

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 36

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Third Legislature

Tuesday, April 25, 1995

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

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, presented a petition from 462 Calgary and area residents regarding the rights of Catholic taxpayers and the future of Catholic Schools.

Mr. Collingwood, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, presented a petition from 772 Albertans regarding public hearings on the Laidlaw Hazardous Waste proposal for Ryley, Alberta.

Mrs. Fritz, Hon. Member for Calgary-Cross, presented a petition from 8,641 Albertans regarding a "made in Alberta" gaming system to benefit communities and charities.

Mr. Sapers, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, presented a petition from Calgary residents regarding objections to the closure of the Holy Cross Hospital.

Mr. Sapers, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, presented a petition from 200 Edmonton and area residents regarding the closure of hospital beds.

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

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Notices of Motions

Pursuant to Standing Order 34(2)(a), Hon. Mrs. Black, Deputy Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following Written Question and Motions for Returns to be dealt with Wednesday, April 26, 1995:

Written Question:	Q206.
Motions for Returns:	M202, M224, M225, M226.

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

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly recognize the launch of the national literacy campaign.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Physical Therapy Profession Act, cP-7.5, s9(4):

College of Physical Therapists, Annual Report 1994-95

Sessional Paper 80/95

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Mental Health Act, cM-13.1, s47:

Mental Health Patient Advocate Office, Annual Report 1994

Sessional Paper 77/95

Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West:

Fax, undated, from Christiane and Nabil Ghaly, Gisele Chapman and C.A. Lemire, Calgary, to Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Education, regarding the rights of Catholic taxpayers and the future of Catholic Schools

Sessional Paper 881/95

Photocopy of a petition with 113 signatures regarding the rights of Catholic taxpayers and the future of Catholic Schools

Sessional Paper 880/95

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

Letter, dated April 2, 1995, from George Jordan, Red Deer, to Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health, and Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, regarding budget cuts

Sessional Paper 882/95

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Ady, Minister of Advanced Education and Career Development, made a statement announcing the Designated Occupation of Gas Utility Operator under the Apprenticeship and Industry Training Act.

Mr. Kirkland, Hon. Member for Leduc, commented on the statement.

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Ms Abdurahman, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, filed the following:

Letter, dated April 20th, 1995, from Tom Maccagno, Mayor, Town of Lac La Biche, to Derald Cholak, Chairman, Lakeland Regional Health Authority, regarding objections to the Lakeland Regional Health Authority's decision to rename the region's hospital a health centre and an article, dated April 18, 1995, from the Lac La Biche Post, entitled "A hospital by any other name"

Sessional Paper 883/95

Members' Statements

Mr. Collingwood, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, made a statement regarding the recent celebration of the twenty-fifth annual Earth Day.

Mr. Yankowsky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Belmont, made a statement regarding remarks made in the Legislature April 11, 1995, during debate on Bill 207, Maintenance Enforcement Amendment Act, 1995. He expressed regret for the use of inflammatory language and apologized for offending some people.

Mr. Henry, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, read a letter from students of English as a Second Language 10A Class, St. Joseph's High School, Edmonton, regarding their concerns about restricted access to post-secondary education.

Motions Under Standing Order 40

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

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Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly recognize the launch of the national literacy campaign.

A debate followed.

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

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Motions Other Than Government Motions

508. Moved by Mrs. Hewes:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure that seniors' benefits provided by the Government will not be decreased for any individual after that person reaches the age of 65 years.

Debate continued on the subamendment introduced by Mr. Henry, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, on April 11, 1995, which read that the amendment, introduced by Ms Burgener, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, on April 11, 1995, be further amended by adding the following after "65 years":

, which will be that level in place when that individual reached their sixty-fifth birthday.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(4), the question being put, the subamendment was defeated. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the subamendment: 20

Bracko	Henry	Soetaert
Bruseker	Hewes	Taylor (Redwater)
Carlson	Kirkland	Van Binsbergen
Chadi	Leibovici	Wickman
Collingwood	Nicol	Zariwny
Dalla-Longa	Percy	Zwozdesky
Germain	Sekulic	

Against the subamendment: 44

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

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(4), the question was immediately put and agreed to on the amendment, introduced by Ms Burgener, Hon. Member for Calgary-Currie, on April 11, 1995, which read that Motion 508 be amended by:

striking out

not be decreased

and substituting

remain at an appropriate level

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(4), the question was immediately put and agreed to on the motion as amended which read as follows:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to ensure that seniors' benefits provided by the Government will *remain at an appropriate level* for any individual after that person reaches the age of 65 years.

509. Moved by Mr. Zariwny:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to enter into negotiations with the Federal Government to ensure provisions in section 85 of the Canadian Criminal Code, which provides for the imposition of additional sentences of 1 to 14 years for the use of a firearm while committing an indictable offence, are used as a means to deter the criminal use of firearms.

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(2)(c), debate adjourned, Ms Carlson speaking.

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 17 Public Sector Pensio	Plans Amendment Act,	1995 — Mr. Jacqu	ues
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- Bill 18 Environmental Protection Statutes Repeal Act Hon. Mr. Lund
- Bill 22 Science and Research Authority Act Hon. Mrs. Mirosh
- Bill 23 Treasury Statutes Amendment and Repeal Act, 1995 Hon. Mr. Dinning
- Bill 24 Hospitals Amendment Act, 1995 Mrs. Gordon
- Bill 25 Teachers' Pension Plans Act Hon. Mr. Ady
- Bill 26 Energy Statutes Amendment Act, 1995 Mr. Coutts
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Second Reading

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

Bill 19 Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 1995 — Hon. Mr. Fischer

A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

Pursuant to Standing Order 4(1), the Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m until 8:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 1995 — 8:00 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bills were reported:

Bill 5 Public Health Amendment Act, 1995 — Ms Calahasen

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

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 15 Charitable Fund-Raising Act — Mr. Coutts

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 16 Workers' Compensation Amendment Act, 1995 — Hon. Mr. Day

Mr. Tannas, 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 15 (Hon. Member for Pincher Creek-McLeod) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 884/95

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Amendment to Bill 16 (Hon. Member for Leduc) — debate adjourned Sessional Paper 889/95							
Amendment to Bill 20 (Hon. Member for Leduc on behalf of Hon. Member for Fort McMurray) — Defeated							
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Amendment to Bill 20 (Hon. Minister of Justice and Attorney General) — Defeated							
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Amendment to Bill 5 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora) — Defeated							
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Mr. Speaker, I would also like to table copies of a document tabled by Ms Calahasen, Hon. Member for Lesser Slave Lake, during Committee of the Whole consideration of Bill 5, Public Health Amendment Act, 1995, for the official records of the Assembly:							
Guidelines for Registered Nurses in Advanced Nursing Practice							

Guidelines for Registered Nurses in Advanced Nursing Practice Providing Primary Health Care Services in Under-Serviced Communities in Alberta, Alberta Health, August 1994

Sessional Paper 892/95

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:02 p.m. until Wednesday, April 26, 1995, at 1:30 p.m.

Title: Tuesday, April 25, 1995