

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 22

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fifth Session

Twenty-Seventh Legislature

Thursday, March 22, 2012

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

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Ms Redford, Premier, made a statement recognizing the long and distinguished career of Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

Dr. Sherman, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, commented on the statement.

The Speaker requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to allow additional Members to comment on the Ministerial Statement.

Mr. Boutilier, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo, Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, and Mr. Snelgrove, Hon. Member for Vermilion-Lloydminster, then commented on the statement.

The Speaker responded to the statements and thanked the Premier and Members for their comments.

Members' Statements

Ms Notley, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, made a statement regarding the Government's performance since the last election and the New Democrats as a political choice for Albertans.

Dr. Sherman, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, made a statement regarding the Government's performance in addressing the needs of Albertans in various areas.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Johnson, Minister of Infrastructure:

Responses to questions raised by Mr. Kang, Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall, and Mr. Hinman, Hon. Member for Calgary-Glenmore, on March 6, 2012, Department of Infrastructure, Main Estimates debate

Sessional Paper 210/2012

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

Document entitled "Campaign College, February 10-11, 2012" prepared by PC Alberta

Sessional Paper 211/2012

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Letter dated March 7, 2012, from P.O. Wellsman of Edmonton to Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, expressing concern regarding the Alberta Dental Association fee schedule

Sessional Paper 212/2012

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

19 letters and one e-mail message to several Members of the Legislative Assembly expressing concern regarding proposed logging of the West Bragg Creek area

Sessional Paper 213/2012

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

Beacon News web site article dated March 21, 2012, entitled "Some Alberta school boards shaking down parents with collection agencies"

Sessional Paper 214/2012

Hon. Mr. Griffiths, Minister of Municipal Affairs, pursuant to the Capital Region Board Regulation, AR 49/2008, s9(2):

Capital Region Board, 2011 Annual Report

Sessional Paper 215/2012

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Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mr. Horne, Minister of Health and Wellness, pursuant to the Health Professions Act, cH-7, s4(2):

Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors, Annual Report to Government 2010/11 Sessional Paper 216/2012 Alberta College of Occupational Therapists, 2010-11 Annual Report Sessional Paper 217/2012 Alberta College of Optometrists, Annual Report to Government 2010 Sessional Paper 218/2012 College and Association of Respiratory Therapists of Alberta, Annual Report 2011 Sessional Paper 219/2012 College of Alberta Dental Assistants, Annual Report 2010-11 Sessional Paper 220/2012 College of Alberta Psychologists, Annual Report 2010-11 Sessional Paper 221/2012 College of Dental Technologists of Alberta, 2010 Annual Report Sessional Paper 222/2012

College of Registered Psychiatric Nurses of Alberta, Annual Report 2011 Sessional Paper 223/2012

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 week the Assembly next sits.

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, advised that the projected government business for the week of April 2 to April 5, 2012, would be consideration of Bill 2, Education Act, and as per the Order Paper.

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Orders 3(1) and 4(2) to extend the afternoon sitting until 6:00 p.m.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

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)

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 2 Education Act — Hon. Mr. Lukaszuk

Mr. Elniski, 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 2 (A8) (Hon. Minister of Education) — Debate adjourned

Sessional Paper 224/2012

Adjournment

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Pursuant to Standing Order 3(6) and on motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 4:26 p.m. until Monday, April 2, 2012, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

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