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Province of Alberta**

No. 9

## **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

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Wednesday, February 28, 1996

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

### **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, presented a petition from 38 residents of Calgary-Buffalo regarding the proposed closure of the Alberta Place District Office of Family and Social Services in downtown Calgary.

Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, presented a petition from 550 residents of southern Alberta regarding Regional Health Authorities' moving elderly people to long term care facilities.

### **Reading and Receiving Petitions**

On request by Mrs. Hewes, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, 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 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 to uphold the five basic principles upon which Medicare was built: accessibility, universality, portability, comprehensiveness and public administration.

On request by Mr. Vasseur, Hon. Member for Bonnyville, 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**

Mr. Bracko, Hon. Member for St. Albert, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly congratulate the students, staff and parents of Elmer Gish School for being selected the Top Environment School in Canada.

### **Introduction of Bills (First Reading)**

Notice having been given:

Bill 7 Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment and Repeal Act, 1996 — Mr. Severtson

Bill 9 Agricultural Societies Amendment Act, 1996 — Mr. Havelock

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, the following Bills were placed on the Order Paper under Government Bills and Orders:

Bill 7 Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment and Repeal Act, 1996 — Mr. Severtson

Bill 9 Agricultural Societies Amendment Act, 1996 — Mr. Havelock

## **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Health:

Action for Health Initiatives, prepared by Health Planning Branch, Alberta Health, February 27, 1996

Sessional Paper 662/96

Hon. Dr. West, Minister of Transportation and Utilities:

Alberta Transportation and Utilities Construction Report, 1996-97

Sessional Paper 663/96

Mrs. Laing, Chairman, Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission (AADAC), pursuant to the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Act, cA-38, s12:

Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission (AADAC), Annual Report 1994-95

Sessional Paper 24/96

## **Speaker's Ruling — Point of Privilege**

Following Oral Question Period, the Speaker informed the Assembly that he had reviewed the Workers' Compensation Board memorandum tabled by Mr. Kirkland, Hon. Member for Leduc, on February 27, 1996 and raised as a possible point of privilege by Mr. Decore, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry. The Chair concluded that there did not appear to be any possible question of privilege arising therefrom.

## **Motions Under Standing Order 40**

Mr. Bracko, Hon. Member for St. Albert, requested and received the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly congratulate the students, staff and parents of Elmer Gish School for being awarded the prestigious Great Canadian School Search Award as the Top Environment School in Canada.

A debate followed.

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

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Written Questions**

The following Written Questions were Ordered to stand:

Q157, Q158, Q159, Q160, Q161, Q162, Q163, Q164, Q165, Q176, Q177.

### **Motions for Returns**

The following Motions for Returns were accepted:

**M169.** Moved by Ms Hanson:

The staff turnover rates in the Child Welfare Division of the Department of Family and Social Services and a breakdown of each of the staffing classifications for the period January 1, 1994 to December 31, 1995.

**M170.** Moved by Ms Hanson:

A copy of all assessments conducted on the In-home Support Program for Families in Crises within the Department of Family and Social Services including who conducted the assessment, over what time frame, and the type of assessment used, for the period January 1, 1994, to December 31 1995.

The following Motion for Return was rejected:

**M172.** Moved by Mr. Kirkland on behalf of Mr. Sapers:

Copies of all documentation which indicate how the costs are calculated for medical supplies paid directly by patients, such as fibreglass for casts.

The following Motions for Returns were Ordered to stand:

M166, M167, M168, M171, M173, M174, M175, M178.

### **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 204 Protection of Personal Information in the Private Sector Act — Mr. Sekulic

A debate followed.

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

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

Bill 203 Family Dispute Resolution Act — Mr. Yankowsky

## Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Evans, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30, at 5:27 p.m. it was agreed that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. it would be in Committee of Supply and the Speaker left the Chair.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1996 — 8:00 P.M.

## Committee of Supply (Day 1 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

During Committee of Supply consideration of the following motion:

1. Oral notice having been given Tuesday, February 27, 1996, Hon. Mr. Day on behalf of Hon. Mrs. Black moved 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.

The question being immediately put, the motion was agreed to. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 32

Amery	Havelock	Pham
Brassard	Hierath	Renner
Cardinal	Hlady	Rostad
Clegg	Kowalski	Severtson
Day	Laing	Shariff
Doerksen	Langevin	Stelmach
Dunford	Mar	Taylor (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Evans	McClellan	Thurber
Fischer	McFarland	West
Friedel	Mirosh	Yankowsky
Fritz	Oberg	

Against the motion: 25

Abdurahman	Hanson	Sapers
Bracko	Henry	Sekulic
Bruseker	Hewes	Soetaert
Carlson	Kirkland	Taylor (Redwater)
Collingwood	Leibovici	Vasseur
Dalla-Longa	Mitchell	Wickman
Decore	Nicol	Zariwny
Dickson	Percy	Zwozdesky
Germain		

During Committee of Supply consideration of the following amendment, introduced by Hon. Mr. Day Tuesday, February 27, 1996, that the motion (introduced by Hon. Mr. Day, Monday, February 26, 1996) be amended by adding at the end:

4. When the Committee of Supply is called to consider the Main Estimates it shall, on the six (6) calendar days after agreement of the motion establishing the subcommittees, when Main Estimates are under consideration, resolve itself into two (2) of the four (4) subcommittees, both of which shall meet and report to the Committee of Supply.

A debate followed.

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

For the amendment: 32

Amery	Havelock	Pham
Brassard	Hierath	Renner
Cardinal	Hlady	Rostad
Clegg	Kowalski	Severtson
Day	Laing	Shariff
Doerksen	Langevin	Stelmach
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Dalla-Longa	Mitchell	Wickman
Decore	Nicol	Zariwny
Dickson	Percy	Zwozdesky
Germain		

Pursuant to Committee of Supply Motion No. 1 agreed to earlier today and Standing Order 21(2)(b), at 12:07 a.m., the question being immediately put, the motion as amended was agreed to. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 32

Amery	Havelock	Pham
Brassard	Hierath	Renner
Cardinal	Hlady	Rostad
Clegg	Kowalski	Severtson
Day	Laing	Shariff
Doerksen	Langevin	Stelmach
Dunford	Mar	Taylor (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Evans	McClellan	Thurber
Fischer	McFarland	West
Friedel	Mirosh	Yankowsky
Fritz	Oberg	

Against the motion: 25

Abdurahman	Hanson	Sapers
Bracko	Henry	Sekulic
Bruseker	Hewes	Soetaert
Carlson	Kirkland	Taylor (Redwater)
Collingwood	Leibovici	Vasseur
Dalla-Longa	Mitchell	Wickman
Decore	Nicol	Zariwny
Dickson	Percy	Zwozdesky
Germain		

The motion as amended read as follows:

Be it resolved that:

1. Pursuant to Standing Order 57(1), four (4) subcommittees of the Committee of Supply be established by the Committee of Supply with the following names:

Subcommittee A  
Subcommittee B  
Subcommittee C  
Subcommittee D

2. The membership of the respective subcommittees be as follows:

**Subcommittee A**

Clegg (Chair)	Henry	Pham
Magnus (Deputy Chair)	Hierath	Renner
Ady	Jacques	Rostad
Burgener	Jonson	Sekulic
Carlson	Massey	Wickman
Doerksen	Mitchell	Zariwny
Havelock	Percy	

**Subcommittee B**

Tannas (Chair)	Forsyth	Sapers
Haley (Deputy Chair)	Germain	Shariff
Amery	Hanson	Soetaert
Brassard	Hewes	Yankowsky
Cardinal	Laing	Zariwny
Dickson	Mar	Zwozdesky
Evans	Oberg	

**Subcommittee C**

Tannas (Chair)	Fischer	Thurber
McFarland (Deputy Chair)	Fritz	Trynchy
Abdurahman	Gordon	Vasseur
Beniuk	Kowalski	West
Bracko	Nicol	White
Dickson	Paszkowski	Wickman
Dunford	Severtson	



### **Subcommittee D**

Clegg (Chair)	Dalla-Longa	Leibovici
Calahasen (Deputy Chair)	Day	Lund
Black	Friedel	Mirosh
Bruseker	Germain	Smith
Chadi	Hlady	Taylor (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Collingwood	Kirkland	Sekulic
Coutts	Langevin	

3. The following portions of the main estimates (The "Main Estimates") of expenditure for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1997, unless previously designated by the Leader of the Opposition to be considered by the Designated Supply Subcommittees, be referred to the subcommittees for their reports to the Committee of Supply as follows:

#### **Subcommittee A**

Advanced Education and Career Development  
Education  
Executive Council  
Federal and Intergovernmental Affairs  
Provincial Treasurer

#### **Subcommittee B**

Community Development  
Family and Social Services  
Health  
Justice and Attorney General

#### **Subcommittee C**

Agriculture, Food and Rural Development  
Municipal Affairs  
Public Works, Supply and Services  
Transportation and Utilities

#### **Subcommittee D**

Economic Development and Tourism  
Energy  
Environmental Protection  
Labour  
Science and Research

4. When the Committee of Supply is called to consider the Main Estimates it shall, on the six (6) calendar days after agreement of the motion establishing the subcommittees, when Main Estimates are under consideration, resolve itself into two (2) of the four (4) subcommittees, both of which shall meet and report to the Committee of Supply.

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, that the Committee of Supply rise and report, the motion was agreed to. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 32

Amery	Havelock	Pham
Brassard	Hierath	Renner
Cardinal	Hlady	Rostad
Clegg	Kowalski	Severtson
Day	Laing	Shariff
Doerksen	Langevin	Stelmach
Dunford	Mar	Taylor (Cypress-Medicine Hat)
Evans	McClellan	Thurber
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Against the motion: 25

Abdurahman	Hanson	Sapers
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And after some further time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Clegg reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the Department of Transportation and Utilities, reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to table copies of a document tabled by Hon. Dr. West, Minister of Transportation and Utilities, during Committee of Supply consideration of the Estimates of the Department of Transportation and Utilities:

Business Plan and Supplementary Information, Alberta Transportation and Utilities, 1996-99

Sessional Paper 665/96

Mr. Speaker, the Committee of Supply has also had under consideration a motion proposing the establishment of four subcommittees of the Committee of Supply, reports approval thereof, and requests leave to sit again. I would like to table a copy of this resolution for the official records of the Assembly.

Sessional Paper 664/96

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

### **Privilege**

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, indicated he wished to raise a purported point of privilege regarding his rights as a Member of the Legislative Assembly being infringed by the creation of subcommittees of the Committee of Supply.

The Deputy Speaker indicated he would take the matter under advisement.

### **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Acting Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 12:52 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

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Title: Wednesday, February 28, 1996