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No. 9

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

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

ROUTINE

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Pashak, Hon. Member for Calgary-Forest Lawn, presented a petition from 990 Calgarians concerning the transfer of Alberta Liquor Control Board operations to St. Albert.

Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Horsman, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the report of the Special Committee appointed March 14, 1991, pursuant to Standing Order 49, be now received and concurred in and that the Committees recommended therein be hereby appointed.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Upon recommendation of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 22 Wild Rose Foundation Amendment Act, 1991 — Hon. Mr. Kowalski

Notice having been given:

Bill 234 Freedom of Information and Personal Privacy Act - Mr. Pashak

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Anderson, Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-10.1, s52, 1983 Statutes:

Alberta Consumer and Corporate Affairs, Annual Report 1990 Sessional Paper 24/91

Hon. Mr. Anderson, Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs, pursuant to the Securities Act, cS-6.1, s195(2), 1981 Statutes:

Alberta Securities Commission, Annual Report 1989

Sessional Paper 26/91

Alberta Securities Commission, Annual Report 1990

Sessional Paper 26A/91

Hon. Mr. Johnston, Provincial Treasurer, pursuant to the Government Land Purchases Act, cG-8, s10, RSA 1980:

Report of Activities and Land Purchase Fund Financial Statements, 1990 Sessional Paper 95/91

Hon. Mr. Johnston, Provincial Treasurer, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL10.1, s52, 1983 Statutes:

Alberta Treasury, Annual Report 1990

Sessional Paper 97/91

Mr. Martin, Hon. Leader of the Opposition:

Report of the Official Opposition Leader's Task Force on Children and Youth, 1991

Sessional Paper 510/91

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Minister of Public Works, Supply and Services, pursuant to the Engineering, Geological, and Geophysical Professions Act, cE-11.1, s12(4), 1981 Statutes:

Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists, and Geophysicists of Alberta, Annual Report 1990-91

Sessional Paper 107/91

Hon. Mr. Main, Minister of Culture and Multiculturalism, pursuant to the Cultural Foundation Act, cC-40, s10(2), RSA 1980:

Alberta Foundation for the Literary Arts, Annual Report 1989-90

Sessional Paper 29/91

Dr. Elliot, Chairman of the Northern Alberta Development Council, pursuant to the Northern Alberta Development Council Act, cN-9, s8, RSA 1980:

Northern Alberta Development Council, Annual Report 1989-90

Sessional Paper 5/91

Mr. Decore, Hon. Leader of the Liberal Party:

News release dated March 23, 1991, from Canadian journalists requesting greater access to information in Alberta

Sessional Paper 511/91

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were accepted:

150. (Mrs. Gagnon)

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?

175. (Mr. Mitchell)

What is the Government's policy concerning the use of helicopters to access provincial parks, natural areas, and wilderness areas for recreational use (such as fishing, skiing, and walking)?

The following Written Questions were not accepted:

163. (Mr. Chumir)

- (1) How much did the Government spend on public opinion polling during the 1988-89 and 1989-90 fiscal years; and
- (2) how much did each Government department spend on public opinion polling during the 1988-89 and 1989-90 fiscal years?

168. (Mr. Bruseker)

- (1) How much severance pay did the Government pay George de Rappard when he announced that he was resigning as Chief Deputy Minister of Economic Development and Trade?
- (2) Has the Government entered into any contract with George de Rappard which would allow him to act as a consultant to the Department of Economic Development and Trade? If so, what is the estimated value of the contract per year to Mr. de Rappard?
- (3) Did the Government provide George de Rappard with a retainer for any future consulting work he might undertake on behalf of the Government? If so, how much was the retainer?

182. (Mr. Taylor)

- (1) What salary was paid to Brian Downey, Enhancement Co-ordinator of the Alberta Hail and Crop Insurance Corporation, in the 1990 calendar year?
- (2) What was the last annual salary of the previous Enhancement Co-ordinator for the Alberta Hail and Crop Insurance Corporation, and for what year was that paid?

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

148. Mr. Decore to ask the Government the following question:

What is the Government's estimate of the unfunded accrued liability under the following Government-administered pension funds:

- (1) Local Authorities Pension Plan;
- (2) Public Service Pension Plan;
- (3) Public Service Management Pension Plan;
- (4) Universities Academic Pension Plan;
- (5) Special Forces Pension Plan;
- (6) Members of the Legislative Assembly Pension Plan; and
- (7) Teacher's Retirement Fund,

as of March 31, 1990?

151. Mr. Chumir to ask the Government the following question:

What are the details, including beneficiary, amount, and terms and conditions of all loan guarantees included under the "other" category as at March 31, 1988 and 1989, and December 31, 1989, on page 40 of the Government's 1990 Budget Address?

152. Mr. Chumir to ask the Government the following question:

What are the details of the 1990-91 estimates of loans and advances of \$107,100,000 under the "other" category on page 38 of the Government's 1990 Budget Address, including the identity of the recipient of each loan or advance and its amount and terms and conditions?

153. Mr. Chumir to ask the Government the following question:

What are the details of the 1989-90 forecast of "long-term investments" of \$18,371,000 on page 38 of the Government's 1990 Budget Address, specifying each investment and its amount and terms and conditions?

154. Mr. Chumir to ask the Government the following question:

What are the details of the 1990-91 estimate of "long-term investments" of \$6,732,000 on page 38 of the Government's 1990 Budget Address, specifying each investment and its amount and terms and conditions?

155. Mr. Chumir to ask the Government the following question:

What is the estimate of the natural gas price upon which the Provincial Treasurer based his projection for natural gas and by-products royalty for 1990-91?

156. Mr. Chumir to ask the Government the following question:

What amount, if any, has been paid by the Government to Mr. Hugh Planche, in respect of services rendered for the fiscal periods ending March 31, 1987, 1988, 1989, and 1990?

157. Mr. Chumir to ask the Government the following question:

What is the amount of legal fees paid by the Government for Mr. Donald Cormie and members of his family with respect to the Code hearing and related matters?

- 158. Mr. Chumir to ask the Government the following question:
 - (1) What are the expenses incurred by the Government in respect of the Code Inquiry to date, specifying all payees who received over \$5,000, the amount of the payment to such payees, and the nature of the service rendered in respect of the expenses?

- (2) What are the other expenses incurred by the Government from January 1, 1987, to date, in respect of the financial problems relating to the Principal Group of Companies, specifying all payees who received over \$5,000 (excluding certificate holders in First Investors Corporation Ltd. and Associated Investors of Canada Ltd.), the amount of the payment to such payees, and the nature of the service rendered in respect of the expense?
- 159. Mr. Chumir to ask the Government the following question:

What amount, if any, was invested by the Pension Fund in Principal Group, First Investors Corporation Ltd., Associated Investors of Canada Ltd., Northland Bank, or the Canadian Commercial Bank?

161. Mr. Chumir to ask the Government the following question:

With respect to the Government's guarantee of the \$55 million Gainers Properties Inc. bank loan:

- (1) to what extent is the Government guaranteeing interest on the loan;
- (2) what rate of interest is payable on the loan;
- (3) at what time or times is interest due and payable on the loan;
- (4) has all interest been paid on a timely basis in respect of the loan since the date of the Province's guarantee, how much, and when;
- (5) has the Government itself paid any interest on the loan; and
- (6) what is the amount of interest which has accrued and is unpaid on the loan to March 1, 1991?
- 162. Mr. Chumir to ask the Government the following question:

What are the details of the 1989-90 forecast of loans and advances of \$126,200,000 under the "other" category on page 38 of the Government's 1990 Budget Address including the identity of the recipient of each loan or advance, and its amount and conditions?

173. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government the following question:

What proportion of paper purchased by the Government is recycled paper, and what is the average content of post-consumer waste in the paper?

174. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government the following question:

What cost-benefit studies has the Government carried out into the operation of pulp mills in Alberta and specifically into the operation of mills at Peace River (Daishowa), Whitecourt (Millar Western and Alberta Newsprint), Slave Lake (Alberta Energy Co.), and on the Athabasca River (Alberta-Pacific Forest Industries)? What were the conclusions of each study?

177. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government the following question:

What is the total revenue obtained from oil and gas exploration, extraction, and related activities on Crown land by those holding grazing leases, and how many leaseholders received such revenues for the fiscal years 1988-89 and 1989-90?

178. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government the following question:

- (1) How much oil was consumed by the Government for cars, trucks, and machinery for the year 1989, and
- (2) how much of this oil could be substituted by recycled oil?
- **181.** Mr. Taylor to ask the Government the following question:

In how many cases has the Government been called upon to meet third party loan guarantee obligations in each of the fiscal years 1988, 1989, and 1990? Who were the commercial lenders that called upon the Government guarantees, and what was the total amount that each commercial lender called upon for each of the fiscal years 1988, 1989, and 1990?

183. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government the following question:

What were the levels of air emissions from Daishowa Canada Co. Ltd. that precipitated the issuing of a control order under the Clean Air Act on February 8, 1990?

- 227. Mr. McInnis to ask the Government the following question:
 - (1) On what date did negotiations leading toward a forestry management agreement between the Crown in Right of Alberta and Alberta-Pacific Forest Industries Inc. begin?
 - (2) Who conducted these negotiations on behalf of the Province?
 - (3) On what date were these negotiations concluded?
 - (4) On what date was the draft agreement forwarded to the Attorney General's Department for legal review and approval?
- **228.** Mr. McInnis to ask the Government the following question:

What is the response of the Government to the recommendations of the Dancik Report on Forest Management in Alberta?

250. Mr. Chumir to ask the Government the following question:

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

251. Mr. Mitchell to ask the Government the following question:

Concerning the monitoring of the environmental impact of the Wabamun operation of TransAlta Utilities Corporation:

- (1) How often are air emissions from the stacks measured each month, and what substances are measured?
- (2) How many times, if any, in the last 10 years did any of the substances measured exceed the limits set by the plant's licence to operate under the Clean Air Act?
- (3) In the last 10 years, what were the monitored values, on those occasions when the levels were in excess of the permitted level, and if any, were the emission standards permissable under the licence issued in accordance with the Clean Air Act?
- (4) How is possible contamination of Lake Wabamun being monitored?
- (5) How often are the sumps that collect the sulphuric acid used to clean the heating coils in the evaporating tanks checked?
- (6) How many times during the past 10 years have the sumps overflowed into Lake Wabamun?
- (7) What measures have been taken to prevent overflow from the sumps into the lake?

Motions for Returns

The following motions were defeated:

184. 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.

189. Moved by Mr. Taylor:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of the lease agreement between the Province and Olympia & York Developments Ltd. for 40,000 square feet of office space in Olympia & York's new office/retail complex between 101 and 102 Streets and Jasper Avenue and Manulife Place in Edmonton.

The following motions were ordered to stand:

185. 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.

186. 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 1988-89 supplement to the Public Accounts.

187. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all financial analyses paid for by the Government, or done by its employees, that investigated the financial transactions made by Gainers Inc., involving Government loans and loan guarantees, during the period before the Government takeover of the company.

188. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A detailed list of all properties and businesses that the Government has taken over due to defaults of Alberta Opportunity Company loans for the past three fiscal years, showing in each case the name of the property or business taken over; the name of the company or individual who defaulted on the loan; the total value amount owing on the loan at the time it was defaulted upon; the estimated value of the property or business that the Government took over at the time of default; and the price the property or business was sold for, if it has been sold.

190. 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.

191. Mr. Taylor to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Statements giving a breakdown of money spent by the Government on the Alberta Wildlife Park, for each year since the park's inception.

192. 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 to December 31, 1990.
- (2) Details of all flights and passenger lists for fixed wing aircraft and helicopters for all flights chartered by the Government during the period June 1, 1988 to December 31, 1990.
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193. Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

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

- 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) Members of the Legislative Assembly 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.
- **194.** Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents and correspondence exchanged by the Government of Canada and the Government of Alberta regarding the implementation and administration of the flat rate tax.

195. Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents pertaining to the loan guarantee agreement of \$3 million made on June 5, 1988, between the Government and the principals of Sprung Instant Structures Ltd. and Sprung Clindinin Ltd.

196. 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.

197. Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The terms and conditions, including terms of repayment, of an \$85 million loan to Syncrude Canada Ltd. to help fund an engineering feasibility study, conducted between 1986-88 as part of a proposed \$4 billion expansion project.

198. Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A detailed breakdown of payments received by the Province from the Government of Canada, under the Canada Assistance Plan, by department and by program component for the fiscal years 1988, 1989, 1990 (forecast), and 1990 (estimated).

199. Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

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.

200. 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 Limited, N.A. Properties Ltd., and 354713 Alberta Ltd. (Softco) for the years 1988 through 1990 inclusive.

201. 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.

202. 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.

203. Mrs. Hewes to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Every study made by or for the Government since April 1, 1988, on salary levels of employees working in any of the voluntary human service sectors.

204. Mr. Wickman to propose the following motion:

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

- (1) The total cost to the Government of the briefcases that were purchased to promote the Community Facility Enhancement Program;
- (2) a list of names and positions of the recipients of the briefcases; and
- (3) a copy of the invoice indicating the name of the supplier of the briefcases.
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205. 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.

206. 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, from January 1, 1989, or, in the case of Daishowa from the start of operations, until March 1, 1991, as submitted to Alberta Environment by:

- (1) Procter & Gamble Cellulose Ltd., Grande Prairie,
- (2) Weldwood of Canada Ltd., Hinton,
- (3) Millar Western Pulp Ltd., Whitecourt, and
- (4) Daishowa Canada Co. Ltd.
- **207.** 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 and

- (1) Daishowa Canada Co. Ltd. and
- (2) Alberta-Pacific Forest Industries Inc.

under which the Government could be held liable if there were any delay in issuing the company licenses to operate under the Clean Air and Clean Water Acts.

208. Mr. Mitchell to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of the report of the task force on the Volunteer Incorporations Act and copies of all written briefs submitted to that task force.

209. Mr. Mitchell to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A detailed breakdown of Government expenditure on the Oldman River Dam, since the initiation of the project to March 1, 1991.

210. 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." **211.** 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.

212. 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.

213. Mr. Hawkesworth to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of the Master Agreement, dated September 25, 1987, including any amendments thereto, between the Government and Peter Pocklington covering a \$55 million guaranteed loan and a \$12 million loan made available to Gainers Properties Inc. and announced on March 3, 1988.

214. Mr. Hawkesworth to propose the following motion:

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

A copy of the Personal Performance Guarantee, dated September 25, 1987, and any subsequent amendments thereto, provided by Peter Pocklington to the Government pursuant to a \$55 million guaranteed loan and a \$12 million loan made available to Gainers Properties Inc.

215. Mr. Hawkesworth to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all agreements between the Government, 369413 Alberta Ltd., and Gainers Inc. with respect to the payment or non-payment of any debts or advances owing by Gainers or any of its subsidiaries since October 6, 1989.

216. Mr. Hawkesworth to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of the Premier's Agreement, dated December 1986, between the Premier and Peter Pocklington covering an undertaking to provide Gainers Inc. with a \$50,000,000 loan, with no interest being payable for the first four years of such loan and interest thereafter at a rate equivalent to the Government's cost of funds. 217. Mr. Hawkesworth to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of the Provincial Treasurer's Agreement, dated 1987, between the Provincial Treasurer and Peter Pocklington covering a grant of \$12,000,000 and a \$55 million guaranteed loan to Gainers Inc.

218. Mr. Hawkesworth to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of the audited financial statements of Gainers Inc. for the fiscal year ending in 1990, including the statements of non-consolidated subsidiary companies.

219. Mr. Taylor to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: For the Chairman and members of the Board of Directors of Alberta Terminal Canola Crushers Ltd.:

- (1) the employment contracts,
- (2) any other documents showing the terms of employment, and
- (3) any termination agreement.
- **221.** 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 for the fiscal years 1985 to 1990, inclusive.

222. Mrs. Hewes to propose the following motion:

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 to April 1, 1990.

223. Mr. Wickman to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The amount of money allocated from October 1988 to March 1, 1991, by the Community Facility Enhancement Program by group and by constituency.

229. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of all reports and studies prepared by or for the Minister of Forestry, Lands and Wildlife on the use of chemical herbicides in forest management and reforestation activities since April 1, 1989.

230. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of all correspondence between the Minister of Forestry, Lands and Wildlife and the Professional Outfitters Association of Alberta from April 1, 1989 to March 14, 1991.

231. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of all correspondence, agreements, and related material which constitute undertakings on behalf of the Crown in Right of Alberta and Alberta-Pacific Forest Industries Inc.

232. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of all reports and studies prepared by or for the Department of Recreation and Parks on candidate ecological reserves which have not received designation as of March 14, 1991.

233. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of all studies and reports prepared for the Government on the use of taxation measures to promote environmentally friendly products and to discourage overpackaging and disposable and other environmentally unfriendly products.

234. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of all studies into the causes of winter kill at Utikuma Lake in the winter of 1988-89.

235. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of any applications and supporting materials for funding the Western Heritage Centre at Cochrane, and copies of any agreements arising therefrom.

236. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

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

- (1) A list of all studies prepared or initiated by the Department of Forestry, Lands and Wildlife on wildlife habitat or wildlife resources in the "green zone" since April 1, 1989.
- (2) A copy of all studies referred to in reply to (1) which have been completed as of March 14, 1991.

237. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of all market evaluation reports regarding the potential for importation of hazardous waste into the province prepared by or for the Department of the Environment or the Special Waste Management Corporation.

238. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

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

A copy of all evaluation reports and other assessments of the merits of the Von Roll rocking kiln design employed by the Swan Hills Special Waste Treatment facility.

239. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of any studies prepared by the Department of the Environment on the expansion of Cardinal River Coals facility near the Village of Robb, and any

related studies on contamination of ground water, noise, and dust in the Robb area.

240. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of any analysis report done by or for the Department of the Environment on the toxicity of waste material from the Petro Canada/Gulf Oil Inglewood refinery site which was deposited in the Foothills landfill.

241. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A list of all contracts let by the Department of Public Works, Supply and Services for construction of the Oldman River Dam showing

- (1) the original contract price,
- (2) the date the contract was let,
- (3) the original projected date of completion,
- (4) the final or most recent agreed price, and
- (5) the actual projected completion date.
- 242. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of all certificates of variance issued by the Department of the Environment under the Clean Water Act between April 1, 1989 and March 14, 1991.

243. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of all letters of permission issued by the Department of the Environment in respect of the Clean Water Act from April 1, 1989 to March 14, 1991.

244. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of all certificates of variance issued by the Department of the Environment under the Clean Air Act between April 1, 1989 and March 14, 1991.

245. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of all letters of permission issued by the Department of the Environment in respect of the Clean Air Act from April 1, 1989 to March 14, 1991.

246. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: All studies and reports prepared by or for the Department of Forestry, Lands and Wildlife on stumpage rates in the province between April 1, 1986 and March 14, 1991.

247. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of all lease agreements entered for office space occupied by the Department of Forestry, Lands and Wildlife in the City of Red Deer.

248. Mr. Decore to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Documents showing the salaries, benefits, bonuses, and other payments to senior managers of NovAtel Communications Ltd. since April 1, 1988.

249. Mr. Decore to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Documents outlining the details of the severance packages and any other payments provided as a result of the termination of employment by NovAtel Communications Ltd. to John Burrows (former President), Sandy Moore (former Chief Operating Officer), and Bob Varma (former Vice-President and Group Controller).

252. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

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

A detailed breakdown of all grants under the Team Tourism program indicating the names of the recipients, total value of each grant, purpose of each grant, and total amount of funds delivered under the program, since its inception in March 1988 to March 21, 1991.

253. Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all letters between the Provincial Treasurer and the Federal Finance Minister from 1986 to March 21, 1991, regarding the flat-rate tax.

254. Mr. Chumir to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A copy of any and all reports and studies conducted by or on behalf of the Government during 1989, 1990, and 1991, dealing with the forecasting of tobacco tax revenue.

255. Mr. Chumir 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 Government of Alberta and the Government of Canada during 1990 and 1991 with respect to amendments of the Government of Canada/Government of Alberta Tax Collection Agreement.

256. Mr. Chumir 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 Government of Alberta and the Government of Canada between 1987 and 1991, year to date, with respect to the \$539 million stabilization claim between the Province and the Federal

257. Mr. Pashak to propose the following motion:

Government.

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The annual amount of the revenues forgone by the Province due to the permission of sales of alcoholic beverages through non-Government outlets such as private cold beer stores and wine shops or boutiques.

258. Mr. McInnis to propose the following motion:

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

A copy of any lease agreement between the Government and the Western Heritage Centre Society in respect of the site for the proposed Western Heritage Centre.

Motions Other than Government Motions

203. Moved by Mrs. Osterman:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider establishing a legislated framework that would define the parameters for Government program spending.

A debate followed.

Mr. Ady 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.

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 1991 — 8:00 P.M.

Government Motions

Moved by Hon. Mr. Horsman:

- **5.** Be it resolved that
 - (1) A Select Special Committee on Constitutional Reform be established to consider the current state of the Canadian federation and consult with the people of the Province of Alberta to determine their views on the constitutional future of Alberta and Canada.
 - (2) The Select Special Committee shall report back to the Legislative Assembly on the views expressed by Albertans respecting their views on Canada's constitutional future and may make recommendations on the various suggestions for constitutional change.
 - (3) Notwithstanding section 53(1) of the Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly, the Select Special Committee on Constitutional Reform shall consist of the following Members:

Hon. J. Horsman, Chairman,
S. Schumacher, Vice Chairman,
J. Ady,
Hon. D. Anderson,
Hon. N. Betkowski,
F. Bradley,
P. Calahasen,
S. Day,
Hon. K. Rostad,
G. Severtson,
P. Barrett,

B. Chivers,

R. Hawkesworth, and

J. McInnis

- (4) Upon nomination by the Liberal party caucus, two additional Members may be added to the Select Special Committee by resolution of the Legislative Assembly at any time before the commencement of the public hearings. If two Members are not nominated by the Liberal party caucus before the commencement of public hearings, the Leader of the Official Opposition may appoint two additional Members to the Select Special Committee.
- (5) In carrying out its duties, the Committee may travel throughout Alberta and undertake an extensive process of consultation with all interested Albertans.
- (6) The Chairman and Members of the Committee shall be paid in accordance with the schedule of Category (A) Committees provided in Members' Services Committee Order 10/89.
- (7) Reasonable disbursements by the Committee for staff assistance, equipment and supplies, public information needs, accommodation, travel, and other expenditures necessary for the effective conduct of its responsibilities shall be paid, subject to the approval of the Chairman.
- (8) In carrying out its responsibilities, the Committee may, with the concurrence of the head of the department, utilize the services of members of the public service employed in that department or of the staff employed by the Legislative Assembly.
- (9) When its work has been completed, the Committee shall report to the Assembly if it is then sitting, and may release its report during a period when the Assembly is adjourned by depositing a copy with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly and forwarding a copy to each Member of the Assembly.

A debate followed.

Mr. Decore, Hon. Leader of the Liberal Party, moved that the motion be amended by adding after (9):

(10) The Assembly urge the House Leaders of each of the party caucuses to undertake not to impose party discipline on members of their party in respect of the committee deliberations and decisions and in respect of the ultimate disposition of the committee report in the legislature.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to.

Debate continued on the main motion.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.



Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Horsman, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:29 p.m. until Wednesday, March 27, 1991, at 2:30 p.m.

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

- Bill 12 Rural Electrification Long Term Financing Amendment Act, 1991 Mr. Thurber
- Bill 13 Municipal Statutes Amendment Act, 1991 Mr. Clegg
- Bill 20 Rural Electrification Revolving Fund Amendment Act, 1991 Mr. Thurber
- Bill 21 Rural Utilities Amendment Act, 1991 Mr. Thurber
- Bill 224 Children's Rights Bill Mrs. Hewes
- Bill 225 Office of Treaty Commissioner Act Mr. Taylor
- Bill 228 Ecological Reserves and Heritage Rivers Act Mr. Mitchell
- Bill 230 Day of Mourning for Injured Workers Act Mr. Gibeault
- Bill 231 "Whistle Blower's" Protection Act Mr. McInnis
- Bill 232 Government Open Contract Act Mr. Bruseker
- Bill 233 Court of Queen's Bench Amendment Act, 1991 Mrs. Black
- Bill 235 Native Peoples Representation Act Mr. Taylor
- Bill 236 An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Code Mrs. Hewes
- Bill 237 Alberta Farm Security Act Mr. Taylor
- Bill 238 An Act to Promote Recycling Industries in Alberta Mr. McInnis
- Bill 239 An Act to Amend the Labour Relations Code Mr. Decore
- Bill 240 Women's Agricultural Parity Act Mr. Decore
- Bill 241 Individual's Rights Protection Amendment Act Ms M. Laing
- Bill 242 An Act to Phase Out the Use of Chlorofluorocarbons Mr. Mitchell
- Bill 243 An Act to Prevent Discrimination Against Married Couples Seeking Farm Financial Support — Mr. Fox
- Bill 244 Executive Remuneration Disclosure Act Ms Barrett
- Bill 245 Students Finance Act Amendment Act Ms Barrett
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- Bill 246 An Act to Amend the Interprovincial Lottery Act Mr. Chumir
- Bill 247 Water Resources Management Services Administration Act Mr. Mitchell
- Bill 248 An Act to Amend the Ambulance Services Act Mrs. Hewes
- Bill 249 Provincial Court Amendment Act, 1991 Mrs. Black
- Bill 250 Below Cost Timber Sales Act Mr. McInnis
- Bill 251 Individual Property Rights Protection Act Mr. Gesell
- Bill 252 Interprovincial Lottery Act Amendment Act Ms Barrett
- Bill 253 An Act to Amend the Legal Profession Act Mr. Nelson
- Bill 254 An Act to Amend the Widows' Pension Act Ms M. Laing
- Bill 255 Landlord and Tenant Act Amendment Act Mr. Ewasiuk
- Bill 256 Motor Vehicle Dealers Act Mr. Hyland
- Bill 257 Environmental Impact Assessment Act Mr. McInnis
- Bill 258 Limitation of Actions Act Amendment Act Mr. Chivers
- Bill 259 An Act to Amend the Property Tax Reduction Act Mr. Gesell
- Bill 260 Amendment to the Individual's Rights Protection Act Mr. Chumir
- Bill 261 Waste Reduction and Recycling Act Mr. Decore
- Bill 262 Native Justice Act Mr. Taylor
- Bill 263 An Act to Amend the Alberta Health Care Insurance Act Mrs. Hewes
- Bill 264 Environmental Bill of Rights Mr. Mitchell
- Bill 265 Telemarketing Act Mr. Bruseker
- Bill 266 Residential Care Giver Training Act Ms Mjolsness
- Bill 267 Forestry Industry Development Administration Act Mr. Mitchell
- Bill 269 Non-Degradation of Water Quality Act Mr. Bruseker
- Bill 270 An Act to Amend the Agricultural Development Act Mr. Paszkowski
- Bill 271 Landlord and Tenant Act Amendment Act Mr. Chivers
- Bill 272 An Act to Amend the Auditor General Act Mr. Chumir
- Bill 273 Miscellaneous Maintenance Statutes Amendment Act Ms M. Laing
- Bill 274 Senior Citizens Medical Research Foundation Act Mr. Musgrove
- Bill 275 An Act to Amend the Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped Act Ms Mjolsness
- Bill 276 Agricultural Resources Conservation Board Act Mr. Decore
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- Bill 277 Unfair Contract Terms Act Mr. Chivers
- Bill 278 Decommissioning of Industrial Sites Act Mr. Mitchell
- Bill 279 Interest Charge Review Board Act Mr. Chivers
- Bill 280 An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Code Mr. Decore
- Bill 281 An Act to Amend the Hail and Crop Insurance Act Mr. Paszkowski
- Bill 282 Alberta Youth Conservation Corps Act Mrs. Gagnon
- Bill 283 An Act to Amend the Alberta Income Tax Act Mr. Wickman
- Bill 284 Alberta Seniors Advisory Council Act Mr. Martin
- Bill 285 An Act to Amend the Dairy Board Act Mr. Taylor
- Bill 286 Environmental Ombudsman Act Mr. Mitchell
- Bill 287 An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Accident Claims Act Mr. Nelson
- Bill 288 Miscellaneous Statutes on Marital Status Amendment Act Ms M. Laing
- Bill 289 Judicature Act Amendment Act Mr. Chivers
- Bill 290 Quality Child Day Care Training and Standards Act Ms Mjolsness
- Bill 292 Natural Gas Tax Rebate for Alfalfa Pelletizing Act Mr. Paszkowski
- Bill 293 Alberta Economic Diversification Board Act Mr. Bruseker
- Bill 294 Water Transfer Control Act Mr. Taylor
- Bill 295 An Act to Include Midwifery as a Profession Under the Health Disciplines Act — Mrs. Hewes
- Bill 296 Arts Council Act Mrs. Gagnon
- Bill 297 Native Language Act Mr. Hawkesworth
- Bill 298 Public Service Pay Equity Act Mr. Decore
- Bill 299 An Act to Amend the Co-operatives Associations Act Mr. Mitchell
- Bill 300 Institute of Health Care Ethics Act Mr. Martin
- Bill 302 Non-Smokers Health Act Mr. Chumir
- Bill 303 An Act to Amend the School Act Mrs. Gagnon
- Bill 304 An Act to Amend the Amusements Act Mr. McInnis
- Bill 305 Public Service Employee Relations Amendment Act Mr. Gibeault
- Bill 306 An Act to Amend the Alberta Health Care Insurance Act Mr. Decore
- Bill 307 An Act to Amend the Builders' Lien Act Mr. Taylor
- Bill 308 An Act to Commit the Government to a Five-Year Funding Planning Framework — Mr. Wickman
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- Bill 309 An Act to Amend the Guarantees Acknowledgment Act Mr. Nelson
- Bill 310 Hate Documentation Act Mr. Hawkesworth
- Bill 311 Election Act Amendment Act Mr. Chivers
- Bill 312 An Act to Amend the Liquor Control Act Mr. Shrake
- Bill 313 An Act to Amend the Hail and Crop Insurance Act Mr. Taylor

Government Motions

7. Hon. Mr. Johnston to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Messages of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the estimates, and all matters connected therewith be referred to the Committee of Supply.

8. Hon. Mr. Johnston to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Assembly do resolve itself into Committee of Supply, when called, to consider the supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

9. Hon. Mr. Johnston to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Assembly approve in general the fiscal policies of the Government.

10. Hon. Mr. Johnston to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Messages of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 1991-92 Capital Fund Estimates, and all matters connected therewith be referred to the Committee of Supply.

11. Hon. Mr. Johnston to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 58(6), the number of days that the Committee of Supply will be called to consider the 1991-92 Capital Fund Estimates shall be two days.

12. Hon. Mr. Johnston to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Messages of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 1991-92 estimates of proposed investments of the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, Capital Projects Division, and all matters connected therewith be referred to the Committee of Supply.

13. Hon. Mr. Johnston to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Assembly do resolve itself into Committee of Supply, when called, to consider the 1991-92 estimates of proposed investments of the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, Capital Projects Division.

14. Hon. Mr. Getty to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne be engrossed and presented to His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor by such Members of the Assembly as are members of the Executive Council.

Written Questions

264. Mrs. Hewes to ask the Government the following question:

How many women and children have been turned away from the Alberta Women's Shelters for the fiscal years 1986-87 to 1989-90, inclusive?

Motions for Returns

265. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The prospectus prepared by the Government for potential buyers of Northern Steel Inc.

266. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The annual financial statements of Northern Steel Inc. for the years 1988, 1989, and 1990.

267. Mrs. Hewes to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents confirming the Minister of Health's remarks that some Americans have found that getting an operation on demand can result in inappropriate treatment.

David J. Carter, Speaker

Title: Tuesday, March 26, 1991