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Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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Thursday, November 29, 1990

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

ROUTINE

Notices of Motions

Mr. Pashak, Hon. Member for Calgary-Forest Lawn, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40 on Orders of the Day:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly congratulate Holy Cross School in Calgary for receiving a National Council of Teachers of English "Centre of Excellence" award for helping students at risk, an award of special significance given that there were 500 applicants from across North America and only two awards were made in Canada.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 57 Electoral Boundaries Commission Act — Hon. Mr. Rostad

Bill 253 Alberta Farm Security Act — Mr. Taylor

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Elzinga, Minister of Economic Development and Trade, pursuant to the Alberta Opportunity Fund Act, cA-34, s15(6), 1980 Statutes:

Alberta Opportunity Company, Annual Report for the year ending March 31, 1990

Sessional Paper 34A/90

Hon. Mr. Johnston, Provincial Treasurer, pursuant to the Alberta Resources Railway Corporation Act, cA-36, s25(2), 1980 Statutes:

Alberta Resources Railway Corporation, Financial Statements, December 31, 1989

Sessional Paper 92/90

Hon. Dr. West, Minister of Recreation and Parks:

Answer to a Question asked by Mr. Chumir on November 27, 1990:

- (1) When and with whom was the current leasing agreement for the operation of Kananaskis Country Golf Course entered into?
- (2) Was the right to lease and operate the Kananaskis Country Golf Course put out to competitive tender and, if not, why not?

Sessional Paper 391A/90

Motion Under Standing Order 40

Mr. Pashak, Hon. Member for Calgary-Forest Lawn, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly congratulate Holy Cross School in Calgary for receiving a National Council of Teachers of English "Centre of Excellence" award for helping students at risk, an award of special significance given that there were 500 applicants from across North America and only two awards were made in Canada.

A debate followed

The question being put, the motion was agreed to unanimously.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Question was accepted:

397. (Mr. Chumir):

- (1) What was the total cost of publishing and distributing the Government document entitled AOSTRA: A 15 Year Portfolio of Achievement?
- (2) How many copies of this document were published and how many individuals, groups, or companies received free copies of the document?
- (3) Who was awarded the contract to publish this document and was this contract put to tender?

The following Written Question was not accepted:

406. (Mr. McInnis):

With respect to the Western Heritage Centre at the Cochrane Ranch:

- (1) Has the Government committed funds for the construction of this project, and if so, how much money has been committed and from what sources?
- (2) Has the Government received a revised capital budget for the project, and, if so, what is the budget?
- (3) What is the source of the non-governmental portion of the capital cost of this project?
- (4) What is the operating budget of the project and how is the budget financed?
- (5) What is the policy position of the Government respecting operating subsidies for the project?
- (6) Has a formal environmental impact assessment been conducted into this project?

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

392. Mr. Chumir to ask the Government:

- (1) What was the revenue received by the Government for the leasing of Kananaskis Country Golf Course for each fiscal year, from the original date it was leased to the present, and how was it calculated?
- (2) What was the cost of development of the Kananaskis Country Golf Course to the Province?
- (3) What expense, if any, was incurred by the Government with respect to the Kananaskis Country Golf Course for years ending March 31, 1983 to March 31, 1990, inclusive?

402. Mr. Taylor to ask the Government:

With respect to the Cargill Ltd. meat packing plant at High River, what was the chemical analysis of the well water used as an input in the plant, from January 1989 to June 1990, and, in particular, what were the levels of salts, nitrate, and nitrites in the input water?

404. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government:

What was the cost of printing "Thanks from Alberta Environment," and how many copies were printed and distributed?

Motions for Returns

Hon. Mr. Gogo, Deputy Government House Leader, moved that certain Motions for Returns stand and retain their places on the Order Paper.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was defeated.

The House adjourned briefly.

The following motions were defeated:

331. Moved by Rev. Mr. Roberts:

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.

394. Moved by Mrs. Gagnon:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the Alberta Library Board's April 1987 report on school/public library cooperation, and copies of all Government responses to that report.

The following motions were ordered to stand on motion by Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands:

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.

369. Moved by Mr. Bruseker:

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. Moved by Mr. Bruseker:

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.

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.

393. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

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

- (1) What are Alberta Government Telephones present monthly local rates for the following groups of subscribers: rural-business, rural-residential, urban-business, and urban-residential?
- (2) What are AGT's present monthly long distance rates for the following groups of subscribers: rural-business, rural-residential, urban-business and urban-residential?
- (3) How many long distance customers were served by AGT on a yearly basis, for 1989 or the latest year available?
- (4) How many customers were served by AGT on a yearly basis, for 1989, or the latest year available?
- (5) How many local calls were made by AGT subscribers in 1989 or the latest year available?
- (6) How many long distance calls were made by AGT subscribers in 1989 or the latest year available?

398. Mrs. Gagnon to propose the following motion:

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

A copy of all contracts and memoranda between the Government and Financial Collection Agencies Ltd. and any other provincial collection agencies for the collection of guaranteed provincial student loans.

399. Mrs. Hewes to propose the following motion:

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

A copy of every contract between Versa Foods and the Government.

401. Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

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

- (1) The flight logs and passenger manifests for all fixed wing aircraft and helicopters, owned by the Government for all flights conducted during the period June 1, 1988 until June 1, 1990.
- (2) Details of all flights and passenger lists for fixed wing aircraft and helicopters, of all flights chartered by the Government during the period June 1, 1988 until June 1, 1990.

405. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:
A copy of the mailing list for distribution of the proposed Alberta Environmental Protection and Enhancement legislation showing names, addresses, and postal codes.

407. Mr. Sigurdson to propose the following motion:

That an order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
All documents, reports, evidence, and information received by or prepared for the Minister of Labour respecting the Minister's investigation into allegations that Maxam Contracting Ltd. and/or Mr. Willard Kirkpatrick authored and circulated a document which breaches the Labour Relations Code.

408. Mr. Mitchell to propose the following motion:

That an order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
Any studies that have been carried out by or for the Government on the capacity of Government and private nurseries to provide suitable trees for reforestation of the forest management areas of Alberta scheduled to be logged each year and also to replant those areas where earlier planting was not viable or not carried out for some other reason.

409. Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

That an order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
A copy of all reports and studies by or on behalf of the Government over the past two years dealing with the forecasting of tobacco tax revenues.

Motions Other than Government Motions

220. Moved by Mr. Hawkesworth:

Be it resolved that in light of the Government's opposition to the Federal Government's Goods and Services Tax, the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to devise and implement a Province-wide campaign to persuade the Alberta electorate to vote against any Alberta Member of Parliament, in the next general federal election, who votes in favour of the said tax.

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(3), debate adjourned with Mr. Gibeault speaking.

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 217 An Act to Amend the Labour Relations Code (No. 2) — Mr. Sigurdson

A debate followed.

Mr. Cardinal 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.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 1990 — 8:00 P.M.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

On motion by Hon. Mr. Gogo, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 52 Natural Resources Conservation Board Act — Mr. Orman

A debate followed.

Mr. McInnis, Hon. Member Edmonton-Jasper Place, moved that the Bill be amended as follows:

By striking out section 22 and substituting:

A public review of a project, policy or program shall be conducted by a review panel consisting of the membership of the Board or a division of the Board and such other review panel members as may be appointed by the Board, provided that every member of a panel so appointed shall:

- a) be unbiased and free of any potential conflict of interest relative to the project, program or policy under review:

- b) by free of any political influence; and
- c) have special knowledge and experience relevant to the anticipated technical, environmental and social effects of the project, program or policy under review.

The question being put, the amendment was defeated. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 12

Barrett	Hewes	Mjolsness
Chumir	McEachern	Pashak
Ewasiuk	McInnis	Roberts
Hawkesworth	Mitchell	Sigurdson

Against the motion: 29

Ady	Fowler	Orman
Bogle	Gesell	Paszkowski
Bradley	Hyland	Payne
Calahasen	Jonson	Severtson
Cherry	Laing (Calgary-Bow)	Speaker (Little Bow)
Clegg	Lund	Stewart
Day	Main	Thurber
Elliott	Mirosh	Trynchy
Evans	Moore	Zarusky
Fischer	Musgrove	

And after some further time spent therein, the Speaker resumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

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

Ordered, That the report be concurred in.

Mr. Schumacher, Chairman of Committees tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole this date.

Sessional Paper 377/90

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Stewart, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:18 p.m. until Friday, November 30, 1990, at 10:00 a.m.

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

- Bill 231 Public Service Pay Equity Act — Mr. Decore
- 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 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 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
- Bill 285 An Act to Amend the Amusements Act — Mr. McInnis
- Bill 286 An Act to Amend the Crown Property Municipal Grants Act —
Mr. Wickman

Written Questions

414. Mrs. Gagnon to ask the Government:

Has the Government calculated what the impact of the federal goods and services tax will be on individual Alberta post-secondary institutions in dollars and, if so, what will this be?

Motions for Returns

415. Mrs. Gagnon to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
All studies or papers completed by, or submitted to, the Government that examine the impact of the federal goods and services tax on the operating and capital costs incurred by Alberta's post-secondary institutions.

416. Mrs. Gagnon to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
All studies or papers completed by, or submitted to, the Government examining the impact of the federal goods and services tax on the operating and capital costs incurred by school boards in Alberta.

David J. Carter,
Speaker

Title: Thursday, November 29, 1990