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The Speaker took the Chair at 3:00 p.m.

His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor entered the Assembly and took his seat on the Throne.

Speaker's Address to the Lieutenant Governor

Then the Speaker said:

May it please Your Honour, the Legislative Assembly have elected me as their Speaker, though I am but little able to fulfil the important duties thus assigned to me.

If in the performance of those duties I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault may be imputed to me and not the Assembly, whose servant I am, and who, through me, the better to enable them to discharge their duties to their Queen and Province, hereby claim all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of speech in their debates, access to your person at all seasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from you the most favourable construction.

Statement by the Provincial Secretary

The Provincial Secretary, Hon. Mr. Rostad, then said:

I am commanded by His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor to declare to you that he freely confides in the duty and attachment of this Assembly to Her Majesty's person and Government, and, not doubting that the proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temperance, and prudence, he grants and upon all occasions will recognize and allow the Assembly's constitutional privileges.

I am commanded also to assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to His Honour upon all suitable occasions and that all proceedings as well as your words and actions will constantly receive from him the most favourable construction.

Speech From The Throne

His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor then read the following Speech from the Throne:

Mr. Speaker, Members of the Legislative Assembly, and fellow Albertans:

It is my privilege and pleasure to welcome each of you to the first sitting of the 23rd Alberta Legislature.

On June 15, 1993, our fellow Albertans gathered in the schools and the community and church halls of this great Province to exercise a precious and fundamental right: the right to vote in a free and fair election for men and women to represent them in this Assembly.

As we assemble today, we should remember that this and all the other rights and freedoms we have in a parliamentary democracy have been won by the labours and lives of many over the centuries and that there are still millions of people all over the world who cannot enjoy these rights and freedoms.

I congratulate each Member elected to this House. Serving as an elected Member of a Legislature continues a proud and honourable tradition and carries tremendous responsibilities. For when you walked through those doors this afternoon, you entered into the pages of a living history book. Hon. Members, this is your chapter to write. The legacy of hope, dreams, and years of work of your predecessors and the people they served now passes to you.

A Change for Albertans

In 1905 the winds of change were sweeping across the prairie when Alberta's first Legislature took office. In short order our first Premier, Alexander Rutherford, captured the essence of this Province when he declared:

We live... in one of the grandest Provinces in the Canadian Confederation. We believe there is a great future before our Province, and that it will be a still grander Province in the very near future... We are a hopeful people. We have no pessimists in Alberta. A pessimist could not succeed.

Premier Rutherford was right. In less than a century Albertans took on the daunting challenge of the frontier. They capitalized on our enormous natural advantages – the land, the resources – and some of the hardiest settlers and entrepreneurs in history to build all that we enjoy today.

Hon. Members, the great winds of change are sweeping through Alberta again. The election of 1993 produced 49 new MLAs, virtually the greatest number of first-time Members in our history. That means a fresh new perspective and a strong commitment to change.

My Government recognizes that these are extremely challenging times to be an MLA. Widespread discontent among voters has fuelled a cynicism about Governments all over the world. Changing times require a fundamental change in the way government conducts the people's business. Positive change is what this Government stands for, and positive change is what it will deliver.

In Alberta we have recognized that government must be by the people as well as for and of the people. Albertans want open government, and they want a bigger say in the business of government than a periodic trip to the polling booth. That is exactly what this Government has been doing over the last few months, and that is exactly what it will continue to do.

We all know that changing times demand new approaches and new ways of doing things. We know we cannot meet the challenges of today and tomorrow with yesterday's thinking and last week's ideas. Successful businesses know that if they stay the same, they are left behind. In 1993 my Government has caught up to Albertans in their thinking. My Government has a plan, and the heart of that plan is providing open, accessible, responsive, and affordable Government.

As we open this 23rd Legislature, the Government is mindful of the four fundamental commitments it made in the recent election, commitments that the people of Alberta endorsed on June 15. My Government's first commitment is to balance our provincial budget within four years and to take the steps necessary to ensure that my Government will live within its means. The second commitment is to create an environment that will allow the private sector to create 110,000 new jobs for Albertans over the next four years. The third commitment is to reorganize, deregulate, and streamline government to reflect Albertans' desire for a government as frugal and creative as they have to be in these times of fiscal challenge. And this Government's fourth commitment is to listen to the people it is privileged to serve, to consult with them, and to be as open, compassionate, and fair as possible in reflecting their wishes, their hopes, and their dreams.

As issues come and go over the next four years, my Government will never forget that its plan and its mandate are based on these four pillars. They will guide the Government through all its deliberations and actions, even as specific concerns change on a daily basis.

This Government is going through change as well. This afternoon we will hear how it is charting Alberta's changing frontier to keep those four promises and, in doing so, meet the new realities of the 1990s and beyond.

Putting Our Financial House in Order

In 1993 Governments all over the world are facing serious economic challenges. People are demanding the maximum value for not only what they buy but for what they pay in taxes. Whether on a personal, municipal, provincial, or federal level all of us must try to stretch not only every dollar but every penny. Such is the challenge facing my Government.

In the recent election Albertans gave a loud and clear message of support for this Government's commitment to put our financial house in order. Albertans want good Government at a cost they can afford.

This means doing three things:

- balancing the budget within four years,
- paying down the provincial debt in a planned and orderly way, and
- ensuring that the Government will live within its means.

A perceived lack of fiscal responsibility is perhaps the greatest reason for the cynicism that people feel towards governments today, but my Government is changing that perception in this Province, and not because it is expedient or fashionable. This Government is initiating fundamental change in the way it manages the public purse because there is no other choice. It is that simple. Putting our financial house in order is critical to maintaining the strong economy that Albertans need, want, and expect. The Government will do so with innovation, fairness, and compassion to both the public and employees in the public service.

Albertans will be familiar with the financial component of my Government's plan for change. It is reflected in the budget presented in May and will be detailed further in the budget to be tabled in this House very shortly. The provincial budget will be frugal and fair. It will keep the Government on course to do what it promised Albertans it would do and what Albertans elected it to do on June 15. Under this year's financial plan

- this Government will continue the process of eliminating the deficit in a fair and orderly manner, following clear year-by-year ceilings that are backed up by the Deficit Elimination Act to keep it on track,
- the Government will achieve its deficit reduction objective in this fiscal year,
- it will save more than \$130 million by reorganizing and streamlining Government for great efficiency, and
- there will be no tax increases, no new taxes and no sales tax.

This plan continues a number of important changes in the way the Government of Alberta is conducting the people's business. In my Government's first few months in office it started introducing the kind of change Albertans are demanding. Recognizing that Albertans want greater involvement in decision-making and a smaller, more efficient Government, my Government brought in a number of major and meaningful changes.

- It opened the books and began providing Albertans with quarterly financial updates.
- It struck a Financial Review Commission and began acting on the resulting recommendations.
- It opened up the decision-making process with a new, streamlined committee system that incorporates public participation at the start of our policy-making.
- It began streamlining and cutting spending in Government by reducing the size
 of Cabinet, the salaries of ministers, and the size of ministerial staff; consolidating
 several Government departments; reducing the number of deputy ministers;
 downsizing the public service through a highly successful voluntary severance
 program; eliminating the MLA pension plan; reducing the number of Government
 vehicles; and many other measures.

This Government will stay on course through several other critical initiatives.

- It will continue to act on the specific recommendations of the Alberta Financial Review Commission to improve the way it manages, administers, and reports on its finances.
- In budgeting and accounting the new approach will focus on performance and results. This includes a review of the role and future of the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund.
- Shortly the Government Reorganization Secretariat will present its first review on the future of a number of Government agencies, boards, and commissions.
- Each department, agency, and organization receiving Government funds will be called on to develop a three-year business plan.
- The Government will eliminate programs that do not meet priority needs.
- It will continue with the budget roundtables that it started last March in Red Deer.

By putting Alberta's financial house in order through these measures, we do some profoundly important things. We give people more hope. We give them reason to be confident that our Province will enjoy a strong economy, good jobs, and a quality of life that makes us all proud to be Albertans. We hand our children and grandchildren a clear title instead of a huge unpaid bill. And in doing all of these things, we give Government back to ourselves, the people, to whom it belongs.

The Economy and Job Creation Promoting the Alberta Advantage

Government is changing the way it does business when it comes to the economy. This Government has made a major shift in its economic development policy. It believes the role of government is to create a climate conducive to investment and job creation and then to invite people from Canada and around the world to do business here.

Unlike some others, my Government will not try to buy prosperity through higher taxes. Instead, it will build on Alberta's existing advantage of low taxes and its free enterprise spirit to develop the most competitive economy in North America. The Government will strengthen the Alberta Advantage and sell it aggressively around the globe.

Of all the challenges facing us, generating new employment is the most important because Albertans need good jobs for themselves and their children. We are looking to the private sector to provide those jobs.

The Government will build on Alberta's strengths: agriculture, energy, forestry, tourism, small business, and our high-technology infrastructure. As well, it will encourage the development of emerging industries such as environmental services and information technologies. This strategy strikes a balance between attracting new business and investment to Alberta and encouraging growth of existing Alberta businesses.

This new approach to economic development is based on consultation and the common sense and experience of Albertans. Through extensive public consultation processes, including Toward 2000 Together, my Government talked with thousands of Albertans in developing its new economic strategy, which is outlined in the document Seizing Opportunity.

The core of this strategy is tax and regulatory reform. This Government is going to cut the red tape that chokes investment and prevents small business from getting down to work. It is going to ensure Alberta's tax climate remains competitive. The plan for regulatory reform has two phases. Phase one calls for every government department to have a deregulation action plan completed this year. The plans will recommend revisions, reductions, or outright elimination of unnecessary rules and regulations. At the same time Albertans will be asked for their suggestions. Phase two will be a public review of those deregulation plans and suggestions. Following the public review my Government will implement these new deregulation initiatives within the year, and from now on new regulations will include a sunset clause requiring them to be reviewed or terminated after a certain time.

Regulatory reform cannot be done in isolation from other Governments. This Government will continue negotiations with the Federal Government to reduce federal/provincial overlap and duplication. In particular, it will strive to harmonize federal/provincial environmental laws. The Government realizes that economic development and environmental protection must be linked and intends to be a leader for all of Canada in that regard.

On tax reform my Government knows that Alberta now enjoys the lowest tax rates in Canada and is the only province without a sales tax. However, our tax strategy must be focused on competitiveness. My Government will establish a tax reform commission to review all aspects of Alberta's tax system in full consultation with the public. The commission will be asked to answer one question: what can we do to improve Alberta's competitive tax advantage? The commission will report by the end of 1993. Changes will be incorporated into the 1994-95 budget.

There is no point in building the most competitive tax and regulatory climate in Canada unless we tell people about it. Therefore, another key part of the Government's strategy will be to promote the Alberta Advantage aggressively throughout Canada and the world. Already this Government has begun to refocus Alberta's international trade offices on the bread and butter issues of investment, trade, tourism, and immigration. It is placing trade agents in new markets such as India and Siberia and seeks to increase Alberta's exposure in Mexico. Our Premier will make it part of his job to sell Alberta as one of the best places in the world to visit and do business.

My Government will continue to press for greater trade freedom. It has begun negotiations to reduce interprovincial trade barriers. These negotiations should be complete within two years. It has negotiated a continental barley market and will continue to press for changes to the method of payment to encourage value-added diversification in agriculture.

Other highlights of my Government's strategy include

- as much as possible, getting out of direct business subsidies,
- deregulating and simplifying accounting for the petroleum and related industries, and
- introducing bond pilot projects and considering a risk insurance fund for local development.

The Government's approach to economic development represents an important change in the way of doing business in this province. It makes sense in today's global economy. It takes into account the needs of small businesses. It is based on what Albertans have said will work.

Maintaining Our Commitment to People and Public Consultation

My Government must change the way it does business when it comes to providing health care, education, and social services. These three areas, together with debt servicing, comprise 88 percent of our annual budget. If these areas are allowed to grow as they have in the past, they will consume 100 percent of the province's revenues by 1998, assuming a flat revenue scenario. There would be no money for other essential services such as policing and transportation, no money for agriculture, tourism, labour, and other programs.

Obviously, this must change. Our current system is too expensive, and we all know that more money is not the answer. Albertans pay enough for these programs already. The answer is not to let the quality of Alberta's social programs deteriorate. That would undermine our efforts to stimulate the economy. You build a strong economy with healthy, well-educated, and well-trained people.

The answer is to continue providing quality services while living within our means. To do it, the Government has to be imaginative. It has to look at everything. It has to take risks and try new things. There is a vital need for more efficient and effective ways of providing Albertans with services they truly need. All of our provincial public-sector organizations have to do as my Government has: start at the top with cuts in administration.

Albertans have told their Government to rethink the way it provides education, to continue the restructuring of our health care system, to continue with welfare reforms that focus on putting people to work instead of encouraging chronic dependence, and to think in terms not of doing less but of doing better.

Government cannot and should not face these challenges alone. It will work with Albertans. Government must have public support for the fundamental changes required in the way it does business, and the only way to win that support is to involve Albertans in public policy-making from the very start.

This Government will keep its promise to listen, consult, and be open with Albertans at all times.

In recent months, my Government has opened up the decision-making process with a new, streamlined committee system. It has made public consultation an integral part of its policy-making. Since taking office in December, my Government has completed several public consultations, including Toward 2000 Together, Tourism 2000, and Creating Tomorrow. It established the Financial Review Commission in February. It held a budget roundtable in March. This Government's economic strategy, its budget, and all of the changes it has made in the last eight months reflect those consultations.

A few days ago my Government held the first of several roundtable discussions on health care. It will continue holding budget roundtables, and it will hold roundtable discussions on education and post-secondary education to develop new directions and strategies. The resulting recommendations will be part of the implementation of the Government's four-year plan.

The Government's review of the role and future of the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund will be made public. In a few weeks my Government will hold another series of public consultations with seniors on the programs and policies affecting them. The public will be involved in regulatory and taxation reform. Just as our fiscal plan and economic strategy are based on what Albertans have said will work, so must the new approaches to health care, education, and social services be based on what Albertans say. In working with its citizens, my Government will welcome and encourage the participation of Albertans.

My Government's role is not to dictate but to facilitate the discovery of made-in-Alberta solutions. Working together, Albertans will find better, more affordable ways of getting the job done. We must and we will get the job done well.

Our Legislative Profile

In presenting the legislative agenda, this Government has stayed true to the philosophy that Government should get out of rather than into the lives of Albertans. People in this province know that more government and more laws mean more expense, red tape, and confusion and less freedom.

In bringing in new legislation, my Government will be guided by its commitment to fundamental change. That means it will do things differently. As part of its crusade for innovation, greater efficiency, and smaller government, this Government is presenting Albertans with a legislative program for this session that is more streamlined, concentrated, and to the point than in former years. To this end, it will introduce a minimal number of new Bills.

The legislative priority will be to honour a commitment to do what no other government has done in the history of this Province. My Government will deal with freedom of information and the protection of privacy. Open and responsible government means accessibility, and accessibility demands a free flow of information from government to the people it serves. At the same time, the Bill will safeguard the privacy of individual Albertans by prohibiting public access to details of their personal lives.

My Government will proceed with amendments to the School Act and introduce the Government Organization Act, the Alberta Registries Act, the required appropriation Bills, and a small number of other Bills.

As with all my Government's initiatives, legislation will be prepared and assessed in consultation with Albertans. This commitment to consult Albertans extends to the processes of our Legislature. Having received public consultation through the Parliamentary Reform Committee, the Government will propose constructive changes to Standing Orders to streamline and facilitate the business of this House, including considering shorter but more concentrated weeks in session. As the first step in my Government's plans for meaningful parliamentary reform, it is introducing, for the first time in the history of the Alberta Legislature, elections by secret ballot for the Speaker and Deputy Speaker of the House and Deputy Chairman of the Legislature committees.

The legislative agenda reflects the same approach this Government takes in every aspect of conducting the people's business. My Government has the courage to initiate meaningful change. It will be honest. It will be straightforward. It will be efficient. It will do what is in the best interests of Albertans. This Government takes pride in being a Government for all Albertans, be they from Calgary, Edmonton, our other cities and towns, or our rural communities. It is prepared to do its utmost to retain their confidence.

Reaping the Benefits of Change

Fellow Albertans, on the eve of a new millennium our prospects are tremendous, our Province's financial outlook is positive, and we have much to be grateful for in 1993.

In a turbulent, exciting, and sometimes daunting world, Albertans are setting an example for Canadians with humanity, honesty, courage, and fiscal responsibility. Other governments are just beginning to talk about the kind of change that this Government has been delivering for the last eight months. There is no secret or magic to these efforts. My Government is a government for the people. It works with Albertans. It reflects the agenda set for the Province.

The Government of Alberta will deliver on each of its four fundamental commitments:

- a balanced budget,
- a climate for meaningful job creation in the private sector,
- a reorganized, deregulated, and streamlined government, and
- open consultation with Albertans.

Those commitments represent the wishes of the people my Government is so privileged to represent.

The Government understands fully that following these plans will be strong medicine for all of us, but it will stand by them, and all that my Government asks is that Albertans stand by these commitments alongside the men and women in this House. Let us not abandon our course, for any feeble attempts to avoid the challenge will be labour lost. This Government is confident that Albertans have the strength and the courage to make the tough decisions, for when it comes to the quality of our lives and our future, there is no place for the kind of self-interest that has surfaced across this country in the past.

This is our moment to help shape the history of our Province and the future of our children and grandchildren. I call on all of the Members of this House and every Albertan that they represent to help shape it together in the spirit of pioneering and change that has guided and inspired Alberta since 1905.

Our Province was built by people who were willing to struggle against formidable odds. They saw the opportunities that existed, and they saw their place in the future. Our pioneers understood that as time passed, they would have to abandon many of the old ways of doing things and keep doing what worked while looking constantly for new ways of doing things better. For above all, as our first Premier said, Albertans are optimists. As great optimists, we look on change not as threatening and uncertain but as an exciting challenge to improve our society while staying true to all that we hold dear as human beings. This is the real challenge facing Albertans today, for what we must fear is not change but the inability and the unwillingness to change. Now it is our turn to build a better Alberta.

And now I leave you to the business of this session, confident that as elected representatives you will in every way fulfill your responsibilities to Albertans.

I pray that the blessing of God may rest on your deliberations.

God bless Alberta. God bless Canada. God save the Queen.

His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor then retired from the Assembly.

Government Bills and Orders

Ordered, That the Honourable Mr. Klein have leave to introduce a Bill entitled "Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 1993".

Hon. Mr. Klein accordingly presented the Bill and the same was received and read a First time.

Tabling Documents

The Speaker informed the Assembly that he had obtained a copy of the Speech of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, which was laid on the Table.

Sessional Paper 600/93

Announcement by the Clerk of the Assembly of Members Elected

Mr. Speaker, I have received from the Chief Electoral Officer of Alberta, pursuant to the Election Act, a report containing the results of the General Election conducted on the fifteenth day of June, 1993, which states that an election was conducted in the following electoral divisions and the said report further shows that the following members were duly elected:

Athabasca-Wabasca Mike Cardinal Banff-Cochrane **Brian Evans** Barrhead-Westlock Ken Kowalski Bonnyville Leo Vasseur Bow Valley Lyle Oberg Calgary-Bow Bonnie Laing Calgary-Buffalo Gary Dickson Calgary-Cross Yvonne Fritz Jocelyn Burgener Calgary-Currie Calgary-East Moe Amery Calgary-Egmont Denis Herard Calgary-Elbow Ralph Klein Calgary-Fish Creek Heather Forsyth Calgary-Foothills Pat Black Dianne Mirosh Calgary-Glenmore Calgary-Lougheed Jim Dinning Calgary McCall Harry Sohal Calgary-Montrose Hung Pham Calgary-Mountain View Mark Hlady Calgary-North Hill Richard Magnus Calgary-North West Frank Bruseker Gary Mar Calgary-Nose Creek Calgary-Shaw Jon Havelock

Calgary-Varsity Murray Smith
Calgary-West Danny Dalla-Longa

Cardston-Chief Mountain Jack Ady

Chinook Shirley McClellan
Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan Muriel Abdurahman

Cypress-Medicine Hat Lorne Taylor
Drayton Valley-Calmar Tom Thurber

Drumheller Stan Schumacher
Dunvegan Glen Clegg

Edmonton-Avonmore Gene Zwozdesky Edmonton-Beverly-Belmont Julius Yankowsky Edmonton-Centre Michael Henry Edmonton-Ellerslie Debby Carlson Edmonton-Glengarry Laurence Decore Edmonton-Glenora **Howard Sapers** Edmonton-Gold Bar Bettie Hewes Edmonton-Highlands-Beverly Alice Hanson **Edmonton-Manning** Peter Sekulic Edmonton-Mayfield Lance White Edmonton-McClung Grant Mitchell Edmonton-Meadowlark Karen Leibovici **Edmonton-Mill Woods** Don Massey Edmonton-Norwood Andrew Beniuk Edmonton-Roper Sine Chadi Edmonton-Rutherford Percy Wickman Edmonton-Strathcona Al Zariwny Edmonton-Whitemud Mike Percy Adam Germain

Fort McMurray Walter Paszkowski Grande Prairie-Smoky Grande Prairie-Wapiti Wayne Jacques Don Tannas Highwood Innisfail-Sylvan Lake Gary Severtson Lac La Biche-St. Paul Paul Langevin Lacombe-Stettler Judy Gordon Leduc Terry Kirkland Lesser Slave Lake Pearl Calahasen Ken Nicol Lethbridge-East Lethbridge-West Clint Dunford Little Bow Barry McFarland

Medicine HatRob RennerOlds-DidsburyRoy BrassardPeace RiverGary FriedelPincher Creek-MacleodDavid Coutts

Ponoka-Rimbey Halvar Jonson
Red Deer-North Stockwell Day
Red Deer-South Victor Doerksen
Redwater Nick Taylor
Rocky Mountain House Ty Lund
St. Albert Len Bracko

Sherwood Park

Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert

Stony Plain

Taber-Warner

Three Hills-Airdrie

Vegreville-Viking

Vermilion-Lloydminster

Bruce Collingwood

Colleen Soetaert

Stan Woloshyn

Ron Hierath

Carol Haley

Ed Stelmach

Steve West

Wainwright Robert (Butch) Fischer West Yellowhead Duco Van Binsbergen

Wetaskiwin-Camrose Ken Rostad Whitecourt-Ste. Anne Peter Trynchy

Government Motions

Moved by Hon. Mr. Klein:

It was resolved that the Speech of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor to this Assembly be taken into consideration tomorrow (Wednesday).

Moved by Hon. Mrs. McClellan:

It was resolved that the Votes and Proceedings of this Assembly be printed, after first having been perused by Mr. Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof, and that no person, but such as he shall appoint, do presume to print the same.

Moved by Hon. Mr. Evans:

It was resolved that the Select Standing Committees for the present Session of the Legislative Assembly be appointed for the following purposes:

- (1) Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing,
- (2) Public Accounts,
- (3) Private Bills,
- (4) Law and Regulations,
- (5) Public Affairs,
- (6) The Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Act, and
- (7) Legislative Offices,

and, in addition thereto, there be appointed for the duration of the present Legislature, a Special Standing Committee on Members' Services.

Hon. Mr. Kowalski requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Orders 49(1) and (3).

Hon. Mr. Kowalski requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to waive Standing Order 38(1)(a).

Hon. Mr. Kowalski moved that the following Members be appointed to the Assembly's seven Standing and one Special Standing Committees:

Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Act (15 Members)

Dunford (Chairman)	Forsyth	Mitchell
Herard (D. Chairman)	Haley	Percy
Chadi	Havelock	Sohal
Dalla-Longa	Laing	Stelmach
Doerksen	Massey	White

Law and Regulations (21 Members)

Havelock (Chairman)	Dickson	Oberg
Doerksen (D. Chairman)	Dunford	Renner
Amery	Fischer	Sapers
Brassard	Germain	Severtson
Burgener	Jacques	Smith
Collingwood	Langevin	Zariwny
Coutts	Leibovici	Zwozdesky

Legislative Offices (9 Members)

Hierath (Chairman)	Bruseker	Friedel
Sohal (D. Chairman)	Dickson	Fritz
Brassard	Doerksen	Massey

Members' Services (11 Members)

Schumacher (Chairman)	Haley	Stelmach
Woloshyn (D. Chairman)	Henry	Taylor (Redwater)
Brassard	Kowalski	Wickman
Bruseker	Mirosh	

Private Bills (21 Members)

Renner (Chairman) Hlady Sekulic Amery (Deputy Chairman) Jacques Smith Beniuk Kirkland Soetaert

Fischer Laing Taylor (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Fritz Leibovici Van Binsbergen
Gordon Oberg Wickman
Herard Pham Yankowsky

Privileges and Elections, Standings Orders and Printing (21 Members)

Coutts (Chairman) Forsyth Langevin Pham (Deputy Chairman) Friedel Mitchell Bracko Germain Nicol Gordon Oberg Carlson Clegg Havelock Renner Collingwood Hlady Smith

Dickson Jacques Taylor (Cypress-Medicine Hat)

Public Accounts (25 Members)

Abdurahman (Chairman)ChadiMcFarlandFriedel (Deputy Chairman)CouttsPercyAmeryDalla-LongaPhamBrusekerFritzSohalBurgenerHansonStelmach

Calahasen Lund Taylor (Cypress-Medicine Hat)

Carlson Magnus Vasseur

Public Affairs (All Members)

Gordon (Chairman) Forsyth (Deputy Chairman)

Sessional Paper 800/93

Hon. Mr. Dinning gave oral notice of the following motion:

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

Hon. Mr. Dinning gave oral notice of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Messages of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 1993-94 Interim Supply, and all matters connected therewith, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Hon. Mr. Dinning gave oral notice of 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 1993-94 Interim Supply shall be (2) two days.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 3:59 p.m. until Wednesday, September 1, 1993, at 2:30 p.m.

NOTICES

Leave to Introduce a Bill

Bill	201	Freedom of Information and Protection of Personal Privacy Act – Mr. Decore
Bill	202	Deficit Elimination Amendment Act, 1993 – Dr. Percy
Bill	203	Recall Act – Mr. Dickson
Bill	204	Stray Animals Amendment Act, 1993 - Mr. Brassard
Bill	205	Agricultural Resources Conservation Board Act - Dr. Nicol
Bill	206	Auditor General Amendment Act, 1993 – Dr. Percy
Bill	207	Children's Rights Bill – Mrs. Hewes
Bill	208	Child Welfare Amendment Act, 1993 (No. 3) - Mr. Severtson
Bill	209	Entrepreneurial Education Commission Act – Mr. Havelock
Bill	210	Individual Property Rights Protection Act – Mr. Pham
Bill	211	Conservation Easement Act – Mr. Collingwood
Bill	212	Teaching Profession Amendment Act, 1993 – Mr. Severtson
Bill	213	Employee Relations Statutes Amendment Act, 1993 – Ms Leibovici
Bill	214	Justice Reform Commission Act – Ms Burgener
Bill	215	Ethanol Strategy Act – Mr. Fischer
Bill	216	Motor Vehicle Administration Amendment Act, 1993 – Mr. Woloshyn
Bill	217	Office of Treaty Commissioner Act – Mr. N. Taylor
Bill	218	Business Corporations Amendment Act, 1993 – Mr. Friedel
Bill	219	Members of the Legislative Assembly Salaries, Allowances and Expenses Review Act – Mr. Decore
Bill	220	Students Finance Amendment Act, 1993 – Dr. Massey

- Bill 221 Arts Council Act Mr. Zwozdesky
- Bill 222 Limitation of Actions Amendment Act, 1993 Mr. Dickson
- Bill 223 Liquor Control Amendment Act, 1993 Mr. Fischer
- Bill 224 Child Welfare Amendment Act, 1993 (No. 2) Mr. Sekulic
- Bill 225 Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act, 1993 Mr. Mitchell
- Bill 226 An Act to Commit Government to a Three Year Funding Planning Framework Mr. Wickman
- Bill 227 Interprovincial Lottery Amendment Act, 1993 Mr. Chadi
- Bill 228 Water Transfer Control Act Dr. Nicol
- Bill 229 Children's Advocate Act Ms Hanson
- Bill 230 Planning Amendment Act, 1993 Mrs. Gordon
- Bill 231 Financial Administration Amendment Act, 1993 Dr. Percy
- Bill 232 Ambulance Services Amendment Act, 1993 Mr. Mitchell
- Bill 233 Farm Practices Protection Act Mr. Jacques
- Bill 234 Wildlife Amendment Act, 1993 Mr. Collingwood
- Bill 235 Ombudsman Amendment Act, 1993 Dr. Massey
- Bill 236 Legal Profession Amendment Act, 1993 Ms Burgener
- Bill 237 Aboriginal Justice Act Mr. N. Taylor
- Bill 238 Environmental Bill of Rights Mr. Collingwood
- Bill 239 Non-Smokers Health Act Mr. Sapers
- Bill 240 Conflicts of Interest Amendment Act, 1993 Mr. Dickson
- Bill 241 Public Service Pay Equity Act Mrs. Soetaert
- Bill 242 Service Dogs Act Mr. Coutts
- Bill 243 Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Amendment Act, 1993 Mr. Hlady
- Bill 244 Highway Traffic Amendment Act, 1993 (No. 2) Mr. Hlady
- Bill 245 Small Business Support Act Mr. Havelock
- Bill 246 Marketing of Agricultural Products Amendment Act, 1993 Dr. L. Taylor
- Bill 247 Police Amendment Act, 1993 Mrs. Gordon
- Bill 248 Amusement Amendment Act, 1993 Mr. Zwozdesky
- Bill 249 Employment Standards Code Amendment Act, 1993 Ms Leibovici

Bill	250	Legislative Assembly (Annual Election of the Speaker) Amendment Act, 1993 – Mr. Decore
Bill	251	An Act to Amend the Water Resources Act – Mrs. Gordon
Bill	252	Fatal Accidents Amendment Act, 1993 - Mr. Dickson
Bill	253	Legal Profession Amendment Act, 1993 (No. 1) - Mr. Dickson
Bill	254	Alberta Youth Conservation Corps Act – Mr. Collingwood
Bill	255	Establishment and Dissolution of Francophone Education Regions Act – Mr. Henry
Bill	256	Vulnerable Persons Protection Act – Mr. Tannas
Bill	257	Retirement Savings Plan Act – Mr. Hlady
Bill	258	Tobacco Control Act – Mr. Lund
Bill	259	Labour Relations Code Amendment Act, 1993 – Mr. Doerksen
Bill	260	Native Peoples Representation Statutes Amendment Act, 1993 – Mr. N. Taylor
Bill	261	Mental Health Amendment Act, 1993 – Mr. Sapers
Bill	262	Livestock and Livestock Products Amendment Act, 1993 – Mr. Hierath
Bill	263	Government Open Contract Act – Mr. Chadi
Bill	264	Emblems of Alberta Amendment Act, 1993 - Mr. Lund
Bill	265	Child Welfare Amendment Act, 1993 (No. 1) – Ms Hanson
Bill	266	Alberta Advisory Council on Women's Issues Amendment Act, 1993 – Mrs. Soetaert
Bill	267	Telemarketing Act – Mr. Bruseker
Bill	268	School Amendment Act, 1993 – Mr. Henry
Bill	269	Environmental Ombudsman Act – Mr. Langevin
Bill	270	Motor Vehicle Accident Claims Amendment Act, 1993 – Ms Burgener
Bill	271	Small Power Research and Development Amendment Act, 1993 – Mr. Hlady
Bill	272	Uniform Building Standards Amendment Act, 1993 – Mr. Collingwood
Bill	273	Surface Rights Amendment Act, 1993 – Mr. Stelmach
Bill	274	Volunteer Tax Credit Amendment Act, 1993 – Mr. Havelock

Written Questions

Q144. Dr. Massey to ask the Government the following question:

What are the Government's projected enrolments at Alberta's colleges, universities and technical institutes for each of the 1993-94, 1994-95, 1995-96, 1996-97, and 1997-98 academic years?

Q145. Mr. Langevin to ask the Government the following question:

For the period April 1, 1991 to March 31, 1992, what was the total amount in Court fines imposed on those found guilty of poaching?

Q146. Mr. Langevin to ask the Government the following question:

For the Government and commercial operators, respectively, working on Crown land in Alberta:

- (1) what was the total acreage logged between April 1, 1991 and March 31, 1992?
- (2) what acreage was planted, seeded or prepared for regeneration between April 1, 1991 and March 31, 1992?
- (3) what was the acreage awaiting treatment at March 31, 1992?
- (4) what was the acreage that had been logged prior to April 1, 1989, that had not been planted, seeded or treated by March 31, 1992?

Q147. Mr. Collingwood to ask the Government the following question:

How many prosecutions were brought before the Courts for infringements of the Clean Air Act and the Clean Water Act between April 1, 1991, and March 31, 1992, and how much revenue was collected for the Province from fines under those prosecutions?

Q148. Mr. Collingwood to ask the Government the following question:

What was the total cost of stocking lakes in Alberta with trout, walleye and yellow perch during the period April 1, 1991, to March 31, 1992, and what was the proportion of this amount that was spent on restocking lakes north of Edmonton?

Q149. Mr. Collingwood to ask the Government the following question:

What is the formula used by the Government and the Tire Recycling Management Board to determine the appropriate amount to pay Inland Cement Ltd. from the Tire Recycling Fund towards the cost of marshalling, transporting, sorting, storing and handling tires for its facility in Edmonton?

Q150. Mr. Collingwood to ask the Government the following question:

How many plants were issued licences under the Clean Air Act in each of the years from April 1, 1989, until March 31, 1993; how many of these were monitored by on-site inspections and how many of these inspections were unannounced?

Q151. Mr. Collingwood to ask the Government the following question:

With respect to the landfill cells at the waste facility near Swan Hills that is operated by Alberta Special Waste Management Corporation and Bovar Environmental Services Inc., what volume of leachate has leaked from each of the landfill cells, from commencement of operation until March 31, 1993; what is the chemical composition of this leachate; and what is the cost of repairing or replacing cells x-1, d-1 and d-2, and rehabilitating cell c-1, and how much of this cost is covered by insurance with respect to each cell?

Q152. Mr. Langevin to ask the Government the following question:

What was the total acreage of timber in the Province harvested between April 1, 1991, and March 31, 1992, under forest management agreements, coniferous timber quotas, deciduous timber allocations, coniferous licences, commercial timber permits and local timber permits.

Q153. Mr. Collingwood to ask the Government the following question:

How much have each of the Departments of Environmental Protection and Economic Development and Trade spent on the Action on Waste program from inception until March 31, 1993; how many projects have been set up; by what percentage has waste in the Province been reduced by this program; and by what percentage has waste been diverted from landfills to recycling, as a result of this program?

Q154. Mr. Collingwood to ask the Government the following question:

For the period April 1, 1991, to March 31, 1992, and from April 1, 1992 to March 31, 1993, what were the remedial works carried out and how much did the Department of Environmental Protection spend:

- (1) as the Provincial share of cleaning up each of the sites in Alberta designated under the National Contaminated Sites Remediation Program; and
- (2) on cleaning up each of the other orphaned sites identified in the Help End Landfill Pollution inventory.

Q155. Mr. Sekulic to ask the Government the following question:

How many Social Assistance files have been closed between the period January 1, 1993, to August 31, 1993, and how many of the files were closed because the client found full time employment, the client was transferred to a student finance board, or the client did not comply with policy?

Q156. Mr. Sekulic to ask the Government the following question:

Of the number of Albertans who have had their Social Assistance files closed since January 1, 1993, how many are working full-time, are working part-time, how many are enrolled in a training/education program, how many have left the province, and how many are there whose status is unknown.

Q157. Ms Hanson to ask the Government the following question:

How many administrators working in the corporate office of the Department of Family and Social Services have direct employment experience working on the front-line service delivery for the Department and what was the period of time spent working on the front-line?

Q158. Ms Hanson to ask the Government the following question:

How many new files have been opened in the Supports for Independence program for the period January 1, 1993, to August 30, 1993; of these new files, how many clients have been on assistance before and what was the duration previously spent on assistance by each client?

Motions for Returns

M159. Mr. Percy to propose the following motion:

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

Projections of the following revenue indicators, as the Government may have prepared, for 1994-95 through 1996-97 fiscal years inclusive, underlying the Government's balanced budget plan: from personal income tax, corporate income tax, crude oil royalties, crown leases, payments by the Government of Canada, investment income, and premiums, licenses and fees.

M160. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

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

Details of the \$55 million U.S. in additional financing to be provided by NovAtel to systems customers as of May 29, 1992, broken down by RSA/MSA and company name, as noted on page 78 of the Auditor General's Report on NovAtel Communications Ltd.

M161. Mr. Percy to propose the following motion:

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

Breakdown of provision for doubtful accounts and loans, recorded as a budgetary expenditure under the General Revenue Fund, by organizational entity and the amount of such obligation for each, for the fiscal years 1989-90 through 1991-92 inclusive as contained in Schedule 2.16 of the Public Accounts of Alberta.

M162. Ms Carlson to propose the following motion:

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

The cost of operating Alberta's foreign offices for 1992-93 broken down by operating costs by government department, including accommodation costs and salaries for the Agents General, clerical staff, commercial officers and posted staff.

M163. Ms Carlson to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: A detailed itinerary and the results of the 24-day trade mission undertaken by former MLA, Mr. Rick Orman, on behalf of the Government in April 1993.

M164. Mr. Henry to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all draft or final studies of a strategic plan for brain injury initiative prepared by the Department of Health as of August 31, 1993.

M165. Mr. Collingwood to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Any studies or documents compiled between April 1, 1992, and July 31, 1993, indicating the population of feral horses in the green zone of Alberta and the Sundre area.

M166. Mr. Collingwood to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Any studies or documents compiled between April 1, 1991, and July 31, 1993, indicating the moose population of Alberta.

M167. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

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

Details on the outstanding guarantees under the Export Loan Guarantee program, listing the companies which have been assisted, the amount of guarantee provided to each company and an evaluation of the status of each guarantee, as of July 31, 1993.

M168. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

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

Copies of the following consultant's reports on the operations of NovAtel Communications Ltd.:

- (1) Burns Fry report dated June 1988;
- (2) Arthur D. Little report dated November 1988;
- (3) First Boston Canada Limited report dated October 4, 1990;
- (4) Price Waterhouse report dated November 28, 1990;

- (5) S.G. Warburg & Co. reports dated September 1989, December 1989, March 28, 1990, and May 1991;
- (6) Coopers & Lybrand Consulting Group report dated January 1991; and
- (7) SRI International reports dated April 29, 1991, and June 19, 1991.

M169. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

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

Copies of all documents, including any commitment letters with lenders, the loan agreements and any Alberta guarantee and indemnity agreements, pertaining to the Government's financial involvement with the following entities: Magnesium Company of Canada, Gainers Properties Inc., Smoky River Coal Limited, Ribbon Creek Alpine Village, Gainers Inc., Golden Gate Fresh Foods Inc., Northern Steel Inc., Universal Industries, Atlas Lumber (Alberta) Ltd., North Saskatchewan Riverboat Ltd. and Tycor International Inc.

M170. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of the technology agreement between the Government, Magnesium

Company of Canada, Magnesium International (Canada) Ltd. and Alberta Natural Gas Company respecting the ownership and use of the technology for the Magnesium Company of Canada facility in High River, Alberta.

M171. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

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

Copies of the loan agreements between the Government and the following entities: Pratt & Whitney Canada Inc., Centennial Food Corp., Gainers Properties Inc., Engineered Profiles (1989) Ltd. and Ryckman Financial Corporation.

M172. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all audited financial statements for Golden Gate Fresh Foods Inc. from January 1, 1989, to December 31, 1991, inclusive.

M173. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all agreements signed between the Government's Telexel Holdings Limited with respect to the acquisition of NovAtel Communications Ltd.'s subscriber equipment division by Telexel Holdings in May 1992.

M174. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

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

Copies of all documents and correspondence pertaining to the system of loan financing arrangements between the Government and the following entities: General Cellular Corporation, S&P Cellular Holdings Inc., Cellular Information Systems, General Cellular International, Telemovil SA. of Peru and GMD Partnership.

M175. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of the management agreement concluded between the Government and North West Trust in May 1992, pertaining to the management of the NovAtel systems loan portfolio.

M176. Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all agreements between NovAtel Finance and various U.S. cellular companies pertaining to the collection of backout fees by NovAtel Communications Ltd.

M177. Ms Carlson to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: All internal studies prepared by or on behalf of the Government evaluating the feasibility of setting up trade delegations in New Delhi, Siberia and Taiwan.

M178. Mr. Kirkland to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The flight logs and passenger manifests for fixed aircraft and helicopters owned or chartered by the Government between January 1, 1991, to June 30, 1993.

M179. Mr. Kirkland to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Any and all reports/studies or departmental plans outlining a provincial aviation strategy, as of August 31, 1993.

M180. Mr. N. Taylor to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Any documents and reports pertaining to the study of aboriginal water interests undertaken by the 1991-92 Water Resources Commission, as referred to on page 15 of 1991-92 the Water Resources Commission Annual Report.

M181. Mr. Kirkland to propose the following motion:

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

Copies of any debt restructuring proposals submitted by the Government or Prince Rupert Grain Terminal since January 1, 1992, to August 31, 1993, with respect to repayment of the participating mortgage held in Prince Rupert Grain Terminal through the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund.

M182. Mr. Wickman to propose the following motion:

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

Copies of all documents prepared by Alberta Registry Services or on behalf of Alberta Registry Services pertaining to the privatization of services and the costs/benefits achieved by the privatization of such services for the period September 1, 1992 to August 31, 1993.

M183. Mr. N. Taylor to propose the following motion:

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

Copies of all documents prepared by or on behalf of the Government since January 1, 1993, with respect to negotiations to remove federal/provincial overlap and duplication, reduce interprovincial trade barriers and overhaul federal/provincial fiscal arrangements.

M184. Mr. Dalla-Longa to propose the following motion:

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

Copies of all documents prepared for, or on behalf of, the Department of Energy since October 1992, evaluating the costs/benefits of instituting a permanent royalty holiday for crude oil development wells.

M185. Mr. Dalla-Longa to propose the following motion:

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

Any internal studies conducted by or on behalf of the Government since January 1, 1992, relative to the Alberta Royalty Tax Credit's (ARTC), impact on job creation and increasing drilling activity and the feasibility of its retention.

M186. Mr. Dalla-Longa to propose the following motion:

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

Copies of the agreements signed between the Government, 540540 Alberta Ltd. and Husky Oil pertaining to the \$30 million interest free loan advanced to cover the operational shortfalls for the Lloydminster Bi-provincial Upgrader.

M187. Mr. Dalla-Longa to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of the agreement pertaining to the maximum \$80 million in royalty assistance to be provided by the Government to Suncor Inc., to facilitate expansion of its oil sands operations over the next five years.

M188. Mr. Chadi to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of the most recent actuarial valuations carried out on the following pension plans: the Public Service Plan, the Public Service Management Plan, the Local Authorities Plan, the Universities Academic Plan, the Special Forces Plan, the Members of the Legislative Assembly Plan, the Teachers' Retirement Fund and the Provincial Judges and Masters In Chambers Plan.

M189. Dr. Percy to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all supporting and background documents produced by the Government for use by the Alberta Financial Review Commission in the course of their review of the Province's financial position as of August 31, 1993.

M190. Dr. Percy to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of the 1992-93 audited financial statements of the following Crown entities: 473654 Ltd, 475342 Alberta Ltd., 496072 Alberta Ltd., NFI Finance, Inc. (Cellular Systems Management Inc.), Cellular Finance Inc., Systems Finance Inc., and NovAtel Finance Inc.

M191. Dr. Percy to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Details of the \$25 million in valuation adjustments provided for in the Treasury Department's General Revenue Fund estimates for the 1993-94 fiscal year by entity and the provisional adjustment for each entity.

M192. Dr. Percy to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents prepared by the Government Reorganization

Secretariat or on behalf of the Secretariat by other Government entities since January 1, 1993, with respect to Government streamlining and departmental consolidation, downsizing of the public service, the elimination and/or amalgamation of Government agencies, boards and commissions and the privatization or disposal of Government assets and services.

M193. Dr. Percy to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of the 1992-93 audited financial statements for 354713 Alberta Ltd. (Softco).

M194. Ms Hanson to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all written strategies that document the processes and timelines the Government will be using to implement the recommendations of the Children's Advocate report on Child Welfare.

M195. Mr. Massey to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all studies, reports and analyses used to ascertain the proportion of post-secondary education programs presently covered by student fees.

M196. Mr. Dickson to propose the following motion:

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

The list of all alternative measures programs and victim offender reconciliation programs operated by either a department of the Government or a non-profit agency with support from a Government department which have been subject to elimination or reduction of funding from January 1, 1993 to August 31, 1993.

M197. Mr. Dickson to propose the following motion:

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

All working papers, studies and analysis being reviewed by the joint federal-provincial task force examining the issue of child and spousal support to August 31, 1993.

M198. Mr. N. Taylor to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copies of all documents prepared by, or on behalf of, the Government since January 1, 1993, pertaining to the transfer of corporate tax administration and collection from the Government to the Federal Government.

M199. Mr. N. Taylor to propose the following motion:

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

The terms and conditions of the contract between the Government and Mr. Jim Horsman, respecting Mr. Horsman's designation as the Province's chief negotiator in the intergovernmental discussions leading to the reduction and/or elimination of interprovincial barriers to trade.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

1. **201.** Mr. Severtson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly include a Member's Statement period in the Tuesday and Thursday Routine Proceedings.

2. **202.** Mr. Herard to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge Government to ask the Federal Government to make immediate changes to the Young Offenders Act by reducing the minimum age to ten and requiring violent crimes of murder and sexual assault to be referred directly to adult court.

3. **203.** Mr. Decore to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to demonstrate its commitment to promoting a revitalized rural Alberta economy through the following initiatives:

- (1) the immediate implementation of the recommendations of the "Local Development Initiative" report produced by the Premier's Council on Local Development
- (2) placing greater focus on the importance of small businesses in rural Alberta, including the removal of Government interference in the private sector
- (3) the creation of a coalition of Western Premiers to work with the Prime Minister and leaders of farm organizations and agri-business to find a solution to the international subsidy wars
- (4) the creation of a Round Table of stakeholders in the agricultural industry.
- 4. **204.** Mr. Jacques to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to change casino regulations to permit chartered non-profit organizations to fund-raise anywhere in Alberta.

5. **205.** Mr. Decore to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to demonstrate its commitment to funding for the "human services" departments of Health, Family and Social Services and Education by developing a comprehensive, long-term plan for funding priorities in these departments, including three-year funding frameworks for organizations involved in these sectors, extensive consultation with affected parties and a public process for informing Albertans what the Government's plans and priorities will be.

6. **206.** Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement an economic strategy which is aimed at improving the situation of all small businesses in Alberta, including the elimination of all loans and loan guarantees to private businesses.

7. **207.** Mr. Coutts to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to issue special license plates for vehicles registered in the name of, or regularly used by, disabled drivers so that these vehicles will be readily identifiable.

8. **208.** Mr. Severtson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider removal of the tuition fee ceiling on foreign students studying in Alberta post-secondary educational institutions, and allow the universities to determine and set such levels.

9. **209.** Dr. Percy to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt a sound economic plan to include: efficiency audits on all government departments, agencies and crown corporations; pay-as-you-go capital funding; creation of legislative working committee to allow for tougher scrutiny of budgetary estimates; sunset clauses in all government programs; review of purpose and performance of the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund; short term cuts in low priority programs such as capital purchases by government and grants to businesses; and making certain agencies and boards self-financing.

10. **210.** Mr. Zariwny to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement a system for making Government appointments to post-secondary institutions' Boards of Governors that is based on an open nomination process and in which the final decision is made by an all-party committee of the Legislature. The new appointment process should adopt as a goal cross-representation, so that representatives from different levels of education are included on such Boards.

11. **211.** Ms Burgener to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine, as a cost-reduction or cost-awareness tool, the use of the "smart card."

12. **212.** Mr. Zwozdesky to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly establish a Special Select Committee of the Legislature to develop strategies for the promotion of understanding and acceptance among all Albertans, regardless of race, ethnicity, country of origin or religion, and that these strategies place particular emphasis on children in Alberta schools.

13. **213.** Mr. Friedel to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to encourage the free movement of goods and services between provinces by removing existing provincial trade barriers to inter-provincial trade.

14. **214.** Ms Hanson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to act immediately on the recommendations of the Children's Advocate Child Welfare Review produced by the Department of Family and Social Services and released August 12, 1993.

15. **215.** Mr. Vasseur to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to immediately implement the recommendations of the Ministerial Task Force on the Hog Industry sent to the Minister of Agriculture on September 3, 1991.

16. **216.** Mr. Mitchell to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop a coherent health care delivery plan to reduce costs and increase the efficiency of health care delivery through such measures as open and effective public consultation regarding health care spending, efficiency audits and the development of systems whereby proposed changes to health care delivery services can be properly coordinated.

17. **217.** Mr. N. Taylor to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to demonstrate its commitment to reducing interprovincial trade barriers by entering into negotiations with the Federal Government to develop an interprovincial trade dispute resolution mechanism, based on the GATT (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade) model, which would consist of a resolution panel empowered to render decisions on interprovincial trade disputes.

18. **218.** Mr. Henry to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt a long-term solution to the problem of equity funding for school boards.

19. **219.** Mr. Dalla-Longa to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to revise the Alberta Royalty Tax Credit (ARTC) program so that the Government declares its intentions on extending the plan beyond the five year time limit on an annual basis.

20. **220.** Mr. Bruseker to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to commit extensive disclosure of the terms and conditions of ad hoc loan guarantees, loan guarantees extended under the Export Loan Guarantee Program, loans and long-term investments listed in the Public Accounts of Alberta and the budget documents, and that an evaluation of the status of each financing arrangement be submitted to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts for review and debate on an annual basis.

21. **221.** Ms Leibovici to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to respect collective agreements, and refrain from imposing any changes to the wages or benefits of public sector employees outside of collective agreement negotiations.

22. **222.** Mr. N. Taylor to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to undertake measures to set up a tri-partite forum between the Aboriginal Peoples of Alberta (including representatives for on-reserve and off-reserve Indians from Treaty Areas 6, 7 and 8, and other off-reserve Indians, non-Status Indians and Metis living both off and on settlements), the Government of Canada and the Government of Alberta that will jointly discuss, investigate and negotiate measures to resolve issues of mutual concern and work toward the development of Aboriginal self-government.

23. **223.** Mr. Fischer to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop an Alberta position on capital punishment by holding a provincial referendum on the following question: "Do you support amendments to the Criminal Code of Canada allowing capital punishment as a penalty for violent crimes such as murder and rape?"

24. **224.** Mr. Havelock to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the Deficit Elimination Act and related government policies and guidelines with the goal to developing a mechanism for enhanced elected official fiscal accountability.

25. **225.** Mr. Chadi to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly instruct the Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Act to conduct a comprehensive review of the operation of the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund to determine whether the assets of the Fund are being used in a manner consistent with current fiscal and budgetary priorities and to determine the future use of the Fund's assets.

26. **226.** Dr. Nicol to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review the objectivity of the current appeal procedures of the Agricultural Products Marketing Council.

27. **227.** Mr. Renner to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the feasibility of implementing a system of mandatory driver re-examination with the objective of reducing accident rates and corresponding insurance premiums.

28. **228.** Dr. Nicol to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work with the Federal Government to develop a long-term solution which is beneficial to Alberta farmers to the current U.S. sugar beet tariff.

29. **229.** Mr. Yankowsky to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly establish a Select Special Committee to investigate issues relevant to seniors in Alberta, including retirement rules and their impact on older workers, and universality of Government programs for seniors.

30. **230.** Mr. Lund to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to amend the Labour Relations Act to allow for mandatory arbitration in the case of labour disputes.

31. **231.** Mr. Langevin to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize the need to set aside areas of sufficient size to conserve the biological diversity in each of the ecosystems represented in the Province and, following public input, endorse and implement the Special Places 2000 strategy produced by the Department of Environmental Protection, and provide protection for rivers of natural, historic or cultural significance by joining the Canadian Heritage Rivers System.

32. **232.** Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to immediately convene a meeting of all groups and organizations representing health care workers so that a protocol may be established in regard to the redeployment of health care workers whose employment is impacted as a result of cuts in health care funding.

33. **233.** Mr. Germain to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop a solution to the current debate over the Electrical Energy Marketing Act through extensive consultation and ensure that such solution will not disadvantage economic growth in northern Alberta.

34. **234.** Mr. Collingwood to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to request the Environment Council of Alberta to review all current and future legislation, policies and programs, and to make public recommendations to the Government on any changes necessary to make such legislation, policies and programs consistent with the goals of sustainable development as outlined in the final report of the Round Table on Environment and Economy released in May 1993.

35. **235.** Mr. Van Binsbergen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to provide leadership in proposing and implementing strategies to address the growing issue of violence in Alberta schools.

36. **236.** Mr. Fischer to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop a policy whereby public sector unions will be responsible for collection of membership dues, independent of the government payrolls.

37. **237.** Mr. Wickman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to replace the current Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) II grant program with a revised Community/Recreation/Cultural (CRC) grant program which distributes grant money based on municipal priorities.

38. **238.** Ms Abdurahman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly conduct a review of the powers and mandate of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts for the purpose of making changes to the Committee which would improve its accountability in scrutinizing Government expenditures on behalf of Alberta taxpayers.

39. **239.** Dr. Massey to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to instruct the Department of Advanced Education and Career Development to conduct a review of the costs of post secondary education that are borne by students.

40. **240.** Dr. L. Taylor to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to encourage Telus Corporation to work toward eliminating the use of the name or phrase "Alberta Government Telephones" as it is no longer Government-owned or operated.

41. **241.** Ms Burgener to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider introducing legislation which extends visitation rights to grandparents in cases where a parent, without just and serious cause, prevents reasonable visitation between a child and his or her grandparents.

42. **242.** Mrs. Gordon to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to encourage municipalities in the province to participate in the "Tidytown" concept, where municipalities could compete for awards by striving to become more attractive.

43. **243.** Mrs. Forsyth to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to support a drug rehabilitation program for Alberta modeled after the White Spruce Treatment Centre located in Yorkton, Saskatchewan.

44. **244.** Mr. Zariwny to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to enter into negotiations with the Federal Government to implement a system of Alberta-based and Alberta-designed programs on career development and employment in cooperation with the Federal Government.

45. **245.** Mr. Wickman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt recommendations of the Auditor General and the Financial Review Commission by including the revenues from the Lottery Fund in the General Revenue Fund of Alberta, so that any disbursement of funds from the Lottery Fund will require the authorization of the Legislative Assembly.

46. **246.** Mr. Dalla-Longa to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review surface rights legislation in Alberta, the role and mandate of the Surface Rights Board, and the compensation rates paid to surface owners of private land and grazing lease holders for oil and gas activity undertaken on private land and crown grazing leases.

47. **247.** Mr. Sapers to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a long-term strategy for the efficient provision of health services for senior Albertans which does not erode the level of care required by seniors, this strategy to include recognition of the special needs of seniors and the necessity of coordinated geriatric assessment and referral services attached to primary health care facilities.

48. **248.** Mr. Hierath to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to resolve the financial inequities among school jurisdictions due to differences in property tax wealth.

49. **249.** Mr. Dickson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to investigate alternate dispute resolution strategies and techniques, including mediation and arbitration, and consider means by which alternate dispute resolution programs can be promoted in Alberta.

50. **250.** Mr. Sekulic to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to study and to report to Albertans the success rate of private employment/training agencies contracted to assist Albertans receiving Supports for Independence for the past two years, April 1, 1991 to March 31, 1992 and April 1, 1992 to March 31, 1993.

51. **251.** Dr. Massey to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish an independent commission to review post-secondary education in all its aspects in Alberta.

52. **252.** Mr. Pham to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that all Members of the Legislative Assembly urge candidates in the next federal election for changes to the Young Offenders Act requiring all repeat offenders to be referred directly to adult court.

53. **253.** Ms Leibovici to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to conduct an annual review of the minimum wage through consultation with labour groups, student organizations, employer organizations and other interested parties.

54. **254.** Mr. Germain to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to prepare and publicly release a priority list of proposed provincial highway construction projects.

55. **255.** Mr. Pham to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure that every Government Bill introducing a new program involving the expenditure of public funds contains a termination date after which the program would cease to be in effect unless extended by new legislation.

56. **256.** Mr. Hlady to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a committee to explore and recommend a system of incentive awards to public service employees whose suggestions or initiatives result in savings to public expenditure or increased efficiency.

57. **257.** Mr. Beniuk to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review the operations of the Worker's Compensation Board (WCB) to ensure that the WCB fulfills its mandate of providing equitable compensation and rehabilitation, including reasonable education upgrading necessitated by a vocational change due to injury, within a uniform, just and consistent framework, so that the injured worker is assisted in returning to the workplace and an independent lifestyle.

58. **258.** Mrs. Soetaert to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to improve the system of maintenance enforcement in Alberta by examining enforcement procedures and payment schedules in other jurisdictions and implementing those procedures best suited to Alberta.

59. **259.** Mr. Doerksen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to eliminate funding to special interest or single interest groups who have as their purpose self-promotion or self-advocacy.

60. **260.** Mr. Friedel to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to initiate a complete review of all provincial grant and assistance programs in order to rationalize and reduce administration costs of such programs.

61. **261.** Mr. Smith to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt the Insurance Bureau of Canada's recommendations for a graduated driver's license system for new drivers.

62. **262.** Ms Carlson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to commit to a review of the operations of Vencap Equities, the Alberta Opportunity Company, the Alberta Motion Picture Development Corporation, the Alberta Research Council, Westaim Technologies, Inc., the Alberta Microelectronic Centre and the Alberta Laser Institute to determine whether the mandates of these agencies is consistent with the objectives of Alberta's economic development and diversification strategy.

63. **263.** Mr. Hlady to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to work with all provinces, the Territories and the Federal Government to determine the perceptions Canadians have of the justice system, and to propose and implement changes to ensure our justice system reflects the priorities and values of the general citizen.

64. **264.** Dr. Percy to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to remove the financial institutions capital tax.

65. **265.** Mrs. Hewes to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to commit to a study of "Alternative Care Programs", including private sector programs, that may be appropriate for seniors such as day homes, drop-in centres, support housing, palliative care homes, and recreational programs.

66. **266.** Mr. Beniuk to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to make a commitment that under the Workers' Compensation Board's (WCB) plan for eliminating its unfunded liability, there will be no loss of service or benefits to workers served by the WCB.

67. **267.** Mr. Hierath to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider studying the implications of legislation that would preclude the guaranteeing of loans by the Government for private, commercial or industrial projects.

68. **268.** Mr. Coutts to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to require that when the Minister of Environmental Protection orders an environmental impact assessment, the municipality in which the development is located establish a citizen's advisory board.

69. **269.** Mr. White to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to conduct a review of all leases for office, warehouse or other space rented or leased by the Government, and that the Government renegotiate all leases as they come due for renewal to average market rates for the respective class and location of rental space.

70. **270.** Mr. Jacques to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop a policy whereby the retail sale of beer, wine and spirits in the province would be gradually turned over to the private sector.

71. **271.** Mrs. Fritz to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a film and video classification board to monitor and regulate the sexually-explicit "adult" videos available for rental and purchase in Alberta.

72. **272.** Mr. Doerksen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to initiate a review of the mandate of Alberta Treasury Branches with the intent of making them more efficient, profitable, and accountable.

73. **273.** Mr. Langevin to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to identify and adopt further measures to improve and protect the quality and conserve the quantity of groundwater and surface water in Alberta, including consideration of the use of full-cost/life-cycle accounting, as outlined in the final report of the Round Table on Environment and Economy, released in May 1993, or other incentives to water conservation, and an examination of the use of potable water for oil well injection.

74. **274.** Mr. Lund to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to amend the Workers' Compensation Act to exempt self-employed individuals from assessment under said Act.

75. **275.** Mr. Renner to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to recognize the value of wetlands to all Albertans and consider establishing a policy that will protect and enhance Alberta's wetlands.

76. **276.** Mr. Kirkland to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to enter into negotiations with the Federal Government that any change to the method of payment of the Western Grain Transport Act benefit, also known as the Crow Benefit, be approved through a plebiscite of all grain farmers in Alberta.

77. **277.** Mr. Stelmach to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement a registration system for all All Terrain Vehicles.

78. **278.** Mr. Sekulic to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to act immediately to ensure that the education of the children from Alberta families in need is not compromised as a result of the Government's efforts to meet its budgetary goals.

79. **279.** Mr. Bracko to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review the current procedures regarding the sale of government-owned rental housing units and implement an appeal process for displaced residents of this housing.

80. **280.** Mrs. Fritz to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation making store owners responsible for determining the age of persons seeking to rent or purchase sexually explicit "adult" videos, and establishing the minimum age at 18 years.

81. **281.** Dr. L. Taylor to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to continue a program of water management including the construction of reservoirs and drainage systems throughout Alberta.

82. **282.** Mr. Mitchell to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to investigate and implement a comprehensive home care program with the aim of improving health care delivery and efficiency for Albertans.

83. **283.** Ms Hanson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to track and make public the employment and training status of the thousands of individuals whose Supports for Independence files have been closed over the six months ending July 31, 1993, as a result of the Government's reforms to this program.

84. **284.** Mrs. Soetaert to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop measures which recognize the economic contribution of stay-at-home parents, and enter into negotiations with the Federal Government to develop similar measures at the federal level.

85. **285.** Mr. Bracko to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to implement a comprehensive ambulance service for all Alberta which would utilize ground ambulance, air ambulance or some combination of both.

86. **286.** Ms Abdurahman to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to initiate and promptly complete a full examination of the machinery and equipment tax under the Municipal Taxation Act and its impact on all concerned parties through a public consultation process with full disclosure of all information and studies collected by the Government on this issue.

87. **287.** Mr. White to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a public process for awarding public contracts, such process requiring each government department to form a committee of departmental officials to hold open pre-award hearings on all contracts over a minimum specified limit.

88. **288.** Mrs. Laing to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider the amalgamation of certain school jurisdictions where viable.

89. **289.** Mr. Smith to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine the impact of the federal fiscal balance system in order to determine the net effect this has had on the Alberta economy, with a view to addressing the findings if necessary.

90. **290.** Mr. Van Binsbergen to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to fulfill its commitment to the integration of disabled children in Alberta classrooms, outlined in "Vision for the Nineties, A Plan of Action," produced by the Department of Education in September 1991, by ensuring that there is adequate funding for schools to pursue this initiative.

91. **291.** Mr. Brassard to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to consider new systems for the delivery of medical services that would allow nurses to provide greater health care services in an effort to reduce costs and improve accessibility in the health care system.

92. **292.** Mr. Henry to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure all children in Alberta have equal educational opportunities by implementing a comprehensive early intervention program, including early learning and nutrition programs in areas of demonstrated need.

93. **293.** Mr. Herard to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt additional business-oriented educational initiatives and programs in order to provide young Albertans with more opportunities for practical training and experience in the area of independent business and entrepreneurship.

94. **294.** Ms Carlson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to conduct a comprehensive review of Alberta's network of foreign offices. Included in this review would be a complete study of the costs and benefits of foreign offices by an independent consulting firm, and a new procedure of appointing Agents General based on publicly advertising all positions and holding interviews, with the final selection being approved by an all-party Legislative committee.

95. **295.** Mr. Havelock to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly strike a Committee to consider the implications of parliamentary reform that would call for general elections and legislature sittings on fixed dates; free votes in the legislature, with motions of non-confidence being treated independently of the free vote provision; Members of the Legislative Assembly being subject to a workable right of recall; and a provision for initiation of legislation by referendum.

96. **296.** Mr. Chadi to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to release the annual financial statements of all crown-controlled entities and crown corporations and their subsidiaries with in three months of the end of each organization's fiscal year.

97. **297.** Mr. Dickson to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review the role of the Provincial Government in the strategies developed by the cities of Calgary and Edmonton to reduce violence in families and community at large and to determine what further steps can be taken by the Provincial Government to implement those strategies.

98. **298.** Mr. Collingwood to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to examine its policies on the reduction of all types of waste within the Province, promote a comprehensive, province-wide program for waste reduction, and for reusing, recycling, treating, landfilling or otherwise disposing of each category of waste.

99. **299.** Mr. Brassard to propose the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce legislation that would prevent workers from being forced to work on Sundays when this was not an original term of the employment agreement.

Stan Schumacher, Speaker

Title: Tuesday, August 31, 1993