



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 66

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Twenty-Second Legislature

Monday, January 25, 1993

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

Introduction of New Member

The Speaker announced that a vacancy had occurred in the constituency of Three Hills as a result of the resignation of the sitting Member, Mrs. Connie Osterman. The Speaker further announced that he had received from the Chief Electoral Officer of Alberta, pursuant to the Election Act, a report containing the results of the by-election conducted on December 5, 1992, which states that a by-election was conducted in the constituency of Three Hills and the said report further shows that Mr. Don MacDonald was duly elected as the Member for Three Hills.

Mr. Decore, Hon. Leader of the Liberal Party, and Mrs. Hewes, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, escorted Mr. MacDonald into the House to the Mace. Mr. Decore, Hon. Leader of the Liberal Party, and Mrs. Hewes, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, presented Mr. MacDonald to the Speaker, and Mr. MacDonald took his seat in the Assembly.

Welcome to New Premier

Hon. Dr. Carter, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, Mr. Martin, Hon. Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Decore, Hon. Leader of the Liberal Party and Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Deputy Premier, welcomed the new Premier. Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, thanked Members for their welcome.

Welcome to New Sergeant-at-Arms

Hon. Dr. Carter, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, welcomed the new Sergeant-at-Arms, Brian Hodgson.

ROUTINE

Presenting Petitions

Mrs. Hewes, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, presented a petition from 25 Albertans concerned with proper dental care for clefted children.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees

Hon. Dr. Carter, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

Report of the Select Special Committee on Electoral Boundaries, established by Motion 24, July 2, 1992, Legislative Assembly of Alberta

Sessional Paper 1023/92-93

Electoral Boundaries, updated copy of the proposed legal descriptions of the electoral divisions contained in the Report of the Select Special Committee on Electoral Boundaries

Sessional Paper 674/92-93

Notices of Motions

Mr. Decore, Hon. Leader of the Liberal Party, gave oral notice of his intention to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, that the Assembly adjourn to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely Alberta's vacant Senate seat and the impending Senate appointment by the Prime Minister.

Mr. Martin, Hon. Leader of the Opposition, gave oral notice of his intention to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, that the Assembly adjourn to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely the need for the Government of Alberta to bring to the Assembly an action plan for job creation and economic stability for the people of Alberta.

Mr. Doyle, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40:

Be it resolved that Bill 282, Members of the Legislative Assembly Pension Plan Act, be brought to the top of Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders on the Order Paper, so it can be considered for Second Reading, pursuant to Standing Order 8(3) on Thursday, January 28, 1993.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, gave oral notice of his purported point of privilege.

Hon. Mr. Fowler, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, gave oral notice of his intention to introduce the following Bill under Orders of the Day:

Bill 55 Electoral Divisions Statutes Amendment Act, 1993 – Hon. Mr. Fowler

Hon. Mr. Fowler, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Orders of the Day:

Be it resolved that pursuant to Standing Order 73(2), the Electoral Divisions Statutes Amendment Act, 1993, may be advanced two or more stages in one day.

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion pursuant to Standing Order 53(2):

Be it resolved that the following Members be appointed to fill the current vacancies on the following Standing and Special Committees of this Assembly:

I. Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Act

Chairman: Mr. Anderson
Deputy Chairman: Mr. Shrake
Mr. McFarland
Mr. Severtson
Mr. Orman

II. Law and Regulations

Ms McCoy
Mr. Oldring
Mr. Stewart

III. Legislative Offices

Chairman: Mr. Lund
Ms Betkowski

IV. Members' Services

Mr. Moore
Mr. Cherry

V. Private Bills

Chairman: Mrs. B. Laing
Mr. Horsman
Mr. Stewart
Mr. Adair

VI. Public Accounts

Mr. Brassard
Mr. Weiss
Mr. Gogo

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Orders of the Day:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 55(2), the Assembly proceed with the election of a Deputy Chairman of Committees on January 26, 1993, and that the said election be by secret ballot conducted by the Clerk of the Assembly and furthermore, the successful candidate must receive 50% plus one of all votes cast. If that does not occur on the first ballot, the Member receiving the least number of votes shall be removed from the ballot and a second vote conducted by the Clerk of the Assembly.

If a candidate is not successful on the second ballot, the third and succeeding ballots, if needed, will be conducted in the same manner as the second ballot until such time as a Deputy Chairman of Committees is elected.

Hon. Mr. Dinning, Provincial Treasurer, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Orders of the Day:

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

Hon. Mr. Dinning, Provincial Treasurer, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Orders of the Day:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 58(6)(a), the number of days the Committee of Supply will be called to consider the Supplementary Estimates shall be no more than three days.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mrs. Black, Minister of Energy, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-10.1, s52, 1983 Statutes:

Alberta Energy, Annual Report 1990-91

Sessional Paper 46/92-93

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Dental Profession Act, cD-9.5, s6(4), 1983 Statutes:

Alberta Dental Association, Annual Report, June 30, 1992

Sessional Paper 65A/92-93

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Financial Administration Act, Provincial General Hospitals Act, cF-9, s2(6), RSA 1980:

Alberta Hospital Edmonton, Annual Report 1991-92
Sessional Paper 67N/92-93

Children's Health Centre of Northern Alberta (formerly, Northern Alberta Children's Hospital), Financial Statements, March 31, 1992
Sessional Paper 67O/92-93

Mr. Zarusky, Chairman, Alberta Multiculturalism Commission:

Alberta Multiculturalism Commission, Annual Report 1990-91
Sessional Paper 673/92-93

Hon. Dr. Carter, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Election Act, cE-2, s4(3), RSA 1980:

The Report of the Chief Electoral Officer on the Three Hills By-election held December 5, 1992
Sessional Paper 144B/92-93

Hon. Dr. Carter, Chairman, Special Standing Committee on Members' Services, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-10.1, s19(5), 1983 Statutes:

Members' Services Order 7/92
Sessional Paper 141C/92-93

Hon. Dr. Carter, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

10 letters to Hon. Dr. Carter, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, from various sources, concerned with the Proposed Electoral Boundaries
Sessional Paper 1024/92-93

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, filed the following:

Letter, dated January 22, 1993, from Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, to the Right Honourable Brian Mulroney, Prime Minister of Canada regarding the failure of the Charlottetown Accord.

Sessional Paper 1025/92-93

Motion for Adjournment for an Emergency Debate

Mr. Decore, Hon. Leader of the Liberal Party, requested leave to move pursuant to Standing Order 30, that the Assembly adjourn to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely Alberta's vacant Senate seat and the impending Senate appointment by the Prime Minister.

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

Mr. Martin, Hon. Leader of the Opposition, requested leave to move pursuant to Standing Order 30, that the Assembly adjourn to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely the need for the Government of Alberta to bring to the Assembly an action plan for job creation and economic stability for the people of Alberta.

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

Motions Under Standing Order 40

Mr. Doyle, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that Bill 282, Members of the Legislative Assembly Pension Plan Act, be brought to the top of Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders on the Order Paper, so it can be considered for Second Reading, pursuant to Standing Order 8(3) on Thursday, January 28, 1993.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

Privilege

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, raised a purported point of privilege relating to the establishment, by Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, of four committees.

Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, responded to the purported point of privilege.

The Speaker informed the Assembly he would take the matter under advisement.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Government House Leader, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 38 to allow consideration of Government Business without the required notice having been given.

On request of the Speaker, Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Government House Leader, clarified that the motion, if passed, would enable the introduction of Bill 55, but that it was not the Government's intention to proceed further on the Bill this day.

Unanimous consent to proceed was granted.

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to revert to the introduction of Bills.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Unanimous consent having been given:

Bill 55 Electoral Divisions Statutes Amendment Act, 1993 – Hon. Mr. Fowler

Government Motions

32. Moved by Hon. Mr. Kowalski:

Be it resolved that the following Members be appointed to fill the current vacancies on the following Standing and Special Committees of this Assembly:

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A debate followed.

Mrs. Hewes, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, proposed the motion be amended as follows:

Be it resolved that Mr. Donald MacDonald replace Mr. Frank Bruseker as the Liberal caucus member on the Public Accounts Committee

A debate followed.

The question being put on the amendment, the amendment was agreed to.

Debate continued on the main motion as amended.

The question being put, and no objection being raised, the motion as amended was agreed to unanimously.

12. Moved by Hon. Mr. Johnston:

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

A debate followed.

Mr. Sigurdson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Belmont, proposed the motion be amended as follows by adding:

, but regrets the Government's failure to supply to the Assembly quarterly budget updates as an important measure of financial accountability to the people of Alberta, and the absence of a Government strategy for job creation and financial stability.

Debate continued on the amendment.

Hon. Mr. Day moved adjournment of the debate (on amendment), which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:32 p.m. until Tuesday, January 26, 1993 at 2:30 p.m.

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

Bill	3	Vencap Equities Alberta Amendment Act, 1992 – Hon. Mr. Elzinga
Bill	44	Employment Standards Code Amendment Act, 1992 – Hon. Ms McCoy

Bill	49	Industrial Wages Security Amendment Act, 1992 – Hon. Ms McCoy
Bill	230	Employment Standards Act – Mr. Bruseker
Bill	239	Alberta Economic Diversification Board Act – Mr. Bruseker
Bill	241	Below Cost Timber Sales Act – Mr. McInnis
Bill	244	Child Welfare Amendment Act – Ms Mjolsness
Bill	246	Decommissioning of Industrial Sites Act – Mr. Mitchell
Bill	247	Alberta Retirement Savings Plan Act – Mr. Jonson
Bill	248	Financial Administration Amendment Act – Mr. Decore
Bill	251	Alberta Youth Conservation Act – Mrs. Gagnon
Bill	253	Child Welfare Amendment Act – Ms Mjolsness
Bill	255	Amusements Amendment Act – Mrs. Gagnon
Bill	257	Alberta Local Development Bonds Act – Mr. Jonson
Bill	263	Labour Relations Code Amendment Act – Mr. Bruseker
Bill	265	Interprovincial Lottery Amendment Act – Mr. Decore
Bill	270	Small Business Support Act – Ms Calahasen
Bill	272	An Act to Establish the Alberta Innovation Foundation – Mr. Bradley
Bill	275	Off-Highway Vehicle Amendment Act – Mr. Bradley
Bill	280	Marketing of Agricultural Products Amendment Act – Mr. Fox
Bill	283	Arts Council Act – Mrs. Gagnon
Bill	284	Child Welfare Amendment Act – Mrs. Hewes
Bill	285	Public Service Employee Relations Amendment Act – Mr. Bruseker
Bill	286	Highway Traffic Amendment Act – Mrs. Mirosh
Bill	287	An Act to Establish a Committee to Promote a Split Peak Rate Assessment for Industrial Energy Consumers – Mr. Paszkowski
Bill	293	Public Accounts Committee Act – Mr. Pashak
Bill	295	Auditor General Amendment Act – Mr. Decore
Bill	296	Entrepreneurial Education Commission Act – Mr. Paszkowski
Bill	301	An Act to Phase Out the Use of Chlorofluorocarbons – Mr. Mitchell
Bill	309	School Amendment Act – Mrs. Gagnon
Bill	312	Crown Property Municipal Grants Amendment Act – Mr. Wickman
Bill	313	Auditor General Amendment Act – Mr. Pashak
Bill	314	Income Tax Amendment Act – Mr. Wickman

- Bill 315 An Act to Commit Government to a Five-Year Funding Planning Framework – Mr. Wickman
- Bill 317 Miscellaneous Statutes on Marital Status Amendment Act – Ms Laing
- Bill 320 An Act to Provide for Elected Representation on Post-Secondary Education Institute Boards – Mr. Pashak
- Bill 328 Liquor Control Amendment Act, 1992 – Mr. Taylor
- Bill 331 Teaching Profession Amendment Act, 1992 – Mr. Severtson
- Bill 343 Municipal Government Amendment Act, 1993 – Mr. McInnis
- Bill 344 Rural Electrification Act – Mr. Taylor

Written Questions

379. Mr. Doyle to ask the Government the following question:

How many single-cell wastewater stabilization ponds are licenced to operate in Alberta pursuant to section 4 of the Clean Water Act, as of January 25, 1993?

Motions for Returns

380. Mr. Doyle to propose the following motion:

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

A map and list of addresses detailing the location of every single-cell wastewater stabilization pond which is drained into Alberta waterways and licenced to operate in Alberta pursuant to section 4 of the Clean Water Act, as of January 25, 1993.

381. Mr. Doyle to propose the following motion:

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

A breakdown of the number of litres discharged into Alberta waterways from single-cell wastewater stabilization ponds licenced to operate in Alberta pursuant to section 4 of the Clean Water Act, for the calendar years 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992.

382. Mr. Doyle to propose the following motion:

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

A breakdown of the number of litres estimated to be discharged into Alberta waterways from single-cell wastewater stabilization ponds licenced to operate in Alberta pursuant to section 4 of the Clean Water Act for the calendar years 1993 and 1994.

David J. Carter,
Speaker

Title: Monday, January 25, 1993