

MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS (Private Members' Motions) (1991)

Motion No.	Text	Sponsor	Dates debated	Disposition
201.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly introduce legislation to provide all Albertans with the opportunity to apply to serve in available positions on Government-designated commissions, boards, tribunals, and advisory councils by requiring broad public notification and posting of all available positions at least 30 days in advance of the selection deadline; and endorse a fair selection process that ensures selection of candidates on the basis of ability and experience, and not patronage.	Mr. Martin	April 16, 1991 April 18, 1991	Defeated
202.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review its process of public consultation with a view to facilitate the maximum level of participation from Alberta citizens during the drafting of key Government legislative initiatives.	Mrs. Mirosh	March 22, 1991	
203.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider establishing a legislated framework that would define the parameters for Government program spending.	Mrs. Osterman	March 26, 1991	
204.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt additional business-oriented educational initiatives and programs in order to provide Alberta young people with more opportunities for practical training and experience in the area of independent business and entrepreneurship.	Mr. Paszkowski	April 4, 1991	
205.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to assist Alberta municipalities to develop integrated solid waste management plans through administrative support and the coordination of information and technology.	Mr. Gesell	April 9, 1991	Agreed to
206.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to provide health care service recipients with a "costs incurred by Alberta Health Care" transcript, for the patient/client's signature, before the patient leaves the medical centre (hospital, clinic, medical centre) or before the home care professional leaves the patient, and that a year-end statement be sent directly to all Albertans totalling these amounts, as an information service.	Mr. Clegg	April 9, 1991 April 11, 1991	
207.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider introducing legislation which extends visitation rights to grandparents in cases where parent(s) without just and serious cause prevent reasonable visitation between a child and his or her grandparents.	Mr. Zarusky	April 16, 1991	
208.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly endorse a new forestry policy for Alberta which recognizes that the survival of our forests and forest industry depends upon nurturing functioning ecosystems; promoting biodiversity in the forest; empowering Albertans to be informed and to participate in policy decisions; maximizing local processing jobs; and providing a substantive and fair financial return to Albertans.	Mr. McInnis	March 19, 1991	
209.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement Joint Work Site Health and Safety Committees: (1) to assure workers' rights to know the hazards they are dealing with; (2) to enable participation of workers in the development and implementation of safety procedures, programs, and standards; and (3) to permit workers the opportunity to refuse to do any unsafe work, without suffering prejudice or penalty.	Mr. Gibeault	April 25, 1991 April 30, 1991	

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210.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to undertake a comprehensive review of its economic diversification strategy, placing new emphasis on the creation of targeted infrastructure which, agreed to through consultation with local authorities, will encourage the concentration of specific industries in specific centres, promote the creation of "centres of industrial excellence," and discourage unproductive competition between regions.	Mr. Bruseker	May 2, 1991	
211.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to increase funding for the basic emergency services provided by women's shelters to 100 percent, as requested by the Alberta Council of the Women's Shelters, and adequately fund community-based treatment programs for offenders and all victims, including children.	Ms M. Laing	May 7, 1991	
212.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to make its farm credit policies more responsive to the needs of farming families by making the farm credit stability program into a revolving fund; and implementing a 3/6/9 interest rate program for beginning farmers that would set rates at three percent for the first \$100,000 and six percent for the second \$100,000 of a loan for a period of five years; both rates to be increased gradually to the nine percent level between years five to 10.	Mr. Fox	May 9, 1991	
213.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to initiate a complete review of all provincial grant and assistance programs in order to rationalize and reduce the number and administration costs of such programs.	Mr. Ady	May 14, 1991	
214.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly consider the inclusion of Members Statements as an Order of Business on Tuesday and/or Thursday afternoons.	Mr. Severtson	May 16, 1991	
215.	Be it resolved that in recognition of the importance of having an adequate supply of affordable housing in Alberta, the Assembly urge the Government to ensure that the supply of affordable accommodation is improved, and that the cost of both rental and owner-occupied accommodation is not unfairly increased as a result of shortages, including the introduction of legislation to protect tenants' rights and provide for rent review where vacancies are low; a commitment from Municipal Affairs' Housing Branch to ensure the provision of low-cost housing accommodation; a commitment to cooperate with not-for-profit and cooperative housing agencies to fund housing alternatives; the encouragement of the renovation of industrial, commercial, and school properties to affordable, quality housing; the implementation of a tax to apply to profits made through the sale of non-owner-occupied residential properties or multiple unit residential complexes sold within two years of purchase; and a commitment to protect Albertans from high interest rates on residential accommodation.	Mr. Ewasiuk	May 16, 1991 May 23, 1991	
216.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to stimulate the building of an effective partnership between schools, parents, businesses, and communities by encouraging parents, businesses, and communities to become better involved in schools.	Mr. Hyland	June 4, 1991 June 6, 1991	Agreed to
217.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to encourage the Federal Government to proceed with negotiating a beef grading regime that will allow the Alberta cattle industry to have competitive access to United States markets and enhanced marketing options.	Mr. Fischer	June 6, 1991 June 11, 1991	Agreed to

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218.	<p>Be it resolved that a Select Special Committee of the Legislative Assembly be appointed to consider reforms relating to the legislative process, including, but not limited to, the provision of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) sub-committees of the Committee of Supply to consider estimates in greater detail, including questioning public servants; (2) time limits for responses to written questions and motions for return; (3) greater scope for free votes and a limitation of circumstances in which votes are considered votes of confidence; (4) Private Members' Bills and motions being brought to a vote by the Assembly; (5) greater legal access to information including the need for freedom of information legislation; and (6) greater use of legislative committees. 	Mr. Decore	June 11, 1991	
219.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to enhance integrated resource management for public lands in Alberta.	Mr. Musgrove	June 13, 1991	
220.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to continue to support research and development of clean coal technology and other initiatives to enhance the competitiveness of Alberta coal in domestic and international markets.	Mr. Bradley		
221.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Department of Family and Social Services to make improvements in the delivery of social services programs; to contract residential care services only to not-for-profit organizations; institute more specific standards for organizations providing residential care; provide effective monitoring to ensure compliance with standards; review the programs and courses presently available for the training of staff who provide direct client services; take steps to bring the salaries paid to staff working in private contracted agencies more closely in line with rehabilitation staff who have comparable jobs in Government institutions; and establish a mechanism to address any concerns raised by staff or the public at large.	Ms Mjolsness		
222.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly increase the powers of the Farm Debt Review Board to enable it to adjust an individual farmer's debts, suspend foreclosures, and negotiate leasebacks.	Mr. Taylor		
223.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to create an Isolated Community Infrastructure Program, in conjunction with the Federal Government, to provide isolated farming and native communities with a water, sewer, power, telephone, and transportation infrastructure, and for this to be provided through "a one-window approach" mechanism.	Ms Calahasen		
224.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation ensuring that the rights and entitlements of employees rank ahead of the rights of secured creditors of the employer.	Mr. Sigurdson		
225.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to take immediate steps to implement policies to reduce the emission of gases that contribute to global warming and to mitigate the potential impact of global warming in Alberta.	Mr. Mitchell		
226.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government not to proceed in extending the acute care funding model to rural hospitals or ambulatory care institutions until the model has been fully developed and positively evaluated in its current applications.	Mr. Martin		

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227.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to declare the urban environment as a major theme of policy development in the decade of the 1990s, and to present to the Assembly, in the next session, a comprehensive program dealing with a reduction in the generation of urban wastes; improved water quality in urban creeks, rivers, and lakes; a recycling strategy to maximize environmental protection and job creation; control of toxic substances; and improved urban transportation systems which reduce noise levels and the release of air pollutants into the urban environment.	Mr. McInnis		
228.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure that all students across the province have equity in educational opportunities by making adjustments to the current equity funding plan and to the distance learning program.	Mr. Schumacher		
229.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to reconfirm its support of the spirit of free enterprise by reviewing and eliminating all Government grants to private enterprises.	Mr. Payne		
230.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt the policy that every Government Bill introducing a new program involving the expenditure of public funds contain a termination date after which the program would cease to be in effect unless extended by new legislation.	Mr. Moore		
231.	Be it resolved that the Government consider establishing a Children's Services Secretariat as a coordinating structure with the mandate to effectively bring together services necessary to support Alberta's children and their families by developing a model for providing health, mental health, and social services to children; monitoring current cross-ministry initiatives to ensure integrated approaches to policy development, program planning, and implementation; establishing policies and procedures through which school boards may obtain funds or services from Government departments responsible for providing specific services to children and their families; and studying the feasibility of establishing a Department of Child and Family Services.	Mr. Jonson		
232.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly approve in principle the appointment of a Select Special Committee comprised of four members of the Government, two members of the Official Opposition, and one other member of the Opposition, to undertake a comprehensive review of the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, including province-wide public hearings; a full and proper audit and accounting of the Fund, incorporating the recommendations of the Auditor General with respect to current deficiencies in the Fund's accounting methods, such report to be made available prior to the public hearings; an analysis of the structure, investments, performance, economic impact, and management of the Fund; a systematic analysis of options for the future direction of the Fund; and a final report and recommendations to be tabled in the Assembly.	Mr. Pashak		
233.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize the increasingly prominent role local governments are playing in the delivery of services to Albertans, the greater financial burden this has placed on municipal governments and recommend that the Government form a municipal/provincial committee to study the concept of a revenue sharing system for municipalities; pursue a policy that would ensure municipalities receive a stable source of revenue; increase the number of unconditional grants available to municipalities; and allow local governments the freedom to more effectively respond to local priorities.	Mr. Ewasiuk		

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234.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to legalize midwifery.	Mr. Nelson		
235.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly express its regret that northern Alberta has not received a fair share of Government capital expenditures on tourism and recreation projects, and urge the Government to correct the imbalance by identifying areas suitable for designation as wilderness areas and ecological reserves; assessing opportunities for eco-tourism; and providing additional support to ensure that northern municipalities have sufficient funding to implement projects through their Community Tourism Action Plans.	Mr. Doyle		
236.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish an innovative post-secondary educational scholarship and bursary program under the Alberta Heritage Scholarship Fund for Alberta residents living within the Northern Alberta Development Council area boundary.	Mr. Cardinal		
237.	Be it resolved that the Government consider removal of the tuition fee ceiling on foreign students studying in Alberta post-secondary educational institutions, and allow the universities to determine these levels.	Mr. Severtson		
238.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the reasons behind the high drop-out rate in Alberta high schools and devise a resolution to this problem.	Mrs. Gagnon		
239.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to take action to address the critical state of our health care system by providing immediate funding for construction of the Royal Alexandra emergency care facilities; integrating immigrant doctors into the internship program; giving a one-time funding infusion to acute care facilities to remove the existing backlog of patients waiting for elective surgery treatment; increasing commitment to public health by allocating one percent of the total health budget for a secured term of at least five years; re-establishing nursing stations in remote communities and allowing nurses to provide minor emergency treatment; expanding Alberta health care insurance coverage to include interhospital ambulance transfers; recognizing the effect of poverty on the health of Albertans by dropping premium collection and increasing social assistance and pension levels and supplying greater resources for inner health care facilities; and instituting a system of regionalization.	Mrs. Hewes		
240.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly regret the privatization of Alberta Government Telephones at the excessive cost of approximately \$150 million and that the Assembly urge the Government not to sell the remaining 44 percent of Telus shares, to avoid the additional costs of underwriting, etc.; effectively represent the public interest in the management of the corporation; make certain Alberta's rural, residential, and small business users are protected from excessive rate increases; and make certain that Albertans' interests are represented at hearings of the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission.	Mr. McEachern		
241.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider legislation that would provide individual owners of agricultural operations and/or private rural dwellings, who do not want to become incorporated, the opportunity to give their home, farm, or ranch, a specific name or title.	Mr. Tannas		
242.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to encourage the automobile insurance industry in Alberta to endorse the theft reduction potential of automobiles through windshield and side-window glass engraving, and to promote this practice by reducing insurance premiums for automobiles so identified.	Dr. Elliot		

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243.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to appoint a Board of Inquiry under the Public Inquiries Act to investigate gambling in Alberta and to report to the Assembly within 30 months; and to impose a moratorium on licences for gambling and changes to policy or regulations on gambling pending the report of the Board.</p> <p>The Board should consider the historical development of gambling in Alberta; current patterns of gambling; illegal gambling and the effect of legalized gambling; the impact on personal, family, and community life; the extent of pathological gambling and its contribution to crime; the adequacy of present control and the necessity for further measures; the criteria used for determining licensees; the impact on the economy and on charitable and community organizations; the services provided by organizations that raise revenue through gambling; and amendments to gambling legislation.</p>	Mr. Hawkesworth		
244.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review its existing policy regarding the immigrant investors program to ensure that all immigrants are treated equally and fairly.</p>	Mr. Wickman		
245.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly is of the opinion that Government management and spending on low-priority programs must be ended in order to help eliminate the budget deficit: including rationalizing the hospital system; terminating prodigious business giveaway programs; terminating the Community Facilities Enhancement Program; cancelling the \$200 million drug foundation proposal; taking full advantage of Federal Government funding for provincial programs; and restricting Government guarantees of private sector loans.</p>	Mr. Chumir		
246.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly regret the minimum wage level in this province and, in recognition of the importance of ensuring that all working Albertans earn a decent livelihood, urge the Government to increase the minimum wage by 33 percent.</p>	Mr. Sigurdson		
247.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to enhance the quality of life and opportunities for women by tabling action plans for stricter maintenance enforcement; child access legislation; implementation of child care standards and security of funding subsidies; establishment of health clinics to systematically serve the needs of women's health; support for community family counselling centres; support for victims of family violence and programs to treat perpetrators of family violence; improved support for satellite shelters; benefits for part-time workers; legislative provisions for flex-time and job sharing; pay equity; pension reform; lessons in English as a second language for all immigrant women; and affirmative action plan for appointments to the judiciary and Government boards and commissions.</p>	Mrs. Hewes		
248.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish volunteer recognition awards which acknowledge the valuable contributions that volunteers make in Alberta.</p>	Mrs. Black		
249.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to encourage the free movement of goods and services between provinces by removing existing trade barriers to interprovincial trade.</p>	Mr. Musgrove		
250.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to pursue a policy where by the year 2005 at least five percent of all gasoline sold is ethanol, not petroleum, based.</p>	Mr. Hyland		

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251.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop a sound economic plan to include a commitment to fiscal integrity, addressing the provincial annual deficit; the growing provincial debt; unfunded pension liability; the lack of operation audits for Government; the absence of a comprehensive economic development strategy for the province; and the increasing liability represented by loans and loan guarantees.	Mr. Decore		
252.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to change casino regulations to permit charitable organizations to hold casinos anywhere within the province.	Mr. Drobot		
253.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider adopting policies which would allow for high altitude snowmobiling.	Mr. Bradley		
254.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to amend the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act such that commissions will be required to receive the consent of the producer before withholding funds from the sale of a product.	Mr. Schumacher		
255.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to state clearly the legal exemption of landowners and leasees from any liability for the actions of persons who trespass on their land.	Mr. Lund		
256.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine all Government agricultural policies to ensure that they do not encourage farming practices that lead to soil degradation.	Mr. Fischer		
257.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a committee that would explore the feasibility of a suggestion award system, in which moderate monetary incentives are provided for public service employees who make suggestions that result in a reduction in public expenditures.	Mr. Tannas		
258.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to designate square dancing as the official folk dance of Alberta.	Mr. Nelson		
259.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Minister of Agriculture to introduce the Net Income Stabilization Account concurrently with the Gross Revenue Insurance Plan, and request the Federal Government to convert a portion of the Crow Benefit to a fund that is used to pay the farmers' share of payments for the Gross Revenue Insurance Plan.	Mr. Taylor		
260.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Surface Rights Act to ensure that compensation payments run with ownership of the land.	Mr. Zarusky		
261.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to seek the views of Albertans on possible changes to specific legislation regulating the provincial justice system including, but not limited to, the control of young offenders, parole and sentencing procedures, and the complexity and costs of the system.	Mr. Day		

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262.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly, in light of major natural resource developments underway or planned for northern Alberta, endorse the immediate designation of several large provincial parks, wilderness areas, or ecological reserves to increase the preservation of the diverse ecosystems of northern Alberta to the World Commission on Environment and Development's recommended level of 12 percent; and place priority on setting aside lands representing those ecosystems which have poor or the most inadequate protection at the present time.	Mr. Doyle		
263.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider studying the implications of legislation that would call for mandatory elections every four years on a preset date.	Mr. Day		
264.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to re-evaluate its current policy regarding Government investment in the high technology industry in Alberta, with a new emphasis upon the importance of the province's universities in the carrying out of research and development for the high technology industry.	Mr. Bruseker		
265.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize the value of wetlands to all Albertans and consider establishing a policy that will protect and enhance Alberta's wetlands.	Mr. Clegg		
266.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to immediately reverse its decision to increase health care premiums, and examine possible inefficiencies and inequities involved in the levying of health care premiums which might indicate they should be eliminated.	Mr. Chivers		
268.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to phase out public funding of private schools in Alberta other than schools which serve children on the basis of need, such as those children with learning disabilities.	Mr. Chumir		
269.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly encourage public and private sector employers to initiate opportunities that promote flexibility in employment, such as job sharing and home-based employment.	Mrs. Osterman		
270.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to further develop alternative educational programs for our students who have unique educational needs, which will encourage them to remain in school until they have attained the skills enabling them to participate fully in their community and in their post-secondary career choices.	Mr. Cardinal		
271.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly recognize the hardship of persons living on social assistance and urge the Government to review the shelter allowance limits established in Schedule B of the Social Allowance Amendment Regulation 378/90, with respect to: (1) increasing the amount payable for shelter to recipients who are classified as "single employable" by 40 percent, thereby bringing it in line with the limit for assistance payable to "single unemployables," and (2) establishing a mechanism whereby the allowance limits are adjusted annually to reflect any changes in the consumer price index.	Ms Mjolsness		

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272.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly is of the opinion that the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund be restructured as follows:</p> <p>The current divisions of the Fund be consolidated into two divisions, being a Securities and Investment Division which would hold income producing investments used for transfers to the General Revenue Fund, and an Alberta Research and Development Division which would hold long-term investments to benefit future generations of Albertans; the policy directions, objectives, and budget for the two new divisions be tabled annually in the Legislative Assembly; the Capital Projects Division be phased out, that its investments cease to be reported as deemed assets, and that any outstanding commitments for future years be made through the General Revenue and Capital Funds; the investment strategy of the Fund be socially and environmentally responsible; a Trustee General be appointed to manage all the assets of the Fund in accordance with its objectives, and that he be responsible to the Assembly through the Select Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Act; and an annual public inquiry be held to review the effectiveness and accountability of the Fund to ensure that it is of benefit to the people of Alberta.</p>	Mr. Pashak		
273.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) ensure that producers of ethanol are governed by policy and taxation requirements comparable to those for other energy producers; (2) ensure that ethanol producers are eligible for programs of assistance applicable to producers of energy and energy by-products; (3) consider ethanol production as being eligible for assistance available to agriculture processors; (4) support research directed to increasing the viability of ethanol production; and (5) assess the merit of special incentive programs to encourage ethanol production within Alberta. 	Mr. Jonson		
274.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize the right of all aboriginal peoples in Alberta to a secure economic base, including a land base, and support the immediate constitutional entrenchment of the right to self-government within Canadian confederation of the aboriginal nations of Alberta.</p>	Mr. Hawkesworth		
275.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to persuade the Federal Government to modify its border closure policy on queen bees from the United States in order to permit importation of Hawaiian queen bees into Alberta.</p>	Mr. Paszkowski		
276.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to encourage the Federal Government to amend the Income Tax Act, so that income tax deductions for childcare expenses are fair and equitable to all parents irrespective of the manner of childcare utilized.</p>	Mrs. Mirosh		
277.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review and initiate changes to administrative policies and existing legislation to protect individual property rights.</p>	Mr. Gesell		
278.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the impact that the Young Offenders Act has had on the school system in Alberta.</p>	Mrs. Gagnon		

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279.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement a voluntary teacher internship program to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) establish definitive program guidelines to ensure participants receive a broad base of experience; (2) credit participants with one-half year towards their teaching certificates; (3) recognize the special needs of multigrade classrooms in rural divisions when determining guidelines such as intern-student ratios; and (4) expand the program to allow more graduates to enhance their teaching abilities by working with experienced teachers. 	Mrs. B. Laing		
280.	<p>Be it resolved that the Assembly support the establishment of all-party committees on the subjects of</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) agriculture, (2) education and youth, (3) environment, (4) health and social development, (5) industry, technology, and labour, (6) resource development and trade, (7) cooperative and community development, (8) finance and economics, and (9) justice; <p>to</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) report on such bills, motions, and department estimates as are referred to them by the Assembly; and (b) investigate, receive public input, and report on such issues as are referred to them by the Assembly or determined by the committee. 	Mr. Fox		
281.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) conduct a workforce analysis of the Alberta public service to give a breakdown of women and men employed in that service who are disabled, aboriginal, or belonging to a visible minority; and (2) enter into discussions with concerned citizens, organizations, and employee groups aimed at developing employment equity policies and programs to correct any imbalances. 	Mr. Gibeault		
282.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt measures, including Government-supervised public involvement, for a forest sector conservation strategy to address the issues of timber management, the protection of fish and wildlife, and resources for native peoples, hunters and trappers, recreationalists, and tourists.</p>	Mr. Mitchell		
283.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to enhance current community counseling centres such as those operated by the Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission, Family and Community Support Services and native friendship centres into centres for the enhancement of the family and the individual.</p>	Ms Calahasen		
284.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to model a compensation scheme for high voltage transmission lines constructed by utility companies on private and leased land after the compensation schemes provided for oil and gas projects constructed by energy companies.</p>	Mr. Lund		

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285.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly oppose the Federal Government's decision to participate in the upcoming Mexico-United States free trade negotiations since the Federal Government has received no mandate from Canadians to participate in such negotiations, and comprehensive studies have not been done on the impact of a trilateral free trade agreement.	Mr. McEachern		
286.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly recognize that the province has no right to infringe upon those tax revenues historically collected by municipalities, and accordingly, urge the Government to abandon its plans to implement a province-wide "corporate pooling" tax collection system.	Mr. Woloshyn		
287.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to hold an annual meeting to include representatives from all political parties, the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association, and the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties, to establish goals, priorities, and cooperative strategies that impact municipalities, and that the Government consent to publicly release its response to the issues raised by the association.	Mr. Wickman		
288.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review and find solutions for the problems faced by refugee physicians who wish to practice medicine in Alberta.	Mr. Shrake		
289.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to modify the Alberta widows' pension program to provide interim assistance of three months to needy widows under the age of 55 years to assist them in making financial adjustments in their time of grief.	Mr. Drobot		
290.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly is of the opinion that all available positions on Government-designated administrative tribunals, boards, commissions, and advisory councils be filled in a non-partisan manner ensuring representation proportionate to the population served by them in terms of gender, visible minorities, and disabled persons.	Ms M. Laing		
291.	Be it resolved that this Assembly reaffirm the long-standing parliamentary tradition that Members should be treated with impartiality by the Speaker and that the rules apply equally to all Members.	Ms Barrett		