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Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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Twenty-Second Legislature

Tuesday, June 5, 1990

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

ROUTINE

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 46 Legal Profession Act — Mr. Evans

Bill 48 School Amendment Act, 1990 — Hon. Mr. Dinning

Bill 261 An Act to Phase Out the Use of Chlorofluorocarbons — Mr. Mitchell

On motion by Hon. Mr. Gogo, Deputy Government House Leader, the following Bill was placed on the Order Paper under "Government Bills and Orders":

Bill 46 Legal Profession Act — Mr. Evans

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Mitchell, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

Letter from K. Norman Dyck concerning resolutions passed at the National Farmers Union convention

Sessional Paper 564/90

Privilege

Mr. McInnis, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Jasper Place, raised a purported point of privilege related to remarks made by another Member.

The Speaker, having permitted debate pursuant to Standing Order 15(6), ruled that no prima facie breach of privilege existed.

Hon. Mr. Elzinga, Minister of Economic Development and Trade, filed information relating to Bill 31, Livestock Industry Diversification Act.

Sessional Paper 565/90

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

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?

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?

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?

330. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government:

When coniferous timber quota certificates CTQR030004, CTQR030005, CTQR040013, and CTQE050003 were issued to Sundance Forest Industries Ltd. (formerly Erith-Tie Co. Ltd.) in 1988, one of the conditions attached was that a sawmill requiring a minimum capital expenditure of \$10 million must be constructed. Has the Government carried out an audit to ensure that the company has spent or is spending this sum on new construction? If not, when does the Government intend to carry out such an audit?

336. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government:

What are the names and qualifications of each member of the team appointed by the Finnish firm, Jaakko Pöyry, to assess the scientific data submitted to the Alberta-Pacific Environmental Impact Assessment Review Board?

337. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government:

As of May 1, 1990, what percentage of Government vehicles and equipment use unleaded gasoline?

338. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government:

What assurances can the Government give that in writing new regulations to attract the mining industry to Alberta, they are not sacrificing environmental standards?

Motions for Returns

The following motion was agreed to:

300. Moved by Mr. Fox:

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
- (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.

The following motions were defeated:

212. Moved by Mr. Mitchell:

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.

302. Moved by Mrs. Hewes on behalf of Mr. Wickman:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
The amount of money allocated to date by the Community Facility Enhancement Program by group and by constituency.

304. Moved by Mrs. Hewes on behalf of Mr. Wickman:

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

- (1) The total cost to the Government of the briefcases that were purchased to promote the Community Facility Enhancement Program;
- (2) a list of names and positions of the recipients of the briefcases; and
- (3) a copy of the invoice indicating the name of the supplier of the briefcases.

305. Moved by Mr. Wickman:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A detailed list of all items presented to each individual Member of the Legislative Assembly that were paid for with proceeds from the Lottery Fund, established under the Interprovincial Lottery Act, or by a foundation receiving its funding from the Lottery Fund, including a brief description and the appropriate value of each item.

306. Moved by Mr. Wickman:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Details of the expenditure listed under Travel on page 8 of the 1988 Annual Report of the Western Canadian Lottery Alberta Division showing:

- (1) how much money was spent on out of province travel;
- (2) the reason for each trip; and
- (3) the individuals who participated in each trip out of the province.

307. Moved by Mr. Hawkesworth:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A listing of all companies, partnerships, proprietorships, or other persons that have received loans guaranteed under the Export Loan Guarantee Program, up to March 31, 1990.

324. Moved by Mr. Bruseker:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all the Government documents, including Cabinet minutes and memorandums, relating to the Government's out of court settlement with Merran Leeds, Janet Younie, Helen Clark, and Ruth Drew.

326. Moved by Mr. Taylor:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of any documents distributed by Alberta Terminal Canola Crushers Ltd. pertaining to the public tender process to determine the firm that would source seed for the current crop year, referred to by the Minister of Agriculture in the Legislature on May 8, 1990.

The following motions were ordered to stand:

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.

280. Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
Copies of any Treasury Department analyses of the effects of Federal Government budget transfer payment cuts on the Alberta economy.

281. Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
A copy of the most recent consolidation of the Tax Collection Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of Alberta.

297. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all information relating to the expenditure of \$123,018,013 with sundry vendors at less than \$10,000 and more than \$1,000, in the 1988/89 fiscal year, identified in the 1988/1989 supplement to the Public Accounts.

303. Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

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

- (1) Copies of all working papers relating to the calculation behind the original \$1.1 billion deposit to the Pension Fund in 1981.
- (2) Copies of all actuarial studies and forecasts, completed since 1981, on each of the following pension plans:
 - (a) Judges Pension Plan,
 - (b) M.L.A. Pension Plan,
 - (c) Public Service Pension Plan,
 - (d) Public Service Management Pension Plan,
 - (e) Special Forces Pension Plan,
 - (f) Local Authorities Pension Plan,
 - (g) Universities Academic Pension Plan, and
 - (h) Teachers Retirement Plan.
- (3) Copies of all statements which show the date of the receipt for pension contributions and dates of payment to the pension fund for any net surplus since 1981.

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.

311. Mr. Gibeault to propose the following motion:

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

A list of all employers in Alberta who have been prosecuted for violations of legislation or regulations administered by the Minister Responsible for Occupational Health and Safety during the period January 1, 1986 to April 30, 1990, showing in each case

- (1) the name of the employer,
- (2) the nature of the infraction, and
- (3) the amount of the fine, if any.

319. Mr. Pashak to propose the following motion:

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

A copy of the 1989 agreement covering the loan guarantee between the Government of Alberta and Alert Disaster Control Inc.

325. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

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

A copy of all agreements, correspondence, and documents exchanged between the Government, the Cormie family, and the Japanese investors regarding the sale of the Cormie ranch, and a schedule specifying the disposition of the proceeds from that sale.

329. Moved by Mrs. Hewes:

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.

331. Rev. Mr. Roberts to propose the following motion:

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

Copies of all studies undertaken in the last 18 months by the Department of Health to determine the health status of Albertans relating to:

- (1) physical and mental health indicators,
- (2) children, adults, and the elderly,
- (3) various geographical areas of the province, and
- (4) the setting of targets for improvement of health status.

332. Rev. Mr. Roberts to propose the following motion:

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

Copies of studies in support of the Minister of Health's contention that increases in health premium taxes "creates an awareness on the part of an individual ... of the realities of our health care system" (Hansard, p.1172, May 10, 1990).

334. Ms M. Laing to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the agreement signed by the Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission and Kids of the Canadian West and referred to by the Chairman of AADAC on May 23, 1990, Hansard, p. 1353.

335. Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A breakdown of sources and amount of revenue from provincial park concessions for the years ending March 31, 1983 to March 31, 1990, inclusive.

339. Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

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

- (1) A copy of the most recent leasing agreement between the Government and Kan-Alta Golf Management Ltd. or any other lessee for the operation of Kananaskis Country Golf Course.
- (2) Copies of all financial statements of the lessee, Kan-Alta Golf Management, or any other lessee, relating to the operation of Kananaskis Country Golf Course from the original date of leasing to the present.

340. Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
The following information with respect to the Wild Rose Foundation:

- (1) the number of personnel in 1988 and 1989;
- (2) a breakdown of the amounts of \$22,881 and \$46,235 paid to members for 1988 and 1989 respectively, specifying amounts paid to each member and the basis upon which payment to members is determined;
- (3) an itemization of travel expenditures for 1988 and 1989; and
- (4) an itemization of the items making up the expenditure of \$12,979 for conferences and seminars in 1989 including details as to cost and participant of each conference and seminar.

Motions Other than Government Motions

211. Moved by Ms Mjolsness:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize it has failed to take measures to address the growing problem of child poverty and immediately take policy and program initiatives and commit the resources required to eliminate hunger and poverty among Alberta children and their families.

A debate followed.

Mr. Paszkowski moved adjournment of the debate which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Gogo, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 1990 — 8:00 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 35 Metis Settlements Act — Ms Calahasen

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 46

Betkowski	Fjordbotten	Oldring
Black	Fowler	Orman
Bogle	Fox	Pashak
Bradley	Gesell	Paszkowski
Brassard	Gogo	Payne
Calahasen	Hawkesworth	Rostad
Cardinal	Hewes	Schumacher
Cherry	Hyland	Shrake
Chumir	Isley	Sigurdson
Clegg	Johnston	Tannas
Day	Laing (Calgary-Bow)	Taylor
Doyle	Laing (Edmonton-Avonmore)	Thurber
Drobot	Lund	West
Elliott	McInnis	Woloshyn
Elzinga	Mjolsness	Zarusky
Evans		

Against the motion: 0

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

Bill 33 Metis Settlements Accord Implementation Act — Hon. Mr. Rostad

Bill 34 Metis Settlements Land Protection Act — Mr. Cardinal

Bill 35 Metis Settlements Act — Ms Calahasen

Bill 36 Constitution of Alberta Amendment Act, 1990 — Hon. Mr. Rostad

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Gogo, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:34 p.m. until Wednesday, June 6, 1990, at 2:30 p.m.

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

- Bill 38 Loan and Trust Corporations Act — Hon. Mr. Johnston
- Bill 54 Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 1990 — Hon. Mr. Rostad
- Bill 55 International Conventions Implementation Act — Hon. Mr. Rostad
- Bill 56 Gratuitous Passengers and Interspousal Tort Immunity Statutes Amendment Act — Hon. Mr. Rostad
- Bill 219 Arts Council Act — Mrs. Gagnon
- Bill 222 An Act to Amend the Interprovincial Lottery Act — Mr. Chumir
- 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 239 Environmental Impact Assessment Act — Mr. McInnis
- Bill 240 An Act to Amend the Hail and Crop Insurance Act — Mr. Taylor
- Bill 242 School User Fees Elimination Act — Mr. Woloshyn
- 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 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 262 Space Agencies Act — Mr. Day
- 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 271 An Act to Amend the Expropriation Act — Mr. Lund
- Bill 273 Financial Reform Act — Mr. Hawkesworth
- Bill 274 Freedom of Information and Personal Privacy Act — Mr. Pashak
- Bill 277 Government Open Contract Act — Mr. Bruseker
- Bill 279 An Act to Amend the Builders' Lien Act — Mr. Taylor

Written Questions

358. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

What is the total number of Alberta Government Telephones employees as of May 1, 1990:

- (1) 55 years of age or older,
- (2) 60 years of age or older?

359. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

- (1) What is the total number of Alberta Government Telephone out-watts lines?
- (2) What is the total number of AGT in-watts lines?

360. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

Will the Government continue to guarantee all employees' pensions should Bill 37, Alberta Government Telephones Reorganization Act, be enacted?

361. Mr. Wickman to ask the Government:

- (1) What is the total budgetary allocation for the Department of Municipal Affairs' Local Development Initiatives program for the fiscal year 1990-91?
- (2) From which element in the Department of Municipal Affairs' budget estimates does the Local Development Initiative program receive funding?

362. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

Has Alberta Government Telephones engaged in any meetings or does it have any studies for a possible future merger of a fully privatized AGT with other prairie telephone companies?

363. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

- (1) Does Alberta Government Telephones have plans to move into areas currently served by other private Alberta companies?
- (2) What shares of which markets does AGT anticipate taking over within five years currently served by privately-owned Alberta companies?
- (3) What is the gross annual revenue expected from each of these expansions?

364. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

Outside of St. Albert, Sherwood Park, Spruce Grove, Calgary, Airdrie, Red Deer, Lethbridge, and Medicine Hat:

- (1) how many households does Alberta Government Telephones serve; and
- (2) with how many access lines?

Motions for Returns

365. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Copies of all studies done by or for the Government or Alberta Government Telephones relating to market conditions, that will determine the price of shares in AGT.

366. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all correspondence exchanged between the Federal Minister of Telecommunications and the Provincial Minister of Technology, Research and Telecommunications, on the proposed Telecommunications Act, detailing the manner in which the telecommunications policy will be applied and how the Canadian Radio and Television Commission would regulate Alberta Government Telephones.

367. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Documents relating to the value of all fixed assets of Alberta Government Telephones to be used in determining the share value.

368. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
All documents, correspondence, and annual reports associated with inter-corporate or intergovernment transactions between Alberta Government Telephones and Alberta Opportunity Company, Spurt Investments, and Vencap.

369. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
All documents detailing the profit or loss associated to investments by Alta-Can Telecom Inc.

370. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
All annual reports of Alta-Can Telecom Inc. and its affiliated companies from incorporation to 1989.

371. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
All annual reports of NovAtel Communications Ltd. from its incorporation until 1989.

372. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the engineering studies that determine the rate of depreciation on equipment used by Alberta Government Telephones.

373. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of all documents, studies, and analyses prepared by or for the Government related to the privatization of crown corporations.

374. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
Any studies or analyses undertaken by the Government or on behalf of the Government relating to Alberta Government Telephones current toll settlement with Edmonton Telephones and the effect that impending privatization may have on that toll settlement.

375. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
An audited financial statement and actuarial forecast of the Alberta Government Telephones Pension Fund.

376. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
All documents, analyses, or studies undertaken by Alberta Government Telephones detailing the costs associated to any early retirement program or similar efficiency matters.

377. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
All documents, analyses, or studies undertaken by Alberta Government Telephones reviewing the impact of integrating into the "ALEX" network of Bell Canada.

378. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
All documents, analyses, or studies undertaken by Alberta Government Telephones reviewing costs of completing the conversion of the AGT network to fibre optics.

379. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A detailed schedule of Alberta Government Telephones' long-term debt, including the amount, holder, interest rate, and maturity of all debentures.

380. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
All studies, reports, or analyses relating to Alberta Government Telephones' total Quality Management Program.

381. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
(1) The salary classifications for all current Alberta Government Telephone employees; and
(2) the number of management positions in each salary classification.

382. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
All documents, analyses, or studies undertaken by Alberta Government Telephones reviewing diversification into pay/view.

David J. Carter,
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, June 5, 1990