

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 4

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Twenty-Third Legislature

Tuesday, February 20, 1996

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

The Speaker offered a prayer and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of former Premier, Hon. Mr. Manning, who passed away February 19, 1996. Mr. Manning was first elected as a Member of the Legislative Assembly in the 1935 general election and served until 1968 representing the constituencies of Calgary, Edmonton and Strathcona East for the Social Credit Party. During his years of service, he served as Provincial Secretary from 1935-43, and Minister of Trade and Industry from 1935-44. On May 31, 1943 he was sworn in as Alberta's 8th Premier. During his term as Premier, he also served as Provincial Treasurer from 1944-54, Minister of Mines and Minerals from 1952-62, and Attorney General from 1955-68. In 1970, he was summoned to the Senate and served until 1983.

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, presented a petition from 71 Albertans regarding the \$25 application fee to access government records under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, presented a petition from 323 Calgary residents regarding the proposed closure of the Alberta Place District Office of Family and Social Services in downtown Calgary.

Mr. Henry, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, presented a petition from the Parent Council of the Simons Valley Elementary School regarding 400 hours of fully funded kindergarten programming.

Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, presented a petition from 16 Albertans regarding proposed changes to the regulations governing the practice of licensed practical nurses in Alberta.

Notices of Motions

Pursuant to Standing Order 34(2)(a), Hon. Mrs. Black, Deputy Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following Written Questions and Motions for Returns to be dealt with Wednesday, February 21, 1996:

Written Questions: Stand and retain their places.

Motions for Returns: Stand and retain their places.

Mr. Germain, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly congratulate the L. Robert Enterprises Pee-Wee Double A Barons Hockey Team from Fort McMurray, Alberta, on their gold medal achievement at the Quebec International Tournament in Quebec City on February 18, 1996.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 4 Glenbow-Alberta Institute Amendment Act, 1996 — Hon. Mr. Mar

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

Bill 6 Gaming and Liquor Act — Hon. Dr. West

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Lund, Minister of Environmental Protection:

Response to Written Question No. Q206 asked for by Mr. Collingwood on April 26, 1995:

What is the estimated cost to the Departments of Environmental Protection and Agriculture, Food and Rural Development of implementing the *Problem Wolf Control Program* in southern Alberta during the winter of 1994-95?

Sessional Paper 206A/96

Return to Order of the Assembly No. M224 asked for by Mr. Collingwood on April 26, 1995:

Copies of all documents submitted by Newalta Environmental Services Corporation and Laidlaw Environmental Services Ltd. to the Department of Environmental Protection relating to the monitoring of leachate from the existing landfill cell at Ryley between January 1, 1991 and December 31, 1994.

Sessional Paper 224A/96

Return to Order of the Assembly No. M232 asked for by Mr. Taylor on May 10, 1995:

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.

Sessional Paper 232A/96

Mr. Henry, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Letter, dated February 19, 1996, from Carol Vaage, Sherwood Park, to Hon. Mr. Schumacher, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, regarding comments made by the Speaker during Presenting Petitions, Thursday, February 15, 1996

Sessional Paper 617/96

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

Let's Keep Talking, A Message to Regional Health Authorities, from Family and General Practice Physicians, College of Family Physicians of Canada, Alberta Chapter

Sessional Paper 618/96

Mr. Collingwood, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park:

Letter, dated January 4, 1996, from H.C. Blakey, Director, Market Standards, Alberta Securities Commission, to Mr. Collingwood, Hon. Member for Sherwood Park, regarding a change of control in 1993 experienced by Mutli-Corp. Inc.

Sessional Paper 619/96

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, made a statement honouring the late Premier, Mr. Ernest Manning, who died February 19, 1996.

Mr. Mitchell, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, responded to the statement.

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community Development, made a statement congratulating the communities of Calgary and Canmore for their successful hosting of the Canadian Special Olympics Winter Games and acknowledged the Fort McMurray Pee-Wee team for winning the International Division Championship, Kevin Martin for his fourth Provincial Men's Curling title and Kenneth Giroux, of the Cougar Boxing Club, for being named the 1996 Golden Boy.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, responded to the statement.

Members' Statements

Mr. Kirkland, Hon. Member for Leduc, made a statement regarding chronic fatigue immune dysfunction syndrome.

Mr. Amery, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding the importance of Eid day on the Islamic calendar following the month of Ramadan.

Mr. Zwozdesky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Avonmore, made a statement regarding the economic impact of the arts, culture, and multiculturalism in general and the motion picture industry in particular on Alberta.

Motions Under Standing Order 40

Mr. Germain, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly congratulate the L. Robert Enterprises Pee-Wee Double A Barons Hockey Team from Fort McMurray, Alberta, on their gold medal achievement at the Quebec International Tournament in Quebec City on February 18, 1996.

A debate followed.

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

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

Hon. Mr. Evans, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, indicated by memo to Hon. Mr. Schumacher, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, dated February 14, 1996, he would absent himself from the Assembly during debate on Bill 202, Lotteries (Video Lottery Schemes Elimination) Amendment Act, 1996, because of a private interest in the Canmore Hotel which operates Video Lottery Terminals.

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

Bill 202 Lotteries (Video Lottery Schemes Elimination) Amendment Act, 1996 — Mr. Mitchell

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(2)(3) debate adjourned, Mrs. Gordon speaking.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

501. Moved by Mr. Sapers on behalf of Mr. Mitchell:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to establish a health care system that is based upon the two fundamental principles of accountability and affordability and a system that ensures accessibility, continuity and quality of care.

A debate followed.

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

For the motion: 17

Abdurahman Germain
Bracko Hanson
Bruseker Kirkland
Carlson Leibovici
Collingwood Nicol
Dickson Sapers

Sekulic Soetaert White Wickman Zwozdesky Against the motion: 40

Ady Friedel Mirosh Amery Fritz Oberg Black Gordon Paszkowski Havelock Brassard Renner Burgener Herard Severtson Calahasen Hierath Shariff Cardinal Hlady Stelmach

Coutts Jacques Taylor (Cypress-Medicine Hat)

DayJonsonThurberDinningLangevinTrynchyDoerksenMagnusWestEvansMarWoloshynFischerMcFarlandYankowsky

Forsyth

Consideration of His Honour the Administrator's Speech (Day 3)

Moved by Mr. Stelmach and seconded by Mr. Shariff:

That an humble address be presented to His Honour the Administrator as follows:

To His Honour Mr. Justice J.W. McClung, the Administrator of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Evans, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:19 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 5 Racing Corporation Act — Hon. Dr. West

A debate followed.

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

The following Bill was read a Second time and referred to the Committee of the Whole:

Bill 1 Agent-General Act Repeal Act — Hon. Mr. Klein

Bill 2 Alberta Economic Development Authority Act — Mr. Yankowsky

Bill 3 Lloydminster Hospital Act Repeal Act — Mr. Stelmach

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:02 p.m. until Wednesday, February 21, 1996 at 1:30 p.m.

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