



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 10

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Second Legislature

Wednesday, March 21, 1990

The Speaker took the Chair at 2:30 p.m.

ROUTINE

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Mr. Bogle, Chairman of the Select Special Committee on Electoral Boundaries, presented an Interim Report and Recommendations of the Select Special Committee on Electoral Boundaries.

Sessional Paper 306/90

Notices of Motions

Mrs. Hewes, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, gave oral notice of her intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40 on Orders of the Day:

Be it resolved that the Assembly congratulate the Federal Government for its prompt recognition of the new Government of Namibia, which was recently elected in a historical event: the first democratic election held in the newly independent state after years of foreign domination by the apartheid Government of South Africa.

Mrs. Gagnon, Hon. Member for Calgary-McKnight, gave oral notice of her intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40 on Orders of the Day:

Be it resolved that in recognition of today being International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, the Assembly make clear its strong support for the goal of ending all discrimination in Alberta; and as an indication of its strong support for this goal, the Assembly extend its congratulations to the Federal Government on its decision to allow Sikhs in the R.C.M.P. the right to wear turbans while on duty.

Ms M. Laing, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Avonmore, gave oral notice of her intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40 on Orders of the Day:

Be it resolved that the Assembly wishes to commemorate today as International Day for the elimination of racial discrimination declared by the United Nations, and that the Assembly is of the opinion that in the context of recent incidents of racism, racial discrimination can be reduced in Alberta through the leadership of the Members of the Legislature, and that the Assembly urge the Government to take immediate and substantive action to provide financial and policy support to programs throughout the Government which will work towards the elimination of racial discrimination in every aspect of Alberta society.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Upon recommendation of Her Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 15 Workers' Compensation Amendment Act, 1990 — Hon. Mr. Trynchy

Notice having been given:

Bill 245 An Act to Amend the Alberta Health Care Insurance Act — Mr. Decore

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Johnston, Provincial Treasurer, pursuant to the Financial Administration Act, cF-9, s78(1), RSA 1980:

Public Accounts 1988-89

Sessional Paper 94/90

Supplementary Information to the Public Accounts, 1988-89, Details of Expenditure by Payee

Sessional Paper 94A/90

Hon. Mr. Johnston, Provincial Treasurer, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-10.1, s52, 1983 Statutes:

Alberta Treasury, Annual Report 1989

Sessional Paper 98/90

Hon. Mr. Johnston, Provincial Treasurer, pursuant to the Government Land Purchases Act, cG-8, s10, RSA 1980:

Report of Activities and Audited Financial Statements for the Land Purchase Fund, 1989

Sessional Paper 96/90

Hon. Mr. Johnston, Provincial Treasurer, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-10.1, s31(10), 1983 Statutes:

Statement of payments to M.L.A.s and direct associates, 1989

Sessional Paper 97/90

Hon. Mr. Johnston, Provincial Treasurer, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-10.1, s43(4), 1983 Statutes:

Reports of amounts paid to M.L.A.s on Boards

Sessional Paper 99/90

Hon. Mr. Johnston, Provincial Treasurer:

Response to an Order of the Assembly asked for by Mr. Chumir on August 15, 1989, showing:

With regard to financial institutions, a copy of the information sharing agreement signed by the four western provinces in October 1988, and subject to approval of all other provinces, a copy of the interprovincial agreement on information sharing signed by most provincial ministers in April 1989.

Sessional Paper 204A/90

Hon. Mr. Johnston, Provincial Treasurer:

Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of 354713 Alberta Ltd., 1989

Sessional Paper 512/90

Hon. Mr. R. Speaker, Minister of Municipal Affairs, pursuant to the Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation Act, cA-32.5, s25(2), 1984 Statutes:

Alberta Mortgage and Housing Corporation, Annual Report 1988-89

Sessional Paper 83/90

Ministerial Statements

Hon Ms McCoy, Minister of Labour, announced that today is the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

Mr. Martin commented on the statement.

Motions Under Standing Order 40

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Unanimous consent was not granted.

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Unanimous consent was not granted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

(Second Reading)

The following Bills were read a second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

- Bill 2 Department of Transportation and Utilities Amendment Act, 1990 — Hon. Mr. Adair
- Bill 3 Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs Amendment Act, 1990 — Hon. Mr. Anderson
- Bill 4 Licensing of Trades and Businesses Amendment Act, 1990 — Mrs. Mirosh
- Bill 6 Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 1990 — Mr. Ady
- Bill 8 Individual's Rights Protection Amendment Act, 1990 — Hon. Ms McCoy

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Horsman, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until Thursday, March 22, 1990, at 2:30 p.m.

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

- Bill 12 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 1990 — Hon. Mr. Johnston
- Bill 13 Appropriation (Alberta Capital Fund) Interim Supply Act, 1990 — Hon. Mr. Johnston
- Bill 14 Appropriation (Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, Capital Projects Division) Interim Supply Act, 1990-91 — Hon. Mr. Johnston
- Bill 16 Real Estate Agents' Licensing Amendment Act, 1990 — Mr. Nelson
- Bill 218 Agricultural Resources Conservation Board Act — Mr. Decore
- Bill 219 Arts Council Act — Mrs. Gagnon
- Bill 222 An Act to Amend the Interprovincial Lottery Act — Mr. Chumir
- Bill 223 Alberta Economic Diversification Board Act — Mr. Bruseker
- Bill 224 Water Transfer Control Act — Mr. Taylor
- Bill 225 An Act to Amend the Auditor General Act — Mr. Chumir

- Bill 226 Open Taxation Act — Mr. Chumir
- Bill 227 Quality Child Day Care Training and Standards Act — Ms Mjolsness
- Bill 229 An Act to Amend the Students Finance Act — Ms Barrett
- Bill 231 Public Service Pay Equity Act — Mr. Decore
- Bill 232 An Act to Amend Certain Statutes on Maintenance — Ms M. Laing
- Bill 233 Quality Child Day Care Standards Act — Mrs. Hewes
- Bill 234 Arts Board and Arts Council Act — Ms Barrett
- Bill 235 An Act to Amend the School Act — Mrs. Gagnon
- Bill 236 Instructional Materials Production Act — Mr. Jonson
- Bill 237 An Act to Amend the Dairy Board Act — Mr. Taylor
- Bill 238 Environmental Ombudsman Act — Mr. Mitchell
- Bill 239 Environmental Impact Assessment Act — Mr. McInnis
- Bill 240 An Act to Amend the Hail and Crop Insurance Act — Mr. Taylor
- Bill 241 An Act to Amend the Limitation of Actions Act — Mr. Wright
- Bill 242 School User Fees Elimination Act — Mr. Woloshyn
- Bill 243 An Act to Amend the Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped Act — Ms Mjolsness
- Bill 244 Residential Care Giver Training Act — Ms Mjolsness
- Bill 246 An Act to Include Midwifery as a Profession Under the Health Disciplines Act — Mrs. Hewes
- Bill 247 Justice Review Committee Act — Mr. Day
- Bill 248 An Act to Amend the School Act — Mrs. Gagnon
- Bill 249 Native Peoples Representation Act — Ms Calahasen
- Bill 250 An Act to Amend the Hail and Crop Insurance Act — Mr. Paszkowski
- Bill 251 Forest Industry Development Administration Act — Mr. Mitchell
- Bill 252 An Act to Amend the Universities Act — Mrs. Gagnon
- Bill 253 Alberta Farm Security Act — Mr. Taylor
- Bill 254 An Act to Amend the Individual's Rights Protection Act — Ms M. Laing
- Bill 255 Alberta Palliative Care Foundation Act — Mrs. Black
- Bill 256 An Act to Amend the Widows' Pension Act — Ms M. Laing
- Bill 257 Service Dogs Act — Mr. Payne
- Bill 258 An Act to Amend Certain Statutes on Marital Status — Ms M. Laing

- Bill 259 Tobacco Control Act — Mr. Schumacher
- Bill 260 An Act to Amend the Alberta Health Care Insurance Act — Mr. Payne
- Bill 261 An Act to Phase Out the Use of Chlorofluorocarbons — Mr. Mitchell
- Bill 262 Space Agencies Act — Mr. Day
- Bill 263 An Act to Amend the Marketing of Agricultural Products Act — Mr. Fox
- Bill 264 An Act to Amend the Historical Resources Act — Ms Barrett
- Bill 265 Natural Gas Tax Rebate for Alfalfa Pelletizing Act — Mr. Paszkowski
- Bill 266 An Act to Ensure the Right to a Day of Religious Observance — Mr. Wickman
- Bill 267 An Act to Commit Government to a Five Year Funding Planning Framework — Mr. Wickman
- Bill 268 Children's Access Rights Enforcement Act — Mr. Evans
- Bill 269 "Whistle Blower's" Protection Act — Mr. McInnis
- Bill 270 An Act to Amend the Judicature Act — Mr. Wright
- Bill 271 An Act to Amend the Expropriation Act — Mr. Lund
- Bill 272 Environmental Assessment Act — Mr. Mitchell
- Bill 273 Financial Reform Act — Mr. Hawkesworth
- Bill 274 Freedom of Information and Personal Privacy Act — Mr. Pashak
- Bill 275 Unfair Contract Terms Act — Mr. Wright
- Bill 276 Institute of Health Care Ethics Act — Rev. Mr. Roberts
- Bill 277 Government Open Contract Act — Mr. Bruseker

Written Questions

206. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government:

- (1) How often does Procter & Gamble monitor its pulp mill at Grande Prairie and Weldwood monitor its pulp mill at Hinton for total organochlorines, dioxins, and furans in:
 - (a) final liquid effluent,
 - (b) sludge in ponds, and
 - (c) air emissions?
- (2) How often does Alberta Environment monitor those two plants for the same pollutants and on how many occasions and by what amount did their measurements differ from those taken by the plant.
- (3) If there is any discrepancy, what are the reasons for this?

- (4) How many times has Alberta Environment and/or Procter & Gamble taken measurements to monitor the groundwater for total organochlorines, dioxins, and furans or any other substances in the vicinity of the landfill in which sludge from the ponds has been dumped and what levels of these substances were measured and in particular, what levels have been recorded since January 1, 1988?

207. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government:

- (1) What are the air emission standards for the Millar Western teepee burner at Whitecourt and were these standards established in Millar Western's licence to operate under the Clean Air Act?
- (2) What are the air emission standards for the Millar Western pulp mill at Whitecourt?
- (3) What are the facilities for monitoring the air emissions from the teepee burner and the pulp mill?
- (4) On what occasions and by how much were air emission standards in Whitecourt exceeded:
 - (a) at the teepee burner, since January 1, 1988,
 - (b) at the pulp mill, since it started operation in 1988,
 - (c) at any monitoring location in the Town of Whitecourt, since January 1, 1988.

208. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government:

Concerning the monitoring of the environmental impact of the Lake Wabamun operation of TransAlta:

- (1) How often are air emissions from the stacks measured each month; and what substances are measured?
- (2) How many times, if any, in the last 10 years did any of the substances measured exceeded the limits set by the plant's licence to operate under the Clean Air Act?
- (3) What were the monitored values, on those occasions, in the last 10 years if any, when the levels were in excess of the permitted level, and what were the emission standards permissible under the licence issued in accordance with the Clean Air Act?
- (4) How is possible contamination of Lake Wabamun being monitored?
- (5) How often are the sumps that collect the sulphic acid used to clean the hearing coils in the evaporating tanks checked?
- (6) How many times during the past 10 years have the sumps overflowed into Lake Wabamun?
- (7) What measures have been taken to prevent overflow from the sumps into the lake.

209. Mr. Taylor to ask the Government:

What was the total cost to the Government for the luncheon it hosted at the Convention of the Alberta Union of Rural Municipalities in Edmonton November 16, 1989.

210. Mr. Taylor to ask the Government:

What was the cost of the reception held by the Minister and Associate Minister of Agriculture, in Ottawa for Albertans attending Agriculture Canada's Conference for Canada's Agri-Food Industry at the Westin Hotel on the evening of December 11, 1989?

Motions For Returns

211. Mr. Taylor to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all invoices relating to the expenditure of \$716,533 at the Dai Ichi Hotel Enterprise Co. in the 1987-1988 fiscal year, by the Department of Public Works, Supply and Services.

212. Mr. Mitchell to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A detailed breakdown of Government expenditure on the Oldman River Dam, since the initiation of the project.

213. Mr. Mitchell to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
The report from Enviro-Test Laboratories giving an analysis of a fly ash sample from the Millar Western teepee burner at Whitecourt that was given to the Hon. Peter Trynchy, Minister of Occupational Health and Safety, on December 2, 1989.

David J. Carter,
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, March 21, 1990