



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

Day 30

ORDER PAPER

Fourth Session

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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 13 Energy Statutes Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Hlady

Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Hancock

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

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- Bill 3 Statute Revision Act — Hon. Mr. Hancock
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- 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
Bill 21 Appropriation Act, 2000 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Day

Bills Awaiting Royal Assent

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

Private Bills

Referred to Private Bills Committee

- Bill Pr1 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the Province of Alberta Repeal Act — Mr. Coutts
Bill Pr2 William Roper Hull Child and Family Services Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Stevens
Bill Pr3 Westcastle Development Authority Repeal Act — Mr. Coutts
Bill Pr4 Calgary Municipal Heritage Properties Authority Amendment Act, 2000 — Mrs. Laing
Bill Pr5 Calgary Foundation Act — Mrs. Burgener

Written Questions

- WQ14.** Ms Leibovici to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 36):
What are the actual numbers of, and occupancy rates for, acute care beds serving the Calgary Regional Health Authority from April 1, 1992 to March 20, 2000?

- WQ15.** Ms Carlson to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 39):
How many bears were shot between April 1, 1998 to March 31, 1999 and April 1, 1999 to March 31, 2000 by private landowners and grazing leaseholders on Crown land, or by anyone acting on their behalf, and in how many cases did landowners or leaseholders call Alberta Environment to trap nuisance bears?
- WQ16.** Ms Blakeman to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 39):
How many agreements is the Department of Justice and Attorney General currently negotiating with other jurisdictions pursuant to the Reciprocal Enforcement of Maintenance Orders Act?
- WQ17.** Mrs. Sloan to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 41):
How many children with Child Welfare status have been housed in hotel rooms in the Edmonton region between February 18, 1999 and April 5, 2000?
- WQ18.** Mrs. Sloan to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 41):
How many children with Child Welfare status have been housed in jail cells, remand centres, or single men's hostels between February 18, 1999 and April 5, 2000 in the Province?
- WQ19.** Mrs. Sloan to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 41):
In which hotels in the Edmonton region were children who were receiving services under the Child Welfare Act housed in between February 18, 1999 and April 5, 2000?
- WQ20.** Mrs. Sloan to ask the Government the following question (Due Day 41):
What are the reasons for appeal and breakdown of decisions reached in the 485 appeals heard by the Child Welfare Citizen's Appeal Panel during the 1998-99 fiscal year?

Motions for Returns

- MR29.** Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 34):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copy of hand-written notes of a meeting between Jim Dinning, Allister McPherson, and Nader Ghermezian, dated January 28, 1994, pertaining to the refinancing of the West Edmonton Mall (WEM), as listed on page 9 of the affidavit of records of the WEM Corporate Defendants, November 30, 1999.

- MR31.** Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 39):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copy of excerpts of Cabinet agenda and 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.
- MR32.** Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 39):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copy of correspondence from Stockwell Day to Triple Five Group Ltd. (Nader Ghermezian) dated June 30, 1998, pertaining to the refinancing of the West Edmonton Mall, as listed on page 40 of the affidavit of records of the West Edmonton Mall (WEM) dated November 30, 1999.
- MR33.** Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 39):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of documents prepared for Alberta Treasury by Government departments between November 1, 1998 and April 3, 2000, evaluating the cost of service and revenues associated with user fees, licenses, premiums, and charges levied by Government departments.
- MR34.** Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 39):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of base case forecast tables and change in marginal tax rates by income class of taxpayers prepared by, or for, Alberta Treasury for the period January 1, 1999 to April 3, 2000, associated with the implementation of the Government's 11% single rate tax plan.
- MR35.** Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 39):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all documents estimating the revenue impact and economic offset prepared by, or for, Alberta Treasury for the period June 1, 1999 to April 3, 2000, associated with the implementation of the Government's 11% single rate tax plan.
- MR36.** Mr. White to propose the following motion (Due Day 39):
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 Resource Development between May 25, 1999 and April 3, 2000, evaluating the impact of electricity de-regulation on the utility bills of various classes of Alberta consumers.

- MR37.** Mr. White to propose the following motion (Due Day 39):
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 Resource Development between January 1, 1999 and April 3, 2000, evaluating the cost-effectiveness of the Mineral Revenue Information System (MRIS).
- MR38.** Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 39):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copy of excerpts of Cabinet agenda and minutes dated February 6, 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.
- MR40.** Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion (Due Day 41):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of the Maintenance Enforcement Program (MEP) Business Process Improvement Strategy on systems and procedures that are in place to protect and update investments in technology.
- MR41.** Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 44):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copy of excerpts of minutes, dated July 20, 1994, pertaining to the refinancing of the West Edmonton Mall, as listed on page 33 of the affidavit of records of Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Alberta dated November 30, 1999.
- MR42.** Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 41):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copy of excerpts of the Agenda and Priorities Committee agenda, with attachments, dated October 18, 1993, 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.
- MR43.** Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 44):
That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copy of minutes, dated March 21, 1994, pertaining to the refinancing of the West Edmonton Mall, as listed on page 33 of the affidavit of records of Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Alberta, dated November 30, 1999.

MR44. Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 41):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of budget and financial reports for the period January 1, 1999 to April 5, 2000, as required pursuant to Articles 9.7.1, 9.8.1, and 9.8.2 of the July 12, 1996 agreement between the Government of Alberta, the Alberta Special Waste Management Corporation, Bovar Technology Ltd. Bovar Inc., Bovar (Swan Hills) Limited Partnership, 542936 Alberta Ltd., and Chem-Security (Alberta) Ltd.

MR45. Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion (Due Day 41):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of studies, reports, memoranda, correspondence and background documents prepared by, or for, the Department of Environment or sent to the Department of Environment, for the period January 1, 1999 to April 5, 2000, relating to a change in ownership of the Alberta Special Waste Management Treatment Centre (Swan Hills) and the importation of hazardous waste from outside of Canada.

MR46. Mrs. Sloan to propose the following motion (Due Day 41):

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of requests for proposals for employment program initiatives designed for Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped and Assured Support Program recipients since February 28, 1999.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

507. Moved by Ms Leibovici (Time remaining: 3 minutes):

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.

Debate adjourned: Mrs. Soetaert speaking.

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 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 207 Provincial-Municipal Tax Sharing Calculation Act — Mrs. MacBeth (Time remaining: 89 minutes)

Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Paszkowski

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 206 School (Students' Code of Conduct) Amendment Act, 2000 — Mr. Coutts
(Due Day 31)

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

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

Written Questions

WQ21. Ms Leibovici to ask the Government the following question:

How many hospital beds have been closed in the Province from January 1, 1993 to January 1, 2000; how many nurses have lost their jobs due to those closures; and how many doctors have lost their jobs due to those closures?

Motions for Returns

MR39. Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copy of the October 31, 1997 document prepared by, or for, Alberta Treasury entitled "Alberta Treasury Branches: Process, Environmental Scan, Possible Government Objectives, and Alternative Business Outcomes.

MR47. Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all reports, studies and background documents prepared by, or for, Alberta Treasury, for the period March 1, 1999 to April 13, 2000 concerning corporate capital plans developed by Government departments.

MR48. Mr. White to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the minutes of each meeting of the Forest Protection Advisory Committee held in the calendar years 1998 and 1999.

MR49. Mr. White to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the meeting summaries and council reports of all the meetings of the Alberta Forest Management Science Council held from January 23, 1998 to April 13, 2000.

Projected Government Business

Tuesday, April 18	(4:30)	- Government Bills and Orders
		Second Reading
		Bill Pr1, Pr2, Pr3, Pr4, Pr5
		Committee of the Whole
		Bill 11
		And as per Order Paper
	Eve.	- Government Bills and Orders
		Second Reading
		Bill 20, 22, 23
		Committee of the Whole
		Bill 11
		And as per Order Paper

Wednesday, April 19 Eve. - **Government Bills and Orders**
Committee of the Whole
Bill 10, 11
Third Reading
Bill 21
And as per Order Paper

Thursday, April 20 Aft. - **Government Bills and Orders**
Third Reading
Bill 21, 2, 4, 5
Committee of the Whole
Bill 11
And as per Order Paper

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

Day 41 WQ2, WQ3, WQ4, WQ5, WQ6.
Day 45 MR10.
Day 53 WQ7, WQ8, MR14, MR15, MR24.
Day 57 WQ11, WQ12, WQ13, MR18

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, April 18, 2000