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Tuesday, December 11, 1990

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

**ROUTINE**

**Notices of Motions**

Mr. Fox, Hon. Member for Vegreville, gave oral notice of his intention to request leave to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, that the Assembly adjourn to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely the recent serious outbreaks of bovine tuberculosis in game ranched elk.

**Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Notice having been given:

Bill 292 An Act to Provide for Executive Remuneration Disclosure by Corporations that Receive Government Financial Assistance — Ms Barrett

**Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Fjordbotten, Minister of Forestry, Lands and Wildlife, pursuant to the Land Surveyors Act, cL-4.1, s9(4), 1981 Statutes:

Report of Proceedings, Annual General Meeting 1990

Sessional Paper 58/90

Hon. Mr. Fjordbotten, Minister of Forestry, Lands and Wildlife:

Forest Development Research Trust Fund, Annual Report 1988-89  
Sessional Paper 614/90

Hon. Mr. Rostad, Attorney General:

Letter from Parliamentary Counsels to the Toronto Globe and Mail,  
November 27, 1990  
Sessional Paper 615/90

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Associate Minister of Agriculture, pursuant to the Hail and Crop Insurance Act, cH-1, s9(2), 1980 Statutes (c19, s3, 1982 Statutes):

Alberta Hail and Crop Insurance, Annual Report 1990  
Sessional Paper 19A/90

Hon. Mr. Gogo, Minister of Advanced Education, pursuant to the Financial Administration Act, cF-9, s2(6), 1980 Statutes:

Banff Centre for Continuing Education, Annual Report 1988-89  
Sessional Paper 7A/90

Medicine Hat College, Annual Report 1989  
Sessional Paper 8K/90

Motion for Adjournment for an Emergency Debate

Mr. Fox, Hon. Member for Vegreville, requested leave to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, that the Assembly adjourn to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely the recent serious outbreaks of bovine tuberculosis in game ranches elk.

The Speaker ruled that the request for leave was not in order.

## **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?

**433.** Mr. Chumir to ask the Government:

What is the amount of tobacco tax revenues accruing to the Government for the fiscal year 1990-91, year to date, from the following sources: cigarettes, cigars, and loose tobacco?

## **Motions for Returns**

The House adjourned briefly from 3:53 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

The following motions were agreed to:

**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.** Moved by Mr. Bruseker:

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

**393.** Moved by Mr. Bruseker:

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?

The following motions were defeated:

**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.

**389.** Moved by Mr. Bruseker:

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.** Moved by Mr. Bruseker:

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.

The following motions were ordered to stand:

**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.

**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.



**434.** Rev. Mr. Roberts to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:  
A list of those rural hospitals which in the view of the Hospital Services Division of Alberta Health will have their funding decreased after the implementation of the acute care funding system, as well as those rural hospitals that stand to gain by the acute care model.

**435.** Rev. Mr. Roberts to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:  
The back-up systems used by Information Technology Division of Alberta Health for the billing, medical, and other information databases in the Health Care Insurance Division, and other divisions of the Department of Health.

**436.** Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:  
A copy of all studies prepared for the Government by Cliff Ronden on the feasibility of recycling pesticide containers.

**437.** Mr. McEachern to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:  
Copies of the audited financial statements of Alberta Intermodal Services Ltd. for the year ending December 31, 1989.

**438.** Mr. McEachern to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a return showing:  
Copies of the unaudited financial update of Alberta Intermodal Services Ltd. for the nine months ending September 30, 1990.

**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 return 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.

441. Mr. McEachern to propose the following motion:

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

A listing of all corporations which have received benefits under the Alberta Stock Savings Plan (ASSP) over the duration of this program and detailing for each company:

- (1) the amount of ASSP benefits received;
- (2) what proportion of the ASSP benefits received were invested within and outside Alberta; and
- (3) the number of new jobs created by the ASSP benefits and what proportion of those jobs were created within and outside Alberta.

442. Mr. McEachern to propose the following motion:

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

Copies of all documents prepared by or for the Government which provide analyses resulting in the Government's decision to discontinue the Alberta Stock Savings Plan.

## **Motions Other than Government Motions**

222. Moved by Mr. Zarusky:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce amendments to the Surface Rights Act to ensure that a compensation order be a right attached to the ownership or occupancy of the land.

A debate followed.

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

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Gogo, Deputy 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.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1990 — 8:00 P.M.

## **Government Bills and Orders**

### **Committee of the Whole**

(Assembly in Committee)

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

Progress was reported on the following Bills:

Bill 38 Loan and Trust Corporations Act — Hon. Mr. Johnston

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

Ordered, That the report be received and concurred in.

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

Sessional Paper 386/90

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Gogo, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:02 p.m. until Wednesday, December 12, 1990, at 2:30 p.m.

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## **NOTICES**

### **Leave to Introduce a Bill**

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 291 Employee Equity Development Act — Ms Barrett

Bill 293 Environmental Bill of Rights Act — Mr. Mitchell

Bill 294 Alberta Seniors Advisory Council Act — Rev. Mr. Roberts

Bill 295 An Act to Prevent Discrimination Against Married Couples Seeking Farm  
Financial Support — Mr. Fox

David J. Carter,  
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, December 11, 1990