



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

Day 15

ORDER PAPER

Fourth Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Wednesday, March 15, 2000

Prayers

ROUTINE

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Recognitions (Monday and Wednesday)

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ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

15. Moved by Hon. Mr. Day:

Be it resolved that the Assembly approve in general the business plans and fiscal policies of the Government.

Adjourned debate: Hon. Mrs. McClellan.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 3 Statute Revision Act — Hon. Mr. Hancock

Adjourned debate: Ms Blakeman

Bill 7 Alberta Science, Research and Technology Authority Amendment Act, 2000 (\$) — Hon. Dr. Taylor

Adjourned debate: Mrs. Soetaert

Bill 10 Securities Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Hlady

Bill 11 Health Care Protection Act — Hon. Mr. Jonson

Bill 13 Energy Statutes Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Hlady

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Bill 16 Condominium Property Amendment Act, 2000 — Mrs. Laing

Bill 15 Business Corporations Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Melchin

Bill 17 Fair Trading Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Ducharme

Committee of the Whole

Bill 1 Alberta Heritage Foundation for Science and Engineering Research Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Klein

Bill 2 First Nations Sacred Ceremonial Objects Repatriation Act — Hon. Ms Calahasen

Bill 4 Surveys Amendment Act, 2000 — Hon. Mr. Mar

Bill 5 Land Titles Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Jacques

Third Reading

Bill 6 Special Payment Act — Hon. Mr. Dunford

Committee of Supply — 2000-2001 Main Estimates

Day 16 Reporting: Economic Development, Government Services,
Resource Development (8:00 p.m. Assembly)
Day 17 Official Opposition Designation (Assembly)
Day 18 Reporting: Designated Supply Subcommittees (Health and
Wellness, and Learning), Justice and Attorney General,
Municipal Affairs (8:00 p.m. Assembly)
Day 19 Reporting: Executive Council, Innovation and Science (4:30 p.m.
Assembly)
Reporting: Designated Supply Subcommittees (Environment,
Children's Services, and Human Resources), Treasury,
Infrastructure, Gaming (8:00 p.m. Assembly)
Day 20 of 20 Reporting: International and Intergovernmental Relations
(8:00 p.m. Assembly)

Committee of Supply — 2000-2001 Lottery Fund Estimates

Day 1 of 2 2000-2001 Lottery Fund
Day 2 of 2 2000-2001 Lottery Fund

Written Questions

- WQ7.** Ms Carlson to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 23):
What was the total number of contaminated sites recorded by Alberta Environment on December 31, 1999; how many of these were underground petroleum storage sites; how many of the remaining sites were classified as severely, moderately or lightly contaminated; how many were unclassified and how many in each category had been visited and reviewed between January 1, 1998 and December 31, 1999?
- WQ8.** Dr. Nicol to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 23):
What are the estimated costs of operating Alberta's trade offices and engaging trade consultants under contract abroad for the fiscal year 1998-99, broken down by accommodation costs and salary ranges for: consultants, clerical staff, commercial officers and posted staff?
- WQ9.** Ms Blakeman to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 29):
How many women were turned away from all Alberta Women's Shelters in the fiscal year 1998-1999?

WQ10. Mrs. Soetaert to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 29):
How much has the Government saved each year from 1996-97 to 1998-99 as a result of contracting out highway maintenance and on what evidence are the figures based?

Motions for Returns

MR1. Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 18):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the October 19, 1993 document from a third party to the Executive Council/Office of the Premier relating to the refinancing of the West Edmonton Mall.

MR2. Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 18):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the December 3, 1993 letter from one MLA (Member of the Legislative Assembly) to a second MLA, in the possession of the Executive Council/Office of the Premier relating to the refinancing of the West Edmonton Mall.

MR3. Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 18):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the December 3, 1993 memo from one MLA (Member of the Legislative Assembly) to another MLA, in the possession of the Executive Council/Office of the Premier relating to the refinancing of the West Edmonton Mall.

MR4. Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 18):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the February 18, 1993 letter from a third party to the Executive Council/Office of the Premier relating to the refinancing of the West Edmonton Mall.

MR8. Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 18):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copy of excerpts of Cabinet agenda, with attachments, dated March 12, 1996, pertaining to the refinancing of the West Edmonton Mall, as listed on page 34 of the affidavit of records of Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Alberta dated November 30, 1999.

MR10. Mr. Gibbons to propose the following motion (Due Day 18):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all fees and charges, and copies of expense and revenue analyses prepared by the Department of Government Services and Alberta Registries between May 1, 1999 and February 17, 2000, for Alberta Treasury and the Fees and Charges Committee.

MR11. Mr. Gibbons to propose the following motion (Due Day 23):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A breakdown of projections of provincial revenues collected from the school property tax for the fiscal years 2000/01, 2001/02 and 2002/03 by residential/farm property, non-residential and linear assessment classes.

MR12. Mr. Gibbons to propose the following motion (Due Day 23):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all reports and studies prepared by, or for, the Education Tax Review Committee between January 1, 1998 and February 17, 2000.

MR13. Ms Carlson to propose the following motion (Due Day 23):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the plan that Chem-Security (Alberta) Ltd. and Bovar Inc. were required to draw up under the Enforcement Order that was announced by Alberta Environmental Protection on January 15, 1997, showing how they will address all sources of PCBs, dioxins and furans identified in the inventory required by the Enforcement Order, together with a copy of any design plans that were subsequently drawn up to address any potential adverse impacts on the environment, and any evaluation of these plans carried out by, or for, those companies or Alberta Environment (or Alberta Environmental Protection) from that time until February 28, 2000.

MR14. Ms Carlson to propose the following motion (Due Day 23):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A monthly summary of all monitoring results, and any individual values that exceed permitted limits, from April 1, 1997 to February 28, 2000, collected by Chem-Security (Alberta) Ltd. and Bovar Inc., as required by the approval to operate the Alberta Special Waste Treatment Centre at Swan Hills and by the Enforcement Order announced by Alberta Environmental Protection on January 15, 1997.

MR15. Mr. White to propose the following motion (Due Day 23):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:

A list of all contracts issued by the Alberta Forest Service in the calendar year 1999, indicating the purpose of each contract, the name of the company to which it was awarded and whether the contract was awarded as a result of a public tendering process.

MR16. Dr. Nicol to propose the following motion (Due Day 23):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:

Copy of all studies and reports prepared by, or for, the Government Reorganization Secretariat between May 26, 1999 and February 17, 2000, relating to a review of government agencies, boards and commissions.

MR17. Dr. Nicol to propose the following motion (Due Day 23):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:

Copies of all studies and reports prepared by, or for, the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development between May 25, 1999 and February 17, 2000, relating to the integration of the Alberta Agricultural Financial Services Corporation and the Alberta Opportunity Company.

MR18 Ms. Carlson to propose the following motion (Due Day 27):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:

A copy of any studies or reports that the Government has authorized, conducted or examined since January 1, 1995, concerning the historic or current population and distribution of woodland caribou in Alberta and copies of any documents indicating what measures the Government has taken to ensure healthy populations of these endangered animals.

MR19. Dr. Nicol to propose the following motion (Due Day 29):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:

Copies of written approvals provided by the Premier, Executive Council, Treasury Board and/or the Agenda and Priorities Committee for out-of-province and out-of-country travel by Cabinet Ministers and Government Members of the Legislative Assembly (MLAs) for the period January 1, 1993 through November 17, 1999.

MR20. Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 29):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:

Copy of Financial Planning and Human Resources Minutes, dated May 14, 1997, pertaining to the refinancing of the West Edmonton Mall, as listed on page 40 of the affidavit of records of Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Alberta dated November 30, 1999.

MR21. Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 29):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copy of excerpts of Cabinet agenda with attachments, dated August 13, 1996, pertaining to the refinancing of the West Edmonton Mall, as listed on page 34 of the affidavit of records of Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Alberta dated November 30, 1999.

MR22. Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 29):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copy of excerpts of Agenda and Priorities Committee Minutes, dated February 9, 1998, pertaining to the refinancing of the West Edmonton Mall, as listed on page 40 of the affidavit of records of Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Alberta dated November 30, 1999.

MR23. Mr. Gibbons to propose the following motion (Due Day 29):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all reports and studies prepared by, or for, the MLA Education Property Tax Committee between March 1, 1999 and March 8, 2000 on the provincial education property tax.

MR24. Dr. Nicol to propose the following motion (Due Day 29):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of activity reports prepared by the Department of Economic Development on Alberta trade offices and trade consultants abroad for the fiscal years 1997-98 and 1998-99.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

504. Mrs. MacBeth to propose the following motion (Time Remaining: 12 minutes):

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to create an Alberta Citizen's Commission on the Future of Education which would set goals and direction for education, acknowledging its fundamental importance to the prosperity and well-being of all Albertans, and defining a clear vision for its future.

Debate adjourned, Dr. Massey speaking.

505. Mrs. Fritz to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish an Advisory Council on Women's Health to support education and research promoting women's health, and to address issues relating to the prevention and treatment of diseases including osteoporosis, eating disorders, heart disease, breast cancer as well as diseases to which women are becoming increasingly susceptible to such as lung cancer and auto-immune diseases.

506. Mr. MacDonald to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to demonstrate its recognition of the contribution made by parents who stay at home to care for their children by providing support equal to that received by parents choosing other childcare options.

507. Ms Leibovici to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to further increase the number of beds and improve standards for long-term care facilities and home care services with regard to staffing ratios and levels of service to adequate levels, and ensure that Regional Health Authority boundaries do not become barriers to placement.

508. Mr. Trynchy to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the results of the study undertaken by the Provincial Auto Insurance Crown Corporation of Québec - Société d'Assurance Automobile du Québec (SAAQ) on the dangers of hand-held cellular telephone use by drivers of motor vehicles, and then consult with Albertans on whether and what restrictions should be imposed on the use of hand-held cell phones by operators of motor vehicles while driving.

509. Mr. Lougheed to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to reinstate the requirement to display front licence plates on all vehicles registered in the province.

510. Ms Olsen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a special task force in conjunction with federal and municipal authorities to examine ways to preserve neighbourhoods affected by school closures and business relocations.

511. Ms Kryczka to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to form a multi-department committee involving the Departments of Community Development, Health and Wellness, Human Resources and Employment, and Justice and Attorney General to further identify all forms of abuse against seniors; work to improve the effectiveness of existing initiatives addressing senior abuse; and also develop creative programs that will work towards the resolution of this unacceptable problem for seniors in Alberta.

512. Mrs. Laing to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to encourage municipal governments to investigate ways of adding low-cost housing units through changes in zoning bylaws to allow alternate housing units such as secondary suites and room-and-board housing in residential neighbourhoods.

513. Mr. Fischer to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to re-examine Alberta's existing Labour Relations Code and Public Service Employee Relations Act and propose recommendations for their improvement, particularly with respect to collective bargaining agreements.

514. Mr. Hlady to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to expedite its examination of opting out of the Canada Pension Plan with a view to establishing a made-in-Alberta Pension Plan, or a mandatory, personal Retirement Savings Plan.

515. Mr. Coutts to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a pilot project, in partnership with the recreational snowmobile industry that would include such initiatives as a cost recovery fee system (i.e., registration and user fees) to support the development, maintenance and promotion of safe, multi-use trail systems for snowmobiling in the Province.

516. Mr. Wickman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to eliminate the Lottery Fund, with all lottery revenues deposited into the General Revenue Fund.

517. Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the sale of the Alberta Treasury Branches to the credit union system of Alberta in order to allow Alberta-based financial institutions to more effectively meet the future financial service needs of Albertans.

518. Mr. Renner to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore alternative means of funding education other than through municipal property taxes and to begin discussions with municipal governments to develop new cost-sharing formulas that could be implemented after the Provincial Government removes requisitions for school taxes.

519. Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to expand the range of service fees covered in subsidized seniors' accommodations so that the standard of 30% of income to pay for basic rent costs includes basic telephone services.

520. Ms Graham to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore new means of helping students finance their post-secondary education, including the establishment of a provincial education savings plan to supplement the Canada Education Savings Grant.

521. Mr. MacDonald to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to strengthen enforcement of the Employment Standards Code.

522. Mr. Yankowsky to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement a prosperity dividend payable to all resident Albertans similar to Alaska's Permanent Fund Dividend.

523. Mrs. Burgener to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to uphold its unanimous 1992 endorsement of sustainable resource development and require all relevant government entities to streamline resource and environmental regulations to ensure consistency in policy and practice.

524. Mr. Johnson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement strategies aimed at increasing the opportunity for Alberta students to participate in student exchange programs, particularly with respect to learning new languages, and to initiate new international student exchange partnerships.

525. Mr. Dickson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to identify and eliminate barriers to employment based on the grounds identified in the Human Rights, Citizenship and Multiculturalism Act.

526. Mr. Amery to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement strategies aimed at making the wearing of bicycle helmets mandatory in the interest of accident prevention and public safety, which would lead to the reduction of costs to Alberta's health care system.

527. Ms Kryczka to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to undertake initiatives to raise the awareness of Albertans with respect to the prevention, early detection and treatment of prostate cancer, targeted particularly to male Albertans over the age of 50.

528. Mr. Strang to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine options for granting longer-term tenure to those who hold timber quotas and forest management agreements in order to increase fibre production and encourage intensive forest management.

529. Mr. Marz to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a centre of excellence for chemical sensitivity treatment and research.

530. Mr. Cao to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to direct the Workers' Compensation Board to allow injured workers whose cases are in dispute to pursue trade or career retraining in the same manner as any other Albertan with the cost of such retraining being redirected to the Workers' Compensation Board upon settlement of that dispute.

531. Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Jacques.

532. Dr. Nicol to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to revise the Farm Income Disaster Program so that it helps all farmers whose operations are viable in the long term, but who are experiencing short term disaster.

533. Ms Leibovici to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require Regional Health Authorities to collect and publicly release information on private health care providers whom they contract with, including details regarding services provided, public funding received, and charges to individuals.

534. Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Melchin.

535. Mr. Yankowsky to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to designate square dancing as the official folk dance of Alberta.

- 536.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Magnus.
- 537.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Ms Haley.
- 538.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Herard.
- 539.** Ms Paul to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation and provide funding for mandatory anti-violence counselling for convicted offenders of any criminal offence involving family violence.
- 540.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mrs. Laing.
- 541.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Stevens.
- 542.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Boutilier.
- 543.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Herard.
- 544.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Trynchy.
- 545.** Ms Carlson to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt land use planning policies that reduce urban sprawl, improve the efficiency of transportation, reduce the emission of greenhouse and other gases and protect good quality agricultural land.
- 546.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Thurber.
- 547.** Mr. White to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt policies to ensure the sustainable management of Alberta's forests to include timber production, the protection of biodiversity, watershed protection and the promotion of recreational benefits.
- 548.** Ms Olsen to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to commission an independent review to evaluate the performance and cost-effectiveness of Delegated Administrative Organizations (DAOs).

- 549.** Mr. Marz to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a pilot project to determine the effectiveness and feasibility of having Medical Savings Accounts operating within the Alberta Health Care system.
- 550.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Langevin.
- 551.** Mr. Bonner to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to prepare and publicly release a business impact analysis for all new regulations to ensure that such regulations do not act as a deterrent to job creation and economic growth in Alberta.
- 552.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mrs. Tarchuk.
- 553.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mrs. O'Neill.
- 554.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mrs. Gordon.
- 555.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. McFarland.
- 556.** Dr. Pannu to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation that requires employers to provide pro-rated benefits to part-time and casual workers that are equivalent to those provided to full-time workers; extends the scope of employment standards, health and safety, and workers' compensation legislation to farms and ranches employing three or more workers; imposes mandatory penalties on employers who repeatedly violate employment standards; enables the Labour Relations Board to impose first collective agreements; bans the use of replacement workers during a legal strike or lockout; and restores full collective bargaining rights, including the right to strike, to nurses, civil servants and other public sector workers providing non-emergency services.
- 557.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Ms Graham.
- 558.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Renner.
- 559.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Clegg.

- 560.** Mr. Gibbons to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt the recommendation of the Capital Investment Planning Committee to establish a sinking fund to sustain essential infrastructure plans during periods of low revenue growth.
- 561.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Jacques.
- 562.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Klapstein.
- 563.** Mr. Doerksen to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to acknowledge and adopt the Declaration on the Canadian Family as developed by participants attending the Ottawa Conference on the Family held from October 1 to 3, 1998.
- 564.** Ms Carlson to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to improve monitoring of the impacts of industrial activity on air, land and water, study the effects on human and animal health and vegetation and adopt further measures to reduce pollution.
- 565.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Boutilier.
- 566.** Mrs. Fritz to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to press the Federal Government to fully adopt the ten proposed amendments to the Young Offenders' Act that were agreed to by Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario and Prince Edward Island on October 30, 1998.
- 567.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Friedel.
- 568.** Mr. Ducharme to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to legalize cervid harvesting preserves.
- 569.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Tannas.
- 570.** Mr. Cao to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to appropriately compensate persons who are required to miss work to care for a family member with developmental disabilities due to the unavailability of a Persons With Developmental Disabilities home care worker.

- 571.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. McFarland.
- 572.** Mr. Strang to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Wildlife Act to identify four types of species at risk - extirpated, endangered, threatened and vulnerable - in order to clarify the levels of wildlife protection in Alberta.
- 573.** Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to prepare and publicly release an impact analysis statement on any new or increased user fee or charge, which would examine issues related to cost of service, the impact on the ministerial budget, workload volumes, unit production costs, overhead costs, and costs on users and clients.
- 574.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Hierath.
- 575.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Clegg.
- 576.** Mrs. Soetaert to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the establishment of a special asset recovery division within Alberta Treasury to undertake a more aggressive recovery of write-downs of loans and payments made under guarantee.
- 577.** Mr. White to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to prepare and release publicly on an annual basis a detailed cost-benefit analysis of the impact of electricity de-regulation on the utility bills for all classes of customers.
- 578.** Mrs. Sloan to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to press the Federal Government to reduce Employment Insurance (EI) premiums for employees from \$2.40 to \$2.00 of insurable earnings in order to increase the prospects for economic growth, investment and job creation.
- 579.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Shariff.
- 580.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Hierath.

- 581.** Dr. Pannu to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation that conserves endangered and threatened species; protects sufficient habitat for their conservation and regeneration; and requires every decision by a provincial government department, crown agency, or a municipal government to be consistent with such legislation.
- 582.** Dr. Massey to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce a Declaration of Citizens' Rights that would include the right to be treated with courtesy and respect by the Government and the right to timely responses to communications with the Government.
- 583.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Ducharme.
- 584.** Mr. Johnson to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement strategies which would provide necessary treatment for offenders with mental health problems, utilizing appropriate treatment facilities and programs within, and whenever possible, outside the justice system.
- 585.** Mrs. Burgener to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop a comprehensive plan, in consultation with affected jurisdictions, for the economic development of Alberta's Eastern Slopes.
- 586.** Dr. Massey to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to include Regional Health Authorities (RHAs), universities, colleges, technical institutes, and Delegated Administrative Organizations (DAOs) within the Government's consolidated financial statements.
- 587.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Severtson.
- 588.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mrs. Tarchuk.
- 589.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Ms Haley.
- 590.** Mr. Fischer to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the feasibility of establishing a parking permit program for chronically ill individuals frequenting medical institutions.
- 591.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Thurber.

- 592.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Coutts.
- 593.** Mr. Gibbons to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop a long-term infrastructure plan for Alberta by establishing an Infrastructure Maintenance and Renewal Fund to be funded 50% by the Government and 50% by the private sector.
- 594.** Mrs. Soetaert to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to improve highway safety by requiring mandatory training for all new truck drivers and by recognizing approved truck driver apprenticeship programs as professional training that qualifies for student funding from Alberta Learning, and by encouraging the Federal Government to establish national standards for truck driver training.
- 595.** Withdrawn due to Member's resignation (Ms Barrett).
- 596.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Doerksen.
- 597.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Broda.
- 598.** Ms Paul to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Legislative Assembly Act to eliminate the $\frac{1}{3}$ tax-free portion of the remuneration for Members of the Legislative Assembly.
- 599.** Mr. Amery to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to encourage the federal, provincial and territorial governments in Canada to pursue a barrier-free domestic market by intensifying their efforts to implement and strengthen the Agreement on Internal Trade.
- 600.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Langevin.
- 601.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mrs. O'Neill.
- 602.** Mr. Bonner to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure that all primary and secondary schools are wired for the Internet by the year 2002, as part of its science, research and development strategy.

- 603.** Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt an open and public process for appointments to foundation boards funded by lottery revenues.
- 604.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Stevens.
- 605.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Friedel.
- 606.** Withdrawn due to Member's resignation (Ms Barrett).
- 607.** Mrs. Sloan to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to study the operation of medical panels of the Workers' Compensation Board.
- 608.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Tannas.
- 609.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Magnus.
- 610.** Dr. Nicol to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to conduct a review of the operation of the Safety Codes Act.
- 611.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Pham.
- 612.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Lougheed.
- 613.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Melchin.
- 614.** Mr. Wickman to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to conduct an inquiry for every on-the-job fatality.
- 615.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mrs. MacBeth.
- 616.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Broda.
- 617.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mrs. Forsyth.
- 618.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Klapstein.
- 619.** Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Severtson.

620. Mr. Dickson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Health Information Act prior to its proclamation to ensure that it reflects the Canadian Medical Association Privacy Code and to ensure that patient confidentiality will be protected regardless of whether the health service provider is paid privately or publicly.

621. Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Pham.

622. Withdrawn in accordance with the written request of Mr. Hlady.

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 206 School (Students' Code of Conduct) Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Coutts

Bill 207 Provincial-Municipal Tax Sharing Calculation Act — Mrs. MacBeth

Bill 208 Gaming and Liquor Amendment Act, 2000 — Mrs. MacBeth

Bill 209 Employment Standards (Parental Leave) Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Cao

Bill 210 Traffic Safety Amendment Act, 2000 — Ms Forsyth

Bill 211 Alberta Taxpayer Bill of Rights — Mr. Sapers

Bill 212 Human Rights, Citizenship and Multiculturalism Amendment Act, 2000 —
Mr. Yankowsky

Bill 213 Farm Implement Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Marz

Bill 214 Police (Special Constable Safety) Amendment Act, 2000 — Mrs. Gordon

Bill 215 School (Early Childhood Education) Amendment Act, 2000 — Dr. Massey

Bill 216 Labour Statutes (Workers' Rights) Amendment Act, 2000 — Dr. Pannu

Bill 217 Public Highways Development Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Tannas

Bill 218 Insurance Statutes (Gender Premium Equity) Amendment Act, 2000 —
Mrs. O'Neill

Bill 219 Blind Persons' Rights (Service Dogs) Amendment Act, 2000 —
Mr. Lougheed

Bill 220 Citizens' Initiative Act — Mr. Ducharme

Committee of the Whole

Bill 205 Emblems of Alberta (Alberta Dress Tartan) Amendment Act, 2000 —
Mr. Stevens (Due Day 19)

Third Reading

Bill 202 Marriage Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Doerksen (Time Remaining: 43 minutes)

Debate adjourned: Mr. Dickson

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

Bill 18 Alberta Personal Income Tax Act (\$) — Hon. Mr. Day

Bill 19 Alberta Income Tax Amendment Act, 2000 — Hon. Mr. Day

Bill 20 Justice Statutes Amendment Act, 2000 — Hon. Mr. Hancock

Bill 221 Public Health Care Protection Statutes Amendment Act, 2000 — Ms. Leibovici

Projected Government Business

Wednesday, March 15	Eve.	- Government Bills and Orders Committee of Supply Main Estimates Day 16 - Reporting: Economic Development, Government Services, Resource Development, Community Development Second Reading Bill 1, 6, 3, 4, 5, 7 And as per Order Paper
Thursday, March 16	Aft.	- Government Bills and Orders Committee of Supply Official Opposition Designation for Thursday (Day 17, Main Estimates) And as per Order Paper based on progress Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

Designated Departments Under Standing Order 56(2)(a)

Health and Wellness
Learning
Environmental Protection
Human Resources
Children's Services

**Department Designated Under Standing Order 58(4) for Thursday,
March 16, 2000**

Infrastructure

**Due Dates Under Standing Order 34(3) for
Written Questions Accepted and Motions for Returns Agreed to**

Day 41 WQ2, WQ3, WQ4, WQ5, WQ6

**Written Questions and Motions for Returns
for Consideration Wednesday, March 15, 2000**

Written Questions: Stand and retain their places.

Motions for Returns: MR1, MR2, MR3, MR4, MR8, MR10, MR17.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, March 15, 2000