



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Seventh Legislature

Monday, November 16, 2009

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

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Blakett, Minister of Culture and Community Spirit, made a statement recognizing November 16, 2009, as National Philanthropy Day.

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, commented on the statement.

Mr. Mason, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Norwood, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to allow Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, to comment on the Ministerial Statement. Unanimous consent was not granted.

Members' Statements

Mr. Sandhu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, made a statement regarding the St. Michael's Extended Care Centre Society.

Mrs. Sarich, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement recognizing November 16-20, 2009, as International Education Week.

Dr. Swann, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, made a statement regarding the Department of Health and Wellness and its administration of the public health system.

Mrs. Forsyth, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, made a statement recognizing November 15-21, 2009, as National Bullying Awareness Week.

Mr. Jacobs, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, made a statement recognizing November 2009 as National 4-H Month.

Ms Calahasen, Hon. Member for Lesser Slave Lake, made a statement regarding the commemoration ceremony held to honour Louis Riel in the Legislature Building on November 16, 2009.

Presenting Petitions

Ms Pastoor, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, on behalf of Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, presented a petition from approximately 1,500 Albertans urging the Government of Alberta to free up the allocated construction money for the Good Samaritan Care Centre and start building the facility immediately.

Mr. Cao, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fort, presented a petition from 44 Calgary and area residents urging the Government to grandfather the rights and status of all currently-practising Registered Massage Therapists in Alberta in a manner that they may continue their practice undisturbed and, when necessary, gradually upgrade to newly-proclaimed standards of training, so as not to force current therapists to lose their ongoing income whilst upgrading and so to ensure that clients of said therapists will be able to use their insurance coverage in order to pay for massage services from current therapists.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Cao, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fort:

Petition signed by 282 Albertans requesting that the requirements for the training and updating of qualifications for massage practitioners practising prior to the inception of the new legislation be grandfathered

Sessional Paper 582/2009

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

Letter dated November 2, 2009, from Hon. Ms Tarchuk, Minister of Children and Youth Services, to Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, responding to Mr. MacDonald's inquiry in the Assembly on October 27, 2009, regarding the Ministry of Children and Youth Services' 2008-09 expenses at Radisson hotels

Sessional Paper 583/2009

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Listing of events for The Queer Body, held from November 13-21, 2009, prepared by Exposure, Edmonton's Queer Arts and Culture Festival

Sessional Paper 584/2009

E-mail message dated November 9, 2009, from Cara Kane to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing support for parts, 2, 3, and 4 of Bill 48, the Crown's Right of Recovery Act

Sessional Paper 585/2009

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

Information package dated November 9, 2009, prepared by the Save Our Fine Arts Organizational Committee

Sessional Paper 586/2009

Hon. Mr. Liepert, Minister of Health and Wellness:

Letter dated July 7, 2009, unaddressed, from F.W. (Rick) Brick, Executive Director, Human Resources, Health and Wellness, seeking services of an executive firm to assist in the recruitment of additional members of the Alberta Health Services Board

Sessional Paper 587/2009

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-9, s45 and the Government Accountability Act, sG-7, s14, on behalf of:

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Minister of Aboriginal Relations:

Aboriginal Relations, Annual Report 2008-2009

Sessional Paper 588/2009

Hon. Mr. Horner, Minister of Advanced Education and Technology:

Advanced Education and Technology, 2008-09 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 589/2009

Hon. Mr. Groeneveld, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development:

Agriculture and Rural Development, Annual Report 2008-2009

Sessional Paper 590/2009

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

Children and Youth Services, Annual Report 2008-2009

Sessional Paper 591/2009

Hon. Mr. Blackett, Minister of Culture and Community Spirit:

Culture and Community Spirit, Annual Report 2008-09

Sessional Paper 592/2009

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Education:

Education, Annual Report 2008-2009

Sessional Paper 593/2009

Hon. Mr. Goudreau, Minister of Employment and Immigration:
Employment and Immigration, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 594/2009

Hon. Mr. Knight, Minister of Energy:
Energy, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 595/2009

Hon. Mr. Renner, Minister of Environment:
Environment, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 596/2009

Hon. Mr. Stelmach, Premier:
Executive Council, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 597/2009

Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Finance and Enterprise:
Finance and Enterprise, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 598/2009

Hon. Mr. Liepert, Minister of Health and Wellness:
Health and Wellness, Annual Report 2008-2009, Section I
Sessional Paper 599/2009
Health and Wellness, Annual Report 2008-2009, Section II
Sessional Paper 600/2009

Hon. Mrs. Fritz, Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs:
Housing and Urban Affairs, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 601/2009

Hon. Mr. Hayden, Minister of Infrastructure:
Infrastructure, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 602/2009

Hon. Mr. Webber, Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations:
International and Intergovernmental Relations, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 603/2009

Hon. Ms Redford, Minister of Justice and Attorney General:
Justice, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 604/2009

Hon. Mr. Danyluk, Minister of Municipal Affairs:
Municipal Affairs, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 605/2009

Hon. Mrs. Jablonski, Minister of Seniors and Community Supports:
Seniors and Community Supports, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 606/2009

Hon. Mrs. Klimchuk, Minister of Service Alberta:
Service Alberta, Annual Report 2008-09
Sessional Paper 607/2009

Hon. Mr. Lindsay, Solicitor General and Minister of Public Security:
Solicitor General and Public Security, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 608/2009

Hon. Dr. Morton, Minister of Sustainable Resource Development:
Sustainable Resource Development, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 609/2009

Hon. Mrs. Ady, Minister of Tourism, Parks and Recreation:
Tourism, Parks and Recreation, Annual Report 2008-09
Sessional Paper 610/2009

Hon. Mr. Ouellette, Minister of Transportation:
Transportation, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 611/2009

Hon. Mr. Snelgrove, President of the Treasury Board:
Treasury Board, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 612/2009

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Finance and Enterprise, pursuant to the Government Accountability Act, cG-7, s10:

Consolidated Financial Statements of the Government of Alberta, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 613/2009

Measuring Up, Progress Report on the Government of Alberta Business Plan, Annual Report 2008-2009
Sessional Paper 614/2009

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

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)

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 206 School (Enhanced Protection of Students and Teachers) Amendment Act,
2009 — Mrs. Forsyth

Mr. Weadick, 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 206 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 615/2009

Amendment to Bill 206 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity) — Agreed to
Sessional Paper 616/2009

Motions Other Than Government Motions

516. Moved by Mr. Cao:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize the qualifications, skills, knowledge, and personal development that military personnel gain from training and service while in the Canadian Forces as equivalent to civilian qualifications.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Renner, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 6:00 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:26 p.m., until Tuesday, November 17, 2009, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Monday, November 16, 2009