

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 22

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Second Session

Twenty-Seventh Legislature

Thursday, April 9, 2009

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

# **Members'** Statements

Mr. Elniski, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, made a statement regarding the 211 non-emergency referral and information phone service.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding health care funding.

Mrs. McQueen, Hon. Member for Drayton Valley-Calmar, made a statement regarding the government's announcement on April 9, 2009, of \$36 million in funding for an energy efficiency consumer rebate program.

Mr. Anderson, Hon. Member for Airdrie-Chestermere, made a statement regarding home care workers.

Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, made a statement regarding the proposed 2009 budget as it relates to Alberta's workforce.

Mr. Drysdale, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Wapiti, made a statement congratulating the Grande Prairie Storm junior hockey team on winning the Enerflex Cup Alberta Junior Hockey League Championship on April 5, 2009.

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

Notice having been given:

Bill 35 Gas Utilities Amendment Act, 2009 - Mr. McFarland

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

Bill 35 Gas Utilities Amendment Act, 2009 - Mr. McFarland

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

Hon. Mrs. Klimchuk, Minister of Service Alberta:

Alberta Vital Statistics, Annual Review 2007

Sessional Paper 175/2009

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

Statistics Canada web site article dated March 2009 entitled "Labour Force Survey"

Sessional Paper 176/2009

Report, undated, entitled "Working Short Report" regarding staffing shortages at extended care homes, prepared by United Steelworkers Health Care

Sessional Paper 177/2009

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar:

Letter dated July 21, 2008, from Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, to Lorne R. Gibson, Chief Electoral Officer, responding to Mr. Gibson's letter to Mr. MacDonald dated July 16, 2008, regarding the poll book for mobile polling station 075 in the Edmonton-Gold Bar constituency

Sessional Paper 178/2009

Letter dated July 29, 2008, from Lorne R. Gibson, Chief Electoral Officer, to Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, responding to Mr. MacDonald's letter dated July 21, 2008, to Mr. Gibson and further to Mr. Gibson's response to Mr. MacDonald dated July 16, 2009 regarding polling station 075 in the Edmonton-Gold Bar constituency

Sessional Paper 179/2009

Report dated September 2008 entitled "Report to Congressional Requesters, Oil and Gas Royalties, The Federal System for Collecting Oil and Gas Revenues Needs Comprehensive Reassessment"

Sessional Paper 180/2009

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### **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Aboriginal Relations:

First Nations Development Fund Grant Agreement, undated, unsigned, with attached blank project application, tabled during Policy Field Committee consideration of the Estimates of the Department of Aboriginal Relations on April 8, 2009

Sessional Paper 181/2009

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Liepert, Minister of Health and Wellness:

Response to Written Question WQ1, asked for by Mr. Mason on April 6, 2009:

For the fiscal years 2003/2004 to 2007/2008, what was the average cost per resident per month at a designated long-term care facility?

Sessional Paper 182/2009

Response to Written Question WQ3, asked for by Mr. Mason on April 6, 2009:

For each of the fiscal years 2006/2007 and 2007/2008, what was the total value of psychiatric services contracted by Regional Health Authorities (RHA), broken down by RHA, and what was the total value of psychiatric services contracted by the Alberta Mental Health Board?

Sessional Paper 183/2009

### **Projected Government Business**

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(6), Ms Blakeman, Official Opposition House Leader, asked a question pertaining to the order of Government Business to be brought before the Assembly for the following week.

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of April 14 to April 16, 2009:

Tuesday, April 14 Government Bills and Orders Second Reading Bill 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19 Committee of the Whole Bill 4, 6, 7, 9 Third Reading Bill 2, 3, 8, 18 And as per the Order Paper

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Wednesday, April 15	Government Bills and Orders	
	<b>Committee of Supply</b>	
	Main Estimates	
	Executive Council	
	And as per the Order Paper	
Thursday, April 16	Government Bills and Orders	
	Second Reading	
	Bill 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19	
	Committee of the Whole	
	Bill 10	
	Third Reading	
	Bill 4, 6, 7, 9	
	And as per the Order Paper	

# **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

## **Government Motions**

11. Moved by Hon. Mr. Hancock:

Be it resolved that a Select Special Chief Electoral Officer Search Committee of the Legislative Assembly be appointed, consisting of the following Members, namely:

Mitzel (Chair)	Campbell	Marz
Lund (Deputy Chair)	Horne	Notley
Bhullar	Lukaszuk	Webber
Blakeman	MacDonald	

for the purpose of inviting applications for the position of Chief Electoral Officer and to recommend to the Assembly the applicant it considers most suitable to this position.

- 1. The Chair and members of the Committee shall be paid in accordance with the schedule of Category A Committees provided in the most current Members' Services Committee Allowances Order.
- 2. Reasonable disbursements by the Committee for advertising, staff assistance, equipment and supplies, rent, travel, and other expenditures necessary for the effective conduct of its responsibilities shall be paid, subject to the approval of the Chair.

- 3. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Committee may, with the concurrence of the head of the department, utilize the services of members of the public service employed in that department, and of the staff employed by the Assembly.
- 4. The Committee may, without leave of the Assembly, sit during a period when the Assembly is adjourned.
- 5. When its work has been completed, the Committee shall report to the Assembly if it is sitting. During a period when the Assembly is adjourned, the Committee may release its report by depositing a copy with the Clerk and forwarding a copy to each Member of the Assembly.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

## **Government Bills and Orders**

### **Third Reading**

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

- Bill 2 Lobbyists Amendment Act, 2009 Hon. Mr. Stevens on behalf of Hon. Ms Redford
- Bill 3 Credit Union Amendment Act, 2009 Mr. Berger
- Bill 8 Feeder Associations Guarantee Act (\$) Hon. Mr. Groeneveld
- Bill 18 Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement Implementation Statutes Amendment Act, 2009 — Hon. Mr. Stevens

# Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, that it be called 4:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 4:29 p.m. until Tuesday, April 14, 2009, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Thursday, April 9, 2009

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