitoba Department of Justice Prosecutions

Sessional Paper 138/2009

British Columbia Criminal Justice Branch, Ministry of Attorney General, Crown Counsel Policy Manual dated November 18, 2005, regarding special prosecutors

Sessional Paper 139/2009

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood:

Copy of a petition signed by 233 Edmonton residents requesting the Edmonton Public School Board establish a special needs task force

Sessional Paper 140/2009

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

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

Bill 21 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2009 (\$) — Hon.
Mr. Snelgrove

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 22 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2009 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Snelgrove

A debate followed.

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

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)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 18 Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement Implementation Statutes
Amendment Act, 2009 — Hon. Mr. Stevens

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Ms Pastoor, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, that the Bill be amended by striking out section 5.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. With Mr. Cao in the Chair, the names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 6

Chase
Hehr

Mason
Pastoor

Taft
Taylor

Against the amendment: 31

Allred	Hayden	Redford
Amery	Horne	Renner
Bhullar	Horner	Sandhu
Brown	Jacobs	Snelgrove
Calahasen	Klimchuk	Stevens
Campbell	Lindsay	VanderBurg
Denis	Lund	Weadick
Doerksen	Marz	Woo-Paw
Evans	McFarland	Xiao
Goudreau	Ouellette	Zwozdesky
Hancock		

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 18 Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement Implementation Statutes
Amendment Act, 2009 — Hon. Mr. Stevens

Dr. Brown, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 18 (introduced by the Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East on March 17, 2009) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 141/2009

Amendment to Bill 18 (introduced by the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood) — Adjourned debate

Sessional Paper 142/2009

Third Reading

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

Bill 22 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2009 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Snelgrove

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 64(5), the Acting Speaker interrupted the proceedings and immediately put the question on the Appropriation Bill remaining on the Order Paper for Third Reading.

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 21 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2009 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Snelgrove

Bill 22 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 2009 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Snelgrove

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)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 18 Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement Implementation Statutes Amendment Act, 2009 — Hon. Mr. Stevens

Debate continued on the amendment introduced by Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, on March 18, 2009.

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 18 Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement Implementation Statutes Amendment Act, 2009 — Hon. Mr. Stevens

Mr. Weadick, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of an amendment considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 18 (introduced by the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood on March 18, 2009) — Adjourned debate
Sessional Paper 142/2009

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 6:00 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:55 p.m. until Thursday, March 19, 2009, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, March 18, 2009