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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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Twenty-Second Legislature

Thursday, December 13, 1990

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

ROUTINE

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Shrake, Hon. Member for Calgary-Millican, presented a petition from 46 Alberta residents urging the Government not to proceed with reforms to daycare funding.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Main, Minister of Culture and Multiculturalism, pursuant to the Glenbow-Alberta Institute Act, cG-5, s21(2), 1980 Statutes:

Glenbow-Alberta Institute, Annual Report 1990

Sessional Paper 31A/90

Hon. Mr. Main, Minister of Culture and Multiculturalism:

Alberta Library Board, Annual Report 1989-90

Sessional Paper 389/90

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

Letter from the Minister to the Federal Minister of Environment, December 13, 1990

Sessional Paper 390/90

Mrs. Gagnon, Hon. Member for Calgary-McKnight:

Results of telephone survey on accessibility in universities and university transfer programs

Sessional Paper 619/90

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were accepted:

402. (Mr. Taylor)

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)

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

443. (Mr. Wickman)

- (1) What is the total cost of placing the "Take an Alberta Break" promotional messages on the 994 Heritage Fund grain-hopper cars?
- (2) Which Edmonton firm was awarded the \$4.7 million contract in late 1989 to repaint the 994 Heritage Fund grain-hopper cars, and was this contract put out to tender?
- (3) How often have the Heritage Fund hopper cars been repainted since their purchase, what was the total cost of each repainting, and what is the future time schedule for repainting?

445. (Mr. Doyle)

Why did Alberta Transportation, after completing the necessary surveying work, not proceed with much needed improvements to Highway 40 between Hinton and Cadomin in 1989, but instead require that some of that survey work be redone before work can begin on that stretch of highway?

The following Written Question was not accepted:

410. (Ms Mjolsness)

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?

The following Written Question was withdrawn with the unanimous consent of the Assembly:

444. Mr. Doyle to ask the Government:

How and when will Alberta Transportation improve Highway 40 between Hinton and Cadomin, so that concerns raised in a December 1990, 1259-signature petition by area residents, workers, and companies serviced by this highway are completely addressed?

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

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?
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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

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 agreed to. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 41

Adair	Fjordbotten	Orman
Ady	Gogo	Osterman
Anderson	Hyland	Paszkowski
Black	Isley	Payne
Bogle	Johnston	Severtson
Bradley	Jonson	Shrake
Cardinal	Klein	Speaker (Little Bow)
Cherry	Kowalski	Tannas
Clegg	Main	Thurber
Dinning	McClellan	Trynchy
Drobot	Mirosh	Weiss
Elliott	Moore	West
Evans	Musgrove	Zarusky
Fischer	Nelson	

Against the motion: 13

Barrett	Martin	Roberts
Chumir	McEachern	Taylor
Doyle	McInnis	Wickman
Ewasiuk	Mjolsness	Woloshyn
Laing (Edmonton-Avonmore)	-	

The following motions were accepted:

340. Moved by Mr. Chumir:

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.

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Minister of Public Works, Supply and Services, tabled the response to Motion for Return 340.

Sessional Paper 340A/90

412. Moved by Mr. Chumir:

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.

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.

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.

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.

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 221 Employee Investment Act — Mr. Jonson

A debate followed.

Mr. Nelson 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 Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1990 - 8:00 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

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

Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, moved the following amendment:

Section 13 is amended by striking out subsection (2).

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

For the amendment: 10

Barrett	Gibeault	Pashak
Bruseker	Hawkesworth	Sigurdson
Doyle	McEachern	Woloshyn
Fox		

Against the amendment: 31

Ady	Elliott	Orman
Anderson	Evans	Osterman
Black	Fjordbotten	Paszkowski
Bogle	Hyland	Severtson
Bradley	Klein	Shrake
Brassard	Laing (Calgary-Bow)	Stewart
Calahasen	Main	Tannas
Cardinal	Mirosh	Thurber
Cherry	Moore	Weiss
Clegg	Nelson	Zarusky
Drobot		

Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, moved the following amendment:

Section 14 is struck out and the following is substituted:

14 The Commission shall propose 50 single municipality electoral divisions as follows:

- (a) The City of Medicine Hat as 1 single municipality electoral division;
- (b) The city of Red Deer as 2 single municipality electoral divisions;
- (c) The City of Grande Prairie as 1 single municipality electoral division;
- (d) The City of Fort McMurray as 1 single municipality electoral division;
- (e) The City of St. Albert as 1 single municipality electoral division;
- (f) The City of Lethbridge as 2 single municipality electoral divisions;
- (g) The City of Edmonton as 20 single municipality electoral divisions;
- (h) The City of Calgary as 22 single municipality electoral divisions.

Section 15 is struck out and the following is substituted:

15 The commission shall propose 33 multi-municipality electoral divisions as follows:

- (a) one electoral division consisting of the part of the City of Medicine Hat not included in a single municipality electoral division under section 14;
- (b) one electoral division consisting of the part of the City of St. Albert not included in a single municipality electoral division under section 14;
- (c) 31 electoral divisions consisting of
 - (i) more than one municipality
 - (ii) one or more municipalities plus parts of one or more other municipalities, or
 - (iii) parts of more than one municipality

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

For the amendment: 1

Bruseker

Against the amendment: 39

Ady	Evans	Nelson
Anderson	Fox	Osterman
Barrett	Fjordbotten	Pashak
Black	Hawkesworth	Paszkowski
Bogle	Hyland	Severtson
Bradley	Johnston	Shrake
Brassard	Klein	Sigurdson
Calahasen	Laing (Calgary-Bow)	Stewart
Cardinal	Main	Tannas
Cherry	McEachern	Thurber
Clegg	Mirosh	Weiss
Drobot	Mjolsness	Woloshyn
Elliott	Moore	Zarusky

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

The following Bill was reported with some amendments and ordered to be read a Third time.

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 all amendments considered by the Committee of the Whole this date.

Sessional Paper 391/90

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Stewart, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:01 p.m. until Friday, December 14, 1990, at 10:00 a.m.

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 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

David J. Carter, Speaker

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