



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 23

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Twenty-Third Legislature

Monday, March 25, 1996

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

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Hlady, Hon. Member for Calgary-Mountain View, presented a petition from 21 Albertans regarding funding for Early Childhood Services.

Notices of Motions

Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, gave oral notice of the following motion:

Be it resolved that Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, be added to the Select Standing Committee on Private Bills.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Oral notice having been given Thursday, March 21, 1996:

Bill Pr1 Alberta Wheat Pool Amendment Act, 1996 — Mr. McFarland

Bill Pr2 Covenant Bible College Tax Exemption Act — Mr. Brassard

Bill Pr3 Evangel Bible College Act — Mr. Pham

Bill Pr4 Bethesda Bible College Act — Mr. Decore

Bill Pr5 Farmers' Union of Alberta Amendment Act, 1996 — Mr. McFarland

Tabling Returns and Reports

Ms Burgener, Chairman, Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta, pursuant to the Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta Act, cS-13.2 s7(2):

Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta, Annual Report 1995

Sessional Paper 86/96

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Mr. Mitchell, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, filed the following:

Alberta Family and Social Services memo, dated March 8, 1996, from Casework Supervisor's Sub-Committee, Edmonton Region, to Casework and Program Supervisors, Edmonton Region, regarding regional management, with an attached memo, dated March 15, 1996, from Casework and Program Supervisors, Edmonton Region, to Chairperson, Edmonton Region Casework Supervisor's Committee, regarding a crisis in child welfare

Sessional Paper 772/96

During Oral Question Period, Mr. Dalla-Longa, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, filed the following:

Letter, dated September 7, 1994, from Gary Boddaz, Assistant Deputy Minister, Alberta Lotteries and Gaming, to Sandy Vigrass, Glenmeadows Home and School Association, regarding Community Facility Enhancement Program II (CFEP II) and the Glenmeadows computer lab

Sessional Paper 773/96

Letter, dated December 9, 1994, from Hon. Dr. West, Minister responsible for Lotteries, Gaming and Racing, to Sandy Vigrass, Glenmeadows Home and School Association, regarding reconsideration of funding for Community Facility Enhancement Program II (CFEP II)

Sessional Paper 774/96

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Motions Under Standing Order 15(6)

1. Moved by Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Official Opposition House Leader (oral notice having been given Thursday, March 21, 1995):

Be it resolved that the March 21, 1996 finding by the Speaker of a prima facie question of privilege, as raised by the Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, be referred to the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, and that adequate financial and human resources be provided to that Committee so that the Committee can call witnesses, cross-examine witnesses, require the administration of oath thereto, and further that the Committee determine such further rules and procedures to ensure "the safeguards and privileges which every man enjoys in any court of the land" and further that the Committee shall meet within 30 days of the passing of this motion.

A debate followed.

Hon. Mr. Day, Hon. Government House Leader, moved the motion be amended by deleting all the words after

Be it resolved that

and inserting the following:

this Assembly recognizes that a prima facie case of privilege was found to exist by the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly in his ruling on Thursday, March 21, 1996, and as such this Assembly orders that, unless Mr. Robert Burgener, on behalf of his client Mr. Robert Talbot, apologizes to the Legislative Assembly by way of a letter to Mr. Speaker within 5 sitting days of the passing of this motion, the matter be expeditiously referred to the Select Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, and that adequate financial and human resources be provided to that Committee so that the Committee can call witnesses, cross examine witnesses, require the administration of oath thereto, and further that the Committee determine such further rules and procedures to ensure "the safeguards and privileges which every man enjoys in any court of the land".

Debate continued (on amendment).

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to.

The question being immediately put on the motion as amended, the motion was agreed to.

Unanimous consent of the Assembly was granted to waive Standing Order 38(1) allowing Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, to move the following motion (oral notice having been given earlier today, Monday, March 25, 1996):

Be it resolved that Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, be added to the Select Standing Committee on Private Bills.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and the Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

The following Bill was taken under consideration:

Bill 2 Alberta Economic Development Authority Act — Mr. Yankowsky

A debate followed.

Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, moved the Bill be amended in section 2 by adding the following after subsection (6):

(7) Notwithstanding subsection (5), if an appointment under subsections (2), (3), and (4) is not confirmed by the Legislative Assembly within 180 days after the next ensuing sitting of the Legislative Assembly, then the position shall be deemed to be vacant.

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: 16

Abdurahman	Hanson	Sapers
Bracko	Hewes	Sekulic
Bruseker	Kirkland	Van Binsbergen
Chadi	Massey	Wickman
Collingwood	Nicol	Zwozdesky
Germain		

Against the amendment: 39

Amery	Friedel	Oberg
Black	Fritz	Paszkowski
Brassard	Gordon	Renner
Burgener	Haley	Rostad
Calahasen	Herard	Severtson
Clegg	Hierath	Shariff
Coutts	Hlady	Stelmach
Day	Jacques	Taylor
Doerksen	Jonson	Thurber
Dunford	Langevin	Trynchy
Evans	Mar	West
Fischer	McClellan	Woloshyn
Forsyth	McFarland	Yankowsky

Debate continued.

Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, moved the Bill be amended in section 7(1) by adding:

having first been recommended by the Legislative Assembly

after:

Lieutenant Governor in Council

Debate continued (on amendment).

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

For the amendment: 14

Abdurahman	Germain	Sekulic
Bracko	Hewes	Van Binsbergen
Bruseker	Massey	Wickman
Chadi	Nicol	Zwozdesky
Collingwood	Sapers	

Against the amendment: 37

Amery	Haley	Paszkowski
Black	Herard	Renner
Brassard	Hierath	Rostad
Burgener	Hlady	Severtson
Calahasen	Jacques	Stelmach
Coutts	Jonson	Tannas
Doerksen	Langevin	Taylor
Dunford	Lund	Thurber
Fischer	Mar	Trynchy
Forsyth	McClellan	West
Friedel	McFarland	Woloshyn
Fritz	Oberg	Yankowsky
Gordon		

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

The following Bills were reported:

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

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

- Bill 5 Racing Corporation Act — Hon. Dr. West

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 2 (Hon. Member for Calgary-North West) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 775/96

Amendment to Bill 2 (Hon. Member for Calgary-North West) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 776/96

Amendment to Bill 2 (Hon. Member for Calgary-North West) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 777/96

Amendment to Bill 5 (Hon. Minister of Transportation and Utilities) — Debate adjourned

Sessional Paper 778/96

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., it was agreed at 5:17 p.m. that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. it would be in Committee of Supply, and the Speaker left the Chair.

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 1996 — 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Day 1 — Lottery Fund Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some 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 Lottery Fund, 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, 1997, for the purposes indicated:

Agricultural Initiatives

\$22,530,000

Cultural Initiatives

\$23,079,000

Recreation Initiatives

\$16,244,000

Community Facility Enhancement Program

\$35,000,000

Health and Wellness Initiatives

\$16,697,000

Science and Environmental Initiatives

\$750,000

New Initiatives

\$9,000,000

Total Lottery Fund Payments

\$123,000,000

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

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Unanimous consent of the Assembly was granted to revert to Introduction of Bills.

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

Bill 22 Appropriation Act, 1996 — Hon. Mr. Dinning

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Evans, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:48 p.m. until Tuesday, March 26, 1996, at 1:30 p.m.

Title: Monday, March 25, 1996