

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 8

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Twenty-Third Legislature

Tuesday, February 27, 1996

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

Presenting Petitions

Mrs. Hewes, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, presented a petition from 72 Albertans regarding the five basic principles upon which Medicare was built: accessibility, universality, portability, comprehensiveness and public administration.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

On request by Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government to uphold the five basic principles upon which Medicare was built: accessibility, universality, portability, comprehensiveness and public administration.

On request by Mr. Mitchell, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government to uphold the five basic principles upon which Medicare was built: accessibility, universality, portability, comprehensiveness and public administration.

On request by Mr. Dalla-Longa, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government to uphold the five basic principles upon which Medicare was built: accessibility, universality, portability, comprehensiveness and public administration.

On request by Mr. Germain, Hon. Member for Fort McMurray, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government to uphold the five basic principles upon which Medicare was built: accessibility, universality, portability, comprehensiveness and public administration.

On request by Mr. Sapers, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government to uphold the five basic principles upon which Medicare was built: accessibility, universality, portability, comprehensiveness and public administration.

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 28, 1996:

Written Questions: Stand and retain their places.

Motions for Returns: M169, M170, M172.

Hon. Mrs. Black, Deputy Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following motion:

Be it resolved that further consideration of the motion before the Committee of Supply regarding subcommittees shall be the first business of the Committee and shall not be further postponed.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly affirm the importance of open access to reading material by recognizing February 26 to March 3, 1996 as "Freedom to Read Week".

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Evans, Minister of Justice and Attorney General:

Response to Written Question No. Q249 asked for by Mr. Dickson on November 1, 1995:

On a daily basis, averaged over the entire fiscal year, how many open custody young offenders were on register at the Edmonton and Calgary Young Offender Centres during fiscal years 1990-91, 1992-93, 1993--94, 1994-95, and from April 1, 1995 through October 11, 1995?

Sessional Paper 249A/96

Response to Written Question No. Q250 asked for by Mr. Dickson on November 1, 1995:

What are the mandate particulars of the 13 Youth Justice Committees which have been formally designated and the additional 35 Youth Justice Committees which are in the process of being formed as referred to on page 11 of the 1994/95 Annual Report of the Justice Department?

Sessional Paper 250A/96

Response to Written Question No. Q251 asked for by Mr. Dickson on November 1, 1995:

What are the specific details identified in the estimated annual saving of \$1 million under the Civil Enforcement Program referred to on page 6 of the 1994/95 Annual Report of the Justice Department?

Sessional Paper 251A/96

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

Healing Health Care, Prescriptions for an Ailing System, a joint statement from Alberta's health care providers, January 1996

Sessional Paper 655/96

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Economic Development and Tourism, filed the following:

News release, dated February 22, 1996, from AT Plastics Inc. entitled, "AT Plastics announces major polymers plant expansion"

Sessional Paper 656/96

During Oral Question Period, Mr. Kirkland, Hon. Member for Leduc, filed the following:

Undated Workers' Compensation Board memo from J. D. Carr to D. V. Holmes regarding amendments to Sections of the Workers Compensation Board Act and Board Orders to deem individuals to be proprietors

Sessional Paper 657/96

Members' Statements

Mrs. Hewes, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding the celebration of the foundation of the Girl Guides.

Mr. Stelmach, Hon. Member for Vegreville-Viking, made a statement regarding the opening of the Telehealth Centre.

Mr. Beniuk, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood, made a statement regarding measures the Provincial Government could take to protect the public from repeat sexual offenders and filed the following:

Manitoba Community Notification Advisory Committee, Report No. 1, November 1995

Sessional Paper 658/96

Motions Under Standing Order 40

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly affirm the importance of open access to reading material by recognizing February 26 to March 3, 1996 as "Freedom to Read Week".

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

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 203 Family Dispute Resolution Act — Mr. Yankowsky

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(2)(b) debate adjourned, Mrs. Hewes speaking.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

502. Moved by Mr. Woloshyn:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to adopt a policy of notifying communities about offenders upon conviction and prior to their release from prison.

A debate followed.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, moved the motion be amended by striking:

of notifying communities about offenders

and substituting:

whereby correctional and justice authorities specifically determine what kind of information should be communicated and how widely it should be communicated to communities about persons convicted of child sexual abuse or dangerous offenders

Debate continued (on amendment).

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(2)(c), debate adjourned (on amendment), Mr. Sapers speaking.

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 21, 1996, he would absent himself from the Assembly during debate on Bill 6, Gaming and Liquor Act, because of a private interest in the Canmore Hotel.

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

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

A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, at 5:29 p.m. it was agreed that when the Assembly reconvened it would be in Committee of Supply and the Speaker left the Chair.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1996 — 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Day 2 — Supplementary Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

During Committee of Supply consideration of the Estimates of the Department of Environmental Protection, the question was called to grant the following sum:

Environmental Protection

\$3,211,000 Operating Expenditure

to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1996, which was agreed to. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the resolution: 33

Amery Forsyth Mar Beniuk Friedel McClellan McFarland Black Haley Havelock Paszkowski Burgener Cardinal Herard Pham Clegg Hlady Renner Shariff Coutts Jacques Day Kowalski Stelmach Dinning Laing Thurber Dunford Langevin Woloshyn Evans Magnus Yankowsky

Against the resolution: 10

Bruseker Henry Sekulic Chadi Leibovici Soetaert Dalla-Longa Nicol Wickman

Dickson

And after some further time spent therein, the Acting Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Tannas reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker, the Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the 1995-96 Supplementary Supply Estimates (No. 2), General Revenue Fund, and reports as follows and requests leave to sit again:

Resolved that a sum not exceeding the following be granted to Her Majesty for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1996, for the Minister and purposes indicated:

Advanced Education and Career Development

\$500,000 Non-budgetary Disbursements

Community Development

\$1,750,000 Operating Expenditure

Education

\$5,000,000 Operating Expenditure

Energy

\$2,700,000 Capital Investment

Environmental Protection

\$3,211,000 Operating Expenditure

Health

\$67,950,000 Operating Expenditure

Resolved that the transfer be authorized of \$3,000,000 from the Operating Expenditure Vote under the Department of Energy for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1996 to the Capital Investment Vote of the Department of Energy.

Mr. Speaker, I wish to table a list of those resolutions voted upon by the Committee of Supply pursuant to Standing Orders.

Sessional Paper 659/96

Mr. Speaker, the Committee of Supply has also had under consideration a certain resolution proposing to establish subcommittees of the Committee of Supply and reports progress thereon. I wish to table a copy of an amendment proposed in relation to this resolution considered this day for the official records of the Assembly.

Sessional Paper 661/96

Mr. Speaker, I would also like to table copies of a motion passed this day in Committee of Supply appointing Members to Designated Supply Subcommittees under Standing Order 56(2):

Economic Development and Tourism

McFarland (Chair) Gordon Tannas Bruseker Kowalski Trynchy

Carlson Sekulic Van Binsbergen Dunford Severtson Woloshyn

Education

Magnus (Chair)HierathSoetaertBurgenerJacquesStelmachDoerksenMasseyWoloshynHenryPhamZwozdesky

Environmental Protection

Calahasen (Chair) Herard Stelmach

Collingwood Hlady Taylor (Cypress-Medicine Hat)

 $\begin{array}{ccc} Coutts & Langevin & Taylor_{(Redwater)} \\ Friedel & Percy & White \\ \end{array}$

Family and Social Services

Haley (Chair)ForsythLeiboviciAmeryHansonStelmachBrassardHewesShariffDicksonLaingWoloshyn

Health

Oberg (Chair)FritzSapersAbdurahmanHavelockStelmachCleggKirklandWoloshynDicksonRennerYankowsky

Sessional Paper 660/96

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

Introduction of Bills

Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly to revert to Introduction of Bills.

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

Bill 10 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 1996 — Hon. Mr. Dinning

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:26~p.m. until Wednesday, February 28, 1996, at 1:30~p.m.

Title: Tuesday, February 27, 1996