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**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

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Monday, November 1, 1993

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:30 p.m.

The Speaker offered a prayer and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of Mr. Henry Ruste, former Member for Wainwright, who passed away on October 31, 1993.

**ROUTINE**

**Presenting Petitions**

Ms Abdurahman, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, presented a petition from 410 Albertans regarding the proposed upgrading of Secondary Highway 824 in the County of Strathcona.

Ms Abdurahman, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, presented a petition from 285 Albertans regarding the proposed upgrading of Secondary Highway 830 in the County of Strathcona.

Ms Abdurahman, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, presented a petition from 291 Albertans regarding the proposed upgrading of Range Road 223 in the County of Strathcona.

Mr. Henry, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, presented a petition from 1,085 Albertans regarding cuts to the Special Needs Program in the education system.

Mr. Kirkland, Hon. Member for Leduc, presented a petition from 88 students at Christ The King School regarding cutbacks to education.

### **Reading and Receiving Petitions**

On request by Mr. Collingwood, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, the following petition be read and received:

The petition of the undersigned to opposed round-up, auction and slaughter of the wild horses in the National Wildlife Area on CFB Suffield, humbly urges the Legislative Assembly to ask the Government:

1. That there be a complete moratorium on the proposed round-up, auction and slaughter;
2. that environmental studies be conducted to determine what effect the wild horses are having upon the wildlife and the environment and that should this research show conclusively that the wild horses are having a negative impact, alternative non-lethal measures such as chemical or surgical sterilization should be implemented to decrease the birth rate;
3. that a long-term management plan for the National Wildlife Area should be drawn up that recognizes the rights of wild horses as an integral part of the ecosystem;
4. that legal protection for wild horses be provided throughout Alberta; and further
5. that the ancestors of these wild horses have made an immeasurable contribution to our heritage in faithful service to our explorers, cowboys, settlers and native people. Saving Alberta's wild horses is saving a slice of Alberta's history.

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

### **Presenting Reports by Standing and Special Committees**

Hon. Mr. Day, Chairman, Select Special Committee on Parliamentary Reform (1993), presented the Report of the Select Special Committee on Parliamentary Reform (1993) on Sub Justice Rule and Minority Reports of Committees and Subcommittees.

Sessional Paper 640/93

## Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Day, Chairman, Select Special Committee on Parliamentary Reform, gave oral notice of the following Government Motion:

Be it resolved that the report of the Select Special Committee on Parliamentary Reform appointed September 9, 1993 to review the application of the sub judice rule and the feasibility of minority reports on committees and subcommittees of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta by November 1 and November 15, 1993, respectively be now received and concurred in.

## Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Cardinal, Minister of Family and Social Services:

Answer to Written Question Q155 asked by Mr. Sekulic on September 15, 1993:

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?

Sessional Paper 155/93

Answer to Written Question Q157 asked by Ms Hanson on September 15, 1993:

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?

Sessional Paper 157/93

Mr. Henry, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Response to "Meeting the Challenge," A Report on the Results of the Calgary Roundtables held October 27, 1993, sponsored by Calgary Public Teachers, Calgary Separate School Teachers and the Calgary Council of Home and School Associations

Sessional Paper 853/93

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

Letter, dated October 25, 1993, from Terry Owen, President, Ecole Frère Antoine, Parents Advisory Committee, to Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Education, regarding motions passed unanimously by the committee, with the attached signatures of 141 parents

Sessional Paper 854/93

## **Oral Question Period**

During Oral Question Period, Mrs. Forsyth, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, tabled the following:

R.T. Alderman Junior High School Newsletter, No. 2, October 1993, "Principal's Message"

Sessional Paper 641/93

During Oral Question Period, Hon. Dr. West, Minister of Municipal Affairs, filed the following:

Letter, dated October 21, 1993, from Bob King, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Alberta Liquor Control Board, to industry stakeholders regarding the new liquor products retail initiative, with an attached second industry update

Sessional Paper 855/93

## **Privilege**

The Chair wishes to deal with the matter raised last Thursday when the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre rose on a point of privilege. The Hon. Member stated:

The substance of my question of privilege is that earlier this afternoon I met with four individuals in my office, and they asked if they could come and view the proceedings this afternoon. I arranged for passes to be available for them, and when they actually came to be seated in the public gallery, they were refused admission.

He finally said, "I believe that restricts my ability to operate effectively as a Member." The Chair has made inquiries of the security staff through the Sergeant-at-Arms. The security person who was at the desk outside the galleries reports that that Member's office called Visitor Services at approximately 1:30 and asked for seven passes to be made up for certain individuals for entrance to the public gallery. This was done. Five minutes later the Member's office again called Visitor Services and canceled three of the seven passes. After that, no one came to collect any of the passes.

At the end of Question Period, the passes were torn up. The Chair is in possession of the passes and the names of the individuals who were to be admitted. Security staff at the main doors of the Legislature Building report that the persons who were to receive these passes were not denied entry at the main doors. In fact, four persons who may have been the students were admitted upon the word of the Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan. Passes had also been arranged for these four people through Visitor Services, and the passes were collected and the persons admitted to the gallery. Again the Chair is in possession of the names of all the individuals concerned. The Chair is satisfied that had the guests of the Member for Edmonton-Centre appeared to collect their passes, they would have been admitted to the public gallery. The Chair is also satisfied that these persons were not denied entry. The Chair expresses its appreciation to the security staff for their prompt reporting on this matter.

Therefore the Chair finds that a prima facie case of privilege does not arise.

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Second Reading**

The following Bills were read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

- Bill 11 Alberta Corporate Tax Amendment Act, 1993 – Hon. Mr. Dinning  
Bill 12 Liquor Control Amendment Act, 1993 – Mr. Jacques  
Bill 17 Family Life and Substance Abuse Foundation Act Repeal Act – Hon. Mrs. Mirosh  
Bill 18 Industrial Wages Security Act Repeal Act – Hon. Mr. Day

On the motion that the following Bill be now read a Second time and referred to the Committee of the Whole:

- Bill 10 Alberta Registries Act – Hon. Dr. West

A debate followed.

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

#### **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Deputy Government House Leader, at 5:30 p.m., it was agreed that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. they would be in Committee of Supply, and the Speaker left the Chair.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1993 – 8:00 P.M.

#### **Committee of Supply**

(Day 2 of Heritage Savings Trust Fund Estimates Consideration, Capital Projects Division)

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Acting Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Tannas reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, Capital Projects Division, reports as follows and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that there be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1994, a sum from the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, Capital Projects Division, not exceeding the following for the Departments and purposes indicated:

**Agriculture, Food and Rural Development**

\$	5,000,000	Farming for the Future
	24,500,000	Irrigation Rehabilitation and Expansion
	500,000	Private Irrigation Development Assistance
	<u>3,712,000</u>	Grazing Reserves Enhancement
	<b>33,712,000</b>	

**Community Development**

\$	14,060,000	Urban Park Development
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**Energy**

\$	750,000	Renewable Energy Research
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**Environmental Protection**

\$	26,400,000	Water Management Systems Improvement
	2,500,000	Land Reclamation
	<u>350,000</u>	Pine Ridge Reforestation Nursery Enhancement
	<b>29,250,000</b>	

**Executive Council**

\$	1,000,000	Alberta Family Life and Substance Abuse Foundation
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**Health**

\$	2,800,000	Applied Cancer Research
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**Labour**

\$	750,000	Occupational Health and Safety Research and Education
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The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:23 p.m. until Tuesday, November 2, 1993, at 1:30 p.m.

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