

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 45

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Third Session

Twenty-Third Legislature

Wednesday, May 10, 1995

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

Introduction of New Member

The Speaker announced that he had received from the Chief Electoral Officer of Alberta the report of the Returning Officer for the constituency of Calgary-McCall containing the results of the by-election conducted April 20, 1995, in the constituency and the said report further shows that Shiraz Shariff was duly elected as the Member for Calgary-McCall.

Mr. Shariff joined Hon. Mr. Dinning, Provincial Treasurer, and Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, at the Bar and was then escorted to the Mace. Hon. Mr. Day presented Mr. Shariff to the Speaker, and the Hon. Member for Calgary-McCall took his seat in the Assembly.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

On request by Ms Abdurahman, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to hold a plebiscite under the Local Authorities Election Act in Accordance with Section 3 of the Alberta Hospitals Act, which provides for such a plebiscite to be held with the amalgamation of boards, construction of new facilities, disestablishment of existing facilities, or changes in the operation of existing facilities within a district or proposed district affected by such changes.

On request by Mr. Vasseur, Hon. Member for Bonnyville, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned, petition the Legislative Assembly of Alberta to urge the Government of Alberta to ensure that all school boards provide transportation for each eligible child in rural Alberta without the use of transportation fees.

On request by Mr. Vasseur, Hon. Member for Bonnyville, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to not sell the rights of water to any company, country or monopoly without first conducting a referendum for the people to decide on the issue.

On request by Mrs. Fritz, Hon. Member for Calgary-Cross, 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.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Education, pursuant to the Legislative Assembly Act, cL-10.1, sec. 52:

Alberta Education, Annual Report 1993-94

Sessional Paper 44/95

Hon. Mr. Lund, Minister of Environmental Protection:

Response to Written Question No. Q146 asked by Mr. Collingwood on March 8, 1995:

With respect to the Natural Resources and Sustainable Development Policy Committee, between the period September 1, 1993 to December 1, 1994, how many times did the Committee meet and how many of those meetings were completely in camera; how many presentations were made to the Committee, and how many were made in camera?

Sessional Paper 146/95

Response to Written Question No. Q147 asked by Mr. Collingwood on March 8, 1995:

How many underground storage tanks, identified under the Management of Underground Storage Tanks Program *which is administered by the Petroleum Tank Management Association of Alberta (PTMAA)*, were removed between January 1, 1994 and December 31, 1994 and how many were replaced?

Sessional Paper 147/95

Response to Written Question No. Q152 asked by Mr. N. Taylor on March 8, 1995:

With respect to the Alberta private woodlot program, what was spent in the 1993-94 fiscal year and how much has been budgeted for the 1994-95 fiscal year; what proportion was budgeted in each of these fiscal years by the Provincial Government and what proportion by the Federal Government; and how many people were employed to run the woodlot program as of April 1 for these years?

Sessional Paper 152/95

Response to Written Question No. Q154 asked by Mr. Collingwood on March 8, 1995:

How many *investigations* were carried out between September 1, 1993 and December 31, 1994 of auto recyclers and other establishments that handle ozone-depleting substances to ensure compliance with regulations under the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act and what action was taken or penalty imposed in each case?

Sessional Paper 154/95

Response to Written Question No. Q155 asked by Mr. N. Taylor on March 8, 1995:

With respect to the region covered by the Interim Timber Harvesting Guidelines for Public Land in the White Area in the Northeast Region of Alberta, what is the total area of grazing dispositions and what is the area for which range development plans have been approved; what is the area that has been designated in the northeast region for sustained yield timber management and what proportion is on lands referred to in the first part of this question?

Sessional Paper 155/95

Response to Written Question No. Q156 asked by Dr. Nicol on March 8, 1995:

How many mule deer and whitetail deer were killed by firearms and bows between January 1, 1993 and January 1, 1994?

Sessional Paper 156/95

Return to Order of the Assembly No. M160 asked by Mr. Collingwood on March 8, 1995:

A list of companies and other bodies that, to the knowledge of the Department of Environmental Protection, infringed the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act between September 1, 1993 and December 31, 1994, with details of each infringement and the penalty imposed, if any.

Sessional Paper 160/95

Return to Order of the Assembly No. M161 asked by Mr. Collingwood on March 8, 1995:

The name of the consulting company operating collectively as the Alberta Heritage Rivers Consortium which is coordinating the study for the selection of candidate Heritage Rivers, and a copy of the contract issued to the consortium.

Sessional Paper 161/95

Return to Order of the Assembly No. M170 asked by Mr. N. Taylor on March 8, 1995:

A list of the date and location of inspections made between January 1, 1993 and December 31, 1994 to determine whether logging on private land is having a detrimental affect on the environment, along with details of any breaches of legislation and of reprimands or fines imposed.

Sessional Paper 170/95

Return to Order of the Assembly No. M171 asked by Mr. Collingwood on March 8, 1995:

Copies of all monthly summaries of equipment reports involved in phase 3 of the construction of the Paddle River Dam, and Ministerial correspondence relating to this equipment usage pertaining to the construction of this phase.

Sessional Paper 171/95

Mr. Brassard, Chairman, Social Care Facilities Review Committee, pursuant to the Social Care Facilities Review Committee Act, cS-15, s16:

Alberta Social Care Facilities Review Committee, Annual Report 1994 Sessional Paper 68/95

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

Dialogue on Health Forum, May 8, 1995, Questionnaire Results Sessional Paper 967/95 Hon. Mr. Cardinal, Minister of Family and Social Services:

Response to Written Question No. Q158 asked by Ms Hanson on March 8, 1995:

What is the total number of children who had/have status with the Child Welfare System for the following periods: April 1, 1991 to March 31, 1992; April 1, 1992 to March 31, 1993; April 1, 1993 to March 31, 1994; April 1, 1994 to February 13, 1995; and what is the breakdown of the reasons for these children being taken into the Child Welfare System for each of these periods?

Sessional Paper 158/95

Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister without Portfolio (Economic Development and Tourism):

Return to Order of the Assembly No. M165 asked by Dr. Percy on March 8, 1995:

Copies of any loan or amended loan agreements between the Government, Millar Western Pulp Ltd., Millar Western Pulp (Whitecourt) Ltd. and Millar Western Industries Ltd. *effective June 1*, 1994.

Sessional Paper 165/95

Mr. Zwozdesky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Avonmore:

Air Canada media release, April 29, 1995, regarding Edmonton's Jazz City Festival, June 23 to July 2, 1995, and Jazz City Official Program

Sessional Paper 968/95

Oral Question Period

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

Fax, dated April 21, 1995, from Motor Dealers' Association of Alberta to all Government Members of the Legislative Assembly, regarding Bill 33, Franchises Act

Sessional Paper 969/95

Fax, dated May 9, 1995, from L.R. Cable, President, Motor Village Group, to Ms Abdurahman, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, regarding Bill 33, Franchises Act

Sessional Paper 970/95

During Oral Question Period, Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, filed the following:

Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties document, dated May 1995, regarding the Safety Codes Council

Sessional Paper 971/95

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Question was accepted:

Q223. Moved by Mr. Collingwood:

What services did Alberta Public Affairs Bureau Audio Visual Services contract from Tinsel Media Productions Ltd. during the winter of 1994/95 on behalf of the Department of Environmental Protection, and what was the total cost?

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

Q233, Q234, Q235, Q236, Q241, Q242.

Motions for Returns

The following Motions for Returns were accepted:

M229. Moved by Dr. Nicol:

All data from January 1, 1993 to April 5, 1995, which illustrates the level of credentials or participation in retraining by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development employees whose job description has been reclassified to Regional Specialists.

M230. Moved by Dr. Nicol:

How many escapes of domesticated game animals to the wild and how many incidences of domesticated game animals and wild game animals mixing on game farms have occurred since the inception of game farming in Alberta to March 30, 1995.

The following Motions for Returns were accepted as amended:

M228. Moved by Dr. Nicol:

Copies of all data compiled between January 1, 1992, and April 4, 1995, to justify the Government's position that Alberta farmers support the right to access a continental market for wheat and barley.

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

Copies of all *published data and materials* compiled between January 1, 1992, and April 4, 1995, to justify the Government's position that Alberta farmers support the right to access a continental market for wheat and barley.

M232. Moved by Mr. N. Taylor:

A copy of all agreements signed between January 1, 1994 and December 31, 1994 between the Government and forest companies for the implementation of the Forest Management Improvement Program, including a list of the major expenditures under each agreement.

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

A standard copy of the Forest Resource Improvement Program (FRIP) master agreements and sub-agreements for the implementation of the program for approval of project funding; a list of all master agreements signed between January 1, 1994 and December 31, 1994 between the Government and forest companies for the implementation of the program, including a list of the major expenditures under each agreement.

The following Motions for Returns were rejected:

M227. Moved by Dr. Nicol:

Lists of all tests conducted on wild animals adjacent to game farms for diseases which could be communicated from or to those confined game animals since game farms were licensed in Alberta to March 30, 1995.

M231. Moved by Dr. Nicol:

Copies of all studies and data gathered which shows the level of cost-benefit ratios and/or internal rates of return used by the Government in evaluating economic development projects to be financed by public funds and administered by all departments or agencies of the Government over the period January 1, 1980 to December 31, 1994.

The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

M237, M238, M239, M240, M243, M244, M245, M246, M247, M248.

Public Bills and Orders Other Than 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:

Bill 211 Protection for Persons in Care Act — Mr. Tannas

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 212 Motor Vehicle Administration Amendment Act, 1995 — Mr. Doerksen

A debate followed.

Ms Burgener moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mrs. Black, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., it was agreed at 5:22 p.m. that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. they would be in Committee of the Whole, and the Speaker left the Chair.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 1995 — 8:00 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 32 Municipal Government Amendment Act, 1995 — Mr. Magnus

A debate followed.

Mr. Bracko, Hon. Member for St. Albert, moved the Bill be amended in section 86, in section 602.04(2) by:

striking out

Minister

and substituting

member municipalities

Debate followed on amendment.

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

For the amendment: 15

AbdurahmanDicksonTaylor (Redwater)BeniukHansonVan BinsbergenBrackoLeiboviciVasseurBrusekerPercyWhiteDecoreSekulicZariwny

Against the amendment: 36

Amery Havelock Pham Black Herard Renner Brassard Hierath Severtson Calahasen Hlady Shariff Collingwood Jacques Smith Dinning Stelmach Jonson Doerksen Laing Tannas Magnus Thurber Evans Fischer Mar Trynchy Friedel McClellan West Fritz Oberg Woloshyn Gordon Paszkowski Yankowsky

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 39 Treasury Branches Statutes Amendment Act, 1995 — Hon. Mr. Dinning

A debate followed.

Dr. Percy, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud, moved the Bill be amended by adding the following after subsection 2.5(3):

2.5(4) The Superintendent shall appear before the Standing Committee on Public Accounts annually to account for the conduct of the operations of the Alberta Treasury Branches.

A debate followed on amendment.

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

For the amendment: 18

Abdurahman Sekulic Dickson Beniuk Hanson Taylor (Redwater) Bracko Van Binsbergen Henry Bruseker Leibovici Vasseur Collingwood Mitchell White Zariwny Decore Percy

Against the amendment: 35

Amery Fritz McFarland Black Gordon Mirosh Brassard Havelock Oberg Burgener Herard Paszkowski Calahasen Hierath Renner Clegg Hlady Severtson Jacques Shariff Day Smith Dinning Jonson Doerksen Laing West Evans Magnus Woloshyn Fischer Mar Yankowsky Friedel McClellan

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

The following Bills were reported:

Bill 27 Livestock and Livestock Products Amendment Act, 1995 — Hon. Mr. Paszkowski

Bill 38 Alberta Corporate Tax Amendment Act, 1995 — Hon. Mr. Dinning

The following Bills were reported with some amendments:

Bill 32 Municipal Government Amendment Act, 1995 — Mr. Magnus

Bill 39 Treasury Branches Statutes Amendment Act, 1995 — Hon. Mr. Dinning

Bill 40 Government Accountability Act — Hon. Mr. Dinning

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 32 (Hon. Member for Calgary-North Hill) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 972/95

Amendment to Bill 32 (Hon. Member for Calgary-North West) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 973/95

Amendment to Bill 32 (Hon. Member for St. Albert) — Defeated (on division)

Sessional Paper 974/95

Amendment to Bill 32 (Hon. Member for St. Albert) — Defeated Sessional Paper 975/95

Amendment to Bill 32 (Hon. Member for St. Albert) — Defeated Sessional Paper 976/95

Amendment to Bill 32 (Hon. Member for Sherwood Park) — Defeated Sessional Paper 977/95

Amendment to Bill 32 (Hon. Member for Bonnyville) — Defeated Sessional Paper 978/95

Amendment to Bill 39 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud) — Defeated (on division)

Sessional Paper 979/95

Amendment to Bill 39 (Hon. Member for Sherwood Park on behalf of Hon. Member for Fort McMurray) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 980/95

Amendment to Bill 39 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning on behalf of the Hon. Member for Fort McMurray) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 981/95

Amendment to Bill 40 (Hon. Provincial Treasurer) — Agreed to Sessional Paper 982/95

Amendment to Bill 40 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Whitemud) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 983/95

Amendment to Bill 40 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 984/95

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 11:03~p.m. until Thursday, May $11,\,1995$ at 1:30~p.m.

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