

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Third Legislature

Wednesday, March 16, 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 200 Calgarians regarding Government plans to restructure the educational system.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

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

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We respectfully petition the Legislative Assembly urge the Government of Alberta to refrain from introducing legislation which would enable the provincial appointment of superintendents and the seizure of locally levied school residential taxes.

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

We, the undersigned, hereby request the Legislative Assembly to urge the Minister of Health to suspend the Board of Management of Alberta Hospital Edmonton and appoint an administrator to replace the existing members of the Board of Management.

On request by Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, the following petition was read and received:

We petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to endorse the advancement of community education and community school concepts.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Deputy Premier:

Economic Impact of West Edmonton Mall, Western Management Consultants/ The Strategy Group and Econometric Research Limited, for the Department of Economic Development and Tourism, May 10, 1993

Sessional Paper 874/94

Hon. Mr. Dinning, Provincial Treasurer:

Government of Alberta news release, dated March 16, 1994, regarding disclosure of salaries for senior officials in the public service and appendix, Financial Administration Act, Salary and Benefits Disclosure Directive

Sessional Paper 875/94

Dr. Taylor, Chairman, Alberta Research Council:

Report, dated March 16, 1994, on environmental practices in the Alberta Research Council Biotechnology Pilot Plant

Sessional Paper 876/94

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Mr. Decore, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, filed the following:

Undated Statement of Claim in the Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta, Judicial District of Edmonton, between Unicom Corporation and Alberta Research Council

Sessional Paper 877/94

Undated Affidavit from Bradley G. Thompson, Head of the Biotechnology Department, Alberta Research Council, regarding the Statement of Claim in the Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta, Judicial District of Edmonton, between Unicom Corporation and Alberta Research Council

Sessional Paper 878/94

Unanimous consent was granted to revert to Presenting Petitions.

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Smith, Hon. Member for Calgary-Varsity, presented a petition from 1,135 Albertans regarding Government plans to restructure the educational system.

Mrs. Fritz, Hon. Member for Calgary-Cross, presented a petition from 54 constituents of Calgary-Cross regarding school board autonomy.

Mrs. Fritz, Hon. Member for Calgary-Cross, presented a petition from 155 Calgarians regarding school board autonomy.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

Q174, Q178, Q179, Q180, Q185.

Motions for Returns

The following Motions for Returns were agreed to:

M170. Moved by Mr. Bruseker on behalf of Mr. Collingwood:

Copy of the report of the multi-stakeholder task force assisting Alberta Environmental Protection in the implementation of the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act with respect to the liability for contaminated sites, that was referred to in part (c) of a written response to a question raised by the Member for Sherwood Park, during debate on the Department's Budget estimates in Committee of Supply on September 21, 1993 (Hansard, pp. 406-407).

M172. Moved by Mr. Henry:

A complete list of the recipients, and a list of criteria used in choosing recipients, of the \$30 million allocated from provincial lottery revenues in the school year 1993-94 to less wealthy school jurisdictions, showing the exact amount each jurisdiction received.

M177. Moved by Mr. Beniuk on behalf of Ms Leibovici:

Any documents regarding employment standards resulting from the Government symposiums on employment standards and the employee review of the Employment Standards Code, as referred to by the Hon. Mrs. McCoy on May 15, 1992 (Hansard p. 954).

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

M169. Moved by Mrs. Soetaert:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: In Maintenance Enforcement, what are the collection rates for the total number of files, the number of files in arrears, the amount owing in each file, the length of time each file has been in arrears, and the number of files that are current, 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?

Hon. Mr. Rostad, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, moved that the Motion for Returns be amended as follows:

For the Maintenance Enforcement Program, the total number of files, how many received payments in the last 90 days, the number of files in arrears, the average amount of arrears, and the number of files that were current as at March 31, 1991; March 31, 1992; March 31, 1993; and January 31, 1994.

M173. Moved by Mr. Bruseker on behalf of Mr. Collingwood:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing: All contracts between the Government and operators of services at Crimson Lake and Pigeon Lake Provincial Parks that were current in 1993.

Hon. Mr. Evans, Minister of Environmental Protection, moved that the Motion for Returns be amended as follows:

Campground Operator Agreements between the Government and campground operators for Pigeon Lake Provincial Park and Crimson Lake Provincial Park, current in 1993, excluding however, schedules or appendices outlining the operator's personal financial information.

The following Motions for Returns were defeated:

M154. Moved by Mr. Henry:

All reports and studies used during the ongoing discussions between the Departments of Education, Health, Family and Social Services, and Justice concerning the medical needs of children attending school, referred to on page 17 of the "School Amendment Act, 1993 – Bill 8 Information Package," and the minutes of any interdepartmental meetings held on this matter.

M171. Moved by Mr. Henry:

Any reports or studies prepared by the Department of Education's task force reviewing possible changes in the regulation of transportation costs between January 1, 1993 and November 1, 1993.

The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

M175, M176, M181, M182, M183, M184, M186, M187, M188, M189.

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 206 School Amendment Act, 1994 – Mrs. Fritz

A debate followed.

During debate, Mrs. Fritz, Hon. Member for Calgary-Cross, filed the following:

Letter, dated March 8, 1994, to Mrs. Fritz, Hon. Member for Calgary-Cross, from Debbie Poffenroth, President, Public School Boards' of Alberta, regarding Bill 206, School Amendment Act, 1994

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Letter, dated March 7, 1994, to Mrs. Fritz, Hon. Member for Calgary-Cross, from Lynn Nishimura, President, Calgary Public Teachers, regarding Bill 206, School Amendment Act, 1994

Sessional Paper 880/94

Debate continued.

During debate, Mrs. Forsyth, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, filed the following:

Letter, dated March 6, 1994, to Mrs. Forsyth, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, from Stu and Margaret Garrioch, regarding Bill 206, School Amendment Act, 1994

Sessional Paper 881/94

Debate continued.

Mrs. Forsyth, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after "That" and substituting:

Bill 206, School Amendment Act, 1994, be not now read a second time but that it be read a second time this day ten months hence.

Debate continued (on amendment).

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

For the amendment: 40

Ady	Friedel	McClellan
Amery	Fritz	McFarland
Black	Haley	Pham
Calahasen	Havelock	Renner
Cardinal	Herard	Rostad
Clegg	Hierath	Severtson
Coutts	Hlady	Smith
Day	Jacques	Sohal
Dinning	Jonson	Stelmach
Doerksen	Kowalski	Taylor (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Dunford	Laing	Thurber
Evans	Lund	Trynchy
Fischer	Mar	West
Forsyth		

Against the amendment: 14

Bruseker	Hewes	Vasseur
Carlson	Kirkland	White
Dalla-Longa	Massey	Wickman
Dickson	Sekulic	Zwozdesky
Hanson	Soetaert	-

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Evans, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., it was agreed at 5:28 p.m. that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. they would be in Committee of Supply, and the Speaker left the Chair.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 1994 - 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply

(Day 11 of Main Estimates Consideration)

(Assembly in Committee)

And after sometime spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Clegg reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

Mr. Clegg also tabled a copy of the motion agreed to in Committee of Supply pursuant to Standing Order 56(2)(a) and (b) changing the membership on the following Designated Supply Subcommittees:

Education

Mr. Bracko to replace Mr. N. Taylor

Ms Calrson to replace Mr. Van Binsbergen

Sessional Paper 882/94

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

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, the Assembly agreed to resolve itself into Committee of the Whole.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bills were reported:

Bill	8	Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 1994 – Hon. Mr. Dinning
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- Bill9Appropriation (Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, Capital Projects
Division) Interim Supply Act, 1994 Hon. Mr. Dinning
- Bill 10 Appropriation (Lottery Fund) Interim Supply Act, 1994 Hon. Mr. Dinning
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Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:14 p.m. until Thursday, March 17, 1994 at 1:30 p.m.

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