

Legislative Assembly of Alberta

Title: Monday, March 2, 1998 **8:00 p.m.**
Date: 98/03/02

head: **Committee of Supply**

[Mr. Tannas in the chair]

THE CHAIRMAN: Members of the Committee of Supply will remember that this evening we have two subcommittees. One will be dealing with Education here in the Assembly, and the other one, subcommittee B, will be in room 212, where we'll peruse the estimates of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs.

I'll now invite everyone to go to their respective . . .

AN HON. MEMBER: Room 512.

THE CHAIRMAN: What'd I say? Room 212? If you're in 212, go three stories up; 512 it is. Subcommittee B, we'll meet you there in a moment.

[The committee met as subcommittees A and B from 8:01 p.m. to 10:07 p.m.]

THE CHAIRMAN: I'd like to call the Committee of Supply to order.

MRS. LAING: Mr. Chairman, subcommittee B of the Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the Department of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs, reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

THE CHAIRMAN: Does the committee concur in this report?

HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

THE CHAIRMAN: Opposed? Carried.

MRS. GORDON: Mr. Chairman, subcommittee A of the Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the Department of Education, reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

THE CHAIRMAN: Does the committee concur in this report?

HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

THE CHAIRMAN: Opposed? Carried.

MR. HAVELOCK: Mr. Chairman, I move that the committee rise and report.

[Motion carried]

[The Deputy Speaker in the chair]

MRS. GORDON: Mr. Speaker, the Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the Department of

Education and the Department of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs, reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Does the Assembly concur in this report?

HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: Opposed? So ordered.

head: **Government Bills and Orders**
 head: **Third Reading**

Bill 5 Canadian Airlines Corporation Amendment Act, 1998

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: The hon. Member for Calgary-Lougheed.

MS GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Tonight I rise to move third reading of Bill 5, the Canadian Airlines Corporation Amendment Act, 1998.

The purpose of this legislation is to repeal the existing provisions in the Canadian Airlines Corporation Act as it reads now, which prohibits a group or an individual from owning more than 10 percent of the voting shares of the corporation. Most corporations today exist without these types of restrictions. The amendment bill originated at the request of the corporation, the request made to Transportation, and it's seen by the corporation and agreed to by the government as a necessary element in the corporation's four-year operational restructuring plan, which began in 1996, as we all recall.

The purpose of the removal of the ownership cap is to enhance the corporation's ability to attract new investment, and I think all of us as members of the Legislature should be pleased to assist the corporation in ensuring its continued success. It's posted a surplus for 1997.

I invite you all to support the motion for third reading.

10:10

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER: The hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Creek.

MR. ZWOZDESKY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to very briefly say that I support Bill 5, as do my colleagues. I thought I'd be the first to congratulate Canadian on turning a profit, but my hon. colleague from Calgary-Lougheed has beat me to the punch. So I will simply conclude by congratulating Canadian Airlines for the outstanding service they provided. I'm a user and a supporter of that airline, and I wish them well in their future endeavours.

[Motion carried; Bill 5 read a third time]

[At 10:13 p.m. the Assembly adjourned to Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.]

