

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 27

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Third Legislature

Thursday, March 30, 1995

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

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Vasseur, Hon. Member for Bonnyville, presented a petition from 152 Bonnyville and area residents regarding school boards providing busing without transportation fees.

Mr. Vasseur, Hon. Member for Bonnyville, presented a petition from 442 Bonnyville and area residents regarding water rights.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

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 to de-insure the performance of induced abortions 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. 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 of Alberta 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. Chadi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Roper, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta 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. L. Taylor, Hon. Member for Cypress-Medicine Hat, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to de-insure the performance of induced abortions 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. Yankowsky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Belmont, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to de-insure the performance of induced abortions 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.

Introduction of Bills

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

Bill 23 Treasury Statutes Amendment and Repeal Act, 1995 — Hon. Mr. Dinning

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health:

Message from Board Chair, Mairi Matheson, Calgary General Hospital, March 16, 1995

Sessional Paper 801/95

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo:

Resolution, Corpus Christi School Council, regarding hours of kindergarten instruction

Sessional Paper 802/95

Mr. Wickman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford:

"VLT gambler in court, wants machine out", Red Deer Advocate, March 25, 1995 Sessional Paper 803/95

Mr. Mitchell, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition:

Speech by Cindy Howgan, crisis intervention worker from WIN House, March 28, 1995

Sessional Paper 804/95

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

Letter, dated March 29, 1995, from Mrs. Lynn Cook, Site Administrator, University of Alberta, to Ms K. Urquhart and Mr. M. Fillion, regarding the current selection criteria for lung transplants and an apology regarding the delay in processing the candidacy for transplant of Terry Urquhart

Sessional Paper 805/95

Open letter, undated, from C. Tester, MD (retired), to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, and the Government of Alberta, regarding health care, Regional Health Authorities and budgets

Sessional Paper 806/95

Letter, dated July 7, 1994, from Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health, to Mr. Sapers, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, and letter, dated July 27, 1994, from Mr. Sapers, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, to Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health, regarding the process of restructuring acute care services in Alberta

Sessional Paper 807/95

Motion, dated March 21, 1995, from the Health Care Task Force, signed by Michael Phair, Edmonton City Councillor, Ward 4, regarding the Capital Health Authority's 1995-96 budget and City of Edmonton document from the Office of Studies and Budget outlining a summary of impacts of the Capital Health Authority's 1995-96 budget

Sessional Paper 808/95

Open letter, dated March 8, 1995, from the Obstetrical Nursing Staff, University of Alberta Hospitals, regarding the implications of "Option No. 2" discussed at the Capital Health Authority Board meeting of March 7, 1995

Sessional Paper 809/95

Letter, unsigned, dated January 26, 1995, from Donald Ford, Assistant Deputy Minister, Area Services Division, Alberta Health, to Regional Health Authorities, regarding the laboratory restructuring process and funding allocation

Sessional Paper 810/95

Letter, dated November 25, 1994, from Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health, to John Vanderkaay, Director of Labour Relations, Health Sciences Association of Alberta, regarding the Final Report of the Health Sciences Association of Alberta Ad Hoc Laboratory Services Committee of September 21, 1994

Sessional Paper 811/95

Hospital Privileges and Agreements with Independent Practitioners, analysis of the draft agreement by the Alberta Medical Association regarding physician contracts and hospital privileges

Sessional Paper 812/95

Mr. Chadi, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Roper:

Study of the Economic Role and Impacts of Medical Research in the Edmonton Region, Nicols Applied Management, prepared for the University of Alberta Hospitals, January 30, 1995

Sessional Paper 813/95

Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East:

Letter, dated November 7, 1994, from Rosie Gregory, Chairman, Assumption School Parent Council, to Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, regarding a resolution of the council requesting fully funded kindergarten programming Sessional Paper 814/95

Questionnaire, Value of Kindergarten, Kindergarten Coalition

Sessional Paper 815/95

Mr. Kirkland, Hon. Member for Leduc:

12 letters, variously signed, dated November 1994, regarding funding for kindergarten programming

Sessional Paper 816/95

Members' Statements

Mr. Kowalski, Hon. Member for Barrhead, made a statement regarding 1995 marking the 100th anniversary of the establishment of Polish communities in Alberta.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, made a statement regarding the elimination of services at the newly renovated Alberta Vocational College library in Calgary.

Mr. Coutts, Hon. Member for Pincher Creek-Macleod, made a statement regarding Pincher Creek hosting the 1995 Atom B Provincial Hockey Tournament.

Projected Government Business

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Mr. Bruseker, 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. Day, Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of April 3 to April 6, 1995:

Monday, April 3, 1995	Aft.	- Government Bills and Orders
		Second Reading
		As per Order Paper
	Eve.	- Committee of Supply
		Reports of the Designated Supply Sub-committees
Tuesday, April 4, 1995	(4:30 p.m.)	- Government Bills and Orders
		Second Reading
		As per Order Paper
	Eve.	- Committee of Supply
		Lottery Fund Estimates
Wednesday, April 5, 1995	Eve.	- Committee of Supply
		Lottery Fund Estimates
		Introduction of Bills
		Appropriation Bills

Aft.

- Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

As per Order Paper, beginning with Bill 3, Managerial Exclusion Act

Second Reading

Appropriation Bills

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Committee of Supply

(Day 19 of Main Estimates Consideration — Designated)

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Herard reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the Provincial Treasurer, 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.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill21Engineering, Geological and Geophysical Professions Amendment Act,
1995 — Hon. Mr. Fischer

A debate followed.

Mr. Chadi moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

The following Bills were read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 17 Public Sector Pension Plans Amendment Act, 1995 — Mr. Jacques

Bill 18 Environmental Protection Statutes Repeal Act — Hon. Mr. Lund

Adjournment

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On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:28 p.m. until Monday, April 3, 1995, at 1:30 p.m.

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