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Province of Alberta**

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Third Legislature

Wednesday, March 15, 1995

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

Presenting Petitions

Ms Abdurahman, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, presented a petition from Camrose residents regarding hours of kindergarten instruction.

Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, presented a petition from 162 Lethbridge residents regarding hours of kindergarten instruction.

Mr. Van Binsbergen, Hon. Member for West Yellowhead, presented a petition from 79 Hinton residents regarding hours of kindergarten instruction.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

On request by Mr. Zwozdesky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Avonmore, 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. Jacques, Hon. Member for Grande Prairie-Wapiti, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government to de-insure the performance of induced abortion under the Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan Act and use the community-based resources that are already in place that offer positive alternatives to abortion.

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

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Introduction of Bills

Oral notice having been given Tuesday, March 14, 1995:

Bill 20 Electoral Boundaries Commission Amendment Act, 1995 — Hon. Mr. Evans

Tabling Returns and Reports

Mr. Sapers, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora:

Nick Juric, address to nurses, University of Alberta

Sessional Paper 734/95

Mr. Kirkland, Hon. Member for Leduc:

Seven letters from members of the arts community regarding continued lottery based funding of Alberta's arts

Sessional Paper 735/95

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Hon. Mr. Paszkowski, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, filed the following:

Letter, dated March 13, 1995, from Hon. Mr. Paszkowski, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, to Hon. Mr. Axworthy, Minister of Human Resources Development and Western Economic Diversification, regarding rotating strikes and their impact on the grain transportation system
Sessional Paper 736/95

Letter, dated March 13, 1995, from Hon. Mr. Paszkowski, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, to Hon. Mr. Goodale, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, regarding rotating strikes and their impact on the grain transportation system
Sessional Paper 737/95

During Oral Question Period, Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community Development, filed the following:

Guide for Private Care Home Operators, Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta, August, 1993
Sessional Paper 738/95

Guide to Private Care Homes for Prospective Residents, Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta, August, 1993
Sessional Paper 739/95

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

Q185, Q186, Q187, Q188, Q189, Q190.

Motions for Returns

The following Motions for Returns were accepted:

M176. Moved by Dr. Massey:

All data, reports and analyses that reveal how the Department of Advanced Education and Career Development arrived at \$47 million as an appropriate amount for expenditure on the Access Fund.

M182. Moved by Mr. Bruseker on behalf of Ms Hanson:

A list of all agencies/interest groups/individuals that the Government has consulted with specifically on welfare reform from April 1993 through to February 13, 1995.

M183. Moved by Mr. Van Binsbergen on behalf of Mr. Kirkland:

Any reports or data compiled for or by the Government pertaining to the privatization of the Workers' Compensation Board between January 1, 1991 and January 15, 1995.

The following Motions for Returns were accepted as amended:

M159. Moved by Mrs. Hewes:

Copies of all written documents and electronic databases, and summaries thereof, collected and compiled through the 1-800-642-3853 and 427-7876 Budget/Seniors telephone hotlines from the period of February 25, 1994 through January 31, 1995, tracking the comments of seniors and any areas of concern expressed by seniors as documented via these taxpayer-funded hotlines.

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community Development, moved the Motion for Return be amended to read as follows:

A copy of a summary document, collected and compiled through the 1-800-642-3853 and 427-7876 Budget/Seniors telephone hotlines from the period of February 25, 1994 through January 31, 1995, tracking the comments of seniors and any areas of concern expressed by seniors as documented via these taxpayer-funded hotlines.

M174. Moved by Mr. N. Taylor:

The names of companies or operators that were charged with unlawful forestry practices, including breaches of Forest Management Agreements and Operating Ground Rules, with details of the charge and the nature and size of the penalty imposed, from January 1, 1991 until December 31, 1994.

Hon. Mr. Lund, Minister of Environmental Protection, moved that the Motion for Return be amended to read as follows:

An annual summary of penalties assessed against Commercial Timber Operators for breaches of the Forests Act and Regulations, or of the Alberta Timber Harvest Planning and Operating Ground Rules, showing the number of operators against whom penalties were assessed, the number of penalties assessed, the total amount assessed and the average penalty size, for the period January 1, 1991 to December 31, 1994.

A debate followed on the amendment.

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to.

Debate continued on the motion as amended.

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

For the motion as amended: 44

Amery	Gordon	Mirosh
Black	Haley	Oberg
Brassard	Havelock	Paszkowski
Burgener	Herard	Pham
Calahasen	Hlady	Severtson
Clegg	Jacques	Smith
Coutts	Jonson	Stelmach
Day	Klein	Tannas
Dinning	Kowalski	Taylor (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Doerksen	Laing	Thurber
Dunford	Lund	Trynchy
Fischer	Magnus	West
Forsyth	Mar	Woloshyn
Friedel	McClellan	Yankowsky
Fritz	McFarland	

Against the motion as amended: 21

Abdurahman	Kirkland	Sekulic
Bruseker	Leibovici	Soetaert
Carlson	Massey	Taylor (Redwater)
Chadi	Mitchell	Van Binsbergen
Decore	Nicol	White
Dickson	Percy	Zariwny
Hewes	Sapers	Zwozdesky

M177. Moved by Dr. Nicol:

Any report or other data compiled for or by the Government between January 1, 1985 and January 1, 1995 that demonstrates the difference in shipping costs for Alberta grain farmers if the Western Grain Transportation subsidy is paid to the producer.

Hon. Mr. Paszkowski, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, moved that the Motion for Return be amended to read as follows:

A summary listing of reports or materials available from the Government published between January 1, 1985 and January 1, 1995 that deal with the difference in shipping costs to Alberta grain farmers if the Crow Benefit was to be paid directly to the producer.

The following Motions for Returns were rejected:

M162. Moved by Mr. N. Taylor on behalf of Mr. Dalla-Longa:

Any studies or reports prepared by, or on behalf of, the Province of Alberta since January 1993, assessing the future economic viability of the Lloydminster Bi-provincial Upgrader and projections for annual upside interest payments to Alberta over a 20 year period commencing in January 1995.

M178. Moved by Mr. Zariwny:

Copies of any studies, reports or working documents prepared by or on behalf of the Government between January 1, 1994 and January 16, 1995 pertaining to provincial policing.

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 20

Abdurahman	Henry	Sekulic
Bruseker	Hewes	Soetaert
Carlson	Kirkland	Taylor (Redwater)
Chadi	Leibovici	Van Binsbergen
Collingwood	Mitchell	Zariwny
Decore	Nicol	Zwozdesky
Dickson	Percy	

Against the motion: 43

Amery	Haley	Oberg
Black	Havelock	Paszkowski
Brassard	Herard	Pham
Burgener	Hlady	Renner
Clegg	Jacques	Severtson
Coutts	Jonson	Smith
Day	Klein	Stelmach
Dinning	Kowalski	Tannas
Doerksen	Laing	Taylor (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Dunford	Magnus	Thurber
Fischer	Mar	Trynchy
Forsyth	McClellan	West
Friedel	McFarland	Woloshyn
Fritz	Mirosh	Yankowsky
Gordon		

M179. Moved by Mr. Zariwny:

Copies of any studies, reports or working documents prepared by or on behalf of the Government between January 1, 1994 and February 13, 1995, pertaining to the privatization of provincial correctional centres.

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 15

Abdurahman	Dickson	Sekulic
Bruseker	Henry	Taylor (Redwater)
Chadi	Hewes	Van Binsbergen
Collingwood	Leibovici	Zariwny
Decore	Nicol	Zwozdesky

Against the motion: 39

Amery	Fritz	McClellan
Black	Gordon	McFarland
Brassard	Haley	Mirosh
Burgener	Havelock	Oberg
Clegg	Herard	Paszkowski
Coutts	Hlady	Pham
Day	Jacques	Renner
Dinning	Jonson	Severtson
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Dunford	Laing	Taylor (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Fischer	Lund	Trynchy
Forsyth	Magnus	West
Friedel	Mar	Woloshyn

M184. Moved by Mr. Chadi on behalf of Mr. White:

Any reports or data compiled for or by the Government between January 1, 1991 and January 1, 1995 that demonstrate the savings realized by privatizing road maintenance activities within the province.

The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

M191, M192, M193, M194, M195, M196, M197.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mrs. Black, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., at 5:27 p.m. it was agreed 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 15, 1995 — 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply

(Day 10 of Main Estimates Consideration)

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time 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 Education, reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker, I also wish to file copies of documents tabled during Committee of Supply by Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, for the official records of the Assembly:

Sample business plans

Sessional Paper 740/95

Financial Projections, How to Add Numbers to Your Activity Plans

Sessional Paper 741/95

Vision for the Nineties, A Plan of Action, excerpts from

Sessional Paper 742/95

For the Love of Learning, Report of the Royal Commission on Learning, excerpts from

Sessional Paper 743/95

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:14 p.m. until Thursday, March 16, 1995 at 1:30 p.m.

Title: Wednesday, March 15, 1995