

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 42

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Second Session

Twenty-Seventh Legislature

Monday, May 25, 2009

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

## **Members' Statements**

Mr. Mitzel, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding a recent tabling by Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity.

Mr. Sandhu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, made a statement regarding Nagar Kirtan, a Sikh religious parade, held in Edmonton on May 17, 2009.

Mr. Hehr, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, made a statement regarding freedom of speech.

Mr. Anderson, Hon. Member for Airdrie-Chestermere, made a statement regarding several summer events taking place in Airdrie and its September 10, 2009, centennial.

Mr. Rogers, Hon. Member for Leduc-Beaumont-Devon, made a statement congratulating the recipients of the 2009 Child Care Professional Awards of Excellence held on May 22, 2009.

Ms Woo-Paw, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mackay, made a statement regarding an integrated training program for health care aides in Calgary supported by the Centre for Newcomers and Alberta Employment and Immigration.

#### Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

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

Report on Bill 52, Health Information Amendment Act, 2009 Sessional Paper 351/2009

#### **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. Drysdale, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Wapiti, presented a petition from over 4,000 Albertans urging the Government to maintain a full-service hospital in Beaverlodge which includes such services as acute care, palliative care, and emergency health services.

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

Notice having been given:

Bill 208 Life Leases Act — Mr. Mitzel

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

Mr. Griffiths, Hon. Member for Battle River-Wainwright, on behalf of Mr. Hayden, Hon. Member for Drumheller-Stettler (Minister of Infrastructure):

Petition signed by 103 Albertans expressing opposition to the closure of the dialysis unit at the Hanna hospital

Sessional Paper 352/2009

Ms DeLong, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow:

Petition signed by 98 Calgary and area residents urging the government to immediately provide public funding for the drug Revlimid as a choice for patients with multiple myeloma

Sessional Paper 353/2009

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

Program from the Sir Winston Churchill High School 2009 graduation exercises held on May 23, 2009

Sessional Paper 354/2009

Letter dated December 17, 2008, from Rick Scruggs, Senior Pastor, Bow Valley Christian Church, to Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, requesting Mr. Chase's support in petitioning the government to include marriage and family therapy under the Health Professions Act

Sessional Paper 355/2009

E-mail message dated April 1, 2009, from Jeffrey Mellor to Mr. Chase, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, expressing opposition to Bill 52, Health Information Amendment Act, 2009

Sessional Paper 356/2009

Letter dated December 4, 2009, from A. Mark Hambridge, to Hon. Mr. Liepert, Minister of Health and Wellness, expressing concern regarding his long wait to receive a colonoscopy for cancer screening

Sessional Paper 357/2009

Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview:

Letter dated May 4, 2009, from Dr. Reg McCurry, unaddressed, proposing the government partially fund health services after a patient's private funding has been used

Sessional Paper 358/2009

Letter dated February 17, 2009, from Michael C. Longul to Hon. Mr. Liepert, Minister of Health and Wellness, expressing opposition to the government delisting chiropractic services

Sessional Paper 359/2009

Letter dated May 15, 2009, from Ivan Fair of Edmonton to Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, expressing opposition to the reduction in elective surgeries at the Royal Alexandra Hospital

Sessional Paper 360/2009

2 recent e-mail messages from Lennea Oseen and Alison Dinwoodie to Hon. Mr. Blackett, Minister of Culture and Community Spirit, Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Education, Hon. Mr. Stelmach, Premier, and Dr. Taft, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview, both expressing opposition to Bill 44, Human Rights, Citizenship and Multiculturalism Amendment Act, 2009

Sessional Paper 361/2009

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Education, pursuant to the Teaching Profession Act, cT-2, s15(2):

Alberta Teachers' Association, 2008 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 362/2009

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

2 letters dated May 21 and 22, 2009, from the Office of the Ethics Commissioner to Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, both regarding general advice pursuant to section 44 of the Conflicts of Interest Act concerning Bill 43, Marketing of Agricultural Products Amendment Act, 2009 (No. 2) Sessional Paper 363/2009

#### **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Redford, Minister of Justice and Attorney General:

Responses to questions raised by Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, and Mr. Hehr, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, on April 22, 2009, Department of Justice Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 364/2009

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

#### Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

#### **Third Reading**

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 203 Local Authorities Election (Finance and Contribution Disclosure) Amendment Act, 2009 — Mr. Johnson

#### **Committee of the Whole**

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Acting Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 205 Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure (Third Party Advertising) Amendment Act, 2009 — Mr. Anderson

Mr. Marz, 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 205 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Nose Hill) — Debate adjourned

Sessional Paper 365/2009

### **Motions Other Than Government Motions**

509. Moved by Mrs. Forsyth:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require all electricity providers to notify local authorities of spikes in home utility usage that may indicate the electricity is being used to power the operations of an illegal drug facility.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

#### Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Renner, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:51 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 25, 2009 - 7:30 P.M.

### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Committee of the Whole**

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and the Acting Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bills were reported:

Bill 24 Animal Health Amendment Act, 2009 — Mr. Griffiths

- Bill 28 Energy Statutes Amendment Act, 2009 Mr. McFarland
- Bill 45 Electoral Boundaries Commission Amendment Act, 2009 Hon. Ms Redford

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

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Bill 27 Alberta Research and Innovation Act ($) - Hon. Mr. Horner
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Mr. Dallas, 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 27 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 366/2009

Amendment to Bill 27 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview) — Agreed to Sessional Paper 367/2009 Amendment to Bill 27 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview) — Defeated Sessional Paper 368/2009 Amendment to Bill 45 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo) — Defeated Sessional Paper 369/2009

# Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:39 p.m. until Tuesday, May 26, 2009, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Monday, May 25, 2009