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No. 44

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Second Legislature

Thursday, May 17, 1990

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

ROUTINE

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Stewart, Minister of Technology, Research and Telecommunications, announced that the membership of the Premier's Council on Science and Technology would be announced on this date.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were accepted:

312. (Mrs. Hewes)

- (1) How many RCMP staff members were placed in Alberta correctional institutions in order to replace correctional personnel during their labour walkout beginning May 10, 1990?
- (2) What is the total number of RCMP officers stationed in the Province of Alberta as of May 10, 1990?



313. (Mrs. Hewes)

What is the Government's advertising budget on the present job action taken by local 006, and to which budget will the cost of advertising be charged?

314. (Mrs. Hewes)

What is the cost of all Government advertising on the local 006 job action that appeared on Saturday, May 12, and Sunday, May 13, 1990?

315. (Mrs. Hewes)

Who was the advertising consultant or public relations firm that developed the Government advertising on the job action taken by local 006 of the Alberta Union of Provincial Employees.

The following Written Questions were not accepted:

322. (Mr. Mitchell)

What proportion of paper purchased by the Government is recycled paper?

323. (Mr. Bruseker)

How much did the Government pay Merran Leeds, Janet Younie, Helen Clark, and Ruth Drew in its out of court settlement concerning the expropriation of their land in the west end of the City of Edmonton?

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

251. Mr. McInnis to ask the Government:

- (1) With respect to fish samples taken from the Wapiti River in 1986 for mercury analysis, where are these samples located?
- (2) Why were none of the funds voted by the Legislative Assembly for protection of the environment, fish and wildlife available for testing these samples since they were gathered?
- (3) Will these samples be analyzed for mercury content? If so when?

275. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government:

What was the nature of the work done, service rendered, or report provided by Jaakko Pöyry Oy for the Department of Forestry, Lands and Wildlife in the fiscal year 1987-88 and by Jaakko Pöyry Consulting Inc. for the Department of Agriculture in the fiscal year 1988-89?

296. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government:

Will the Minister of the Environment require an environmental impact assessment of the sawmill, treatment plant, and fibreboard plant proposed by Sunpine Forest Products Ltd. near Rocky Mountain House and will he also require an environmental impact assessment of the Brazeau Forest Management Area that will supply the timber?

299. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government:

What cost-benefit studies has the Government carried out into the operation of pulp mills in Alberta and specifically into the operation of mills at Peace River (Daishowa), Whitecourt (Millar Western and Alberta Newsprint) and Slave Lake (Alberta Energy Co.) and on the Athabasca River (Alberta-Pacific Forest Industries)? What were the conclusions of each study?

301. Mr. Chumir to ask the Government:

What amount, if any, was invested by the Pension Fund in Principal Group, First Investors Corporation, Associated Investors Corporation, Northlands Bank, or the Canadian Commercial Bank?

316. Mrs. Hewes to ask the Government:

- (1) What are the wage levels for each classification of social workers, child care counsellors, and psychologists employed by the Department of Family and Social Services, and
- (2) how many workers are employed for each classification listed and for each salary period for all employees in Division 6 as of March 31, 1990?
- 321. Mrs. Hewes to ask the Government:

How many resignations have been received by the Department of Family and Social Services from social workers, child care counsellors, and psychologists since May 1, 1990, and up to and including May 11, 1990?

Motions for Returns

The following motions were defeated:

163. Moved by Mr. Fox:

That an order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing: Copies of audited financial statements of Gainers Inc. for the fiscal years 1984 to 1989 inclusive, and a copy of the quarterly financial report for the period ending December 31, 1989.

164. Moved by Mr. Fox:

That an order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing: Copies of audited financial statements of Gainers Properties Inc. for the fiscal years 1987 to 1989 inclusive, and a copy of the quarterly financial report for the period ending December 31, 1989.

205. Moved by Mr. Bruseker:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all financial analyses paid for by the Government, or done by its employees, that investigated the financial transactions made by Gainers Inc., involving Government loans and loan guarantees, during the period before the Government's takeover of the company.

223. Moved by Mr. McEachern on behalf of Mr. Hawkesworth:

That an Order of the Assembly to issue for a Return showing: Copies of the documents which form and support the claim by the Government, against the Federal Government, made under the stabilization provisions of the Fiscal Arrangements Act in respect of the 1986-87 revenue downturn.

The following motions were ordered to stand:

166. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing: A copy of all reports prepared by or on behalf of the Government and its emanations on studies of zero-effluent pulp mills pursuant to recommendation 57 of the Environment Council of Alberta, February 1979 report, "The Environmental Effects of Forestry Operations in Alberta."

167. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing: A copy of all reports and studies for the Special Waste Management Corporation or the Department of the Environment evaluating the Von Roll rocking kilns at the Swan Hills facility.

168. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:

A copy of all market reports and studies prepared for the Special Waste Management Corporation or the Department of the Environment on the installation of new rotating kilns at the Swan Hills facility.

183. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of all laboratory reports and analyses submitted to the Government on tests for dioxins and furans in fish from Alberta rivers during the period May 18, 1988 through March 8, 1990.

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.

262. Mr. Mitchell to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Any reports that the Government has purchased or received that have been carried out by Jaakko Pöyry Oy or Jaakko Pöyry Consulting Inc.

291. Mr. Mitchell to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing: A list of the companies which the Government reviewed before selecting Jaakko Pöyry Consulting Inc. to make an assessment of the scientific data submitted to the Alberta-Pacific Review Board.

298. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of the terms of reference for the Jaako Pöyry study on the Alberta-Pacific pulp mill proposal and any Government instructions which materially affect the terms.

300. Mr. Fox to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: For the capital projects referred to by the Minister of Health during Question Period, Tuesday, April 24, 1990 (Hansard, page 748), with respect to the capital construction of health care facilities:

- (1) For each of the six projects that the Minister said will proceed to the point of construction:
 - (a) the name and location of the facility and its rated capacity and
 - (b) the number of people on the waiting list for those projects which are additions to, or replacements of, long term care facilities.
- (2) For each of the nine projects that the Minister said will proceed to the point of tender:
 - (a) the name and location of the facility and its rated capacity and
 - (b) the number of people on the waiting list for those projects which are additions to, or replacements of, long term care facilities
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- (3) For each of the 35 previously approved projects which the Minister said will be held in their current phases of planning for this fiscal year:
 - (a) the name and location of the facility and its rated capacity and
 - (b) the number of people on the waiting list for those projects which are additions to, or replacements of, long term care facilities.
- **308.** Mr. Gibeault to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all correspondence, orders, or other documentation sent by officers of Occupational Health and Safety, to Daishowa, or to its contractors or subcontractors, regarding the construction of the Daishowa plant near Peace River.

309. Mr. Gibeault to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all correspondence, orders, or other documentation sent by officers of Occupational Health and Safety to Weldwood, or to its contractors or subcontractors, regarding Weldwood's operations at Hinton between January 1, 1988 and April 30, 1990.

310. Mr. Gibeault to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all correspondence, orders, or other documentation sent by officers of Occupational Health and Safety to Alberta Recoveries and Rentals between January 1, 1988 and April 30, 1990.

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

On the motion that the following Bill be now read a Second time:

Bill 208 Rent Review Act — Mr. Ewasiuk

A debate followed.

Mr. Gesell moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

The Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 17, 1990 — 8:00 P.M.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

Committee of Supply

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Jonson reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

Resolved that sums from the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund not exceeding the following be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1991, for the purpose of making investments in the following projects to be administered by:

Environment

\$ 2,500,000 Land Reclamation

Forestry, Lands and Wildlife

\$ 1,392,000 Grazing Reserves Enhancement
3,100,000 Pine Ridge Reforestation Nursery Enhancement

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

Government Motions

14. Moved by Hon. Mr. Horsman:

Be it resolved that the interim report, and recommendations contained therein, presented to the Assembly on March 21, 1990, by the Select Special Committee on Electoral Boundaries, appointed pursuant to Motion 14 passed by this Assembly on August 15, 1989, be now received and concurred in.

A debate followed.

Mrs. Hewes, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, tabled with the Assembly:

Electoral Boundaries

Sessional Paper 330/90



Mrs. Hewes, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, moved that the motion be amended as follows:

by striking out "be now received and concurred in" and substituting:

"be referred back to the Committee with an instruction to amend it with a proposal to complete its public hearings and make a final report by submitting its report to the Speaker with a copy to all MLAs by July 31, 1990."

A debate followed.

Mr. Hyland, Hon. Member for Cypress-Redcliff moved adjournment of the debate on the amendment, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Horsman, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:26 p.m. until Friday, May 18, 1990, at 10:00 a.m.

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

- Bill 25 Alberta Income Tax Amendment Act, 1990 Hon. Mr. Johnston
- Bill 31 Livestock Industry Diversification Act Hon. Mr. Isley
- Bill 32 Irrigation Amendment Act, 1990 Mr. Musgrove
- Bill 39 Appropriation Act, 1990 Hon. Mr. Johnston
- Bill 40 Appropriation (Alberta Capital Fund) Act, 1990 Hon. Mr. Johnston
- Bill 41 Appropriation (Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, Capital Projects Division) Act, 1990-91 Hon. Mr. Johnston
- Bill Pr9 Young Men's Christian Association Tax Exemption Amendment Act, 1990 — Mr. Gesell
- 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 225 An Act to Amend the Auditor General Act Mr. Chumir
- Bill 226 Open Taxation Act Mr. Chumir
- 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 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 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 255 Alberta Palliative Care Foundation Act Mrs. Black
- Bill 257 Service Dogs Act Mr. Payne
- Bill 258 An Act to Amend Certain Statutes on Marital Status Ms M. Laing
- 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 264 An Act to Amend the Historical Resources Act Ms Barrett
- Bill 265 Natural Gas Tax Rebate for Alfalfa Pelletizing Act Mr. Paszkowski
- 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 270 An Act to Amend the Judicature Act Mr. Wright
- Bill 271 An Act to Amend the Expropriation Act Mr. Lund
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- 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 277 Government Open Contract Act Mr. Bruseker
- Bill 279 An Act to Amend the Builders' Lien Act Mr. Taylor

Written Questions

327. Mr. Taylor to ask the Government:

With respect to the Cargill Ltd. meat packing plant at High River:

- (1) How much water has the plant drawn from groundwater since it started operation?
- (2) What has been the drop in pressure in wells supplying the plant since the plant started operation?
- (3) What changes in level and in pressure have occurred in any other wells producing from the same aquifer within six miles of the Cargill plant and its wells?
- (4) Are chemical analyses being run on the produced water and, if so, how often?
- 328. Mrs. Hewes to ask the Government:

What was the total number of managers and supervisors employed by the Department of Family and Social Services as at March 31, 1986, March 31, 1987, March 31, 1988, March 31, 1989, and the present?

Motions for Returns

329. Mrs. Hewes to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of every report or study on the issue of caseloads for all services offered by the Department of Social Services and the Department of Family and Social Services since April 1, 1985.

David J. Carter, Speaker

Title: Thursday, May 17, 1990