

MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS (Private Members' Motions) (1996)

Motion No.	Text	Sponsor	Dates debated	Disposition
501.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a health care system that is based upon the two fundamental principles of accountability and affordability and a system that ensures accessibility, continuity and quality of care.	Mitchell	February 20, 1996	Defeated (on division)
502.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt a policy of notifying communities about offenders upon conviction and prior to their release from prison.	Woloshyn	February 27, 1996 March 5, 1996	Agreed to.
503.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to address the problem of child prostitution in order to end the exploitation of Alberta's children.	Forsyth	March 5, 1996 March 12, 1996	Agreed to unanimously.
504.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize that effective government must meet the tests of integrity, fiscal responsibility and community building based on shared values in Alberta.	Mitchell	March 12, 1996 March 19, 1996	Defeated.
505.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure equal access to quality education for Alberta children by providing for: disabled children; special needs children; early childhood services; English as a second language for each child whose mother tongue is not English, regardless of the student's place of birth; a wide variety of core and optional subjects; the incremental elimination of all user and transportation fees; and access to computers for all students.	Henry	March 19, 1996 March 26, 1996	Defeated.
506.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize that when children begin to commit crime, it is often a reflection of a number of factors, including poor supervision and weak parenting skills, and therefore establish a series of mandatory early intervention programs to help parents manage their children.	Hanson	March 26, 1996 April 2, 1996	Defeated.
507.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish jointly with the Federal Government a one-stop-help <i>process</i> for seniors <i>incorporating the following but not limited to: Single Point of Entry; Alberta Community Development Seniors Information Line and the Eldernet System for seniors, and other such information services.</i>	Hewes	April 2, 1996 April 16, 1996	Agreed to as amended.
508.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish an Agricultural Operation Review Board to arbitrate disagreements that may arise regarding generally accepted agricultural practices as they pertain to the Agricultural Operation Practices Act.	Nicol	April 16, 1996 April 23, 1996	Defeated

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509.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to conduct a comprehensive review of the policies that govern Kananaskis Country, including the Sub-Regional Integrated Resource Plan, to determine the cumulative impact of all activities, including recreation, oil and gas exploitation, logging and grazing, and in consultation with Albertans, determine acceptable levels for future development that will protect the natural habitat and wildlife populations of the region.	Collingwood	April 23, 1996 April 30, 1996	Defetaed
510.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to help eradicate violence against Alberta women through <i>education and prevention initiatives, including the development of appropriate legal strategies, policies and programs in cooperation with the Federal Government.</i>	Soetaert	April 30, 1996 May 7, 1996	Agreed to as amended
511.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to authorize an independent audit of the management of provincial forest lands to examine the adequacy of current forest management, which would include a critical analysis of timber supplies and the effectiveness of current policies and practices in achieving sustainable development.	Collingwood (Taylor, N.)	May 7, 1996	Defeated
512.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement strategies aimed at reducing the over-utilization of, and therefore the demand on, the health care system, giving consideration to the following: increasing public awareness of the costs of the system; providing incentives through the health insurance plan to encourage responsible utilization of the system; using the health care premium as a deductible; and allowing for the rebate of any portion of the health insurance premium that is not used through access to the health care system.	Doerksen	May 14, 1996 May 21, 1996	Agreed to
513.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement the suggestions contained in reports tabled in the House by the Government and by the Official Opposition concerning improvements to the handling of young offenders in Alberta.	Dickson	May 21, 1996	Debate adjourned
514.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the feasibility of establishing a Legal Services Ombudsman to investigate how complaints about lawyers have been handled.	Havelock		
515.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to initiate an immediate study to examine the feasibility of electing judges.	Hlady		
516.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure that the Regional Health Authorities' budgets are made public and tabled in the Legislative Assembly.	Sapers		
517.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to conduct an annual review of the minimum wage to ensure the minimum wage reflects changes in the cost of living.	Leibovici		

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518.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop a unified family court in Alberta which would bring together all family matters into one court, thereby saving time, money and effort, and provide the following to Albertans: a less formal setting for dealing with family matters than a traditional court; alternatives which are less costly than a court action; judges and court staff who specialize in family law matters thus allowing for greater consistency; services that promote alternative dispute resolution; the opportunity for more input by the parties into the matter being decided; and family support services.	Dickson		
519.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to designate a minimum of two percent of net revenue from gaming activities to problem gambling prevention and treatment programs.	Wickman		
520.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to enforce vigorously the truck safety regulations under the Motor Transport Act.	Vasseur		
521.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to revise the Young Offender's Program to implement counselling techniques that involve the family of the young offender in the rehabilitation process.	Herard		
522.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to reduce the hotel room tax from five to three percent to increase tourism in Alberta.	Van Binsbergen		
523.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly establish an all-party committee of the Legislative Assembly to review surface rights legislation in Alberta, the role and mandate of the Surface Rights Board, and the compensation rates paid to surface owners of private land and grazing leases for industrial activity undertaken on private lands and Crown grazing leases.	Dalla-Longa		
524.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to conduct a comprehensive review of the current Workers' Compensation Act which would include public consultation sessions where business representatives, injured workers' groups and other stakeholders can put forward their ideas on how the Act ought to be amended and updated.	Kirkland		
525.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to urge the Federal Government to amend the Bank Act to disallow banks from charging 21 percent interest on the seven percent GST (Goods and Services Tax) charges on outstanding balances of bank credit cards.	Abdurahman		
526.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure the continuance of the Alberta Foundation for the Arts as an arms-length agency of the Crown, providing peer adjudication of applications received, and to maintain the current percentages of lottery fund allocation towards Alberta's arts and culture sector.	Zwozdesky		

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527.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to restrict smoking at all provincial government worksites, including the Legislative Assembly Building and Legislature Annex.	Oberg		
528.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize and rectify policies it has implemented that place increasing hardship on low income working Albertans, including those policies that have created: user fees in schools; de-insuring health care procedures; increased user fees for provincial government mandated services; a reduction in services to senior citizens; user fees for kindergarten/Early Childhood Services (ECS); user fees for health care; reduction in day care subsidies; tightening of eligibilities for daycare subsidies; Alberta Health Care insurance premiums for seniors; shortages in legal aid services; increased drug costs for seniors; increased accommodation costs for seniors; reduction in emergency services in social services; and reduced access to emergency and acute care medical services.	Henry		
529.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work with the federal Minister of Justice and the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs to terminate discrimination against aboriginal women who have registered status under Bill C-31, so that those aboriginal women wishing to do so are allowed to return to their reserve.	Taylor, N.	W i t h d r a w n Tuesday, March 1 2 , 1 9 9 6 , p u r s u a n t t o S t a n d i n g O r d e r 3 9 a n d S p e a k e r ' s S t a t e m e n t o f t h a t d a t e .	
530.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop a partnership program to allow enough capacity for the future expansion of rural water systems.	Nicol		
531.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to raise the income thresholds of the Alberta Seniors Benefit and Special Needs Assistance programs to alleviate the hardships suffered by seniors due to current threshold levels.	Hewes		
532.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation that would require parental consent for children under the age of 16 to receive prescription contraceptives and requiring parental knowledge before children between the ages of 16 and 18 receive prescription contraceptives.	Taylor, L.		
533.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to protect rural and urban libraries by maintaining their current funding level.	Zwozdesky		

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534.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation establishing the minimum age at 18 years for persons seeking to rent or purchase sexually explicit "adult" videos and that store owners be made responsible for determining the age of persons seeking to rent or purchase sexually explicit "adult" videos.	Fritz		
535.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to return to a system which allows local school boards to collect property taxes and to a system of education funding where property taxes account for no more than 20 percent of total educational funding through the adoption of a 20 year plan.	Decore		
536.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure that the Regional Health Authorities' Business Plans have been reviewed by the Auditor General and found to be acceptable prior to any transfer of authority of the Provincial Mental Health Board to the Regional Health Authorities.	Sapers		
537.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to allocate five percent of the Alberta Liquor Control Board's net income to AADAC (Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission) programs for the treatment and prevention of alcohol and drug addiction.	White		
538.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement strategies aimed at making the wearing of bicycle helmets mandatory, in the interest of accident prevention necessary for the reduction of costs to the health care system in Alberta.	Burgener		
539.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop, in cooperation with other provinces and the Federal Government, an interactive database containing a list of the provincial, national and international scientific and technological experts as well as an ongoing record of research and development projects in Canada.	Massey		
540.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to move towards funding students attending accredited private schools at a rate equal to 100 percent of the General Revenue Fund portion of the basic student grant provided to public schools.	Haley		
541.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to take measures to limit the term of office for any Member of the Legislative Assembly to three consecutive terms.	Hierath		
542.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to improve its long-range strategic fiscal and economic planning by preparing an economic and fiscal strategy report, to be released during the budget presentation, and containing ten year forecasts and discussions of the following key fiscal and economic indicators: real GDP growth; interest rates for 3 month Treasury Bills and 10 year Alberta bonds; consumer price index; Alberta unemployment rate; Alberta employment rate increases; crude oil prices; natural gas prices; natural gas sales; Canada/U.	Sekulic		

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543.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to eliminate the duplication and overlap of services provided by both the provincial Government and local municipal governments and return these savings to the municipal governments.	White		
544.	<p>Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to refer all regulations made pursuant to Acts of the Legislature which received Royal Assent subsequent to June 15, 1993 to the Standing Committee on Law and Regulations where each regulation would be considered in light of the following questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) is the regulation consistent with the delegated authority provided in the relevant statute; (2) is the regulation necessarily incidental to the purpose of the statute; (3) is the regulation reasonable in the efficient provision of service to Albertans? 	Decore		
545.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine changes to the provincial tax regime to encourage Alberta-based research and development activities and foster increased commercialization of technologies.	Chadi		
546.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider a public offering of shares in the Alberta Treasury Branches as a mechanism to improve its ability to meet future capital requirements in order to compete more effectively in the global financial services industry and to meet the future service needs of Albertans.	Percy		
547.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to enter into negotiations with the Federal Government to implement a tax relief program for mortgage interest on residential property.	Shariff		
548.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the feasibility of developing a province-wide employee share ownership plan program which would use tax incentives to encourage employees to invest in the company for which they work.	Germain		
549.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to limit fundraising activities in Alberta schools to non-core education activities so that the primary focus of students, teachers, parents, principals and school boards is the education of students rather than the raising of money.	Carlson		
550.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement support programs to address and rectify any negative impact imposed on Alberta women as a result of the reductions in Government expenditures for health, education, social services and the public service.	Soetaert		

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551.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement a mandatory 400-hour Early Childhood Services program while maintaining present funding levels.	Amery		
552.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to place kilometre marker signs on the province's highways as a means of providing more accurate location descriptions for stranded motorists and response locations for local emergency services.	Gordon		
553.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to increase the small claims limit under the Provincial Court to \$10,000.	Germain		
554.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement measures facilitating more effective means of ensuring non-custodial parents access to their children where the court has allowed access.	Yankowsky		
555.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a municipal/provincial task force to make recommendations on how to disentangle the financial relationships that have evolved in areas of shared responsibility and to identify potential partnerships.	Bracko		
556.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider allowing limited construction of condominiums in Kananaskis Country so that a greater number of Albertans can have access to family-style rental accommodations at a reasonable cost.	Tannas		
557.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish guidelines for the regulation of octane levels in automobile fuel.	Vasseur		
558.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize the important contribution to the provincial economy made by the non-consumptive enjoyment of wildlife and the natural environment, by identifying the economic advantage it brings to Albertans and by protecting natural habitats that are needed to conserve biodiversity and habitat quality on which this economic resource is based.	Collingwood		
559.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require commercial enterprises falling under government control to prepare and release three-year business plans and quarterly financial reports as recommended by the Alberta Financial Review Commission.	Sekulic		

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560.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to commit to the allocation of a designated percentage of the revenue that is raised by the hotel room tax for the express purpose of promoting tourism in Alberta.	Van Binsbergen	W i t h d r a w n Tuesday, March 12, 1996, pursuant to Standing Order 39 and Speaker's Statement of that date.	Not Applicable
561.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly establish a Select Special Committee to review the impact that the elimination of property taxes in Alberta would have on the economy of Alberta.	Kowalski		
562.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the establishment of centres for technology and development within the existing budget to act as facilitators in forming linkages among talent pools in specific research and development industries and related educational programs.	Chadi		
563.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Public Safety Service Act to provide for the registering of a caveat on all land titles that include flood plains, notifying the landowner or any future owner that any subsequently built property on that land would be ineligible for flood compensation from the Provincial Disaster Relief Fund.	McFarland		
564.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work with the Federal Government to ensure the mutual recognition of occupational standards as identified in the 1994 Federal-Provincial-Territorial Agreement on Internal Trade.	Zariwny		
565.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to pursue with the Federal Government the development of ways and means for supply-managed industries to identify and take advantage of domestic and world market opportunities in a changing, freer global trade environment and thus contribute towards the achievement of the \$20 billion goal for agricultural exports by the year 2000.	Taylor, L.		
566.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to prevent the Regional Health Authorities from requisitioning funds from municipalities.	Bracko		
567.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work in conjunction with the Federal Government to develop sectoral councils that encourage greater private sector involvement and the development of training standards.	Zariwny		

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568.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government, when contracting with private agencies, to ensure that all contracts are publicly tendered, follow stringent standards for quality service delivery, provide on-going performance measures, provide protection for employees and provide guidelines for reporting wrong-doing.	Hanson		
569.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to discontinue the out-of-country differential tuition policy in order to attract quality graduates from other countries to Alberta's post-secondary institutions.	Massey		
570.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to reduce the administrative burden on the energy industry by eliminating royalty payments for natural gas wells producing less than 100 million cubic feet per day.	Dalla-Longa		
571.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure that corrections facilities in Alberta are more self-sufficient and cost effective by having inmates perform work within the institutions which is currently being done by paid labourers or private contractors.	Bruseker		
572.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to reduce the provincial aviation tax on fuel from five to two cents per litre.	Kirkland		
573.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review the role of the provincial Audit Committee as a mechanism of accountability and governance in accordance with its responsibilities under the Balanced Budget and Debt Retirement Act.	Abdurahman		
574.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to maintain current policy providing that all casinos are operated by non-profit organizations in Alberta.	Wickman		
575.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to monitor the whereabouts of released high risk sex offenders by establishing a registry to be administered by a special committee appointed by the Minister of Justice that would determine the amount of information regarding the released offender that should be given to the general public, or individuals/groups within a community.	Beniuk		
576.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish abused men's shelters.	Yankowsky		
577.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to enhance the current programs available in Alberta for the prevention and treatment of drug and alcohol abuse.	Carlson		

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578.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish specially designed mental health treatment programs for persons who have committed domestic violence whereby the full cost of treatment is to be incurred by the abuser, and recognizing the abuser's right to appeal to the Courts regarding cost.	Beniuk		
579.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to make all government documents available on computer disk, including but not limited to: budget estimates, public accounts, Orders in Council, Bills, discussion papers, and annual reports.	Bruseker		
580.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to provide Albertans with a full review of the implications of moving from a tax-on-tax to a tax-on-income regime in order to ensure that the Alberta tax regime continues to respect the principles of stability, predictability, efficiency, visibility, effectiveness and accountability.	Percy		
581.	Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt the standards of the International Labour Organization with regard to human rights, freedom of association, the right to organize, and freedom from discrimination, and to adopt the International Labour Organization recommendations with regard to collective agreements, voluntary conciliation, arbitration, cooperation, termination of employment and examination of grievances.	Leibovici		