

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

[Motion carried]

Title: Friday, April 30, 1982 10:00 a.m.

[The House met at 10 a.m.]

PRAYERS

[Mr. Speaker in the Chair]

head: **PRESENTING REPORTS BY
STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES**

MR. KNAAK: Mr. Speaker, the Standing Committee on Private Bills has had under consideration the following Bill and recommends that it be proceeded with: Bill Pr. 10, The Campbell McLaurin Foundation for Hearing Deficiencies Act.

head: **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS****Bill 38****Pension Statutes Amendment Act, 1982**

MR. HYNDMAN: Mr. Speaker, I beg leave to introduce a Bill, being the Pension Statutes Amendment Act, 1982.

This Bill reinstates a deletion from the *Revised Statutes of Alberta 1980*, to make it absolutely clear that payment of all benefits and other amounts payable under all the pension Acts are guaranteed by the Crown. It provides for the administrative and policy advice functions with regard to pensions to operate in tandem in the department, to help ensure the most efficient and convenient delivery of pensions to those entitled to them. As well, it provides for technical corrections regarding the calculation of pensionable service and the determination of prior service for pension purposes.

[Leave granted; Bill 38 read a first time]

Bill 34**Mobile Home Sites Tenancies Act**

MR. ZAOZIRNY: Mr. Speaker, I beg leave to introduce Bill No. 34, the Mobile Home Sites Tenancies Act.

The purpose of this Bill is twofold: first, to recognize the unique circumstances of the mobile-home owner, given the inherent differences between the conventional landlord/tenant relationship and that which exists between a mobile-home owner and a mobile-home park operator; and secondly, to provide a reasonable measure of legislative protection to mobile-home owners, given their unique circumstances, while still recognizing and preserving the proprietary rights of the mobile-home park operator.

[Leave granted; Bill 34 read a first time]

MR. CRAWFORD: Mr. Speaker, I move that Bill No. 34 be placed on the Order Paper under Government Bills and Orders.

Bill 245**Alberta Adoptions Foundation Act**

MRS. CHICHAK: Mr. Speaker, I request leave to introduce Bill 245, the Alberta Adoptions Foundation Act.

You will recall that last fall, I introduced a Bill bearing the same title. The basic underlying principle, assisting single pregnant females to make a responsible decision with respect to the continuation of their pregnancy to full term, is maintained.

Two additional principles have been expanded upon. The development of an effective educational and counselling program would be available, not only to those applying to the foundation for both counselling and financial assistance but to persons not coming under the foundation. A change from the original principle is that the single person applying for financial support would not be required to refund to the foundation any support received, if in the end the mother decided to keep the child under her own responsibility and care. Mr. Speaker, I might add that prospective adoptive parents would make all their applications through the director of child welfare and would not be required to make any financial contributions to the foundation.

[Leave granted; Bill 245 read a first time]

Bill 210**Temporary Rent Regulations
Measures Act, 1982**

MR. NOTLEY: Mr. Speaker, I request leave to introduce Bill No. 210, the Temporary Rent Regulations Measures Act, 1982.

The basic principle contained in this particular Bill is a system of rent regulation modelled on legislation presented in this House in 1975.

[Leave granted; Bill 210 read a first time]

Bill 217**Rental Property Protection Act**

MR. NOTLEY: Mr. Speaker, I request leave to introduce Bill No. 217, the Rental Property Protection Act.

The basic objective of the Rental Property Protection Act is to set out certain conditions with respect to condominium conversions.

[Leave granted; Bill 217 read a first time]

Bill 246**An Act to Amend the Law of Property Act**

MR. KESLER: Mr. Speaker, I request leave to introduce Bill No. 246, An Act to Amend the Law of Property Act.

This Bill will provide greater leeway to Alberta homeowners and farmers facing foreclosure as a result of the current economic downturn. The Bill does two things: it adds economic conditions as one of the factors a judge must consider in dealing with a request for a period of redemption and, second, it increases the period of redemption by one year for both farm and urban land.

[Leave granted; Bill 246 read a first time]

head: INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

MR. SCHMID: Mr. Speaker, once again I'm very happy to be able to introduce to you students from the Holyrood school. This time it's 24 students from each of grades 5 and 6, accompanied by Mrs. Klem, Ms. Silver, Mr. Greg, and Mrs. Semeniuk. Once again, I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate them on the fine science fair they had. I ask them to rise, and for the welcome of hon. members of this Assembly.

MR. PURDY: Mr. Speaker, it's my pleasure to introduce to you and to hon. members of this Assembly some 50 grade 8 students from the Kitaskinaw school in the Stony Plain constituency. The Kitaskinaw school is very important to this government. It was the first integrated school to be opened in the province of Alberta, where native and white children attend the same classes. It's funded by all three levels of government. Accompanying the students are teachers Mr. Ernie Clintberg, Mr. Paul Watson, Connie Jacknife, Darlene Arnold, and Florence Duley. They are in the public gallery, and I ask them to rise and receive the recognition of the House.

head: ORAL QUESTION PERIOD**Native Affairs**

MR. R. SPEAKER: Mr. Speaker, my question is to the Minister responsible for Native Affairs, and it concerns the ministerial meeting the minister is involved in next week. The minister indicated that contact would be made with the Metis Association of Alberta and the Indian Association of Alberta, to be involved in those discussions. I wonder if the minister has followed through on that commitment to the Legislature. Will those organizations be involved in the conferences?

DR. McCRIMMON: Mr. Speaker, the meetings next Tuesday will be with the federal minister, Mr. Munro, and possibly Mrs. Bégin. From Zone 7 will be Chief Big Plume from the Sarcee Reserve; from Zone 6, Chief Morin from the Enoch Band; and we hope to have Chief Halcrow from Zone 8. The Metis people will not be going to this, because basically mostly treaty people are involved.

MR. R. SPEAKER: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question. Could the minister indicate the reason for not involving the Indian Association of Alberta in the meetings, or as representatives, and for taking the course of actually having the chiefs involved?

DR. McCRIMMON: Mr. Speaker, the Indian Association has been in contact with the Minister of Federal and Intergovernmental Affairs. They stated that they were not prepared to go down, so we have gone to the chiefs from the various zones. Perhaps the Minister of Federal and Intergovernmental Affairs would care to comment on that; he had the telephone conversation.

MR. JOHNSTON: Mr. Speaker, I did have an opportunity to discuss with the president of the Indian Association of Alberta the general structure for intergovernmental meetings of this type, where it was a meeting between provinces, in this case with the federal government. I made it very clear that we have always extended an

invitation to those who wanted to join us as members, as we did in first ministers' conferences and in inviting the Leader of the Opposition to various intergovernmental conferences. But they attended as members of our delegation.

When I explained that to the Indian Association of Alberta, Mr. Steinhauer said that would not be an appropriate system for him to accept. He wanted to have official delegate status and equal status with the province of Alberta. We said that that would not be acceptable, as we do not believe in the first-nation principle at this point, but that he would of course be welcome to attend as a member of our delegation. After understanding and discussing the principles under which we attend these meetings, Mr. Steinhauer, the president of the Indian Association of Alberta, advised me that he would not attend under those circumstances.

MR. R. SPEAKER: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question to the hon. minister with regard to the presentation that will be made. As I understand it, and as earlier indicated, one of the topics is land claims, the other is Indian government, and there's one other topic. Could the minister indicate the reason the matter of constitutional amendment, aboriginal rights, will not be discussed? In terms of Indian government, I don't know how you divorce one from the other. Could the minister explain why the constitution will not be one of the items on the agenda?

DR. McCRIMMON: Mr. Speaker, as far as the constitution is concerned, I think a first ministers' meeting is set up for within a year of bringing the constitution back to Canada. As a matter of fact, yesterday I had a meeting with the Metis Association of Alberta and the Metis Settlements of Alberta, and gave provincial government assistance to assist these two groups in the preparation of a presentation to that first ministers' conference. We're just having a one-day meeting, and we have enough subjects to cover it. I think the constitution will be set for later on, within a year of the return of the constitution. In the interim, there are many other topics we have to cover at this meeting on Tuesday.

MR. R. SPEAKER: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question. Could the hon. minister indicate, in a clearer manner, the actual function of that one-day meeting, if it is not to set the ground rules or to have some preliminary discussion leading up to potential amendments to the Canada Act that will be dealt with by the first ministers? Is the meeting not preliminary to that kind of discussion, or is there some other purpose or matters that must be settled outside the constitutional discussion?

DR. McCRIMMON: Mr. Speaker, there are several others that really don't have too much to do with the constitutional issue. One is that we hope to get federal government policy on their land claims principle. Another is that we would like some clarification on their economic policy as far as the native people in the bands on reserves across the nation and in the Northwest Territories and the Yukon are concerned. The third is Indian government. One is set up in northern Alberta, where eight to 10 bands are doing their own governing. We want to find out the general policy of the federal government with respect to this. Are they going to develop it or not? Several questions have to be answered.

In turn, the federal government has brought to the

agenda several points to be discussed. It's a meeting other than the constitution, for the general business of native affairs across the Dominion and the Territories.

MR. NOTLEY: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question to the Minister of Federal and Intergovernmental Affairs. The minister indicated that the Alberta government did not feel that representatives from the Alberta Indian Association should be at this upcoming meeting in their own right, but rather as part of the Alberta delegation. In view of the importance of the upcoming first ministers' conference on the question of defining what is an existing native right, has the government of Alberta developed any position with respect to the representation at that particular conference by representatives of our first people?

MR. JOHNSTON: Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the opportunity to clarify two points. As the Minister responsible for Native Affairs indicated, there are enough items on the agenda for next week's meeting, aside from the constitution, that there'll be enough debate and discussion on various public policy positions to take up their time. He's already outlined that, both today and in previous questions in this House.

Mr. Speaker, that is not to say we're not concerned with setting in place a structure to handle the first ministers' constitutional discussion with natives and Metis. As to the specifics of that, we'll be seeking input from the various groups in Alberta. We'll have an opportunity to discuss with them the ways they would like to be represented and, I guess, the agenda and the kinds of issues which will be discussed by the first ministers, from the Alberta perspective.

I want to be very clear that we have not yet had a chance fully to develop with the various groups in Alberta the ways that can be put in place. We don't have a solution for the representation. We can't make recommendations as to how the presentations can be made. Many uncertainties have to be clarified, and I think the only way that can be done is to work with the various groups in Alberta.

So the constitutional process is under way. We have just got the constitution home, and we're now into the first steps of putting together some way in which we can deal with the groups in Alberta. So let's be very clear that we're dealing with the question, and we'll deal with the constitution separately from the other issues presently before us in the province of Alberta and, in fact, across Canada.

Secondly, Mr. Speaker, may I clarify as well the position of the Alberta government with respect to equal or first-nation status. As I indicated, we as a government do not believe that Indian groups and bands themselves, the treaty Indians, have equal status with the province of Alberta. To some extent, that was the principle debated by the various native groups in their legal contest, both in Canada and in Britain. I think the courts have been fairly clear that they have a responsibility to abide by the laws of Canada as governed by the Queen of Canada, not the Queen of Britain. I think those debates have taken place. We do not agree that the natives in Alberta have equal status with the province.

Once I made that representation clear to Mr. Steinhauer, the president of the Indian Association of Alberta, he could not accept the fact that he could attend as a member of our delegation. He wanted equal status with the province of Alberta, and that is not acceptable. So the

offer which we have extended to many groups in the province — the Member for Spirit River-Fairview and the Member for Little Bow, for example, attended as members of our delegation. That's been an acceptable presence. We speak for the province of Alberta; we speak for the government of Alberta. We could not have two groups speaking for the province of Alberta, in the case of the native groups themselves.

With those sorts of principles clearly understood by the Indian Association of Alberta, they said: we would not attend on that basis. For that reason, the minister went directly to some of the chiefs who have expressed an interest in debating these questions, who would like to contribute to the debate in Alberta and would like to find some solutions for us. I think it's a very responsible position on behalf of those chiefs who are attending. However, it is not right to argue that the native associations have equal status with the province of Alberta.

MR. NOTLEY: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question. I would hope the hon. minister is not talking about an observer status. There's a difference between being part of a formal delegation and simply being an observer. However much it's nice that the hon. Member for Little Bow and I have gone down from time to time, surely we're not suggesting that the leaders of our first people should just be there as observers.

MR. JOHNSTON: Mr. Speaker, in the case of the meeting coming up next week, in the view of the province of Alberta they would only be able to attend as members of our delegation.

MR. R. SPEAKER: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question to the hon. Minister responsible for Native Affairs. Following the meeting next week, where there may or may not be agreement, or there may be interim decisions which require further discussion, could the minister indicate the steps in the responsibility of the minister, relative to the Indian Association of Alberta? Will those decisions be rediscussed with the Indian Association of Alberta, with the thought in mind of gaining their approval prior to the Alberta government reaching a final conclusion with regard to the subjects on the agenda?

DR. McCRIMMON: Mr. Speaker, I certainly can't pre-judge whether decisions will come forth from the upcoming meeting. I don't know whether the federal government will be bringing forth the answers to the questions we're asking them, so it's rather difficult to answer those questions. I will assure the House that we'll certainly keep the Indian Association of Alberta fully informed on whatever transpires at the meeting, through their own chiefs and through my office. They'll be up to date on all that happens, as far as the meeting is concerned.

MR. R. SPEAKER: Mr. Speaker, then what is the hon. minister's commitment to the Indian Association of Alberta, in the final decisions or positions arrived at by the government of Alberta? Is there a commitment to formal discussions prior to any finalization of decisions? Or will there just be information provided, you make your own decisions, and the association goes on its own as to whatever happens? That's what is coming through to me at this moment.

DR. McCRIMMON: Mr. Speaker, my office is always open to formal or informal discussions with the Indian

Association of Alberta. We've had meetings in the past, and I hope we will have meetings in the future on this.

MR. R. SPEAKER: In his responsibilities, Mr. Speaker, what commitment has the minister to initiate and assure us in this province that the native people, the Indian Association and their elected representatives, are involved in the final decisions? Can we be assured of that, without just a sort of tokenism going on, as seems to be indicated at the moment?

DR. McCRIMMON: Mr. Speaker, we're taking senior chiefs from the various zones in Alberta, and I think this certainly gives representation to the native people. We're certainly not disregarding them in any way, shape, or form; just the reverse. I can't see how the hon. Leader of the Opposition can suggest that we're not keeping the native people involved in the process as much as we possibly can.

MR. KESLER: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question.

MR. SPEAKER: Might this be the final supplementary on this topic. We can come back to it if there is time.

MR. KESLER: Could the hon. minister indicate if the aboriginal representatives at the first ministers' conference will be allowed full participation in the debate, or will they simply present their case, then be asked to leave the discussions?

DR. McCRIMMON: Mr. Speaker, I'll refer that question to my hon. colleague.

MR. JOHNSTON: Mr. Speaker, earlier in the question period today, I tried to indicate that we haven't put in place a formal structure, primarily because we haven't had a chance to discuss it with the Indian groups in Alberta, nor have we had a chance to discuss with the various provinces what mechanism may be recommended. But there will be adequate opportunity for debate and participation.

Capital Spending Review

MR. R. SPEAKER: Mr. Speaker, my second question is to the hon. Premier. It relates to a question I raised earlier with the Provincial Treasurer, with regard to budgeting at this period of time, in terms of new impacts on the budget by new programs through the economic resurgence program and economic downturns in our province at the present time. It's a review of projects initiated in the past four or five years, when the economy and revenue to the province were fairly buoyant.

Is there a process of review going on, with regard to those capital projects? I will be specific: the project in front of the Legislature Building started out at \$45 million and is now [\$60] million. In that process, we have further committed \$1 million toward art. In light of the new environment we're in, could the Premier indicate whether programs such as that are being reassessed in a responsible way?

MR. LOUGHEED: Yes they are, Mr. Speaker, in the sense that there may be projects, which were undertaken in a time of greater economic buoyancy, in which decisions can still be made either to reassess aspects of the project or second or third stages of the project. To that

extent, that's there. I believe it has been the subject of discussion in Committee of Supply.

On the specific one with regard to the Legislature Grounds and the situation with regard to acquisition of art, I believe the decision is that deferral will be made on any decisions in that regard until economic conditions improve. But when we're in a position where we can alter or defer a project that may not be required, in terms of an assessment, or that could be held until the end of the economic downturn, certainly that will be done.

On the other hand, I think it's important to recognize that we have considerable confidence in the future of this province, both in its financial position, which is far superior to that of any other provincial government, and in the future of the province economically. We're not going to turn down or slow down projects that have an important impact. For example, I think of the existing hospital programs under way in this province. They will continue. I think we should also be well aware of the fact that our budget has been well received on the basis of its stimulative effect on the economy at the present time.

Art Acquisition for Legislature Grounds

MR. NOTLEY: A supplementary question. Did I understand the Premier correctly? Did he indicate that the art purchases have been deferred? On Monday, it seemed to be going ahead. Did I misunderstand the Premier's response?

MR. LOUGHEED: No, Mr. Speaker. I'll refer the question to the Minister of Culture.

MRS. LeMESSURIER: Mr. Speaker, I think I explained in the House at the beginning of this week that last July we established a citizens' committee to review the works of art on the grounds of this Legislature Building. The information this committee sent across the country to our various artistic communities was to receive proposals. We will continue to receive proposals, but we will not offer any commissions until, as the Premier stated, the economic situation turns around in this province.

MR. NOTLEY: A supplementary question. Is the Minister of Culture in a position to advise the Assembly why that information wasn't given on Monday, and whether there was any change between Monday and Friday in the government's position on whether to proceed?

MRS. LeMESSURIER: Mr. Speaker, I believe that when I was answering questions in the House on Monday, I was referring to potential questions that were asked. We have had some indication from the public that this is not what they would really like to see go ahead, and I'd like to think that this party did react to the people of Alberta. At this time, we have said that we will accept submissions, but we will not commission any of the artists until a future time.

MR. NOTLEY: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question. I certainly welcome the government's decision. Can the minister advise the Assembly whether the decision to listen to the people of Alberta was after the *Edmonton Journal* editorial and the outcry, or whether it was before her answers on Monday of this week?

MRS. LeMESSURIER: Mr. Speaker, I believe that this government does listen to the people of our province.

MR. R. SPEAKER: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question on this specific item. With regard to an invitation to artists to do work, will that distribution be discontinued at this point in time and put on hold, so there are no further expenditures in terms of mechanics?

MRS. LeMESSURIER: Mr. Speaker, those applications and the posters were sent out some weeks ago, and the citizens' committee will be contacting any people who have written for information on the project. So everybody who has taken an interest will certainly receive a letter saying that we are going to wait until the economic situation turns.

Capital Spending Review
(continued)

MR. R. SPEAKER: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question to the Premier, on my first question with regard to a plan in place by government. Has the Premier assigned to someone the special task of reviewing projects such as this one — and I'm sure there are others with the same status in government — that can be put on hold, so he can be assured that the government isn't only reacting because it's been raised in the Legislature or through other media? Is a formal procedure, assigned by the Premier, in place to take care of any expenditures that can be put on hold during this time of economic pressures?

MR. LOUGHEED: Yes, Mr. Speaker. I'm glad to see the hon. Leader of the Opposition recognizes that we respond to the views of the public, and we will continue to do so.

We have in place a task force that will work after the Legislature has concluded its spring sittings, to review all projects where decisions could be made to defer activity that should be held back until the economic downturn concludes. But at the same time, I want to re-emphasize that a number of projects will continue to go ahead, because we believe in two important aspects of them: the important benefit to the citizens of Alberta for those projects proceeding and, secondly, the stimulative effect involved in the construction activity.

Mr. Speaker, I don't want the answer to be misconstrued outside the Legislature, much less inside the Legislature . . .

MR. R. SPEAKER: We wouldn't do that.

MR. LOUGHEED: . . . to the effect that there is any intention to turn away from the stimulative and well-received budget of March this year.

MR. R. SPEAKER: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question to the Premier. I know there were no accusations in those remarks, so I won't react.

Could the Premier elaborate a little more on the task force? Is it a task force of cabinet ministers? Is it a task force containing citizens at large in the province of Alberta, people who have a certain kind of budgeting experience, grass-roots experience, who are giving feedback from the citizens of Alberta as to what are real priorities of government and what are not? I think that's really what the Premier was talking about.

MR. LOUGHEED: Mr. Speaker, I have the fullest confidence in the task force of ministers who are involved in this situation. They necessarily and obviously would re-

ceive input from members of the government caucus, who have a very close feeling of the views of citizens on various projects, and it will continue that way.

MR. R. SPEAKER: Mr. Speaker, in terms of this task force, could the Premier indicate which ministers are going to be responsible, so when we have to hold them answerable, I know who they are?

MR. LOUGHEED: Mr. Speaker, the ministers responsible are those who are essentially involved in capital construction projects that have already been the subject of review in the Committee of Supply, and will be under the chairmanship of the Provincial Treasurer.

MR. R. SPEAKER: Mr. Speaker, is the Premier saying that the committee will be established, or is it already established?

MR. LOUGHEED: Mr. Speaker, the concept of the committee has been established. Specific assignments will follow the adjournment of the spring session of the House.

Edmonton Convention Centre Funding

MR. MACK: Mr. Speaker, my question to the hon. Minister of Municipal Affairs is with regard to a request, submitted by the city of Edmonton and the Edmonton convention authority some seven months ago, for a grant or assistance to the Edmonton convention authority. Can the minister advise the Assembly as to the current status of that request?

MR. MOORE: Mr. Speaker, through my office, the government of the province of Alberta made a proposal to the federal government, with respect to joint sharing of various costs in the development of the Edmonton convention centre. We made an official proposal last October, following some three or four months of meetings prior to that date.

MR. MACK: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question. Can the minister clarify and indicate whether the province clearly supports the application of the city of Edmonton for a grant to the convention centre?

MR. MOORE: Mr. Speaker, the application by the city of Edmonton to the federal government was for cost sharing, to a maximum of 25 per cent, the total cost of the convention centre, which was an amount slightly in excess of \$20 million. The federal conditions were that such an amount could only be provided if it were matched or, at the very least, if there were some contribution by the provincial government.

In that regard, through our officials, in October last year I said to the federal government that the government of Alberta was prepared to provide grants and interest subsidies in an amount exceeding \$27 million, in 1981 dollars. Of that, \$10 million would have been a direct grant from the government of Alberta to the Edmonton convention centre. Approximately \$17 million, in 1981 dollars, would have been subsidies on interest rates on loans acquired by the city of Edmonton for the construction of the project. Since that time, we've had various discussions and exchanges of correspondence and telegrams between me and the Hon. Charles Lapointe, the

federal minister, all of which has resulted in no commitment whatever by the federal government.

MR. MACK: Mr. Speaker, a further supplementary question. Can the minister advise the Assembly whether he will communicate with his counterpart in the federal government once again, to attempt to get a firm commitment from them with regard to Edmonton's application and request for a convention centre grant?

MR. MOORE: In June 1981, Mr. Speaker, almost 10 months ago, I first contacted the federal minister, requesting joint discussions with the federal government regarding funding of the Edmonton convention centre. In July 1981, I followed that up with negotiations and discussions between my officials and the federal officials. In mid-August 1981, I requested that substantive discussions begin at the ministerial level. In late August, Mr. Lapointe advised that he was serious and that discussions would begin. In September, several discussions were held by telephone. In October, we made an official proposal to the federal government. In November, I wrote and teleaxed the hon. Mr. Lapointe for some reaction from the federal government.

Mr. Speaker, without going into any more history, that kind of thing has gone on since last June. The matter has been before several committees of ministers and deputy ministers and senior officials in Ottawa, and it has finally gone the full circle. My understanding now is that it is back in the same committee it started at, about nine months ago.

MR. MACK: Mr. Speaker, a further supplementary question. I appreciate the efforts on the part of the minister, but can the minister indicate the actions he might contemplate to attempt to bring this matter to a satisfactory, early solution?

MR. MOORE: Mr. Speaker, I cannot really, except to say that my intention is to have further discussions with the mayor of the city of Edmonton, relative to how we might jointly put further pressure on the federal government.

My understanding is that the hon. Mr. Olson is now involved in the scene and suggests that such federal government support to the convention centre may be inappropriate. They would rather provide all their support toward some other applications forthcoming from Edmonton Northlands for the development of an agricultural facility in Edmonton. I've considered this matter with my colleague the Minister of Agriculture. We see no connection whatever between the two and believe that federal funding programs for both of those facilities, which are in place, should be recognized.

Mr. Speaker, I can only say that we intend to follow up with whatever minister might be appointed in the near future to consider these matters on behalf of the federal government, in the hope that we can come to a successful conclusion.

Truckers' Licences

MRS. CRIPPS: Mr. Speaker, my question is to the Solicitor General. Since today is the deadline for trucking industry licences, have enforcement people throughout the province of Alberta been informed about the deadline being removed?

MR. HARLE: Mr. Speaker, all police forces have been advised, and it's on the CPIC system.

MRS. CRIPPS: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary. Can the Minister of Tourism and Small Business reassure the Assembly that truckers who have already purchased their plates will receive the benefit of the program announced yesterday?

MR. SPEAKER: It seems to me that was clearly dealt with. I'm not sure why it would have to come up again.

MRS. CRIPPS: With all due respect, Mr. Speaker, there is some misunderstanding in the constituencies in the province.

MR. ADAIR: If there is, Mr. Speaker, I'd be pleased to correct that. Those who have already paid their licence fees for '82-83 will not have to apply. That's the point. They will be sent from the Solicitor General's Department directly to those who have paid.

MR. CLARK: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary to the Minister of Tourism and Small Business. In your news release yesterday, you had . . .

MR. SPEAKER: Would the hon. member please revert to the ordinary parliamentary form.

MR. CLARK: I'm sorry, Mr. Speaker. From the minister's release yesterday, I understand that the normal fee on oil field bed trucks will be permanently reduced by 50 per cent. As of this year, they will only pay 25 per cent. Could you clarify for the Assembly what an oil bed truck is?

MR. ADAIR: Mr. Speaker, I would like to refer that question to the Minister of Transportation, who has received a number of requests for adjustments in that particular category of the trucking industry.

MR. KROEGER: Mr. Speaker, it seems to me that if the Minister of Tourism and Small Business wants all the credit for being a good guy, he might as well struggle with the answers. [laughter]

A variety of units could be described as that type of thing, although I don't think the wording is great. A lot of heavy units are overloaded before they ever hit the road system, and they still haven't got anything on them. They are essentially off-highway units that work in the oil fields, and they receive their loads after they leave the highway system. They're essentially the heavy movers for oil rigs. They have units called cherry pickers, which handle the overloads and pick up and move the loads around. Again, they don't transport anything on the highway; they are off-highway units.

MRS. CRIPPS: A supplementary, Mr. Speaker. Recognizing that there are a lot of good guys and gals over there, I'm not sure who to direct this question to. Has the minister established any time frame to refund license fees already paid?

MR. HARLE: Mr. Speaker, we'll be doing that as soon as we can. I think hon. members will realize that the wide distribution of offices means that when people have paid for their plates, they come in batches. We will handle them as soon as we can.

MR. MANDEVILLE: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question to the hon. Minister of Tourism and Small Business. The announcement says: "(Exempt) A public service vehicle used for the purpose of transporting grain," hay, or any agricultural products. I'm thinking of truckers who exclusively haul grain or feed to feedlots. Under this program, will they not qualify for a reduction in their license [fees] if they have a commercial licence and that's their exclusive transportation?

MR. ADAIR: The five categories of licences on existing trucks are: CV, commercial vehicle; PSV, the public service vehicle; DU, the U-drive; E, the exempt, which covers the points suggested a moment ago; and PT, the pole trailer. Any other licences are not covered by this. It's the five particular categories.

Mr. Speaker, I should also mention, in response to the Minister of Transportation, that I was trying to indicate that the team that worked on this particular project should get some credit as well.

Federal Legislation

MR. KESLER: Mr. Speaker, my question today is to the Minister of Federal and Intergovernmental Affairs. Could the minister indicate whether his department or the Department of Agriculture is currently studying the implications and effects of federal Bill C-85, the Canagrex Act, as it will deal with the most important industry in Alberta?

MR. JOHNSTON: Mr. Speaker, I know the department is preparing a briefing for us on all federal legislation, particularly that piece of legislation. We'll receive a briefing on it very soon.

MR. KESLER: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question. Could the hon. minister indicate when we could receive a presentation on that?

MR. JOHNSTON: Mr. Speaker, I don't think I made a commitment to provide a presentation. I simply advised the House and the member that we prepare briefings on all important legislation. Those are circulated to the members or ministers involved. Of course, we form our policy reaction on the basis of some of that briefing and on the basis of discussion. There is obviously a cabinet system in place, in which that is done, and that's a normal process. But I hope I didn't leave the impression that I'd be providing information to anyone other than government members.

Oil Sands Development

MR. NOTLEY: Mr. Speaker, I'd like to direct this question to either the hon. Premier or the hon. Minister of Energy and Natural Resources. It's with respect to the price forecast in Appendix I of the announcement on the oil and gas activity program. The forecast in Appendix I for July 1986 is \$45.65, which will be 75 per cent of international prices. My question is: since there is a drop of approximately \$12.10 a barrel between the agreement of September 1 and the revised forecast — that's the three-quarters Alberta will receive under the agreement — are the ministers in a position to advise the Assembly that the forecast will in fact be adequate to allow Alsands to make any money when it goes into production in either 1987 or 1988?

MR. LEITCH: Mr. Speaker, I'd like to give some further consideration to that question and may expand upon it later. But if the hon. member is asking if, in the first year of operation — whether that be 1988 or 1989 — the Alsands project would make a profit, in the sense of paying operating costs, interest on outstanding loans, and things of that nature, that wouldn't be contemplated. These projects start off at very low production levels, and they take time to build up to their anticipated production levels. So while I'd like to give some further thought to the question, if I understood it properly, I think the answer I've just given is complete.

Mr. Speaker, while I'm on my feet, and since we're touching on the subject of Alsands, perhaps I could call members' attention to the fact that towards the close of yesterday's question period, I expressed concern that I had misinterpreted hon. members' questions asked during the earlier part of the question period, regarding the size of the Alberta loan guarantee. On reviewing the Hansard Blues, I find that that concern was well founded. I had been responding to the total guarantee liability of the two governments, whereas the questions related just to the Alberta portion of the loan guarantee.

Mr. Speaker, it's true that the total loan guarantee liability — that is, the 68 per cent — would be approximately \$6 billion at the time of beginning production. In a sense, this is tied to the answer I just gave the hon. member. In the early years of the production period, that loan guarantee would increase, to reach a peak in the order of \$7.4 billion, of which the Alberta government's responsibility would be one-half. So the total anticipated outstanding loan guarantee for which the Alberta government would be responsible is approximately \$3.7 billion.

During the question period, I was also asked what interest rate was being used in that calculation. The interest rate being used to arrive at that result is 11 per cent. But I should point out to members of the Assembly that that doesn't imply that the money could be borrowed today for a long-term period at 11 per cent, because there we're really referring to the interest rate that might be applicable between the time the loan guarantee is begun to be drawn down and the time it is finally repaid.

MR. NOTLEY: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question to either the Premier or the Minister of Energy and Natural Resources. In light of the fact that the debate on the estimates, which I presume will be the opportunity for members of the Assembly to review this offer, should it be accepted — if it isn't accepted, it's not relevant. Assuming it's accepted, no doubt we'll have an opportunity to debate it during the estimates.

My question is: can we have this background information tabled? If we have a forecast until 1986, undoubtedly there must be forecasts beyond that. Can we have that tabled? Can we have the basis on which the government has arrived at the \$3.7 billion, so we have that information before the discussion on the estimates takes place, and not during the process of it?

MR. LEITCH: Mr. Speaker, that sounds very similar to a question I was asked yesterday. If my memory is accurate, I responded by saying that I thought we would give further consideration to the issue of price forecasts when we had some further information about the consortium's intentions, which we anticipate receiving today.

MR. NOTLEY: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question. In light of the Syncrude operation not being able consistently to meet its full target and operating at around 60 per cent capacity, I believe, what assessment has been made of the Alsands project, in terms of its viability, not being able to meet the 137,000 barrels a day?

MR. LEITCH: Mr. Speaker, I think members of the Assembly would keep in mind that the Alsands project is the third oil sands project. Of course, it has undoubtedly gained valuable experience from the two preceding projects, Suncor and Syncrude. Certainly when one forecasts a production level of 137,000 barrels per day, that is after de-bottlenecking, as I recall. It contemplates a period in which production would be higher for any given day. As I recall, that is the average production over the lifetime of the project. Certainly, Mr. Speaker, it's our view that the more of these projects that are built, the less the risks of not being able to make the production targets.

MR. NOTLEY: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question to either the minister or the Premier. Yesterday a question was asked about the infrastructure costs. Prior to the debate, will the government provide the Assembly with an updated figure on the infrastructure costs, which I believe were outlined in the submission by the company to the ERCB, and were quite substantial. Will that information be updated prior to the discussion of the minister's estimates?

MR. LEITCH: As I recall, Mr. Speaker, the hon. member has a similar question on the Order Paper, and I'm doing some work on that. The difficulty I've had, which I referred to earlier in the House, is the definition of infrastructure costs. If the hon. member is saying he would like to have the numbers based on the definition contained in the Energy Resources Conservation Board's report, I can proceed on that assumption. But if he has a different concept of what is included in infrastructure costs, I'll do some further work on it, if he lets me know what that concept is.

MR. NOTLEY: A supplementary question to the minister. My request would be that prior to the discussion of the minister's estimates, we update the information contained in the submission to the ERCB, so that would be the most appropriate definition of infrastructure costs.

MR. OMAN: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary. Since a considerable interest factor is involved in the matter the minister has discussed, would the government's intent be to act as a banker in a good deal of the financing?

MR. LEITCH: No it wouldn't be, Mr. Speaker. My colleague the hon. Provincial Treasurer may want to supplement my answer. This is a loan guarantee, not a loan. I want to underline the distinction between the two. A loan would be whereby the province provides the fund; a loan guarantee is a situation where the developers, working with the provincial government and financial institutions, would arrange financing a loan from the private-sector financial institutions which would be guaranteed by the provincial government.

MR. NOTLEY: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question to the minister.

MR. SPEAKER: Might this be the final supplementary by the hon. member. We have exceeded the time for the question period. If the Assembly agrees, we might briefly recognize the hon. Member for Calgary Buffalo, since he has been trying to get the floor for some time.

MR. NOTLEY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My question is with respect to this \$3.7 billion and the use of an interest rate of 11 per cent. Presumably that has to be a forecast. On what basis, and where would either the federal or provincial governments come up with a legitimized forecast of 11 per cent interest rates over the period of construction of the Alsands project?

MR. LEITCH: Mr. Speaker, the hon. member refers to "over the period of construction". I thought I made very clear in my earlier answer that that was not the period we were referring to. We were referring to the total period that a portion of the loan would still be outstanding. So we were referring to the period from the time you'd begin to draw down the loan, which would be in 1982 or 1983, until it is finally repaid. Yesterday I indicated in the House that that would probably be approximately 10 to 12 years after production start-up. We are talking about an interest rate that applies, on average, over that entire period, not just during the period of construction.

MR. SPEAKER: We haven't the agreement of the Assembly as yet. Does the Assembly agree that the hon. member might be recognized briefly?

HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

MR. SINDLINGER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I too had some confusion in my mind, with regard to the 11 per cent interest rate. It has been clarified somewhat by the response prior to my rising. Perhaps the minister might indicate the sensitivity of that average 11 per cent interest rate to the rate of return anticipated by the private-sector participants; that is, if the 11 per cent is not realized, what happens to the 20 per cent rate of return? Just how sensitive is that rate of return to the 11 per cent interest rate projected over the pay-back period?

MR. LEITCH: Mr. Speaker, as I follow the hon. member's question, it's: how sensitive are projected rates of return to changes in the interest rate? While I can't give a precise answer to that, my memory is that when we were running forecasts here, the projected rate of return was not particularly sensitive to changes in the interest rates.

MR. SINDLINGER: Mr. Speaker, a final supplementary please. Perhaps the minister might recall the range of interest rates used in the analysis to come up with the rates of return. Was the range from 11 to 12 per cent, from 8 to 12, or whatever?

MR. LEITCH: Mr. Speaker, I don't recall the precise range. It was certainly several points.

MR. HYNDMAN: Mr. Speaker, I beg leave of the Assembly to revert to introduction of a school class.

MR. SPEAKER: Yes, and I believe the hon. Member for Barrhead would like to do likewise. Does the Assembly agree?

HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

head: **INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**
(*reversion*)

MR. HYNDMAN: Mr. Speaker, I'm pleased today to introduce to you, and through you to all members of the Assembly, some 30 young people in the members gallery from Laurier Heights school in the Edmonton Glenora constituency. They are accompanied by Miss Desrochers. I would ask at this time that they stand and receive the usual welcome of the Assembly.

MR. KOWALSKI: Mr. Speaker, sitting beside the young people from the constituency represented by the Provincial Treasurer should be some 60 young people from the Onoway elementary school. They are accompanied today by two excellent teachers, Jim Fegyverneki and Terry Slemko, who also doubles as the mayor of the village of Onoway. Onoway is located approximately 40 miles to the north and west of the city of Edmonton. I ask all members to acknowledge their presence here.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

head: **GOVERNMENT BILLS AND ORDERS**
(**Second Reading**)

Bill 37
Alberta Income Tax Amendment Act, 1982

MR. HYNDMAN: Mr. Speaker, I move second reading of Bill No. 37, the Alberta Income Tax Amendment Act, 1982.

As indicated on introduction, this Bill is simply a tandem piece of legislation which parallels Bill No. 36, the Alberta Corporate Income Tax Amendment Act, which has already been introduced and briefly discussed. Essentially it provides, with respect to individuals — the corporate tax Act doing this for corporations — for the enrichment of the royalty tax credit. The basic announcement of the improvement of that royalty tax credit was in the oil and gas activity plan. It is effective in a backdated way to September 1, 1981 — one of the reasons for the complexity of the provisions of the Bill. As well, the Bill modifies the Alberta royalty tax rebate, to make sure it accords with the provisions of the September 1 energy agreement.

[Motion carried; Bill 37 read a second time]

MR. HYNDMAN: Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the hon. House leader, I'd ask for unanimous leave of the Assembly to move to second reading of Bill Pr. 10, notwithstanding the rules.

MR. SPEAKER: Does the Assembly agree?

HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

MR. SPEAKER: It is so ordered.

head: **PRIVATE BILLS**
(**Second Reading**)

Bill Pr. 10
The Campbell McLaurin Foundation
for Hearing Deficiencies Act

MR. OMAN: Mr. Speaker, I'd like to move second reading of Bill Pr. 10, The Campbell McLaurin Foundation for Hearing Deficiencies Act.

[Motion carried; Bill Pr. 10 read a second time]

[On motion, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole]

head: **GOVERNMENT BILLS AND ORDERS**
(**Committee of the Whole**)

[Mr. Appleby in the Chair]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Will the committee please come to order. We have a number of Bills for consideration in committee.

Bill 28
Alberta Opportunity Fund
Amendment Act, 1982

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions or comments regarding the sections of this Act?

[Title and preamble agreed to]

MR. ADAIR: Mr. Chairman, I move that Bill 28, the Alberta Opportunity Fund Amendment Act, 1982, be reported.

[Motion carried]

Bill 29
Financial Administration
Amendment Act, 1982

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions or comments regarding the sections of this Act?

[Title and preamble agreed to]

MR. HYNDMAN: Mr. Chairman, I move that Bill 29 be reported.

[Motion carried]

Bill 32
Election Finances and Contributions
Disclosure Amendment Act, 1982

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions or comments regarding the sections of this Act?

[Title and preamble agreed to]

MR. McCRAE: Mr. Chairman, I move that Bill No. 32, the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Amendment Act, 1982, be reported.

[Motion carried]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Before we proceed to the next Bill, the hon. Member for Redwater-Andrew would like to introduce visitors. Is that agreeable?

HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

head: **INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**
(*reversion*)

MR. TOPOLNISKY: Mr. Chairman, seated in the members gallery is a fine group of young Albertans, a class of 21 grade 8 students from Eleanor Hall school in Clyde in the Redwater-Andrew constituency. They're accompanied by their teachers Bruce Elliot and Ken Elliot, and bus driver Michael Myziuk. I certainly commend them for their interest in viewing democracy in action. I'm delighted to introduce them to you, Mr. Chairman, and to the members of the Assembly. I ask that they rise and receive a generous welcome from the Assembly.

head: **GOVERNMENT BILLS AND ORDERS**
(*Committee of the Whole*)
(*continued*)

Bill 39
Election Finances and Contributions
Disclosure Amendment Act, 1982 (No. 2)

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions or comments regarding the sections of this Act?

[Title and preamble agreed to]

MR. McCRAE: Mr. Chairman, I move that Bill No. 39, the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Amendment Act, 1982 (No. 2), be reported.

[Motion carried]

Bill 35
Special Waste Management
Corporation Act

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions or comments regarding the sections of this Act?

[Title and preamble agreed to]

MR. COOKSON: Mr. Chairman, I move that Bill No. 35, the Special Waste Management Corporation Act, be reported.

[Motion carried]

Bill 36
Alberta Corporate Income Tax
Amendment Act, 1982

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions or comments regarding any sections of this Act?

[Title and preamble agreed to]

MR. HYNDMAN: Mr. Chairman, I move that Bill No. 36 be reported.

[Motion carried]

head: **PRIVATE BILLS**
(*Committee of the Whole*)

Bill Pr. 1
Lethbridge Country Club
Amendment Act, 1982

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions or comments regarding the sections of this Act?

[Title and preamble agreed to]

MRS. OSTERMAN: Mr. Chairman, on behalf of the hon. Member for Lethbridge West, I move that Bill Pr. 1 be reported.

[Motion carried]

Bill Pr. 2
Holy Cross Hospital (Grey Nuns)
of Calgary Amendment Act, 1982

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions or comments regarding the sections of this Act?

[Title and preamble agreed to]

MR. HIEBERT: Mr. Chairman, on behalf of the Member for Calgary Fish Creek, I move that Bill Pr. 2 be reported.

[Motion carried]

Bill Pr. 6
Montreal Trust Company of Canada Act

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions or comments regarding the sections of this Act?

[Title and preamble agreed to]

MR. COOK: Mr. Chairman, I move that Bill Pr. 6 be reported.

[Motion carried]

Bill Pr. 8
Edmonton Convention and Tourism
Authority Act

MR. CHAIRMAN: The amendments to this Bill have been circulated. Are there any questions or comments regarding any of the amendments?

[Motion on amendments carried]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions or comments regarding the Bill as amended?

[Title and preamble agreed to]

MR. MACK: Mr. Chairman, I move that Bill Pr. 8 be reported as amended.

[Motion carried]

**Bill Pr. 9
Edmonton Economic Development
Authority Act**

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions or comments regarding the amendments to Bill Pr. 9?

[Motion on amendments carried]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions regarding the Bill as amended?

[Title and preamble agreed to]

MR. MACK: Mr. Chairman, I move that Bill Pr. 9 be reported as amended.

[Motion carried]

head: **GOVERNMENT BILLS AND ORDERS**
(Committee of the Whole)
(reversion)

**Bill 27
Jury Act**

MR. CHAIRMAN: The amendment to this Act has been circulated. Any questions regarding the amendment?

[Motion on amendment carried]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions or comments regarding the amended Bill?

MR. GOGO: Mr. Chairman, with reference to Bill 27, page 7, and also page 3, Sections 2 and 3, my question to the Attorney General would be the application under Section 2:

Except as otherwise stated or where this Act is inconsistent with the *Criminal Code*...

I ask that question in reference to Section 12: "In a civil proceeding a jury shall consist of 6 jurors." There's really no reference to a criminal proceeding. I'd like to know if the number of jurors in a criminal proceeding is the same because I'm somewhat confused by Section 2 in terms of its application. Finally, with regard to Section 3, qualifications of jurors, does that in effect say that every person who's a resident of Alberta, a Canadian citizen, 18 years or older, or otherwise a voter in the provincial general election...

MR. CRAWFORD: Mr. Chairman, with respect to the application of Criminal Code provisions, Section 2 in this Act is consistent in the sense that the Criminal Code has its own provisions regarding criminal matters. The total impact of this section is in areas the Criminal Code doesn't deal with, such as may vary from province to province — the manner of drawing up the list of jurors or the like. That would be adopted and used in criminal proceedings. But nothing in the provincial Jury Act could go contrary to the criminal procedures outlined in the Criminal Code.

As to numbers of jurors, federal legislation requires that there be 12 jurors for criminal matters. So despite the fact there's no reference to 12 jurors in this Act, 12 jurors are in fact used in criminal matters. It's a result of reading the two pieces of legislation together.

[Mr. Purdy in the Chair]

In respect to Section 3, once again the section read, and the entire context of the Act is, that unless a person is excluded under Section 4 or exempted under Section 5, then every voting-age Alberta citizen is indeed qualified and might be called upon to serve as a juror.

[Title and preamble agreed to]

MR. CRAWFORD: Mr. Chairman, I move that Bill No. 27 be reported as amended.

[Motion carried]

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Before we continue, may the hon. Member for Innisfail have permission to revert to introduction of visitors?

HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

head: **INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**
(reversion)

MR. PENGELLY: Mr. Chairman, it's my pleasure today to introduce a group of students from Camille J. Lerouge in Red Deer, and exchange students from the province of Quebec. They are accompanied by teachers Pierre Morissette, André Braün, and Léo Richter, and their bus driver Ian MacQuarrie. I ask them to rise and receive the warm welcome of the Assembly.

head: **GOVERNMENT BILLS AND ORDERS**
(Committee of the Whole)
(continued)

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

[Motion carried]

[Mr. Speaker in the Chair]

MR. PURDY: Mr. Speaker, the Committee of the Whole has had under consideration and reports: Bills 28, 29, 32, 39, 35, 36, Pr. 1, Pr. 2, and Pr. 6; and reports with some amendments Bills Pr. 8, Pr. 9, and 27.

MR. SPEAKER: Having heard the report, do you all agree?

HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

head: **GOVERNMENT BILLS AND ORDERS**
(Third Reading)

[It was moved by the members indicated that the following Bills be read a third time, and the motions were carried]

No.	Title	Moved by
1	Hail and Crop Insurance Amendment Act, 1982	Crawford [for Lougheed]
2	Legislative Offices Statutes Amendment Act, 1982	McCrae
4	Wildlife Amendment Act, 1982	Campbell
5	Alberta Home Mortgage Corporation Amendment Act, 1982	Chambers
6	Public Lands Amendment Act, 1982	Miller
8	Transportation of Dangerous Goods Control Act	Moore
12	Hydro and Electric Energy Amendment Act, 1982	Cripps
13	Alberta Municipal Financing Corporation Amendment Act, 1982	Crawford [for Hyndman]
14	Clean Air Amendment Act, 1982	Pahl
15	Clean Water Amendment Act, 1982	Pahl
16	Hazardous Chemicals Amendment Act, 1982	Batiuk
17	Criminal Injuries Compensation Amendment Act, 1982	Little
22	Securities Amendment Act, 1982	Koziak
23	Water Resources Amendment Act, 1982	Hyland
25	Alberta Order of Excellence Amendment Act, 1982	LeMessurier

MR. R. SPEAKER: I move that the committee consider the private Bills on the Order Paper for third reading at this time.

MR. CRAWFORD: Mr. Speaker, several Bills were processed through committee, and with unanimous consent I think the Assembly would be able to proceed with third reading. I think the hon. leader is . . . [inaudible]

MR. SPEAKER: The consent needn't be unanimous, because of the provision in the rule.

[Motion carried]

head: **PRIVATE BILLS**
(Third Reading)

[It was moved by the members indicated that the follow-

ing Bills be read a third time, and the motions were carried]

No.	Title	Moved by
Pr. 1	Lethbridge Country Club Amendment Act, 1982	Gogo
Pr. 2	Holy Cross Hospital (Grey Nuns) Payne of Calgary Amendment Act, 1982	
Pr. 6	Montreal Trust Company of Canada Act	Cook
Pr. 8	Edmonton Convention and Tourism Authority Act	Mack
Pr. 9	Edmonton Economic Development Authority Act	Mack

MR. CRAWFORD: Mr. Speaker, on Monday it's intended that the Assembly sit in the evening, and we'll be in Committee of Supply to deal with estimates of the Department of Energy and Natural Resources. On Monday or Tuesday, if there's a possibility of giving second reading to any Bills that have been held because of the inability of the Minister of Energy and Natural Resources to attend, I think we would try to fit those in at a suitable time. But he will certainly be here for Committee of Supply Monday afternoon and evening.

Following Energy and Natural Resources, the remaining supply business is the Treasury Department, the special warrants and the supplementary estimates. We propose calling the Treasury Department as such with its main estimates, following the Department of Energy and Natural Resources as such with its main estimates, and later address the question of the supplementaries.

Mr. Speaker, I move that we call it 1 o'clock.

MR. SPEAKER: Does the Assembly agree?

HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

[At 11:37 p.m., pursuant to Standing Order 5, the House adjourned to Monday at 2:30 p.m.]