

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

Friday, June 2nd, 1972

[The House met at 12:30 pm.]

PRAYERS

[Mr. Speaker in the Chair.]

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

MR. SORENSON:

Mr. Speaker, I wish to introduce to you and to the hon. members of this Legislature 19 Grade IX students from the public school at Hardisty which is in my constituency. They are accompanied today by their teacher Mr. Proese and by parents, Mrs. Watkins and Mrs. Hendricks, and their bus driver Mr. Clousten. Hardisty is a suburb of Lougheed or maybe it is vice versa. But, Mr. Speaker, there is something of interest here that I would like to draw to your attention. Lougheed is named after our Premier's grandfather, hon. Sir James Alexander Lougheed. I have conducted a lot of research on this, Mr. Speaker; Grandpa Lougheed married Belle Hardisty, and so they went through life side by side. And I have these two towns side by side and they get along very well.

The group is seated in the public gallery and I will ask them to rise and be recognized at this time.

FILING RETURNS AND TABLING REPORTS

MR. LOUGHEED:

Mr. Speaker, I have two returns ordered by the Assembly, Return No. 185 and Return No. 192.

MR. GETTY:

Mr. Speaker, I wish to table in the House a copy of a letter from the hon. Premier to Prime Minister Trudeau dealing with the FISP payments -- Federal Income Security Payment -- which has been raised in the House. We advised that when the letter went we would table a copy for the members of the House.

Mr. Speaker, while I am on my feet -- this matter of a report on the foreign direct investment in Canada came up when we announced in the House the federal government's position on foreign investment in Canada. We attempted at that time to get a copy of this report for every member of the Legislature. We have so far got a copy for each member of the Select Committee on Foreign Investment, and we have obtained an additional 30 copies. We have decided that the best way for now is to supply the opposition members with ten of those copies, and 20 on this side of the House. I have so directed my office to send ten to the office of the Leader of the Opposition.

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DR. HOHOL:

Mr. Speaker, I wish to table the reply to Question No. 196 asked by the hon. Member for Drumbheller on May 11, 1972.

MR. FUSSELL:

Mr. Speaker, I would like to table the 1971 Annual Report of the Alberta Housing Corporation. Hon. members may recall that at the beginning of this session I tabled the 1970 annual report, but because of the length of this session and the fact that we were able to sneak five copies off the printing press this morning -- they are still a little bit damp -- we were able to table the 1971 report at this session.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

MR. SPEAKER:

The hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Leduc followed by the hon. Member for Calgary Bow and the hon. Member for Spirit River-Fairview.

Municipal Bylaws

MR. HENDERSON:

Mr. Speaker, I'd like to address a brief question to the provincial Attorney General. By way of background, I believe approximately a week ago, Mr. Speaker, a court judgment upset a bylaw of the City of Wetaskiwin on the grounds that it wasn't clearly stated in the bylaw that the City of Wetaskiwin was in the Province of Alberta. I'm sure, as the hon. Attorney General can appreciate, there are a great many municipal bylaws that take it for granted that the law recognizes the existence of the particular community or municipality within the Province of Alberta.

I would simply like to ask the hon. Attorney General if he would kindly take a look at this particular matter and see if there isn't something that could be done to alleviate some concerns of this particular municipal council, as well as, I suspect, a considerable number of municipalities where their bylaws could be in jeopardy because of this ruling.

MR. LEITCH:

Mr. Speaker, I'd be pleased to take a look at the matter. Perhaps the hon. member could arrange to give me the particulars after the session. I will then look into it.

MR. SPEAKER:

The hon. Member for Spirit River-Fairview, followed by the hon. Member for Bow Valley.

Calgary Power Rates

MR. NCTLEY:

Mr. Speaker, I'd like to direct a question to the hon. Minister of Telephones and Utilities. By way of explanation, Mr. Minister, several weeks ago I asked you whether or not the government would be willing to intervene if Calgary Power sought a rate increase. If my memory serves me right, your answer at that time was that this matter would be settled by the Public Utilities Board. However, in view of the fact that Calgary Power comes under The Water Resources Act, Section 76 of which empowers the government to regulate rates, I put to you the question again, would the government be prepared to intervene if a rate increase is sought by Calgary Power?

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MR. SPEAKER:

The hon. member's question is hypothetical. The hon. Member for Bow Valley, followed by the hon. Member for Calgary Bow.

Sheep and Cattle Loans

MR. MANDEVILLE:

Mr. Speaker, I'd like to direct a question to the hon. Minister of Agriculture. Earlier in the session you indicated, sir, that there was a possibility of extending the guaranteed cattle loan to the southern part of the province. Are you prepared yet to make a decision on the extension of this livestock loan?

DR. HOFNER:

Mr. Speaker, as I announced the other day in making my speech on The Agricultural Development Act, we intended to extend the guaranteed loan under the expanded guaranteed provisions under the act to all of Alberta. This should be in effect in a matter of a few weeks, once we develop the regulations and the agricultural development committees in the various areas.

MR. MANDEVILLE:

Supplementary, Mr. Speaker. You indicated there is a possibility of amending the regulations for sheep loans so that they could use part of the money for equipment. Have these regulations as yet been amended, or are they in the process?

DR. HOFNER:

These regulations are in the process of being amended, and will very shortly be in effect so that part of the loan can be used for equipment and building.

MR. ZANDER:

Supplementary, Mr. Speaker. Could the hon. Minister of Agriculture tell this House approximately how many dollars have been advanced in the cattle loan since its initiation some time ago?

DR. HOFNER:

Mr. Speaker, from September of last year until up till two weeks ago, \$8.5 million has been put out in the grey wooded soil area in northern Alberta, in regard to the guaranteed loans for cattle and sheep.

MR. SPEAKER:

The hon. Member for Calgary Bow, followed by the hon. Member for Clcver Bar.

Superintendent of Insurance

MR. WILSON:

Mr. Speaker, I would like to direct a question to the hon. Attorney General. Would you advise us of the name of the new Superintendent of Insurance?

MR. LEITCH:

Mr. Speaker, I'm pleased to do that. It's Mr. Darwish, who was formerly the financial analyst with the Securities Commission.

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MR. SPEAKER:

The hon. Member for Clover Bar.

Beaver Dams

DR. BUCK:

Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the hon. Minister of Lands and Forests. It's a dam problem. I mean a beaver dam problem. I'm sure that this comes to your attention many times, in that somebody phones, and they phone the county official, and then they end up phoning their MLA.

So for the enlightenment of the House -- is there a cut and dried policy for the blowing up of beaver dams? Is this under the Water Resources Branch, or under the Department of Lands and Forests? You almost have local feuds going on when somebody blows up the beaver dam and the next person says they are letting too much water down. Is that under your department, or what?

DR. WARRACK:

Mr. Speaker, it is a joint responsibility. Today it is entirely mine as Acting Minister of the Environment, as well as Lands and Forests. It is something that we work on closely together, department to department, but the actual decision that has to be made is based upon what the nature and function of the problem is. If it is primarily one of fish habitat, as it is in a number of cases in mountain streams, then there is a very heavy weighting on that particular aspect. On the other hand, it can have some very severe agricultural overtones in terms of evening the flow of water through creeks, and being of stock water value. It would depend on the individual situation, and if there is one that you are thinking of I would be most happy to take it up.

DR. BUCK:

Supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. The problem arises most often in agricultural areas, not in the mountainous areas, where there is quite a large amount of arable land that is flooded. The people don't know if it is a county problem, or if they should get in touch with the Water Resources people. This is where the crunch comes. They don't know who is responsible for taking the beaver out and who is responsible for blowing up the dams. This is the sticky part.

DR. WARRACK:

I am sure the hon. member and myself, as well as the hon. Minister of the Environment, can work it out once and for all; and in the future when they contact their MLA they will have the answer right away.

MR. SPEAKER:

The hon. Member for Drumheller.

Urban Task Forces

MR. TAYLOR:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to address a question to the hon. Minister of Municipal Affairs. I need one or two sentences to introduce the subject. The urban task forces have generated a great deal of activity in the urban areas of my constituency. There is great apprehension now on the part of businessmen in those urban areas that this work will die before it has been able to germinate.

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I wonder if the hon. minister is prepared to consider some special attention for the urban areas after the termination of the task forces, in order to make sure that the work that has been started will have a chance to bear seed.

MR. RUSSELL:

Yes, Mr. Speaker. I am pleased to respond to that because it is a very important matter which has given us a great deal of concern. In the hon. member's area the tactic used of going in and forming volunteer citizen groups to become interested in the problems associated with urbanization met with a very healthy response. It met with exactly the opposite response in some other areas of the province.

We are trying very hard and sincerely to salvage the areas of good response. Mr. Marlyn will be commencing his new duties July 1st. He is phasing into them now. We have had two meetings on this as to how we might best maintain the interest that has been shown by these citizen groups. I think one thing they will have to accept is that they will be working more on their own now, without the large input from paid task force members emanating from the provincial government. But I can still see them serving a very useful purpose. And that is my objective, to encourage them to keep up their activities.

MR. SPEAKER:

The hon. Member for Drayton Valley, followed by the hon. Member for Sedgewick-Corcoration.

Last Hill Creek Water

MR. ZANDER:

Mr. Speaker, I see the hon. Minister of the Environment is not here, and I don't know what department I should address this to. I tried to contact some departments today regarding some phone calls I received this morning from the Eckville area regarding the Last Hill Creek, whose water source is going to be used in flooding the oil production in that area. The people expressed concern in that area because of the shortage of water downstream from the proposed site. I wonder if the hon. Minister of Lands and Forests would look into this and try to give those people some answer on that.

DR. WARRACK:

Yes, Mr. Speaker. I am quite sure that this would be a matter that would be within the sphere of responsibility of the Department of the Environment. If the hon. member would provide me with as much detail as he can ascertain at this time I will have it checked out at the soonest possible moment.

MR. SPEAKER:

The hon. Member for Sedgewick-Corcoration.

Farm Credit Corporation

MR. SORENSON:

Mr. Speaker, a question to the Minister of Agriculture. Approximately two weeks ago I asked a question concerning the foreclosures by the Farm Credit Corporation, and you mentioned at that time you would be meeting with officials in the near future. Have you anything further to add at this time?

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DR. HCFNER:

I'm rather surprised, Mr. Speaker, because I dealt with that rather extensively when I dealt with the Agricultural Development Act on second reading. I outlined the procedures that we were going to follow in regard to foreclosures and the agreement that we had with the Farm Credit Corporation, and I refer the hon. member to Hansard of that day which outlines in some detail that we would look after them on an individual basis after receiving the consent of the individual farmer to allow his files to be looked at by our department. We would then sit down with them and with the Farm Credit Corporation. As I said at that time, Mr. Speaker, we were very pleased with the co-operation that is developing between our credit people and those in the Farm Credit Corporation.

DR. WARRACK:

Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to correct a figure that I gave at the time I introduced Bill No. 93, regarding wilderness areas. The correction is that the size of the White Goat wilderness area that is suggested is precisely 171.54 square miles. I had previously reported that figure incorrectly.

In summary, to be sure that the matter is entirely clear, the three wilderness areas that are involved then, are the Ghost River wilderness area that would be exactly 59.14 square miles, the Siffleur wilderness area which will be 159.13 square miles, and the White Goat wilderness area which, correctly stated, is 171.65 square miles.

MR. SEEAKER:

The hon. Member for Drumheller.

Coal Markets

MR. TAYLOR:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. May I address this question to the hon. Minister of Mines and Minerals? Is the hon. minister having any success in seeking domestic coal markets in Montana?

MR. DICKIE:

Mr. Speaker, I haven't received any recent reports on it and we haven't taken any active steps during the latter part of the session.

CASE Program

MR. GETTY:

Mr. Speaker, earlier in the session the hon. Member for Vermilion-Viking, Mr. Cooper, raised a question to me regarding a federal program known as the CASE program, and he asked whether or not Alberta wanted an office located within the province. I promised to look into it for him and report back. The CASE program -- those are the initials of the Counselling Assistance to Small Enterprises -- is to provide general consulting services to small businesses. The program is being administered by the office of the industrial policy advisor in the Federal Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce.

To date, there is one experimental project under this program. It was inaugurated in Montreal on April 1st, and that is an experimental project functioning within a radius of 70 miles of the City of Montreal. They intend, sometime before September 1st, to announce another location of an experimental project, and then do an evaluation of how the experiment is working and decide whether or not they will go on a national basis.

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Alberta has been assured that it will be informed of the results of the pilot projects, and will then be consulted. Our Department of Industry and Commerce, I am sure, will want to assess the advantages of such a program and we will then make a decision as to whether or not we will encourage an office in our province.

Community Care for Mental Patients

DR. PAFOSKI:

Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the hon. Minister of Health and Social Development. I would like to ask the minister if he is considering the development of community special care facilities, at the community level, for mental patients of the nursing home type. If he is, is he considering encouraging the development of these types of private facilities in addition to the government type of facilities to assure that the per diem rate, in fact, is a little higher than that of a nursing home type of facility?

MR. CRAWFORD:

Mr. Speaker, the hon. member's question goes into detailing of program to some extent, and we get into areas like the cost structure. I would have to say to him -- interested as I am in discussing that with him and getting the benefit of his professional advice in that area -- I don't have a specific answer for him at the present time.

However, as to the overall area of day care facilities in the mental health field, we are definitely in the planning stage in this area at the present time. The separation of thinking that is required to discuss both publicly operated and privately operated facilities though is, once again, another matter, and my own views of it would be to be very restrained towards the idea of privately operated facilities of that type.

MR. SPEAKER:

The hon. Member for Highwood, followed by the hon. Member for Calgary Millican.

Drug Sales

MR. BENOIT:

I have a question for the hon. Minister of Agriculture. It has to do with submissions that have been made by pharmacists who complain that veterinarians have been selling drugs that should only be going through a pharmacist. Have you an information for us with regard to that Mr. Minister?

DR. HOFNER:

Mr. Speaker, this is a decision by the federal food and drug people restricting pharmacists and allowing veterinarians to sell or handle certain drugs. My department is now reviewing the situation, having regard to some submissions that we will be making through my colleague's department to the federal government in relation to this entire matter.

MR. SPEAKER:

The hon. Member for Calgary Millican.

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Red Deer School Hospital

MR. DIXON:

Mr. Speaker, I would like to direct my question today to the hon. Minister of Health and Social Development. With the transfer of many of the patients from the Red Deer Training School Hospital to the old Misericordia Hospital in Edmonton, what provisions are going to be made to take care of a lot of the youngsters who are on the waiting list? Are they going to take new patients in immediately at Red Deer or are you going to delay it for awhile until things are organized a little better?

MR. CRAWFORD:

Mr. Speaker, my information is that the flow of new patients into the Red Deer School Hospital has already begun. The intention throughout has been that the most severe cases, according to the best information available in respect to individual cases, would be the guideline that would be used, and those children would be brought in first. Whether or not the full 96 spaces that will have been created by opening the old Misericordia site have been filled yet, I'm afraid I don't have that information today.

MR. SPEAKER:

The hon. Member for Drumheller.

David Thompson Cavalcade

MR. TAYLOR:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. May I address a question to the only beautiful member of the present Cabinet in Alberta -- the hon. Minister of Health Services? I'm wondering if the hon. minister could tell the House if the David Thompson Cavalcade will be held this year?

MISS HUNLEY:

Mr. Speaker, no unfortunately it will not be held this year.

MR. TAYLOR:

That's most unfortunate, I know the expenses were heavy there and I was going to ask the hon. minister if she would be prepared to raffle her tie, and if so I would be prepared to pay \$5 for the first ticket.

MISS HUNLEY:

Mr. Speaker, I accept.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

POINT OF PRIVILEGE

DR. ECUVIER:

Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of privilege. I would like to make a short statement to the House. During the election campaign of August, 1971 I made a promise to my constituents. I actually made only one promise, and a promise I fully intend to keep. I promised them a voice in this Legislature, and a voice in the Government of Alberta. I didn't promise them any kind of a voice, however. I promised them a voice that would be above all, and many other things, effective.

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Now as is well known, all opposition parties are dedicated primarily -- and there may be some various opinions on this -- but I feel that they are dedicated primarily to defeating the government. Opposition members have been known to use what is done by the government in their constituencies to their own self-glorification, and in turn, of course, against the government. Obviously then a voice from an opposition party member cannot be effective in obtaining from the government special considerations for special needs, which describes my constituency.

Therefore, Mr. Speaker, I have decided that from now on I will sit as an independent member for the Lac La Biche-McMurray constituency and will concentrate my efforts, not on defeating the government, but on representing my constituency. I will vote for or against the government as I see fit having, first of all, my constituents in mind and not on a party basis with politics in mind.

Mr. Speaker, for the next session I then ask that my seat be moved to that area of the House where an independent member is expected to sit. If that should happen to be to the left of the NDP member, I wish to make it clear right here and now, that my political philosophy will still be right.

In summary, Mr. Speaker, I might add that I have made this decision and I am making this move, which I feel is in the best interest of my constituency and, after all, is why I am here. I feel that I will be able to better serve them by doing this. This is why I am here, and if this wasn't the case, then I have no business being here.

I have enjoyed very good relationships with members on both sides of the House during this past session. I certainly hope that these amicable relationships will continue as I sit in my new seat.

SOME HON. MEMBERS:

Fear, hear.

MR. HYNDMAN:

Mr. Speaker, I would like to report to the Assembly that the Cabinet Committee on Education will be receiving the report of the Commission on Educational Planning on Friday, June 16th. The report will be presented at an Edmonton press conference Friday morning, June 16th. The press conference will be televised live to Calgary with two-way communication and questioning between the two cities.

I would like to advise that arrangements are under way so that copies of the report will be delivered or mailed to all members of the House on the release day, June 16th. Advance orders, I might note, for the Worth report have certainly exceeded our expectation. Nearly 2,000 advance orders are in as of this date and 7,000 copies have been reserved by booksellers in Alberta and across Canada.

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

MR. HYNDMAN:

Mr. Speaker, I believe we would now move to committee study first, and move the Government Motion No. 1 later on.

Mr. Speaker, I move that you do now leave the Chair and the Assembly resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider Bills 54, 95, and 106 on today's Order Paper on page 2.

[The motion was carried without dissent.]

[The Speaker left the Chair.]

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

[Mr. Diachuk in the Chair.]

Bill No. 54
The Mines and Minerals Amendment Act, 1972

[All clauses of this bill, the title and the preamble, were agreed to without debate.]

MR. DICKIE:

Mr. Chairman, I move that the bill be reported.

[The motion was carried without debate.]

Bill No. 95 The Mineral Taxation Act, 1972

[Sections 1 to 4 were agreed to without debate.]

Section 5

MR. TAYLOR:

Mr. Chairman, I wonder if I could ask the hon. minister if he has made any assessment of the number of additional assessors that are going to be required, and an assessment of the cost of carrying out these assessments of petroleum in place?

MR. DICKIE:

Yes, Mr. Chairman. After the initial question was raised in the Assembly, we conducted some preliminary studies. We advanced those studies considerably, and compared them with what the Energy Resources Conservation Board was doing. From their initial figures it would appear that to set up the computer and so forth, cost about \$25,000, and then for the operators it runs about \$60,000 a year. Certainly from what we are looking at, our system would be modified on that and very similar. However we wouldn't be in a position at this stage to give the House an accurate estimate as to what that figure might be as to how the Energy Resources Conservation Board is operating. It would be most difficult to do that, but we do have some tentative figures from the Energy Resources Conservation Board.

[Section 5 to Subsection (4) were agreed to without debate.]

Subsection (5)

MR. TAYLOR:

Mr. Chairman, I wonder if the hon. minister would advise us if they have assessors available? Are there men qualified now to carry out this type of assessment, and do you have them on your staff, or will additional staff be required?

MR. DICKIE:

In our determination, Mr. Chairman, we would say that there are assessors available. They will be from either our staff or the Energy Resources Conservation Board. But I think in addition to that, additional ones would be required.

MR. STRON:

Mr. Chairman, are these assessors then presently working in this area of making the kind of assessment that you will need if you go

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ahead with the tax? The second part of my question would be, to what extent do you feel that you would need to increase staff, and then, where would you look for the increased staff with capabilities?

MR. DICKIE:

Mr. Chairman, that's a good question. We've tried to come to a conclusion, and I think at this stage it's perhaps a little too premature to determine exactly what we would need by way of assessors. We do feel that we have the people with the competence and the expertise that would give us the basis to start a staff of that nature, but additional ones would be employed and we would benefit by their guidance and direction on that. So I think from that point of view it would be initially working with them to see the best approach to be followed, and I think it would be difficult to say today, or even at the time the act was proclaimed, exactly what staff would be required.

MR. STECM:

Mr. Chairman, I'm wondering then, do you have enough information now that you could proceed with the assessment and taxation, and that the assessors would then be required for possibly the appeals? Or is there a complete assessment which must be made before you can proceed to levy a tax?

MR. DICKIE:

Mr. Chairman, as to whether we have the information or not, a lot of that information is available from the Energy Resources Conservation Board. The use that will be made of that information will depend on the arrangements that are worked out with the Energy Resources Conservation Board. That is one of the areas in which further exploration has to be carried on.

MR. STECM:

Are you presently making that kind of an assessment now in anticipation?

MR. DICKIE:

At this stage we haven't progressed further than to consider getting the bills and proclamation, and I would say that as soon as we finalize our thinking we would be in a position to then foresee.

[Section 5(5) was agreed to without further debate.]

[Sections 6 to 16 were agreed to without debate.]

Section 17

MR. NOTLEY:

I was wondering on Section 17 here, I take it then that the levy, Mr. Minister, can be a flexible levy, that is, it can be changed from year to year? As the reserves go down then the levy on the reserves can go up so that the same yield can be maintained over a period of years. Is that correct, the assessment of this particular provision?

MR. DICKIE:

Mr. Chairman, my understanding would be that on a fair actual value, if the value changes from year to year, that is the assessed value. That value could change from year to year.

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MR. TAYLOR:

Mr. Chairman, another question to the hon. minister. Is there any thought of assessing and taxing coal in place at this time?

MR. DICKIE:

Mr. Chairman, in answer to that I think the hon. members will appreciate that the act is so designed to cover all minerals. Then certain minerals will be exempt, and our initial stage at this time is to consider the question of crude oil. We will then be open to consider the other minerals. At this stage there hasn't been any thinking directed to coal and you will recall that I have invited hon. members of the House to give us their views on coal. That is the extent that our studies have proceeded at this stage.

MR. NCTLEY:

I would like to ask one supplementary question. I realize that the fair assessed value of the reserves is the basis, but I'm coming back again to the rate itself, such rate or rates on the dollar as the Lieutenant Governor in Council may, from time to time, direct. What I just wanted to clarify for my own mind was that from time to time, from year to year, we can set a different rate. It might be so many cents this year, it might be another rate next year. We are not going to get ourselves committed to a fixed mill rate.

MR. DICKIE:

That is correct. There are two variables. Firstly, the fair actual value and then the mill rate. There is no stipulation here that the mill rate would be fixed for any period of time. There hasn't been any representation to that effect yet.

MR. HENDERSON:

I presume this tax will apply to oil sand leases whether they are productive or not, if there is some indication of reserves that are there. Will they affect them?

MR. DICKIE:

Mr. Chairman, in answer to that I could refer the hon. member to the tentative position paper. It clearly spells out that the oil sands were not subject to it. So, as it stands now, this act will so be utilized to apply initially to crude oil reserves excluding the tar sands. But the act could be devised later to utilize the tar sands if it felt necessary.

MR. HENDERSON:

Mr. Chairman, we are talking about the act, not the position paper. The act, the way I read it, is applicable to the tar sands unless it is specifically exempted by regulation. Is the minister saying that they are going to, by regulation, exempt? Is this what you are saying?

MR. DICKIE:

Mr. Chairman, the hon. member seems to have difficulty understanding the position paper. Certainly the position paper made it clear that the tar sands were excluded. The basis for the position paper was this act, and the design of this act, of course, is to tax basically crude oil reserves. So there is no misunderstanding in the hon. member's mind. It is not the intention that this act at this time applies to the tar sands.

[Subsection (2) to Section 34, the title and the preamble, were agreed to.]

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MR. DICKIE:

Mr. Chairman, I move that Bill No 95 be reported as amended.

[The motion was carried without dissent.]

Bill No. 106 The Alberta Insurance Amendment Act, 1972

[All sections, the title, and the preamble, with amendments, were agreed to without debate.]

MR. LEITCH:

Mr. Chairman, I move that Bill No. 106 as amended be reported.

[The motion was carried.]

MR. HYNEMAN:

Mr. Chairman, I move the Committee rise and report.

[The motion was carried.]

[Mr. Diachuk left the Chair.]

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[Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.]

MR. DIACHUK:

Mr. Speaker, the Committee of the Whole Assembly has had under consideration the following bill, Bill No. 54, and begs to report the same.

The Committee of the Whole Assembly has had under consideration the following bills, Bills No. 95 and 106, and begs to report same with some amendments.

MR. SPEAKER:

With respect to the report by the hon. Chairman concerning Bill 54, does the House agree to accept the report?

HON. MEMBERS:

Agreed.

MR. SPEAKER:

With respect to the report by the hon. Chairman of Bills No. 95 and 106 with amendments, does the House agree to accept the report?

HON. MEMBERS:

Agreed.

MR. HYNEMAN:

Mr. Speaker, I move, seconded by the hon. Provincial Treasurer, that the amendments to Bills No. 95 and 106 be read a second time.

[The motion was carried.]

MR. HYNEMAN:

Mr. Speaker, I ask leave of the House to revert for a moment to Introduction of Visitors at this time.

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HON. MEMBERS:

Agreed.

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MR. MCORE:

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I introduce to you and through you to the members of the Assembly, a group of 15 Grade IX students from the Georges P. Vanier School in Donnelly, Alberta in my constituency, together with their teacher, Miss Linda Bodiou. I would ask that they rise and be recognized by the members of this Assembly.

MR. COPITHORNE:

Mr. Speaker, in the members' gallery, from Westbrook School, which is about 15 miles north of Cochrane, are seated a Westbrook School group, down here viewing the workings in the Legislative grounds, and watching the closing of the Legislature today, with their instructor, Clarence Lardon. I would like them to rise and be recognized by the Assembly.

MR. HANSEN:

Mr. Speaker, I would like to introduce to you and through you to the House, a group of 20 students from the Glendon Junior High School. They are accompanied by Mrs. W. Hansen and Mr. Peter Docnanko. I would like to congratulate them for coming. This has been the only group from my constituency this year. I would ask them to stand and be recognized by the House.

GOVERNMENT BILLS AND ORDERS
(Third Reading)

[It was moved and seconded by the members indicated that the following bills be read a third time, and the motions were carried without dissent:

<u>No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Moved by Messrs.</u>	<u>Seconded by Messrs</u>
5	The Motor Vehicle Accident Claims Amendment Act, 1972	Harle	Appleby
6	The Alberta Loan Act, 1972	Miniely	Leitch
7	The Alberta Municipal Financing Corporation Amendment Act, 1972	Miniely	Leitch
8	The Wildlife Amendment Act, 1972	Cookson	Getty
9	The Research Council Amendment Act, 1972	Young	Chichak
10	The Public Service Vehicles Amendment Act, 1972	Hansen	Batiuk
11	The Public Highways Development Amendment Act, 1972	Copithorne	Foster
12	The Judicature Amendment Act, 1972	Leitch	Hohol
13	The Alberta Environmental Research Trust Amendment Act, 1972	Stromberg	Miniely

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14	The City of Calgary and Calgary Power Ltd. Agreement Authorization Act, 1972	Farran	Lee
15	An Act respecting the Minister of Industry and Commerce	Peacock	Copithorne
16	The Teaching Profession Amendment Act, 1972	Lee	King
17	The Bee Act	Appleby	Harle
18	The Provincial General Hospitals Amendment Act, 1972	Crawford	Getty
19	The Department of Education Amendment Act, 1972	Hyndman	Miniely
21	The Farm Home Improvements Amendment Act, 1972	Horner	Getty
22	The Coroners Amendment Act, 1972	Leitch	Hohol
23	The Companies Amendment Act, 1972	Jamison	Purdy
24	The Margarine Amendment Act, 1972	Chichak	Moore
25	The Condominium Property Amendment Act, 1972	Leitch	Hohol
26	The Beverage Container Amendment Act, 1972	Ashton	Purdy
27	The Fuel Oil Tax Amendment Act, 1972	Miniely	Leitch
28	The Apprenticeship Amendment Act, 1972	Purdy	Ashton
29	The Department of Manpower and Labour Act	Hohol	Leitch
30	The Agricultural Chemicals Amendment Act, 1972	Warrack (for Yurko)	Horner
31	The Department of The Environment Amendment Act, 1972	Warrack (for Yurko)	Hunley
32	The Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Amendment Act, 1972	Lee	Koziak
33	The Department of Advanced Education Act	Foster	Copithorne
35	The Northern Alberta Development Council Amendment Act, 1972	Dowling (for Adair)	Schmid
36	An Act respecting the Minister of Telephones and Utilities	Werry	Peacock
38	The Treatment Services Amendment Act, 1972	Crawford	Getty
40	The Weed Control Act	Moore	J. Miller
41	The Clean Air Amendment Act, 1972	Chambers	Miniely
42	The Environment Conservation Amendment Act, 1972	Warrack (for Yurko)	Topolnisky

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43	The Cultural Development Amendment Act, 1972	Schmid	Werry
44	The Alberta Housing Amendment Act, 1972	Doan	Farran
45	The Department of Culture, Youth and Recreation Amendment Act, 1972	Schmid	Dowling
46	The Public Lands Amendment Act, 1972	Warrack	Dickie
47	The Alberta Income Tax Amendment Act, 1972	Miniely	Hyndman
48	The Livestock Brand Inspection Amendment Act, 1972	J. Miller	Fluker
50	The Alberta Opportunity Fund Act	Peacock	Chambers
51	The Litter Act	Warrack (for Yurko)	Hunley
52	The Statutes Repeal Act, 1972	Trynchy	Ghitter
53	The Federal-Provincial Farm Assistance Amendment Act, 1972	Horner	Ghitter
54	The Mines and Minerals Amendment Act, 1972	Dickie	King
55	The Universities Amendment Act, 1972	Harle	Appleby
56	The Co-operative Marketing Associations Guarantee Amendment Act, 1972	Topolnisky	Hunley
57	The Energy Resources Conservation Amendment Act, 1972	Dickie	Doan
58	The Department of Federal and Intergovernmental Affairs Act	Getty	J. Miller
59	The Hydro and Electric Energy Amendment Act, 1972	Werry	Lee
60	The Highway Traffic Amendment Act, 1972	Copithorne	Cookson
61	The Social Development Amendment Act, 1972	Crawford	Farran
62	The Maintenance and Recovery Amendment Act, 1972	Ashton	Ghitter
63	The Department of Highways and Transport Amendment Act, 1972	Copithorne	Jamison
64	The Surface Rights Act	Horner	Zander
65	The Alberta Hospitals Amendment Act, 1972	Ashton	Stromberg
66	The Hospital Visitors Committee Act	McCrimmon	Jamison
67	The Legal Profession Amendment Act, 1972	Leitch	Koziak
68	The Statutes Amendment Act, 1972	Leitch	Koziak

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69	The Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 1972	Hunley	Appleby
70	The Health Insurance Premiums Amendment Act, 1972	Hunley	Diachuk
71	The Workmen's Compensation Amendment Act, 1972	Hohol	Purdy
72	The Milk Control Amendment Act, 1972	Batiuk	J. Miller
73	The Agricultural Development Act	Horner	Fluker
74	The Alberta Art Foundation Act	Schmid	Ghitter
75	The Cmbudsman Amendment Act, 1972	Leitch	Fluker
76	The Credit and Loan Agreements Amendment Act, 1972	Koziak	Ghitter
78	The Agricultural Societies Amendment Act, 1972	Horner	Batiuk
79	The Alberta Labour Amendment Act, 1972	Hohol	Lee
80	The Gas Resources Preservation Amendment Act, 1972	Dickie	Fluker
81	The District Courts Amendment Act, 1972	Leitch	Ashton
82	The Franchises Amendment Act, 1972	Leitch	Harle
84	The Child Welfare Amendment Act, 1972	Paproski	Young
85	The Off-Highway Vehicle Act	Dowling	Hansen
86	The Securities Amendment Act, 1972	Koziak	Chichak
87	The Alberta Gas Trunk Line Company Amendment Act, 1972	Dickie	Farran
88	The Department of Agriculture Amendment Act, 1972	Horner	Moore
90	Investment Contracts Amendment Act, 1972	Leitch	Appleby
91	The Financial Administration Amendment Act, 1972	Miniely	Leitch
92	The Clean Water Amendment Act, 1972	Cookson	Moore
94	The Marketing of Agricultural Products Amendment Act, 1972	Horner	J. Miller
95	The Mineral Taxation Act, 1972	Dickie	Young
96	The Oil and Gas Conservation Amendment Act, 1972	Dickie	Chichak
97	The School Amendment Act, 1972	Hyndman	Cookson
100	The Public Service Management Pension Act	Hohol	Zander

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101	The Senior Citizens Shelter Assistance Act	Russell	Farran
102	The Public Service Amendment Act, 1972	Hohol	Koziak
103	The Municipal Taxation Amendment Act, 1972	Farran	McCrimmon
105	The Crown Agencies Employee Relations Amendment Act, 1972	Hohol	Chichak
106	The Alberta Insurance Amendment Act, 1972]	Leitch	Gitter

Bill No. 34
The Sexual Sterilization Repeal Act, 1972

MR. KING:

Mr. Speaker, I beg to move, seconded by the hon. Member for Calgary McKnight, that Bill No. 34, The Sexual Sterilization Repeal Act, be now read a third time.

MR. BENOIT:

Mr. Speaker, it is not my intention to oppose third reading of this bill, but in my mind there remains yet one unanswered question, which I asked before and wasn't answered. I wonder if the sponsor of the bill would answer why was this bill not included in Bill No. 52, The Statutes Repeal Act?

MR. KING:

Mr. Speaker, I did not discuss this with the hon. member who introduced The Statutes Repeal Act. The bills were drafted and considered at different times, which might in itself be a sufficient reason. I would say, however, that there was one other additional reason. The statutes in The Statutes Repeal Act, in my view, are clearly not as significant as is The Sexual Sterilization Repeal Act. They are out-dated acts which have not recently been in force and effect in the province, whereas The Sexual Sterilization Act has been an active vehicle of government policy right up to the present time.

[The motion was carried on a voice vote.]

Bill No. 37
The Hospital Services Commission Amendment Act 1972

MR. CRAWFORD:

Mr. Chairman, I move, seconded by the hon. Minister of Federal and Intergovernmental Affairs, that Bill No. 37 now be read a third time.

[A recorded vote being called for, the House divided as follows:

For the motion: Messrs.

Appleby	Getty	Miller, J.
Ashton	Gitter	Miniely
Eackus	Gruenwald	Moore
Batiuk	Harle	Paproski
Chichak, Mrs.	Hohol	Peacock
Cocksco	Horner	Purdy

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Ccpithorne	Hunley, Miss	Russell
Crawford	Hyndman	Schmid
Eiachuk	Jarison	Strcmberg
Dickie	King	Topolnisky
Iixon	Koziak	Trynchy
Dcan	Iee	Warrack
Dowling	Leitch	Werry
Farran	Lougheed	Young
Fluker	Mandeville	Zander
Fcster	McCrimmon	

Against the motion: Messrs.

Anderson	Drain	Ruste
Eartcn	French	Sorenson
Benoit	Henderson	Speaker
Euck	Ho Lem	Strcm
Euckwell	Ludwig	Taylor
Clark	Miller, D.	Wilson
Cooper	Notley	Wyse

Totals: Ayes - 47 No's - 21]

Bill No. 104 The Planning Amendment Act, 1972

MR. WILSON:

Mr. Speaker, because of the possibility of the appearance of a pecuniary interest, I will refrain from voting on Bill No. 104, The Planning Amendment Act.

MRS. CHICPAK:

I refrain from voting and will leave the House on this bill.

MR. ZANDER:

Mr. Speaker, I move, seconded by the hon. Minister without Portfolio Responsible for Tourism, third reading of Bill No. 104, The Planning Amendment Act, 1972.

[The motion was carried on a voice vote.]

MR. HYNDMAN:

Mr. Speaker, at this time I should like to ask leave of the House to move to third reading stage the three bills which were dealt with in committee earlier today -- Bills 54, 95, and 106 -- and if leave is given, third reading will then be moved by the sponsors of each of those bills.

[The motion was carried on a voice vote.]

Bill No. 95 The Mineral Taxation Act, 1972

MR. DICKIE:

Mr. Chairman, I move, seconded by the hon. Member for Edmonton Jasper Place that Bill No. 95 now be read a third time.

[A recorded vote being called for, the House divided as follows.

For the motion: Messrs.

Anderson	Getty	Miller, D.
Appleby	Ghitter	Miller, J.
Ashton	Gruenwald	Miniely

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Backus	Hansen	Moore
Earton	Harle	Notley
Batiuk	Henderson	Paproski
Fenoit	Hinman	Peacock
Bouvier	Hohol	Purdy
Chichak, Mrs.	Ho Lem	Russell
Ccckson	Horner	Schmid
Cooper	Hunley, Miss	Sorenson
Crawford	Hyndman	Speaker, R.
Diachuk	Jawison	Strom
Dickie	King	Taylor
Dcan	Koziak	Topolnisky
Ecwling	Lee	Trynchy
Erain	Leitch	Warrack
Farran	Lougheed	Werry
Fluker	Ludwig	Wilson
Fcster	Mandeville	Young
French	McCrimmon	Zander

Against the motion: Messrs.

Buck	Dixon	Wyse
Buckwell	Ruste	

Totals: Ayes - 63 No's - 5]

MR. HYNIMAN:

Mr. Speaker, before moving to third reading of private bills, I would again ask for leave of the House to revert to Introduction of Visitors.

HON. MEMBERS:

Agreed.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

MR. ECWLING:

Mr. Speaker, it gives me a pleasure to introduce a fine group of young ladies and gentlemen from the heart of west central Alberta, the Harry Collinge Junior High School in Hinton. They are accompanied by their teacher Miss Roux, and escorts Mrs. Huber and Mrs. Walsh. They are seated in the members' gallery and I would ask that they rise and be recognized.

MR. LOUGHEED:

Mr. Speaker, concerning the matter of Introduction of Bills, I wonder if I could depart from precedent for a moment and give recognition to a member of the public service with regard to the whole legislation before the House today with regard to past activities. I think there should be recognition, and I know that members on the other side of the House are also well aware of the outstanding job that the Legislative Counsel and the staff of the Legislative Counsel do in this province. We put in a lot of hours, and they put in an extremely extensive number of hours particularly while we were in session. On behalf of not just the Legislative Counsel but the whole staff, I would like Mr. Glen Acorn to rise and be recognized by members of the House.

MR. STROM:

Mr. Speaker, I wonder if I might be permitted to make a further remark because it has been my privilege to work with this man and I certainly have no difficulty in seconding everything the hon. Premier has said. Very often we forget that these people work long hours to

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keep the House functioning smoothly. I think it is a very fine gesture to pay a tribute to this man today.

MR. HYNDMAN:

Mr. Speaker, on a point of order, I believe that at this point we would have His Honour, the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor attend upon the Assembly. Following that attendance, we will have Government Motion No. 1.

SERGEANT AT ARMS:

Order! His Honour the Lieutenant Governor.

MR. SPEAKER:

May it please Your Honour, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta has, at the present sittings thereof, passed a number of bills to which in the name and on behalf of the said Legislative Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's assent.

CLERK:

Your Honour, the following are the titles of the bills to which Your Honour's assent is prayed:

[The Clerk read the titles of all the above bills to which third reading had earlier been given.]

[The Lieutenant Governor nodded his approval.]

His Honour, the Honourable Lieutenant Governor doth assent to these bills.

CLERK:

Order!

[The Lieutenant Governor left the House.]

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

MR. HYNDMAN:

Mr. Speaker, I move, seconded by the hon. Mr. Getty, that when the Assembly rises on Friday, June 2, 1972, it do stand adjourned until 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon on Wednesday, October 25, 1972.

[The motion was carried.]

MR. SPEAKER:

The House stands adjourned until 2:30 o'clock on Wednesday, October 25, 1972.

[The House rose at 2:40 pm.]

