



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 27

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Fourth Session

Twenty-Third Legislature

Monday, April 1, 1996

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

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Bruseker, Hon. Member for Calgary-North West, presented a petition from 29 Calgary residents regarding the maintenance of the Bow/Crow Forest Headquarters in Calgary.

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, presented a petition from parents of students attending Dan Knott School, Edmonton, regarding the establishment of a provincial child abuse registry.

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, presented a petition from parents of students attending J.H. Picard School, Edmonton, regarding the establishment of a child abuse registry.

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Paszkowski, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development:

Economics of Single Desk Selling of Western Canadian Grain, Colin Carter and
R.M.A. Loyns, March 1996

Sessional Paper 800/96

Hon. Mr. Ady, Minister of Advanced Education and Career Development:

Government of Saskatchewan news release, dated March 25, 1996, entitled,
"Saskatchewan announces changes to student loan financing"

Sessional Paper 801/96

Hon. Mr. Day, Minister of Labour, pursuant to the Labour Relations Code, cL-1.2,
s18(1):

Alberta Labour Relations Board, Annual Report 1994-95

Sessional Paper 104/96

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community Development:

Letter, dated April 1, 1996, from Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community
Development, to Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT) Ooks offering
congratulations for winning an unprecedented seventh national hockey title at the
Canadian Colleges Athletic Association championships

Sessional Paper 802/96

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo:

Letter, dated March 28, 1996, from Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-
Buffalo, to Hon. Mr. Day, Government House Leader, regarding information to
support a document (Sessional Paper 795/96) tabled March 27, 1996 by Hon.
Mr. Day

Sessional Paper 803/96

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Royal Assent

His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, having entered the Assembly and
being seated on the Throne,

The Speaker addressed His Honour in the following words:

May it please your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly has, at its present sitting, passed a certain Bill to which,
and in the name of the Legislative Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's
assent.

The Clerk of the Assembly then read the title of the Bill that had been passed as
follows:

22 Appropriation Act, 1996

To this Bill, Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:

In Her Majesty's name, His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor doth assent to this Bill.

His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor delivered the following speech on the occasion of his pending retirement:

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Premier, Mr. Leader of the Opposition, I seize this opportunity to just say a few words of congratulations to you on the manner in which you are conducting yourself in the business of this Legislature. It has been my pleasure and privilege for the last five years to work with you and for you and with you for all the people that live in our province. This is important, ladies and gentlemen. Sometimes when I'm speaking to the younger people, I impress upon them the importance of our system of government, and what the election of each representative of the people means to the system, because of the fact that I think that perhaps we as Canadians have a tendency to take things for granted. We think, well, this is the way it has always been, and it's the way it always will be. Members of this Legislature, there's nothing further from the truth. If we do not protect the system, then the system will degenerate into something that is not in the best interests of the people.

So it is that I congratulate each and every one of you for the part that you have taken in making this system work because as you look at history for the time that we've known ancient and modern history, there never has been a system of government that has stood the people in good stead as has ours for the last 400 years. Never has there been a history of government that has withstood the pressures of time. With the bases that you now lay in this Legislature within the position that each and every one of you hold, within your nation, and within this world-scheme of things, you have now established a way and a means for people to live in the best advantage for themselves and those about them. The world is a better place because of that. All you have to do, as many of you have done, is go to some of these Commonwealth conferences or meet with some of the people of the Third World, and they're striving, striving to bring their people to the status that you now hold and keep in place, and this is of fundamental importance, ladies and gentlemen, that this happens.

Also I do believe there is one area that I think that we all have had a responsibility and will continue to have a responsibility to try to achieve; that is, the ceremonial activity that's associated with our functions because it instills pride in the hearts and the minds of our people, especially our younger people, our students. So if we put these two things together – the system and the ceremonial activity associated with that system – then certainly each of you will have served your purpose in being here. There's a reason you were here. You will have served your people well. I could wish nothing else than for you to continue to do this, as I have been associated with you in these last five years. You've done a tremendous job.

It's been a privilege for my wife and I to be associated with you on the events that we have met you at and also whenever we met in the Legislature. I just appreciate your accomplishments, your achievements, what you have done for your people. I wish you God's blessing in the future.

Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, and Mr. Mitchell, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, offered congratulations to His Honour on the occasion of His retirement.

His Honour responded to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, and Mr. Mitchell, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, with the following words:

Thank you very much, Mr. Leader of the Opposition and Mr. Premier, for those kind words. They're very rewarding, and I really appreciate them.

I leave you with just one thought. I had the privilege of speaking to the girls that were here on the Parliamentary procedure for three or four days last weekend, and we were discussing the division of power between our office and your office, your position here in the Legislature. I said to them, well, I am not allowed to go into the Legislature unless I'm invited, and then I can come in. That is solely the Members of the Legislature. One of them said, "Well, what would happen if you walked in?" I immediately had to go back and think quickly that any one of you, if I were to walk in through the door, have the right to stand up and say to Mr. Speaker, "I spy a stranger." I hope it never happens to you. I trust it never will, but then that is your right, and I leave that right with you.

His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor then retired from the Assembly.

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)

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

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 5 (Hon. Member for Sherwood Park on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 804/96

Amendment to Bill 5 (Hon. Member for Sherwood Park on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 805/96

Amendment to Bill 5 (Hon. Member for Sherwood Park on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 806/96

Amendment to Bill 5 (Hon. Member for Sherwood Park on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 807/96

Amendment to Bill 5 (Hon. Member for Sherwood Park on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 808/96

Amendment to Bill 5 (Hon. Member for Sherwood Park on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford) — Adjourned

Sessional Paper 809/96

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Day, 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.

MONDAY, APRIL 1, 1996 — 8:00 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 5 Racing Corporation Act — Hon. Dr. West

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 6 Gaming and Liquor 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 5 (Hon. Member for Sherwood Park on behalf of the Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 810/96

Amendment to Bill 5 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 811/96

Amendment to Bill 5 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 812/96

Amendment to Bill 6 (Hon. Minister of Transportation and Utilities) — Agreed to

Sessional Paper 813/96

Amendment Bill 6 (Hon. Member for St. Albert) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 814/96

Amendment Bill 6 (Hon. Member for St. Albert) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 815/96

Amendment Bill 6 (Hon. Member for St. Albert) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 816/96

Amendment Bill 6 (Hon. Member for St. Albert) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 817/96

Amendment Bill 6 (Hon. Member for St. Albert) — Defeated

Sessional Paper 818/96

Amendment Bill 6 (Hon. Member for St. Albert) — Adjourned

Sessional Paper 819/96

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mrs. Black, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 9:57 p.m. until Tuesday, April 2, 1996, at 1:30 p.m.

Title: Monday, April 1, 1996