

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 11

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Third Legislature

Thursday, March 2, 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 residents regarding sexual orientation and the Individual Rights Protection Act (IRPA).

Mr. Bracko, Hon. Member for St. Albert, presented a petition from 1,290 Albertans regarding notification to communities upon the release of convicted repeat sex offenders.

Ms Abdurahman, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, presented a petition from 1,440 Albertans regarding notification to communities upon the release of convicted repeat sex offenders.

Mr. Wickman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, presented a petition from 1,230 Albertans regarding notification to communities upon the release of convicted repeat sex offenders.

Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, presented a petition from 1,084 Albertans regarding notification to communities upon the release of convicted repeat sex offenders.

Mr. Vasseur, Hon. Member for Bonnyville, presented a petition from 195 Calgary residents regarding a minimum of 400 hours of Early Childhood Services instruction per year.

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, presented a petition from 63 Edmonton residents regarding a minimum of 400 hours of Early Childhood Services instruction per year.

Mr. White, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mayfield, presented a petition from 98 Rocky Mountain House residents regarding a minimum of 400 hours of Early Childhood Services instruction per year.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

On request by Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of the Province of Alberta, do hereby petition the Legislative Assembly to affirm its support for an enhanced volunteer-based, not-for-profit charitable gaming system in Alberta. We further petition our Legislative Assembly to urge the Government to ensure that sufficient revenues from our "made in Alberta" gaming system can be earned by communities and charities to enable these organizations to continue to provide their valued service to Albertans.

On request by Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government to ensure that no hospital beds are closed in south-western Alberta by an unelected Regional Health Authority without adequate consultation with residents.

On request by Mr. Zariwny, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, 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 Mr. Langevin, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta not to make sexual orientation a part of the Individual Rights Protection Act (IRPA).

On request by Mr. Kirkland, Hon. Member for Leduc, 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.

Notices of Motions

Ms Burgener, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, gave oral notice of her intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly congratulate Hon. Mike Cardinal on his having been awarded the 1995 Trail Breaker Award presented by the Alberta Association of Rehabilitation Centres on Wednesday, March 1, 1995.

Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following motions:

Be it resolved that the Assembly grant leave for the Designated Supply Subcommittee, considering the estimates of Executive Council, to meet on Wednesday, March 15, 1995, between the hours of 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. and Tuesday, March 21, 1995, between the hours of 3:00 and 5:00 p.m., when the Assembly is sitting.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community Development:

Tax Facts Eight, Isabella Horry, Filip Palda, Michael Walker, Fraser Institute, Vancouver, British Columbia, pp. 94-104

Sessional Paper 686/95

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health:

Response to Written Question No. Q149 asked by Mr. Sapers on March 1, 1995:

Excluding instances involving settlement of private insurance claims, provincial workers' compensation (WCB) cases, and out-of-province WCB cases, how many Albertans accessed Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) in private clinics during 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 March 31, 1994?

Sessional Paper 149/95

Response to Written Question No. Q150 asked by Mr. Sapers on March 1, 1995:

How many Albertans accessed hospital-based Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) during 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 March 31, 1994?

Sessional Paper 150/95

Response to Written Question No. Q151 asked by Mr. Sapers on March 1, 1995:

How many Albertans in need of Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) were on a waiting list for access to a publicly funded MRI during 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 March 31, 1994?

Sessional Paper 151/95

Mr. N. Taylor, Hon. Member for Redwater:

Letter of the Week, Calgary Sun, February 19, 1995

Sessional Paper 687/95

Mr. Renner, Hon. Member for Medicine Hat:

2,400 postcards, 1,200 addressed to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, and 1,200 addressed to Hon. Mr. Evans, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, regarding the Federal Government's intention to restrict the legitimate use and ownership of firearms

Sessional Paper 688/95

Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert:

Letter, undated, from Shelly MacFadyn, St. Albert Kindergarten-in-Crisis Group, to Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, regarding kindergarten funding

Sessional Paper 689/95

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

Watercolour from Doug Klem regarding kindergarten funding Sessional Paper 690/95

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Hon. Mr. Dinning, Provincial Treasurer, filed the following:

E-mail, dated February 1, 1995, from Gillian Garner to constituencies regarding money available for postage

Sessional Paper 691/95

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

Fax, dated April 8, 1993, to Clayton Rice, Barrister and Solicitor, from B.E. Peterson, Crown Prosecutor, Alberta Justice and Attorney General, regarding pleas in the case of Regina v. Lisa Neve

Sessional Paper 692/95

Members' Statements

Mr. Renner, Hon. Member for Medicine Hat, made a statement regarding gun registration.

Mrs. Hewes, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Goldbar, made a statement regarding the early release and rehabilitation of high risk sex offenders.

Mr. Coutts, Hon. Member for Pincher Creek-Macleod, made a statement regarding the Alberta Special Olympics held at the Albert Stella Arena in Blairmore, February 24 to 25, 1995.

Projected Government Business

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Mr. Bruseker, Official 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. Day, Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of March 6 to March 9, 1995:

Monday, March 6, 1995

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- Royal Assent

Bill 7, Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 1995

Second Reading

Bill 1, Alberta Taxpayer Protection Act

Bill 4, Medical Profession Amendment Act, 1995

Bill 6, Balanced Budget and Debt Retirement Act

Bill 11, Students Finance Amendment Act, 1995

Bill 17, Public Sector Pension Plans Amendment Act, 1995

Eve. - Committee of Supply

Community Development

Tuesday, March 7, 1995

(4:30 p.m.)

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

Bill 12, Marketing of Agricultural Products Amendment Act, 1995

Bill 13, Bee Act

Bill 14, Irrigation District Rehabilitation Endowment Fund Amendment Act, 1995

(Any other Bills that may have received Second reading on Monday)

Eve. **Committee of Supply**

Agriculture, Food and Rural

Development

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Bill 8, Appropriation (Interim

Supply) Act, 1995

Bill 9, Appropriation (Lottery Fund)

Interim Supply Act, 1995

Wednesday, March 8, 1995 Eve. - Committee of Supply

Municipal Affairs

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

Bill 8, Appropriation (Interim

Supply) Act, 1995

Bill 9, Appropriation (Lottery Fund)

Interim Supply Act, 1995

Third Reading

As per Order Paper, if time permits

Thursday, March 9, 1995 Aft. - Committee of Supply

Advanced Education and Career

Development — Designated

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

Bill 8, Appropriation (Interim

Supply) Act, 1995

Bill 9, Appropriation (Lottery Fund)

Interim Supply Act, 1995

Motions Under Standing Order 40

Ms Burgener, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, requested and received unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly congratulate Hon. Mike Cardinal on his having been awarded the 1995 Trail Breaker Award presented by the Alberta Association of Rehabilitation Centres on Wednesday, March 1, 1995.

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

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Committee of Supply

(Day 3 of Main Estimates Consideration)

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(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 Justice and Attorney General, 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 Subcommittee:

Public Works, Supply and Services

Mr. Dickson to replace Ms Carlson

Sessional Paper 693/95

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, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:28 p.m. until Monday, March 6, 1995 at 1:30 p.m.

Title: Thursday, March 2, 1995