

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 3

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Third Legislature

Wednesday, February 15, 1995

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

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Langevin, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul, presented a petition from 13 Elk Point and Lindbergh residents regarding sexual orientation and the Individual Rights Protection Act (IRPA).

Ms Abdurahman, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, presented a petition from 149 Albertans regarding lack of funding and definition for mild to moderate children in Special Education Programs.

Mr. Mitchell, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, presented a petition from 200 west Edmonton residents regarding a minimum of 400 hours of Early Childhood Services instruction per year.

Mr. Sapers, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, presented a petition from Albertans regarding a minimum of 400 hours of Early Childhood Services instruction per year.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

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

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government to ensure all Alberta school boards provide the opportunity for each eligible child to receive a minimum of 400 hours of Early Childhood Services instruction per year.

We also request the Assembly urge the Government of Alberta to allow Alberta school boards to use money from the Alberta School Foundation Fund to fund 400 hours or more of Early Childhood Services (ECS) determined by the local community, so that there are no ECS user fees for 400 hour programs and so that all Alberta children have an equal opportunity or "level playing field" to succeed and compete in life by having equal access to basic educational resources.

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

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We also request the Assembly urge the Government of Alberta to allow Alberta school boards to use money from the Alberta School Foundation Fund to fund 400 hours or more of Early Childhood Services (ECS) determined by the local community, so that there are no ECS user fees for 400 hour programs and so that all Alberta children have an equal opportunity or "level playing field" to succeed and compete in life by having equal access to basic educational resources.

On request by Mr. Van Binsbergen, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, the following petition was read and received:

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We also request the Assembly urge the Government of Alberta to allow Alberta school boards to use money from the Alberta School Foundation Fund to fund 400 hours or more of Early Childhood Services (ECS) determined by the local community, so that there are no ECS user fees for 400 hour programs and so that all Alberta children have an equal opportunity or "level playing field" to succeed and compete in life by having equal access to basic educational resources.

Introduction of Bills

Notice having been given:

- Bill 2 Advanced Education Statutes Amendment Act Hon. Mr. Ady
- Bill 3 Managerial Exclusion Act Hon. Mr. Day

Upon recommendation of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 10 Alberta Heritage Scholarship Amendment Act, 1995 — Hon. Mr. Ady

Notice having been given:

Bill 11 Students Finance Amendment Act, 1995 — Mrs. Forsyth

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, the following Bill was placed on the Order Paper under Government Bills and Orders:

Bill 11 Students Finance Amendment Act, 1995 — Mrs. Forsyth

Notice having been given:

- Bill 202 School (Early Childhood Services) Amendment Act, 1995 Mr. Mitchell
- Bill 203 Family Day Amendment Act, 1995 Mrs. Forsyth
- Bill 204 Liquor Control Amendment Act, 1995 Mr. McFarland
- Bill 205 Debt Retirement Act Dr. Percy
- Bill 206 Agricultural Land Conservation Easement Act Dr. Nicol
- Bill 207 Maintenance Enforcement Amendment Act, 1995 Mrs. Soetaert
- Bill 208 Emblems of Alberta Amendment Act, 1995 Mr. Woloshyn
- Bill 209 Limitation of Actions Amendment Act, 1995 Mr. Herard
- Bill 210 Teaching Profession Amendment Act, 1995 Mr. Severtson
- Bill 211 Protection for Persons in Care Act Mr. Tannas
- Bill 212 Motor Vehicle Administration Amendment Act, 1995 Mr. Doerksen
- Bill 213 Public Accounts Committee Act Mrs. Abdurahman
- Bill 214 Victims of Violence Act Mrs. Laing
- Bill 215 Alberta Health Care Entitlement and Accountability Act Mr. Sapers
- Bill 216 Universities Amendment Act, 1995 Mr. Pham
- Bill 217 Law of Property Amendment Act, 1995 Mr. Renner
- Bill 218 School Amendment Act, 1995 Mr. Amery

Bill 219 Non-Smokers' Health Act — Dr. Oberg

Bill 220 Crown Mineral Disposition Review Committee Act — Mr. Collingwood

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Lund, Minister of Environmental Protection:

Return to Order of the Assembly No. M211 asked by Mr. Collingwood October 26, 1994:

The forest management reports for the Whitecourt forest area and for the Edson forest area, between April 1, 1992 and March 31, 1993.

Sessional Paper 211A/95

Ms Abdurahman, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan:

Letter, dated November 1, 1994, to Ms Abdurahman, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, from Cathy Nielsen, Co-Chairperson, Early Childhood Services Program, St. Luke School, South Cooking Lake, regarding the right of access to fully funded kindergarten programming.

Sessional Paper 611/95

Mr. Bracko, Hon. Member for St. Albert:

New Direction, Alberta Lotteries, Discussion Paper, Alberta Lottery Review Committee

Sessional Paper 612/95

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, announced that February 15, 1995 marks the thirtieth anniversary of the adoption of the national flag of Canada.

Mr. Mitchell, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, commented on the statement.

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, tabled the following:

Table of a survey of Alberta professional associations

Sessional Paper 613/95

During Oral Question Period, Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister without Portfolio (Economic Development and Tourism), tabled the following:

News release, dated February 15, 1995, from Suncor Inc., regarding the relocating of Suncor's head office to Calgary

Sessional Paper 614/95

During Oral Question Period, Mr. White, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mayfield, tabled the following:

Memo, dated January 13, 1995, from Len Bergen, Field Supervisor, Vehicle Inspection Services, regarding the issuance of tickets

Sessional Paper 615/95

Memo, undated, from Bob Pagnucco, Director, Transport Field Operations, regarding operational procedures

Sessional Paper 616/95

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

Q146, Q147, Q148, Q149, Q150, Q151, Q152, Q153, Q154, Q155, Q156, Q157, Q158.

Motions for Returns

The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

M159, M160, M161, M162, M163, M164, M165, M166, M167, M168, M169, M170, M171, M172, M173, M174, M175, M176, M178, M179, M180, M181, M182, M183, M184.

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 201 Regional Health Authorities Amendment Act, 1995 — Mr. Mitchell

A debate followed.

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

Alberta Health Memorandum, dated January 13, 1995, to Mrs. Fritz, Hon. Member for Calgary-Cross, from Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health, regarding the Advisory Committee on Medical Foundations

Sessional Paper 617/95

Debate continued.

During debate, Ms Abdurahman, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, tabled the following:

Letter, undated, to Ms Abdurahman, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, from Miriam Shank, regarding a conversation on January 16, 1995 regarding ambulance charges from Jasper to the Royal Alexandra Hospital Sessional Paper 618/95

Debate continued.

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

For the motion: 19

Abdurahman	Kirkland	Sapers
Beniuk	Leibovici	Sekulic
Bracko	Massey	Taylor (Redwater)
Carlson	Mitchell	Van Binsbergen
Collingwood	Nicol	Wickman
Henry	Percy	Zwozdesky
Hewes		

Against the motion: 42

Fischer

Ady	Friedel	Magnus
Amery	Fritz	Mar
Black	Gordon	McClellan
Brassard	Haley	McFarland
Burgener	Havelock	Mirosh
Calahasen	Herard	Oberg
Cardinal	Hierath	Pham
Coutts	Hlady	Renner
Day	Jacques	Rostad
Dinning	Jonson	Severtson
Doerksen	Kowalski	Stelmach
Dunford	Laing	Taylor (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Evans	Langevin	Thurber

Lund

Yankowsky

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Evans, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30, at 5:25 p.m. it was agreed the Assembly adjourn until Thursday, February 16, 1995, at 1:30 p.m.

Title: Wednesday, February 15, 1995