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Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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Thursday, December 6, 1990

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

ROUTINE

Notices of Motions

Mr. Decore, Hon. Leader of the Liberal Party, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40 on Orders of the Day:

Be it resolved that this House observe a minute of silence in remembrance of the 14 young women who were murdered on December 6, 1989, in Montreal.

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 Legislative Assembly does today commemorate the massacre in Montreal on December 6, 1989, of 14 women by observing two minutes of silence and by establishing a Select Standing Committee of this Assembly to hold public hearings across the province in order to formulate and put in place a comprehensive action plan, with budgetary support, to work to eradicate violence against women and children in Alberta.

Rev. Mr. Roberts, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following under Standing Order 40 on Orders of the Day:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly of Alberta congratulate the Grey Nuns of Canada and especially their Superiors and Members ministering in Alberta, on the occasion of the canonization of their founder, Marguerite d'Youville, by his Holiness Pope John Paul II in Rome, on Sunday, December 9, 1990. And we further commend all those who faithfully minister to the poor, the sick, and the needy following in the example of this first Canadian-born Saint.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 231 Public Service Pay Equity Act — Mr. Decore

Bill 267 An Act to Commit Government to a Five Year Funding Planning Framework — Mr. Wickman

Bill 288 Telemarketing Act — Mr. Bruseker

Bill 289 An Act to Amend the Alberta Health Care Insurance Act — Mrs. Hewes

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Stewart, Minister of Technology, Research and Telecommunications, pursuant to the Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research Act, cA-26, s7(5), 1980 Statutes:

Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research, Annual Report 1990
Sessional Paper 90/90

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Associate Minister of Agriculture:

A Child's Guide to Farm Safety
Sessional Paper 381/90

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Ms McCoy, Minister responsible for Women's Issues, made a statement regarding violence against women and tabled a copy of the Lake Louise Declaration on Violence Against Women.

Sessional Paper 608/90

Hon. Ms McCoy requested that a minute of silence be observed to commemorate the deaths of 14 women on December 6, 1989, in Montreal. A minute of silence was then observed.

Mr. Martin, Hon. Leader of the Opposition, commented on the statement.

Oral Question Period

Mr. Tannas, Hon. Member for Highwood:

A photograph of a Heritage Fund railway grain car

Sessional Paper 608/90

Motion Under Standing Order 40

Subsequent to the Ministerial Statement made earlier this date, the following motion, proposed by Mr. Decore, Hon. Leader of the Liberal Party, was not proceeded with:

Be it resolved that this House observe a minute of silence in remembrance of the 14 young women who were murdered on December 6, 1989, in Montreal.

Mr. Decore was permitted to speak briefly on the subject.

Ms M. Laing, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Avonmore, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly does today commemorate the massacre in Montreal on December 6, 1989, of 14 women by observing two minutes of silence and by establishing a Select Standing Committee of this Assembly to hold public hearings across the province in order to formulate and put in place a comprehensive action plan, with budgetary support, to work to eradicate violence against women and children in Alberta.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

Rev. Mr. Roberts, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly of Alberta congratulate the Grey Nuns of Canada and especially their Superiors and Members ministering in Alberta, on the occasion of the canonization of their founder, Marguerite d'Youville, by his Holiness Pope John Paul II in Rome, on Sunday, December 9, 1990. And we further commend all those who faithfully minister to the poor, the sick, and the needy following in the example of this first Canadian-born Saint.

A debate followed.

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

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

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?

410. Ms Mjolsness to ask the Government:

With which groups, individuals, and organizations did the Minister of Family and Social Services consult prior to developing the program called Supports for Independence, announced in the Assembly on November 26, 1990?

411. Mr. Doyle to ask the Government:

- (1) What was the cost to the Province of providing police security for the Prime Minister during the visit he made to Alberta from November 12 to 13?
- (2) What was the cost to the Province of associated services such as accommodation, meals, and transportation provided for the Prime Minister and his entourage during this visit?

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?

417. Mr. Chumir to ask the Government:

What is the accumulated amount of the lottery funds proceeds for the Western Canadian Lottery, Alberta Division, that have accrued to the Government between May 15, 1974 and October 31, 1990?

421. Mr. Taylor to ask the Government:

What is the Government's best estimate of the cost of diverting irrigation water stored by the Oldman River Dam, and released into the river below the dam, around the Peigan Reserve?

422. Mr. Taylor to ask the Government:

With respect to the \$9 million financing package by the Agricultural Development Corporation for WestCan Malting Ltd., Calgary,

- (1) were there any personal or corporate guarantees other than that of WestCan given for the loans portion of the package; and
- (2) what were the terms of the preferred share issue granted as to:
 - (a) the dividend rate and how it is tied to profits,
 - (b) redemption plan, if any, and
 - (c) conversion privileges to common shares and debentures, if any?

Motions for Returns

Hon. Mr. Gogo, Deputy Government House Leader, moved that the following motions stand and retain their places on the Order Paper:

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.

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.

412. Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
An audited statement of disbursements of net lottery proceeds of the Province of Alberta for the year ended March 31, 1990, and unaudited statements for April 1, 1990 through October 31, 1990, inclusive.

413. Mr Chumir to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
Copies of all audited and unaudited financial statements (both year end and quarterly) for S.C. Properties Ltd., S.C. Financial Ltd., N.A. Properties Ltd., and 354713 Alberta Ltd. (Softco) for the years 1988 through 1990 inclusive.

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.

418. Mr. McEachern to propose the following motion:

Than an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
The share purchase agreement dated July 24, 1990, between Robert Bosch GmbH and Telus, whereby Bosch agreed to acquire a 50 percent interest in NovAtel.

419. Mr. McEachern to propose the following motion:

Than an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
The documents received by the Government which supported projected net income of NovAtel for the period July 1, 1990 to December 31, 1990, at \$16.9 million, and the documents which supported amended projected net income which resulted in the September 23, 1990, amendments to the prospectus.

420. Mr. McEachern to propose the following motion:

Than an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
The documents detailing all expenses associated with the sale of Alberta Government Telephones, including underwriting and selling commissions, printing, legal, registration, and advertising costs.

423. Mr. Mitchell to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
Copies of the laboratory reports of fish bio-assays, as submitted to Alberta Environment, from January 1, 1989, until the present time by:

- (1) Proctor & Gamble Cellulose Ltd., Grande Prairie:
- (2) Weldwood of Canada Ltd., Hinton; and
- (3) Millar Western Pulp Ltd., Whitecourt.

424. Mr. Taylor to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
Copies of all studies carried out and plans that the Government has made to divert irrigation water, stored by the Oldman River Dam and released into the river below it, around the Peigan reserve.

425. Mr. McEachern to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
Copies of all studies and analyses done for or by the Department of Technology, Research and Telecommunications or other Government agencies assessing the financial viability or technological competence of Myrias Research Corporation.

426. Mr. Decore to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
Any and all agreements between the Alberta Special Waste Management Corporation and the Department of the Environment dealing with the management and storage of hazardous waste materials in Alberta.

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

Than an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
The timetable for implementing durable plastic health care cards to replace the expense of annually mailing paper ones.

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

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
The names of those individuals appointed to the restructured Alberta AIDS Advisory Council and the terms of reference for the Council.

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

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
The Coopers & Lybrand report on regionalization for hospitals in southern Alberta, including High River, Claresholm, Carmangay, Turner Valley, and Vulcan; and the model set forth in that report.

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

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
The efforts made by the Department of Health to have RU486, "the abortion pill," made available in Alberta.

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

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
A list of the names of all private sector consultants and agencies that have done work for the Department of Health this fiscal year and 1989/90.

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

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:
The role statement of the Department of Health and the role statements as
submitted to the Department of Health in 1990 by hospitals in Alberta.

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(3), debate adjourned with Mrs. Gagnon 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 220 An Act to Amend the Landlord and Tenant Act — Mr. Hawkesworth

A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

On Motion by Hon Mr. Weiss, Acting Government House Leader, at 5:30 p.m., it was agreed that when the Members reassembled at 8:00 p.m., they would be in Committee of the Whole, and the Speaker left the Chair.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1990 — 8:00 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

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

Ordered, That the report be received and concurred in.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Stewart, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:55 p.m. until Friday, December 7, 1990, at 10:00 a.m.

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

- Bill 233 Quality Child Day Care Standards Act — Mrs. Hewes
Bill 236 Instructional Materials Production Act — Mr. Jonson
Bill 242 School User Fees Elimination Act — Mr. Woloshyn
Bill 247 Justice Review Committee Act — Mr. Day
Bill 249 Native Peoples Representation Act — Ms Calahasen
Bill 250 An Act to Amend the Hail and Crop Insurance Act — Mr. Paszkowski
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 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 285 An Act to Amend the Amusements Act — Mr. McInnis
Bill 290 An Act to Amend the Public Service Employee Relations Act —
Mr. Decore
Bill 291 Employee Equity Development Act — Ms Barrett

Government Motions

22. Hon. Mr. Gogo to propose the following motion to the Assembly:

Be it resolved that when the Assembly adjourns for the winter recess, it shall stand adjourned until the time and date in 1991 determined by the Speaker after consultation with the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

Motions for Returns

439. Mr. Mitchell to propose the following motion:

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

A copy of the report "Site Inspection: Canadian Crude Separators Valleyview Operation - Land Treatment Facility, June 28, 1990."

440. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue a retrun showing:

A copy of all ambient groundwater monitoring data collected by or for the Government since January 1, 1987, for the following:

- (1) Sunpine Forest Products Ltd., (Sundre);
- (2) Domtar Chemicals Group, Wood Preservative Division;
- (3) Natal Forest Products Ltd.; and
- (4) Spray Lake Sawmills (1980) Ltd.

David J. Carter,
Speaker

Title: Thursday, December 6, 1990