



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 20

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Third Legislature

Monday, March 20, 1995

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

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, presented a petition from 40 residents of Nanton, Claresholm and Stavely regarding the closure of hospital beds in south-western Alberta.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

On request by Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, 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

Mr. Yankowsky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Belmont, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly congratulate the University of Alberta Golden Bears Basketball Team for winning the CIAU basketball championship in Halifax on March 19, 1995, for the second year in a row.

Introduction of Bills

Notice having been given:

Bill 21 Engineering, Geological and Geophysical Professions Amendment Act,
1995 — Hon. Mr. Fischer

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Ady, Minister of Advanced Education and Career Development, made a statement regarding New Directions in Adult Learning and announced four new applied degrees.

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, commented on the statement.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health:

Letter, dated March 13, 1995, from Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health, to Alberta physicians, regarding the input of physicians into health system restructuring

Sessional Paper 745/95

Letter, dated March 20, 1995, from William Grace to Mr. Sapers, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, regarding Mr. Sapers' comments in the Legislative Assembly on March 16, 1995, Alberta Hansard, p. 632

Sessional Paper 746/95

Hon. Mr. Cardinal, Minister of Family and Social Services:

List of mortgages held by agencies funded by Family and Social Services

Sessional Paper 747/95

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

Memo, dated March 16, 1995, from David Forster to Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Education, regarding Alberta school boards' lawsuit against the Government over the issue of local autonomy

Sessional Paper 748/95

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Mr. Langevin, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul, filed the following:

90 letters, variously dated and undated, variously signed, to Hon. Mr. Cardinal, Minister of Family and Social Services, regarding persons with developmental disabilities

Sessional Paper 749/95

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

1995 Canada Games Background, Provincial and Territorial Team colours

Sessional Paper 750/95

During Oral Question Period, Mrs. Hewes, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Goldbar, filed the following:

Fact Sheet, Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta, December 1994, Issue Number 2, regarding regulations for private care homes

Sessional Paper 751/95

During Oral Question Period, Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health, filed the following:

Code of Ethics and Guidelines for Regional Health Authority members, November 22, 1994, and Capital Health Authority General Bylaws, pp. 4-5

Sessional Paper 752/95

Speaker's Statement — Referring to Persons Outside the Assembly

The Chair wishes to make a comment about Members referring to persons outside the Assembly.

In the past few months there have been some references made to persons outside the House which have received extensive publicity. Members are protected by privilege with respect to the words they speak in the Chamber. With that right comes an obligation to realize that persons outside the Chamber cannot reply in the Chamber. Such persons are at a serious disadvantage when their reputation or integrity is questioned. Beauchesne, paragraph 493(4) states:

The Speaker has cautioned Members to exercise great care in making statements about persons who are outside the House and unable to reply.

The Chair is again cautioning Members. The Chair is not attempting to muzzle any Member. However, Members may, depending on the facts they have, wish to consider the difference between asking about a situation and making a direct allegation about that situation.

Motions Under Standing Order 40

Mr. Yankowsky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Belmont, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly congratulate the University of Alberta Golden Bears Basketball Team for winning the CIAU basketball championship in Halifax on March 19, 1995, for the second year in a row.

A debate followed.

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

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

18. Oral notice having been given Thursday, March 16, 1995, Hon. Mr. Evans, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Day, moved the following motion:

Be it resolved that a substitution in membership of the following Committee be approved by the Assembly:

on the Standing Committee on Private Bills, that Mr. Tannas replace Ms Haley

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

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill	2	Advanced Education Statutes Amendment Act — Hon. Mr. Ady
Bill	4	Medical Profession Amendment Act, 1995 — Mr. Brassard
Bill	12	Marketing of Agricultural Products Amendment Act, 1995 — Hon. Mr. Paszkowski
Bill	13	Bee Act — Mr. Clegg
Bill	14	Irrigation District Rehabilitation Endowment Fund Amendment Act, 1995 — Hon. Mr. Paszkowski

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

Adjournment

At 5:30 p.m. the Committee adjourned until 8:00 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 20, 1995 — 8:00 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

(Assembly in Committee)

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

Progress was reported on the following Bills:

Bill 3 Managerial Exclusion Act — Hon. Mr. Day

Bill 6 Balanced Budget and Debt Retirement Act — Hon. Mr. Dinning

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

Amendment to Bill 6 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud) — debate adjourned
Sessional Paper 753/95

Amendment to Bill 3 (Hon. Minister of Labour) — debate adjourned
Sessional Paper 755/95

Mr. Herard, Chairman of Committees, also tabled copies of documents filed by Hon. Mr. Day, Minister of Labour, during Committee of the Whole consideration of Bill 3, Managerial Exclusion Act

Letter, dated March 15, 1995, from Barry Goodhope, Executive Director, Alberta Association of Municipal Districts; letter, dated March 13, 1995, from Gail Surkan, Mayor, City of Red Deer, and letter, dated March 15, 1995, from Irsi Evans, Reve, Strathcona County, to Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader; and letter, dated February 27, 1995, from Al Duer, Mayor, City of Calgary, to Mrs. Laing, Hon. Member for Calgary-Bow, regarding support for Bill 3, Managerial Exclusion Act

Sessional Paper 754/95

Committee of Supply

(Day 12 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 Family and Social Services, reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

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, the Assembly adjourned at 9:58 p.m. until Tuesday, March 21, 1995, at 1:30 p.m.

Title: Monday, March 20, 1995