



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 11

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Twenty-Second Legislature

Thursday, April 2, 1992

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

ROUTINE

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-Northwest, presented petitions from 216 teachers regarding a resolution of the Alberta Teachers' Association respecting the Teachers' Retirement Fund.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 299 Surface Rights Amendment Act – Mr. Lund

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Stewart, Minister of Technology, Research and Telecommunications, pursuant to the Alberta Research Council Act, cA-35.1, s23, 1983 Statutes:

Alberta Research Council, Annual Report 1991

Sessional Paper 132/92

Hon. Mr. Klein, Minister of the Environment, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-10.1, s52, 1983 Statutes:

Alberta Environment, Annual Report 1989-1990

Sessional Paper 57/92

Mr. Fox, Hon. Member for Vegreville:

Petitions from 57 teachers regarding a resolution of the Alberta Teachers' Association respecting the Teachers' Retirement Fund

Sessional Paper 860/92

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were accepted:

205. (Mr. Wickman)

How much has the Workers' Compensation Board spent on transportation vouchers for the period April 1, 1991 to March 19, 1992?

207. (Mrs. Hewes)

What are the terms of reference, mandate, and reporting schedule of the Department of Health's Working Committee on home care for special needs children?

213. (Mrs. Hewes)

How many appeals have been heard under the Alberta Aids to Daily Living program, for the period April 1, 1991 to March 19, 1992? Of these appeals, how many have been overturned during the same period?

The following Written Questions were not accepted:

148. (Mr. Taylor)

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?

212. (Mrs. Hewes)

How many Albertans have received home care service for the period April 1, 1990 to March 31, 1991, and from April 1, 1991 to March 19, 1992?

217. (Mr. Mitchell)

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) 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 permissible 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?

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

146, 147, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 206, 208, 209, 210, 211, 214, 215, 216, 218, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 313, 314, 315, 316, 332, 333, 334, 337, 338, 339.

Motions for Returns

The following motions were defeated:

230. Moved by Mr. Taylor:

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.

244. Moved by Mr. Mitchell:

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 delays in issuing the company licences to operate under the Clean Air and Clean Water Acts.

The following motions were ordered to stand:

184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 335, 336, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

204. Moved by Mr. Hawkesworth:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to rescind Alberta's regressive flat tax and demand the Federal Government rescind the regressive Goods and Services Tax, both of which constitute a disproportionate burden on lower income families.

A debate followed.

During the debate, Mr. Gesell, Hon. Member for Clover Bar, filed the following:

Progressivity of Provincial Personal Income Taxes in Canada, R. Howard,
G. Rugeeri, and D. Van Wart, Alberta Treasury

Sessional Paper 861/92

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(3), debate adjourned.

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 202 Freedom of Information and Protection of Personal Privacy Act –
Mr. Decore

A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Gogo, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:29 p.m. until Friday, April 3, 1992, at 10:00 a.m.

Title: Thursday, April 2, 1992