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Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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Twenty-Second Legislature

Thursday, June 7, 1990

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

ROUTINE

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Taylor, Hon. Member for Westlock-Sturgeon, presented a petition from 23 Bowden/Olds area residents urging the Government to halt construction of the Olds Creek Storm Water Management Project until a complete Environmental Impact Assessment is conducted.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 258 An Act to Amend Certain Statutes on Marital Status — Ms M. Laing

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Wickman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud:

Responses to Questions on Government travel

Sessional Paper 566/90

Hon. Mr. Trynchy, Minister Responsible for Occupational Health and Safety, pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Act, cW-16, s87(3)(4), 1981 Statutes:

Workers' Compensation Board, Annual Report 1989

Sessional Paper 88/90

Hon. Dr. Carter, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Ombudsman Act, cO-7, s27, RSA 1980:

Office of the Ombudsman, Annual Report 1989

Sessional Paper 4/90

Oral Question Period

Hon. Mrs. Betkowski, Minister of Health:

Alberta Health Directive, Changes to preferred accommodation charges in active treatment hospitals

Sessional Paper 567/90

Hon. Mr. Dinning, Minister of Education:

Survey of literacy skills used in daily activities

Sessional Paper 568/90

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Question was not accepted:

336. (Mr. Mitchell)

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?

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?

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?

341. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

- (1) What is the total number of Alberta Government Telephones employees in communities with a population:
 - (a) less than 10,000,
 - (b) less than 5,000,
 - (c) less than 2,000?
- (2) Where are AGT employees located in communities with a population:
 - (a) less than 10,000,
 - (b) less than 5,000,
 - (c) less than 2,000?

342. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

- (1) What is the total number of Alberta Government Telephones offices in communities with a population:
 - (a) less than 10,000,
 - (b) less than 5,000,
 - (c) less than 2,000?
- (2) Where are the AGT offices located in communities with a population:
 - (a) less than 10,000,
 - (b) less than 5,000,
 - (c) less than 2,000?

343. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

What has been the total net financial contribution of Alberta Government Telephones to the General Revenue Fund since January 1, 1980?

344. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

- (1) In any future management plan for Alberta Government Telephones, have provisions been made for reducing positions through attrition?
- (2) If so, what are those provisions?

345. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

- (1) What will be the cost of the interest-free installment purchase plan for the purchase of Alberta Government Telephones shares?
- (2) What will the requirements be in order for an Albertan to be eligible for the program?
- (3) Will there be a limit to the number of shares an individual may purchase through the program?
- (4) Who will be the legal owner of the shares, which are purchased through the installment program during the purchase period, the Government or the purchaser?

346. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

What does the Government intend to do with proceeds generated by the sale of Alberta Government Telephones shares?

347. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

How many management positions have been reclassified within Alberta Government Telephones:

- (1) between January 1, 1988 and January 1, 1989,
- (2) between January 1, 1989 and May 1, 1990?

348. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

How much did the Government pay Mr. Keith Alexander and/or RBC Dominion Securities for undertaking their study on possible future directions of Alberta Government Telephones?

349. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

- (1) What is the Government's estimate of the time a privatized Alberta Government Telephones would pay corporate income taxes?
- (2) What is the expected tax load for AGT over the next five years?
- (3) Does the Province plan to levy some tax other than income tax on AGT once privatization has taken place?

350. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

What is the debt/equity ratio that the Government has projected for Alberta Government Telephones for the first, second, fifth and 10th year of privatization?

351. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

- (1) How much has it cost the Government to produce and telecast the Science City television commercials?
- (2) How many times are the commercials being run?
- (3) Where were the commercials produced?

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-WATS lines?
- (2) What is the total number of AGT in-WATS 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

The following motions were defeated:

308. Moved by Mr. Gibeault:

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. Moved by Mr. Gibeault:

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. Moved by Mr. Gibeault:

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. Moved by Mr. Gibeault:

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.

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.

335. Moved by Mr. Chumir:

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. Moved by Mr. Chumir:

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

352. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

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

A detailed list of all contracts between Alberta Government Telephones and NovAtel Communications Ltd. and Alta-Can Telecom Inc., and its affiliated companies.

353. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

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

A copy of all studies showing the benefits of privatization of Alberta Government Telephones either prepared for or by departments of the Government for use in analysis and preparation of privatization proposals for AGT.

354. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

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

A copy of all reports prepared for or by the Government regarding the effect of privatization of Alberta Government Telephones upon the economic development and viability of rural communities.

355. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

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

A copy of all reports prepared for or by the Government regarding various strategies for the privatization of Alberta Government Telephones, and all Government documents outlining the process which resulted in the decision to issue shares for AGT.

356. Mr. Mitchell to propose the following motion:

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

Any documents showing agreements between the Government of Alberta and Daishowa Canada Co. Ltd. under which the Government could be held liable if there were any delay in issuing the company licences to operate under the Clean Air and Clean Water Acts.

357. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

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

All reports, and analyses the Government has carried out regarding the impact of Bill 37, Alberta Government Telephones Reorganization Act, specifically sections 26, 27, 36.

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 Communications 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-television and Telecommunications 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.

Motions Other than Government Motions

212. Moved by Mrs. Gagnon:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly encourage the Government to demonstrate more leadership and responsibility in promoting tolerance and understanding between people of differing race, ethnicity, religion, language, and abilities.

A debate followed.

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

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 211 An Act to Control the Sale of Products Which Are Not Made in Conformity with Alberta Environmental Standards — Mr. Day

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(1), debate adjourned with Mr. Mitchell speaking.

Adjournment

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

THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 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 42 Liquor Control Amendment Act, 1990 — Hon. Mr. Fowler

A debate followed.

Mr. Pashak, Hon. Member for Calgary-Forest Lawn, moved that the motion for Second Reading be amended by:

striking all the words after "that" and substituting:

"Bill 42, Liquor Control Amendment Act, 1990, be not now read a Second time, but its subject matter be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Public Affairs, which may choose to hear witnesses representing community groups, religious organisations, labour organisations, small business, and other concerned members of the public, on the implications of vastly expanded numbers of liquor sales outlets in Alberta."

A debate followed.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

Debate continued on the motion for Second Reading.

Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, moved that the motion for Second Reading be amended by:

striking all the words after "that" and substituting:

"Bill 42, Liquor Control Amendment Act, 1990, be not now read a Second time, but its subject matter be referred to the Select Standing Committee on Law and Regulations, which may choose to formally consult with the Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission, for consideration of the Bill's implications with respect to vastly expanded number of liquor sales outlets in the Province and the possibility that ALCB stores may be put out of business as a result of the Bill's provisions."

A debate followed.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated.

Debate continued on the motion for Second Reading.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

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

Bill 52 Natural Resources Conservation Board Act — Hon. Mr. Orman

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Orman, Minister of Energy, moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

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

Bill 28 Victims' Programs Assistance Act — Hon. Mr. Fowler

Bill 42 Liquor Control Amendment Act, 1990 — Hon. Mr. Fowler

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Gogo, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:38 p.m. until Friday, June 8, 1990, at 10:00 a.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 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 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

383. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

What is the value of the fixed assets of Alberta Government Telephones to be used in determining the share value?

384. Mr. Bruseker to ask the Government:

What is the total amount of interest payable on outstanding Alberta Government Telephones debt owing to the Provincial Corporation Loan Fund?

385. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government:

- (1) How is lead-contaminated dust from Alberta Recoveries and Rentals Ltd. prevented from contaminating the outside air? Is a proper filtration system used within the plant and, if so, how and where are the filters disposed of?
- (2) Is Alberta Environment testing and monitoring whether there is any lead contamination in the soil and groundwater around the plant site? In what way is it doing this and over what radius from the plant?
- (3) Has any lead contamination been found in soil or groundwater, what is the amount of contamination, and to what depth does it occur?
- (4) If contamination has been discovered what measures are being taken:
 - (a) to remove it,
 - (b) to examine whether inhabitants within a five mile radius of the plant have levels in their bodies which are higher than the Albertan average,
 - (c) by the Medicine Hat Health Unit to examine whether there is a correlation between those seeking medical help and symptoms that might be attributable to lead poisoning?

Motions for Returns

386. Mr. Gibeault to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the report into the investigation of the February 23, 1990, death of Larry Bourdon on the Daishowa construction site.

387. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
All completed or interim studies done by or for the Government or Alberta Government Telephones with respect to AGT service to rural Albertans, as referred to on pages 42-43 of the Public Accounts Committee for May 16, 1984.

388. 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 cable television distribution.

389. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A list of all transactions between Alberta Government Telephones and Telesat Canada.

390. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

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

A copy of the Alberta Government Telephones Commission reports for the last five years regarding the application of the capitalization policy as detailed in the 1988-89 AGT annual reports.

David J. Carter,
Speaker

Title: Thursday, June 7, 1990