



**Legislative Assembly  
Province of Alberta**

No. 23

## **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Second Session

Twenty-Third Legislature

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Wednesday, March 23, 1994

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

### **ROUTINE**

#### **Presenting Petitions**

Mrs. Hewes, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, presented a petition from 72 Albertans regarding funding arrangements for Alberta's seniors lodges and subsidized apartments.

Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, presented a petition from 250 Lethbridge residents regarding cuts to Supports for Independence.

Mr. Henry, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, presented a petition from 122 Calgarians regarding Government plans to restructure the educational system.

Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, presented a petition from 30 Calgarians regarding Government plans to restructure the educational system.

## **Reading and Receiving Petitions**

On request by Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, 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 Mr. Henry, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned, petition the Legislative Assembly of Alberta to urge the Government not to alter funding arrangements for Alberta's seniors lodges and seniors subsidized apartments until seniors have been consulted and have agreed to any revisions to funding arrangements.

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Dinning, Provincial Treasurer:

Gainers Inc and Gainers Properties Inc., Closing Documents, Sales of the Assets of Gainers Inc. and Gainers Properties Inc. to Pride of Alberta Meat Processing Company, Volumes 1 to 10

Sessional Paper 893/94

Limited Partnership Documents, Sales of the Assets of Gainers Inc. and Gainers Properties Inc. to Pride of Alberta Meat Processing Company

Sessional Paper 894/94

Purchase and Sale Agreement, Sales of the Assets of Gainers Inc. and Gainers Properties Inc. to Pride of Alberta Meat Processing Company

Sessional Paper 895/94

Closing Book, Transactions Amongst Gainers Inc. and Gainers Properties Inc. and Pride of Alberta Meat Processors Company Concerning the Payment by the Limited Partnership of the Unadjusted Purchase Price Owing by the Limited Partnership to Gainers Inc. and Gainers Properties Inc.

Sessional Paper 896/94

Burns Foods (1985) Limited, Roll-In Documents, Sales of the Assets of Gainers Inc. and Gainers Properties Inc. to Pride of Alberta Meat Processing Company

Sessional Paper 897/94

Dr. L. Taylor, Chairman, Alberta Research Council:

Personal and Confidential Solicitor-Client Privilege Claimed, Alberta Research Council Biotechnology Review Report, March 18, 1994

Sessional Paper 898/94

Letter, dated March 22, 1994, from Mr. Robert Clark, Commissioner, Office of the Ethics Commissioner, to Dr. Brian Barge, President, Alberta Research Council, regarding a review of the existing Code of Conduct and Ethics for the staff of the Alberta Research Council

Sessional Paper 899/94

Policy and Operations Manual, Human Resources Sector, August 1, 1985

Sessional Paper 900/94

Corporate Safety Requirements, Alberta Research Council, Occupational Health, Safety and Hygiene, June 1993

Sessional Paper 901/94

Hon. Mr. Schumacher, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Auditor General Act, cA-49, s20(2):

Statement of Loss to the Province from its Involvement with Gainers Inc.

Sessional Paper 141/94

## **Oral Question Period**

During Oral Question Period, Mr. Chadi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Roper, filed the following:

Business Plan, Fletcher's Fine Foods Ltd., proposal for the integration and reorganization of the assets and businesses of Fletcher's Fine Foods Ltd., and Gainers Inc.

Sessional Paper 902/94

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Written Questions**

The following Written Question was accepted:

**Q180.** (Mr. Mitchell):

What is the annual amount spent by Alberta Health to administer the collection and processing of Alberta Health Care premiums?

The following Written Question was rejected:

**Q174.** (Mr. Bruseker):

What is the breakdown of the payments made under guarantee, by recipient, during the 1992/93 fiscal year for the Export Loan Guarantee Program (\$12.4 million) and the Alberta Capital Loan Guarantee Program (\$696,871), as contained in the 1992/93 Public Accounts, Vol. 2, Statement 5.6?

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

Q178, Q179, Q185, Q191.

## **Motions for Returns**

The following Motion for Returns was agreed to:

**M189.** Moved by Mr. Germain on behalf of Mr. Chadi:

Copies of all business plans submitted by Burns Foods (1985) Ltd. to the Government, between September 3, 1993 and March 7, 1994, with respect to the purchase of the assets of Gainers Inc. by Burns Foods.

The following Motion for Returns was agreed to as amended:

**M176.** Moved by Dr. Percy on behalf of Mr. Bruseker:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:  
Copies of the loan guarantee agreements pertaining to the extension of a \$1.7 million guarantee by the Government to Skimmer Oil Separators Ltd. during the 1992/93 fiscal year.

Hon. Mrs. Black, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Minister of Economic Development and Tourism, moved that the Motion for Returns be amended as follows:

Copies of the loan guarantee agreements pertaining to the extension of a \$1.7 million guarantee by the Government to Skimmer Oil Separators Ltd. during the 1992/93 fiscal year, for which all parties to this agreement allow release.

The following Motion for Returns was defeated:

**M175.** Moved by Dr. Percy on behalf of Mr. Bruseker:

Copies of the loan guarantee agreements pertaining to the extension of a \$100,000 loan guarantee by the Government to REDI Industries Inc. during the 1992/93 fiscal year.

A debate followed.

During debate, Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Minister of Economic Development and Tourism, filed the following:

Letter, dated March 8, 1994, from Mr. Rick Derbyshire, Treasurer, Medicine Hat Rehabilitation Society, to Mr. Larry Pana, Business Finance, Alberta Economic Development and Tourism, regarding REDI Industries Inc.'s Government Loan Guarantee

Sessional Paper 903/94

The following Motion for Returns was not moved and was removed from the Order Paper:

**M188.** Mr. Chadi to propose the following motion:

That an Order of the Assembly do issue for a Return showing:  
A copy of the final purchase agreement concluded between Burns Food (1985) Ltd. and the Government, with respect to the January 26, 1994 purchase of the assets of Gainers Inc. by Burns Foods.

The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

M181, M182, M183, M184, M186, M187, M190.

## **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 the Committee of the Whole:

Bill 207 Adult Adoption Act – Mr. Renner

A debate followed.

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

### **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., it was agreed at 5:27 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 23, 1994 – 8:00 P.M.

## **Committee of Supply**

(Day 15 of Main Estimates Consideration)

(Assembly in Committee)

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

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions, reports as follows, and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that a sum not exceeding the following be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1995, for the Department and purposes indicated:

### **Labour**

\$	41,952,000	Operating Expenditure
	<u>522,000</u>	Capital Investment
	<b>42,474,000</b>	

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 Acting Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 4 Employment Standards Code Amendment Act, 1994 – Hon. Mr. Day

Dr. Sohal tabled copies of all amendments considered by the Committee of the Whole this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 4 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark) – Defeated	Sessional Paper 621/94
Amendment to Bill 4 (Hon. Minister of Labour) – Agreed to	Sessional Paper 622/94
Amendment to Bill 4 (Hon. Minister of Labour) – Agreed to	Sessional Paper 623/94
Amendment to Bill 4 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark) – Defeated	Sessional Paper 624/94
Amendment to Bill 4 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark) – Defeated	Sessional Paper 625/94
Amendment to Bill 4 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark) – Defeated	Sessional Paper 626/94
Amendment to Bill 4 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark) – Defeated	Sessional Paper 627/94

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:12 p.m. until Thursday, March 24, 1994 at 1:30 p.m.

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