

# Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 11

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

**Second Session** 

Twenty-Third Legislature

Wednesday, March 2, 1994

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

## **ROUTINE**

## **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. Decore, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, presented a petition from 950 Calgarians regarding steps to stop any measures that will reduce the availability of post-secondary programs.

Mr. Henry, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, presented a petition from 298 students of Victoria Composite High School, Edmonton, regarding the maintenance of their school's Continuing Education Program.

Mrs. Laing, Hon. Member Calgary-Bow, presented a petition from 217 students of Alberta Vocational College, Calgary, regarding education cuts.

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Mill Woods, presented a petition from 1,050 southern Alberta residents regarding the proposal to privatize student loans.

Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, presented a petition from 949 parents of students of St. Hubert School, Calgary, regarding the provincial appointment of superintendents and locally levied school residential taxes.

Mr. Zariwny, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, presented a petition from 975 Alberta college students regarding a tuition fees policy.

## **Reading and Receiving Petitions**

On request by Mr. Zwozdesky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Avonmore, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government to maintain the Grey Nuns Hospital in Mill Woods as a full-service, active hospital and continue to serve the South-east end of Edmonton and surrounding area.

On request by Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government to maintain the Grey Nuns Hospital in Mill Woods as a full-service, active hospital and continue to serve the South-east end of Edmonton and surrounding area.

#### **Notices of Motions**

Mrs. Hewes, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, gave oral notice of her intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly congratulate Thelma Chalifoux for winning a National Aboriginal Achievement Award for recognition of her outstanding work on behalf of the Métis and other aboriginal peoples of Alberta.

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Thurber, Minister of Public Works, Supply and Services, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-10.1, s52:

Alberta Public Works, Supply and Services, Annual Report 1992-93 Sessional Paper 131/94

Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Education:

Diploma Examinations Program, Alberta Education, Annual Report 1992-93 School Year

Sessional Paper 853/94

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community Development, pursuant to the Alberta Sport Council Act, cA-37.5, s11(3):

Alberta Sport Council, Annual Review for the Fiscal Year 1992-93

Sessional Paper 29/94

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community Development, pursuant to the Historical Resources Act, cH-8, s43:

Alberta Historical Resources Foundation, Annual Report 1992-93

Sessional Paper 31/94

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community Development, pursuant to the Alberta Foundation for the Arts Act, cA-21.5, s14(2):

Alberta Foundation for the Arts, Annual Report 1991-92

Sessional Paper 27/94

Alberta Foundation for the Arts, Annual Report 1992-93

Sessional Paper 27A/94

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community Development, pursuant to the Alberta Multiculturalism Act, cA-32.8, s14(2):

Alberta Multiculturalism Commission, Annual Report 1991-92

Sessional Paper 28/94

Alberta Multiculturalism Commission, Annual Report 1992-93

Sessional Paper 28A/94

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community Development, pursuant to the Glenbow-Alberta Institute Act, cG-5, s21(2):

Glenbow: A Year of Change, Annual Report 1993

Sessional Paper 30/94

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community Development, pursuant to the Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation Act, cR-9, s12(3):

Recreation Parks and Wildlife Foundation, Annual Report 1992-93

Sessional Paper 35/94

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community Development, pursuant to the Alberta Multiculturalism Act, cA-32.8, s14(2):

Alberta Culture and Multiculturalism, Annual Report 1991-92

Sessional Paper 28B/94

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community Development, pursuant to the Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation Act, cR-9, s12(3):

Alberta Tourism, Parks and Recreation, Recreation and Parks Component, Annual Report 1991-92

Sessional Paper 35A/94

Mr. Stelmach, Chairman, Alberta Agriculture Research Institute, pursuant to the Alberta Agricultural Research Institute Act, cA-13.7, s16(2):

Alberta Agricultural Research Institute, Annual Report 1992-93 Sessional Paper 17/94

## **Motions Under Standing Order 40**

Mrs. Hewes, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly congratulate Thelma Chalifoux for winning a Nation Aboriginal Achievement Award for recognition of her outstanding work on behalf of the Métis and other aboriginal peoples of Alberta.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to unanimously.

## ORDERS OF THE DAY

## **Written Questions**

The following Written Questions were accepted:

#### Q144. (Mr. Collingwood):

How much money did the Government contribute to the purchase and installation of rocking kilns at the Alberta Special Waste Treatment Plant at Swan Hills?

## Q145. (Mrs. Soetaert):

How much has the Department of Family and Social Services spent on legal fees for Supports for Independence clients pursuing child maintenance for the periods April 1, 1990 to March 31, 1991; April 1, 1991 to March 31, 1992; April 1, 1992 to March 31, 1993; and April 1, 1993 to February 10, 1994?

#### Q148. (Ms Hanson):

How many children were turned down for protective services by the Director of Child Welfare for the periods April 1, 1992 to March 31, 1993, and April 1, 1993 to February 10, 1994?

#### **Q149.** (Ms Hanson):

How many parents or guardians in need of mental health services for a child were forced to relinquish custody of the child to the Department of Family and Social Services to obtain services during the periods April 1, 1991 to March 31, 1992; April 1, 1992 to March 31, 1993; and April 1, 1993 to February 10, 1994?

#### **Q150.** (Mr. Sekulic):

Between April 1, 1993 and February 10, 1994, how many files have been closed on Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped recipients and for each of these closed files, how many have been transferred to Supports for Independence?

#### **Q166.** (Mr. Sekulic):

Between August 1, 1993 to February 10, 1994, how many former Supports for Independence clients have been transferred to the Student Finance Board and what is the duration and type of training or educational program each client is enrolled in?

Hon. Mr. Ady, Minister of Advanced Education and Career Development, filed the following:

Response to Written Question No. Q166 asked by Mr. Sekulic on March 2, 1994

Sessional Paper 166/94

#### **Q167.** (Mr. Sapers):

What was the total cost to the Government of the roundtable discussion on Health held in Red Deer on August 24, 1993, and the 10 regional roundtable discussions on Health held between September 10, 1993 and October 30, 1993?

The following Written Questions were rejected:

#### **Q147.** (Ms Hanson):

How many children have been taken into care because of a parent or guardian's failure to provide the basic necessities of food, shelter and clothing from April 1993 to February 10, 1994?

#### A debate followed.

The question being put to reject, the motion was agreed to. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 43

Ady Gordon Paszkowski Haley Amery Pham Black Havelock Renner Burgener Herard Rostad Calahasen Hierath Severtson Cardinal Jacques Smith Coutts Jonson Sohal Day Laing Stelmach Dinning Lund Tannas

Doerksen Mar Taylor (Cypress-Medicine Hat)

DunfordMcClellanThurberEvansMcFarlandTrynchyFischerMiroshWestForsythObergWoloshyn

Friedel

Against the motion: 23

Abdurahman Hewes Soetaert Van Binsbergen Beniuk Kirkland Vasseur Bracko Langevin Carlson Leibovici White Wickman Chadi Massey Collingwood Percy Zariwny Hanson Sapers Zwozdesky

Henry Sekulic

#### Q151. (Mr. Sekulic):

How many Supports for Independence files have been closed because the client(s) have left the province for the period April 1, 1993 to February 10, 1994; and of those who have left Alberta, how many have returned to the province in which they lived prior to moving to Alberta?

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

Q146, Q174.

#### **Motions for Returns**

The following Motions for Returns were agreed to:

#### M157. Moved by Mr. Langevin:

A list of all companies issued permits for the use of herbicides for forest management between April 1, 1991 and March 31, 1992 and April 1, 1992 and March 31, 1993, and the area approved for treatment for each company.

#### M158. Moved by Mr. Langevin:

A list of the number of inspections carried out each month of logging trucks crossing the border from Alberta to British Columbia between January and December, 1993, indicating the source destination of the timber, the volume of timber carried and any infringements, including the illegal shipment of timber from Crown land.

The following Motions for Returns were moved and agreed to as amended:

#### **M156.** Moved by Mr. Sapers on behalf of Mr. Mitchell:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: The most recent annual financial statements for all hospitals in Alberta receiving provincial funding.

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health, moved that the Motion for Returns be amended as follows:

The annual provincial funding for all hospitals in Alberta for 1993-94.

#### **M159.** Moved by Mr. Sapers:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: Copy of the "Common Procedure List Cost Study" for medical laboratory procedures initiated in 1991 by the Department of Health.

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health, moved that the Motion for Returns be amended as follows:

Copy of the "Laboratory Procedure Costing Methodology - Validation Process" initiated in 1992 by the Department of Health.

The following Motions for Returns were defeated:

#### **M160.** Moved by Dr. Percy:

Copies of working documents and reports prepared by or on behalf of the Government from January 1, 1993 to February 10, 1994, detailing the costs and benefits of returning the collection of Alberta's corporate taxes to the Federal Government.

#### **M161.** Moved by Dr. Percy:

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 a review of the performance, role and mandate of the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund.

#### **M162.** Moved by Dr. Percy:

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 role and functions of the Audit Committee as a mechanism to report on progress towards balancing the provincial budget.

## **M163.** Moved by Dr. Percy:

Copies of internal working documents or reports by or on behalf of the Government from January 1, 1993 to February 10, 1994, pertaining to the establishment of a management board structure, composed of selected ministers, deputy ministers, and private sector executives to oversee management of provincial financial affairs and planning activities.

## **M164.** Moved by Dr. Percy:

Copies of internal working documents or reports prepared by or on behalf of the Government between January 1, 1993 and February 10, 1994, pertaining to the reform of federal-provincial fiscal arrangements, including social policy reform and tax collection.

The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

M152, M153, M154, M155, M168, M169, M170, M171, M172, M173, M175, M176, M177.

## Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

#### **Second Reading**

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

#### Bill 203 Citizen's Initiative Act – Mr. Havelock

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 24

Abdurahman Hewes Soetaert Bracko Hierath Smith

Day Hlady Taylor (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Dunford Kirkland Van Binsbergen

Forsyth Leibovici White
Hanson Massey Wickman
Havelock Percy Zariwny
Henry Sekulic Zwozdesky

Against the motion: 40

Haley Pham Ady Renner Amery Herard Black Jacques Rostad Burgener Jonson Severtson Calahasen Sohal Laing Cardinal Langevin Stelmach Tannas Collingwood Lund Thurber Coutts Mar McClellan Trynchy Dinning Vasseur Doerksen McFarland Evans Mirosh West Fischer Oberg Woloshyn Friedel Paszkowski Yankowsky Gordon

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

Bill 204 Retirement Savings Plan Act – Mr. Hlady

A debate followed.

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

#### Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, 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.

## **Committee of Supply**

(Day 3 of Main Estimates Consideration)

(Assembly in Committee)

And after sometime 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 Department of Public Works, Supply and Services, reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

# Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Evans, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:02 p.m. until Thursday, March 3, 1994 at 1:30 p.m.

Title: Wednesday, March 2, 1994