



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

Day 43

ORDER PAPER

Second Session

Twenty-Fifth Legislature

Wednesday, November 27, 2002

Prayers

ROUTINE

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Presenting Petitions
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Introduction of Bills
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ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

22. Moved by Hon. Mrs. Nelson:

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

Adjourned debate: Hon. Mr. Stevens

Oral notice having been given, Hon. Mr. Jonson to propose the following motion:

33. Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly of Alberta consistent with its commitment to protecting Alberta's environment hereby endorses and accepts the following principles agreed to by all provinces and territories on October 28, 2002 to provide the basis for the development of a national climate change action plan:

1. All Canadians must have an opportunity for full and informed input into the development of the plan.
2. The plan must ensure that no region or jurisdiction shall be asked to bear an unreasonable share of the burden and no industry, sector or region shall be treated unfairly. The costs and impacts on individuals, businesses and industries must be clear, reasonable, achievable, and economically sustainable. The plan must incorporate appropriate federally funded mitigation of the adverse impacts of climate change initiatives.
3. The plan must respect provincial and territorial jurisdiction.
4. The plan must include recognition of real emission reductions that have been achieved since 1990 or will be achieved thereafter.
5. The plan must provide for bilateral or multilateral agreements between provinces and territories, and with the Federal Government.
6. The plan must ensure that no province or territory bears the financial risk of federal climate change commitments.
7. The plan must recognize that benefits from assets such as forest and agricultural sinks must accrue to the province and territory which owns the assets.
8. The plan must support innovation and new technology.
9. The plan must maintain the economic competitiveness of Canadian business and industry.

10. Canada must continue to demand recognition of clean energy exports.
11. The plan must include incentives for all citizens, communities, businesses and jurisdictions to make the shift to an economy based on renewable and other clean energy, lower emissions and sustainable practices across sectors.
12. The implementation of any climate change plan must include an incentive and allocation system that supports lower carbon emission sources of energy such as hydroelectricity, wind power generation, ethanol, and renewable and other clean sources of energy.

And be it further resolved that this Assembly, in the absence of agreement on a national plan by provinces and territories, denounces any unilateral ratification by the Federal Government of the Kyoto Protocol in violation of the principles on constitutional law, convention, federalism, and long established practice whereby the Federal Government must adequately consult with and seek the consent of provinces and territories prior to ratification of international treaties or agreements that affect matters of exclusive provincial or territorial jurisdiction, or that require provincial or territorial actions or legislation to achieve implementation where implementation will result in significant harm to the economy of Alberta and of Canada.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

- Bill 33 North Red Deer Water Authorization Act — Hon. Dr. Taylor
Adjourned debate: Mrs. Jablonski
- Bill 37 Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Act, 2002 — Rev. Abbott

Committee of the Whole

- Bill 30-2 Adult Interdependent Relationships Act — Hon. Mr. Hancock
- Bill 31 Security Management Statutes Amendment Act, 2002 — Hon. Mr. Hancock
- Bill 32 Climate Change and Emissions Management Act (\$) — Hon. Dr. Taylor
- Bill 34 Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta Amendment Act, 2002 — Hon. Mr. Woloshyn
- Bill 35 Teachers' Pension Plans Amendment Act, 2002 — Hon. Dr. Oberg

Third Reading

- Bill 25 Alberta Corporate Tax Amendment Act, 2002 — Hon. Mr. Melchin
- Bill 36 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2002 (No. 2) (\$) — Hon. Mrs. Nelson

Motions Other Than Government Motions

509. Moved by Mrs. Gordon (Time remaining: 13 minutes):

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work through the Alberta Agricultural Research Institute in researching the use of cost-effective technology to assist farming operations in alleviating nuisance causing odours from barns used in conjunction with confined feeding operations or other related farming practices.

Debate adjourned: Mr. Lougheed speaking.

510. Mr. Cao to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require that the measurable outcomes and goals for government departments and government-funded agencies include targets for improvements in efficiency in their measurable outcomes and goals to free up resources for all high priority areas.

511. Mr. Cenaiko to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work with Criminal Intelligence Service Alberta to enhance collaborative partnerships and coordinated programs with various levels of government, policing agencies, and the public to effectively combat organized crime and terrorism to preserve the wellness, safety, and security of our communities.

512. Mr. Lord to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure fair and equitable dealings between commercial landlords and their tenants.

513. Mr. Johnson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement strategies that would provide the necessary treatment for offenders with mental health problems by utilizing appropriate treatment facilities and programs within, and whenever possible, outside the justice system.

514. Mrs. Fritz to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to enhance the Alberta Family Employment Tax Credit by extending the maximum \$500 credit to include all children in a family, to bring equality between families with three or more children and families with two or fewer children.

- 515.** Mrs. Jablonski to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore means of funding complementary health services such as chiropractic, naturopathy, acupuncture, and massage therapy treatments.
- 516.** 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 Canada's Registered Education Savings Plan.
- 517.** Mrs. O'Neill to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to support and encourage the expansion of the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program.
- 518.** Mr. Lougheed to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to provide all Albertans with an annual benefit statement detailing what services and benefits have been paid by Alberta Health and Wellness on their behalf.
- 519.** Dr. Nicol 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 service.
- 520.** Mr. Yankowsky to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation designating square dancing as the official folk dance of Alberta.
- 521.** Withdrawn.
- 522.** Mrs. Fritz to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work with the Federal Government and municipalities to change federal standards and regulations to ensure that mobile phone base stations, cell phone towers, and antennas are not placed in or within the vicinity of low density residential areas.
- 523.** Withdrawn.

524. Dr. Nicol to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require that all Government departments appear annually before the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

525. Withdrawn.

526. Rev. Abbott to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure employees are able to secure employment in either the private or public sector without the requirement to join labour unions.

527. Withdrawn.

528. Withdrawn.

529. Ms Graham to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to establish a venture capital fund, governed by an independent board, reporting to the Alberta Legislature, for the purpose of facilitating the commercialization of technology in the Province by providing venture capital investment to start-up companies to ensure that the Alberta Government investment in research and development is not wasted.

530. Mr. McFarland to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to closely investigate non-profit organizations to ensure they should not be classified as for-profit businesses and therefore conform to government regulations and assessments for businesses.

531. Withdrawn.

532. Withdrawn.

533. Withdrawn.

534. Ms Carlson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to protect Albertans' economic security, ownership, and control of natural resources by supporting other provinces that have vowed to oppose the bulk sale and/or export of water.

535. Withdrawn.

536. Withdrawn.

537. Withdrawn.

538. Mr. Tannas to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to strengthen property rights in Alberta to ensure fair compensation when expropriating property.

539. Dr. Massey to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce two new performance measures in the Department of Learning, one which would set targets and report on the percentage of classes from kindergarten to grade 3 that exceed 17 students, and the second which would set targets and report on the percentage of high school teachers who teach core academic subjects to 80 or fewer students on a weekly basis.

540. Mr. Mason to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to immediately freeze student tuition fees at public post-secondary institutions and take meaningful action to address rising student debt loads.

541. Mr. Ouellette to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work together with all provincial and territorial governments to gain control of federal powers to allow for implementation of sanctions and concessions over our environment, agriculture, and sustainable resources.

542. Mr. VanderBurg to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to re-examine expropriation rules and regulations in an effort to create an improved and streamlined system which would ensure that land issues are resolved in a more efficient and economical manner.

543. Mr. Ouellette to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to investigate the feasibility of having the private sector invest in senior and low income housing.

544. Withdrawn.

545. Withdrawn.

546. Mr. Johnson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to encourage and provide assistance for youth cultural sports exchange programs to increase the awareness of, and interaction with, other cultures around the world.

547. Dr. Pannu to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to improve education quality by providing local school boards with the necessary funding to reduce average classroom sizes to 17 students in kindergarten to grade 3 classes.

548. Mr. McFarland to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider raising the legal drinking age in Alberta to 19 years to promote healthy lifestyles and reduce the risk of death or costly injury.

549. Mr. MacDonald to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation to mandate inflation-proofing of the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund.

550. Withdrawn.

551. Withdrawn.

552. Withdrawn.

553. Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation that would allow for class action law suits in Alberta's civil justice system.

554. Mr. Cao to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to explore the feasibility of utilizing the office sites and staff of neighbourhood or community associations in the delivery of Government services and programs.

555. Withdrawn.

556. Withdrawn.

- 557.** Mr. VanderBurg to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to investigate a system of pooling all proceeds from charity casinos throughout Alberta for equal redistribution in quarterly intervals to all charities across the Province.
- 558.** Ms Blakeman to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to address barriers faced by women in rural areas in accessing and adhering to requirements of the Supports for Independence program.
- 559.** Withdrawn.
- 560.** Mr. Horner to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to borrow from the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund at a market interest rate for capital amortized projects in order to stabilize provincial infrastructure and transportation budgets and guarantee repayment to the Fund from any budget surpluses.
- 561.** Withdrawn.
- 562.** Withdrawn.
- 563.** Mr. Mason to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to not spend valuable public dollars for feasibility studies of such projects as the Meridian Dam and inter-basin water transfers.
- 564.** Dr. Taft to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to declare palliative care a core service available through every Regional Health Authority in Alberta without patient charges.
- 565.** Withdrawn.
- 566.** Withdrawn.
- 567.** Withdrawn.
- 568.** Withdrawn.
- 569.** Withdrawn.

- 570.** Mr. Lord to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to undertake a full and comprehensive review of the Securities Act.
- 571.** Mr. MacDonald to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to reduce Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy fees to more accurately reflect the equivalent costs of services charged in the private sector.
- 572.** Withdrawn.
- 573.** Mr. Danyluk to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review its policies with regard to the manufacture of beer, wine, and cider so as to allow and promote a greater number of small or home-based manufacturers to produce value-added alcoholic beverages for the retail market in Alberta.
- 574.** Mr. Bonner to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to undertake the necessary regulatory and legislative initiatives to ensure that all vehicles requiring a log book be equipped with an electronic reader.
- 575.** Withdrawn.
- 576.** Dr. Massey to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement a loan repayment assistance program that allows for repayment of a student's debt to be repaid based on a percentage of the student borrower's annual income.
- 577.** Dr. Taft to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to re-establish and refer legislation and regulations for study to a Standing Committee on Laws and Regulations.
- 578.** Mr. Bonner to propose the following motion:
Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement a policy whereby funding for gambling addiction programs and services would receive a percentage increase equal to the percentage increase in gambling revenue.
- 579.** Withdrawn.

580. Mr. Masyk to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish learning centres using existing, unused inner-city schools where adults facing poverty can learn essential life skills such as budgeting.

581. Withdrawn.

582. Mr. Masyk to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to allocate a percentage of alcohol and tobacco tax revenues to fund addiction rehabilitation centres located in inner-cities and areas of the Province demonstrating a need for such services.

583. Mr. Hutton to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to continue to innovate its methods, policies, and programs to work towards the prevention of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and Fetal Alcohol Effects.

584. Withdrawn.

585. Withdrawn.

586. Withdrawn.

587. Ms Carlson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to pressure the Federal Government to require all foods and food products that are, or contain, genetically modified organisms to be so identified.

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 208 Fiscal Stability Fund Calculation Act — Dr. Nicol (Time remaining: 53 minutes)

Adjourned debate on amendment: Mr. Snelgrove

Bill 209 Electoral Fairness Commission Act — Dr. Pannu

Bill 210 Matrimonial Property (Division of Property on Death) Amendment Act, 2002 — Ms Graham

Bill 211 Marriage (Preparation Course) Amendment Act, 2002 — Mr. Yankowsky

- Bill 212 Traffic Safety (Seizure of Vehicles in Prostitution Related Offences) Amendment Act, 2002 — Mr. Cenaiko
- Bill 214 Environmental Protection and Enhancement (Residential Land Disclosure) Amendment Act, 2002 — Mr. Cao
- Bill 215 Fair Trading (Cost of Credit) Amendment Act, 2002 — Rev. Abbott
- Bill 216 False Claims Act — Mr. Lord
- Bill 220 Water (Transfer Prohibition) Amendment Act, 2002 — Ms Carlson
- Bill 230 Community School Partnerships Act — Dr. Massey

Third Reading

- Bill 207 Alberta Wheat and Barley Test Market Act — Mr. Hlady (Due Day 45)

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

- Bill 38 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2002 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Hancock
- Bill 213 Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Amendment Act, 2002 — Mr. Shariff

Projected Government Business

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Second Reading
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Bill 36
Remaining Second and Third Readings as per Tuesday consultation with the Opposition
And as per the Order Paper |
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Second Reading
Bill 32 |

Committee of the Whole

Bill 30-2, 31, 33, 34, 35

And as per Tuesday consultation
with the Opposition

And as per the Order Paper

Thursday, November 28

Aft.

- **Government Bills and Orders**

Second Reading

Bill 37

Remaining Second and Third
Readings as per Wednesday
consultation with the Opposition

And as per the Order Paper

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

Day 66 WQ7, WQ8.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, November 27, 2002