

# Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 7

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

**Second Session** 

Twenty-Third Legislature

Wednesday, February 23, 1994

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

# **ROUTINE**

# **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, presented a petition from 170 Calgary-Cross and Calgary-North West residents regarding Government plans to restructure the educational system.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, presented a petition from 150 Calgary-Cross and Calgary-McCall residents regarding Government plans to restructure the educational system.

Mr. Henry, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, presented a petition from 278 Alberta residents regarding the Early Childhood Services Program.

## **Reading and Receiving Petitions**

On request by Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta not to implement the plan to restructure the educational system in Alberta, as proposed by the Minister of Education.

We also request the Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to ensure that every Albertan will have the opportunity for input and involvement in future plans to restructure the educational system in Alberta.

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

We petition our present Legislative Assembly to pass an act ensuring that education is an essential service, and receives fiscal respectability as such.

On request by Ms Hanson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Beverly, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta not to follow through with proposed cuts in education; cuts to optional programs, such as physical education, art, drama, computers, second language, after school athletics, and kindergarten.

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Minister of Economic Development and Tourism:

Canada-Alberta Infrastructure Program Agreement, February 18, 1994 Sessional Paper 829/94

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

Restructuring Education, Response, Alberta Home and School Councils' Association, February 10, 1994

Sessional Paper 830/94

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

Response to Written Question Q207 asked by Mr. Sekulic on October 6, 1993:

How many calls have been made to the Minister's office requesting copies of the Children's Advocate Report from August 12, 1993 to September 28, 1993?

Sessional Paper 207A/94

Return to Order of the Assembly No. M210 asked by Mr. Sekulic on October 6, 1993:

A list of all meetings held between the Children's Advocate and the Minister of Family and Social Services for the period July 1, 1993 to September 27, 1993.

Sessional Paper 210A/94

Ms Hanson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands-Beverly:

Undated letters from Family and Community Support Services' volunteers regarding their experiences

Sessional Paper 831/94

Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West:

Undated letter from Justin Chadwick to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, regarding school time

Sessional Paper 832/94

## **Privilege**

Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, raised a purported point of privilege concerning the early release of budget information pertaining to funding for the Whitecourt Hospital.

Mr. Henry, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, raised a purported point of privilege concerning the early release of budget information pertaining to the budgets of school boards.

The Speaker advised the Assembly he would take the matter under advisement and report back to the Assembly, Monday, February 28, 1994.

## ORDERS OF THE DAY

#### **Written Questions**

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

Q144, Q145, Q146, Q147, Q148, Q149, Q150, Q151, Q166, Q167.

#### **Motions for Returns**

The following Motion for Returns was defeated:

#### **M165.** Moved by Dr. Percy:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing (Day 18): Copies of internal working documents or reports prepared by or on behalf of the Government from January 1, 1993 to February 10, 1994, pertaining to the privatization of the delivery of government operations that can be handled more effectively by the private sector.

#### A debate followed.

The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 26

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Hanson Percy

Against the motion: 44

Ady Forsyth Mirosh Amery Friedel Oberg Black Fritz Paszkowski **Brassard** Gordon Pham Burgener Haley Rostad Calahasen Havelock Severtson Cardinal Hierath Smith Clegg Hlady Sohal Coutts Jacques Stelmach Day Kowalski Tannas

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Thurber Doerksen Lund Dunford Mar West Evans McClellan Woloshyn

Fischer McFarland

The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

M152, M153, M154, M155, M156, M157, M158, M159, M160, M161, M162, M163, M164, M168, M169, M170, M171, M172, M173.

# Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

On the motion that the following Bill be now read a Second time:

Bill 202 Alberta Task Force on Education Act – Mr. Decore

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(5)(b), the question being put, the motion was defeated. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 25

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On the motion that the following Bill be now read a Second time:

Bill 203 Citizen's Initiative Act – Mr. Havelock

A debate followed.

Dr. L. Taylor moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

# Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Evans, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:24 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1994 – 8:00 P.M.

## **Royal Assent**

His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Assembly and being seated on the Throne,

The Speaker addressed His Honour in the following words:

May it please your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly has, at its present sitting, passed a certain Bill to which, and in the name of the Legislative Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's assent.

The Clerk Assistant of the Assembly then read the title of the Bill that had been passed as follows:

7 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 1994

To this Bill, Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk Assistant of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:

In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor doth assent to this Bill.

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

#### **Government Bills and Orders**

#### **Second Reading**

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

- Bill 3 Natural Gas Marketing Amendment Act, 1994 Mr. Coutts
- Bill 6 Mines and Minerals Amendment Act, 1994 Mr. Coutts

# Consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech

Mr. Friedel moved the following motion seconded by Mr. Hierath:

That an humble address be presented to His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To His Honour the Honourable Gordon Towers, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned (on amendment).

# Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:12 p.m. until Thursday, February 24, 1994 at 1:30 p.m.

Title: Wednesday, February 23, 1994