

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 55

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Third Legislature

Thursday, May 26, 1994

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

ROUTINE

Presenting Petitions

Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, presented a petition from 485 Albertans regarding the maintenance of the Alberta Children's Hospital in Calgary as a full-service, active hospital.

Mr. Collingwood, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, presented a petition from 1442 Albertans regarding the excavation and development of Horseshoe Canyon into a golf course.

Mr. N. Taylor, Hon. Member for Redwater, presented a petition from 35 Albertans regarding the inclusion of the Sturgeon Hospital within the Edmonton region.

Mr. Langevin, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul, presented a petition from 1013 Albertans regarding the development of the Plamondon cutoff as a secondary highway.

Mr. Dalla-Longa, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, presented a petition from 48 Albertans regarding the maintenance of the Alberta Children's Hospital in Calgary as a full-service, active hospital.

Mr. Bracko, Hon. Member for St. Albert, presented a petition from Albertans regarding the inclusion of the Sturgeon Hospital within the Edmonton region.

Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, presented a petition from Albertans regarding the inclusion of the Sturgeon Hospital within the Edmonton region.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

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.

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

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government to continue funding kindergarten at the current level, allowing each and every child in Alberta the opportunity to receive 400 hours of kindergarten instruction, without placing undue financial stress on Alberta families by the imposition of user fees.

On request by Mr. Yankowsky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Belmont, the following petition was read and received:

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

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. Dalla-Longa, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned, petition the Legislative Assembly of Alberta to urge the Government to maintain the Alberta Children's Hospital in Calgary on its current site and as it currently exists as a full service pediatric health care facility.

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

We, the undersigned, petition the Legislative Assembly of Alberta to urge the Government to maintain the existing Alberta Children's Hospital in Calgary as a full service, active hospital which will continue to serve the children of southern Alberta.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Evans, Minister of Environmental Protection:

Response to Written Question No. Q178 asked for by Mr. Collingwood on March 30, 1994:

With respect to the solvent extraction process for remediating hydrocarbon-contaminated soils described on p. 9 of the 1991-92 Alberta Environment Annual Report, what was the cost of this project to the Government, the termination date of the project, which sites has the process been applied to Alberta, and to what effect?

Sessional Paper 178/94

Response to Written Question No. Q179 asked for by Mr. Collingwood on March 30, 1994:

What was the average number of staff (full-time equivalents) employed by Alberta Environment for each fiscal year from April 1, 1988 to March 31, 1994 in the Investigations Branch, the Compliance Branch, the Air Quality Branch, the Water Quality Branch, and the Groundwater Protection Branch.

Sessional Paper 179/94

Response to Written Question No. Q185 asked for by Mr. Vasseur on March 30, 1994:

How many permits or licences were issued between April 1, 1991 to March 31, 1992 and between April 1, 1992 to March 31, 1993, for the extraction of non-saline groundwater for use by industrial facilities and the oil and gas industry, and what was the total volume extracted in each category?

Sessional Paper 185/94

Return to an Order of the Assembly No. M181 asked for by Mr. Collingwood on March 30, 1994:

A copy of the results of the pilot bioremediation HELP (Help End Landfill Pollution) project conducted at an orphan wood preservative site, as described, but not identified, at page 19 of the 1991-92 annual report of Alberta Environment.

Sessional Paper 181/94

Return to an Order of the Assembly No. M193 asked for by Mr. Collingwood on April 27, 1994:

Copies of the logs recording the location and duration of each operation conducted by the four mobile air monitoring vehicles and one mobile laboratory operated by Alberta Environmental Protection from January 1, 1992 until December 31, 1993.

Sessional Paper 193/94

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mrs. Mirosh, Minister without Portfolio, announced an agreement between the Alberta Research Council and Synsorb Biotech Incorporated.

Mr. Decore, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, commented on the announcement.

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, filed the following:

Letter, dated May 24, 1994, from Peter Woloshyn, Reeve, County of Parkland, to Mrs. Gordon, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Stettler, regarding education governance proposal

Sessional Paper 1056/94

Members' Statements

Mr. Stelmach, Hon. Member for Vegreville-Viking, made a statement regarding June 11, 1994 being named Kids' Safe Day.

Mr. White, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mayfield, made a statement regarding seniors benefits.

Mr. Dunford, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-West, made a statement regarding the one-model education system.

Projected Government Business

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Ms Carlson, Acting Hon. Opposition House Leader, asked a question pertaining to the order of Government Business to be brought before the Assembly for the following week.

Hon. Mr. Evans, Deputy Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of May 30 to June 2, 1994:

Monday, May 30, 1994

- Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

As per Order Paper

Committee of the Whole

As per Order Paper

Third Reading

As per Order Paper

Eve. - **Government Bills and Orders**

Second Reading

As per Order Paper

Committee of the Whole

As per Order Paper

Third Reading

As per Order Paper

Tuesday, May 31, 1994

(4:30 p.m.) - Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

As per Order Paper

Committee of the Whole

As per Order Paper

Third Reading

As per Order Paper

Eve. - **Government Bills and Orders**

Second Reading

As per Order Paper

Committee of the Whole

As per Order Paper

Third Reading

As per Order Paper

Wednesday, June 1, 1994 Eve. - Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

As per Order Paper

Committee of the Whole

As per Order Paper

Third Reading

As per Order Paper

Thursday, June 2, 1994 Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

As per Order Paper

Committee of the Whole

As per Order Paper

Third Reading

As per Order Paper

Following Projected Government Business and during a purported point of order, Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Minister of Economic Development and Tourism, filed the following:

Statement, dated May 26, 1994, from Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Minister of Economic Development and Tourism, regarding a supplement to answers to questions raised May 25, 1994, by Mr. Decore, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition

Sessional Paper 1057/94

Mr. Decore, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, commented on the purported point of order.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

On motion by Hon. Mr. Evans, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 31 Municipal Government Act – Mrs. Gordon

A debate followed (on amendment).

During debate, Mrs. Gordon, Hon. Member for Lacombe-Stettler, filed the following:

Letter, dated May 25, 1994, from Hon. Mr. Paszkowski, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, to Andrew Kovacs, Alberta Soft Wheat Producers Commission, regarding a submission to the board of directors of the Agriculture Services Corporation and the grade factor issue

Sessional Paper 1058/94

Minutes, City Council Meeting No. 34, May 24, 1994

Sessional Paper 1059/94

Debate continued (on amendment).

Ms Abdurahman, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, moved adjournment of the debate and that the Committee rise and report, which was agreed to.

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

Mr. Herard, Acting Chairman of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments and sub-amendments considered by the Committee of the Whole this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Sub-amendment to Bill 31 (Hon. Member for Leduc) – defeated

Sessional Paper 696/94

Sub-amendment to Bill 31 (Hon. Member for Leduc) – defeated

Sessional Paper 697/94

Amendment to Bill 31 (Hon. Member for Leduc) – defeated

Sessional Paper 698/94

Amendment to Bill 31 (Hon. Member for Leduc) - defeated

Sessional Paper 699/94

Amendment to Bill 31 (Hon. Member for Leduc)

Sessional Paper 700/94

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Evans, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:18 p.m. until Monday, May 30, 1994, at 1:30 p.m.

Stanley S. Schumacher, Q.C., Speaker

Title: Thursday, May 26, 1994