



**Legislative Assembly  
Province of Alberta**

No. 11

## **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

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Wednesday, April 30, 1997

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

### **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. Severtson, Hon. Member for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake, presented a petition from 19 constituents regarding the banning of VLT (video lottery terminal) gambling in Alberta.

Mr. Marz, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, presented a petition from 77 constituents regarding the banning of VLT (video lottery terminal) gambling in Alberta.

### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre:

Letter, dated April 30, 1997, from Mr. Mitchell, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, to the Board of Directors, CKUA Radio, offering congratulations on the return of the radio station to the air

Sessional Paper 139/97

Ms Olsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood:

Letter, dated April 3, 1995, from Mr. Cardinal, Hon. Member for Athabasca-Wabasca, to Mr. Lyle Donald, Acting President, Metis Nation of Alberta Association, confirming the approval of a grant to the Metis Nation of Alberta Association

Sessional Paper 140/97

Hon. Mr. Day, Provincial Treasurer:

Alberta Public Accounts 1994-95, pages 212 and 226, highlighting the Canadian Western Bank statement of guarantees and indemnities given by the Crown and Provincial Corporations for the years ending March 31, 1995 and March 31, 1996, in response to a question raised in Oral Question Period the previous day by Mr. Zwozdesky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Creek

Sessional Paper 141/97

Hon. Mr. Day, Provincial Treasurer, pursuant to the Alberta Municipal Financing Corporation Act, cA-33, s32:

Alberta Municipal Financing Corporation, Annual Report 1996

Sessional Paper 142/97

Hon. Mr. Day, Provincial Treasurer:

Credit Union Deposit Guarantee Corporation, Annual Report 1996

Sessional Paper 143/97

Hon. Mr. Day, Provincial Treasurer, pursuant to the Insurance Act, cI-5, s344(2):

Alberta Automobile Insurance Board, Annual Report 1996

Sessional Paper 144/97

Unanimous consent of the Assembly was granted to revert to Notices of Motions.

## **Notices of Motions**

Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne be engrossed and presented to His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor by such Members of the Assembly as are Members of Executive Council.

## **Oral Question Period**

During Oral Question Period, Mr. Zwozdesky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Creek, tabled the following:

Alberta Treasury Branches: General Review and Recommendations for Changes, dated December 1994, page 4, highlighting the viability of privatization  
Sessional Paper 145/97

During Oral Question Period, Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, tabled the following:

Article, entitled "Perverting Principles", regarding the plan for children's services in Alberta, by Bernd Walter  
Sessional Paper 146/97

Child Protection, Appendix A, page 9, by Region 10 Steering Committee, Office of the Commissioner of Services for Children and Families, highlighting comments regarding child welfare workers  
Sessional Paper 147/97

Position paper, entitled "Safety, Security and Development of Children: A Response to the Redesign of Children's Services", dated April 7, 1997, by WORCS (Workers Opposed to the Redesign of Children's Services)  
Sessional Paper 148/97

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **Written Questions**

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

WQ1, WQ2, WQ3, WQ6, WQ7, WQ8, WQ9, WQ10, WQ13, WQ14, WQ15, WQ16, WQ17, WQ18, WQ23.

### **Motions for Returns**

The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

MR4, MR5, MR11, MR12, MR19, MR20, MR21, MR22, MR24, MR25.

## Public Bills and Orders Other Than 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 201 Parenting After Separation Act — Mr. Yankowsky

A debate followed.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, moved the Bill be amended by adding the following after section 2:

- 2.1 The court, may, on application by a party to a family law proceeding, excuse the applicant from paying all or part of a fee that may be charged under the regulations if, in the opinion of the court, the applicant cannot afford the payment.

A debate followed (on amendment).

The question being put, with Mr. Tannas in the Chair, the amendment was agreed to. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 35

Bonner	Hancock	Olsen
Boutilier	Havelock	Paszkowski
Calahasen	Herard	Shariff
Cao	Klapstein	Sloan
Cardinal	Kryczka	Soetaert
Dickson	Laing	Stelmach
Ducharme	Leibovici	Stevens
Forsyth	Lougheed	Strang
Fritz	MacDonald	Tarchuk
Gibbons	McFarland	White
Graham	Nicol	Zwozdesky
Haley	O'Neill	

Against the amendment: 22

Burgener	Hlady	McClellan
Clegg	Jacques	Melchin
Coutts	Johnson	Pham
Day	Jonson	Renner
Doerksen	Langevin	Severtson
Dunford	Lund	Woloshyn
Friedel	Marz	Yankowsky
Hierath		

The question being put on the remaining clauses, with Mr. Tannas in the Chair, the motion was agreed to. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the remaining clauses: 46

Bonner	Graham	Nicol
Boutilier	Hancock	O'Neill
Burgener	Herard	Olsen
Calahasen	Hlady	Paszkowski
Cao	Jacques	Renner
Cardinal	Johnson	Severtson
Clegg	Klapstein	Shariff
Day	Kryczka	Stelmach
Dickson	Laing	Stevens
Doerksen	Langevin	Strang
Ducharme	Lougheed	Tarchuk
Dunford	MacDonald	White
Evans	Marz	Woloshyn
Forsyth	McClellan	Yankowsky
Fritz	McFarland	Zwozdesky
Gibbons		

Against the remaining clauses: 13

Black	Hierath	Melchin
Coutts	Jonson	Pham
Friedel	Leibovici	Sloan
Haley	Lund	Soetaert
Havelock		

During Committee of the Whole consideration of Bill 201, Parenting After Separation Act, Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, requested and received the unanimous consent to waive Standing Order 32(2), to reduce the time between division bells to one minute.

The Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported with some amendments:

Bill 201 Parenting After Separation Act — Mr. Yankowsky

Mr. Clegg, Acting 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 201 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clairview)  
— Agreed to

Sessional Paper 160/97

Amendment to Bill 201 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood) —  
Defeated

Sessional Paper 161/97

Amendment to Bill 201 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood) —  
Agreed to

Sessional Paper 162/97

Amendment to Bill 201 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo) — Agreed to  
(on division)

Sessional Paper 163/97

Mr. Clegg, Acting Chairman of Committees, tabled copies of documents tabled by Mr. Yankowsky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clairview, during Committee of the Whole consideration of Bill 201, Parenting After Separation Act:

Parenting After Separation: Participant's Manual, A Program Developed by:  
The Departments of Alberta Justice and Alberta Family and Social Services  
Sessional Paper 149/97

Parenting After Separation: Participant's Manual, Practice Note No. B,  
regarding attendance of the Divorcing Parents' Orientation Seminar offered  
by Court Services

Sessional Paper 150/97

Parenting After Separation: Participant's Manual, Appendix B, regarding  
application for exemption of attendance of the Divorcing Parents'  
Orientation Seminar offered by Court Services

Sessional Paper 151/97

Edmonton Sun article, dated February 3, 1997, entitled "Divorce, Canadian  
Style: Confidential Report Recommends Mandatory 12-week Course Prior  
to Separation"

Sessional Paper 152/97

Letter, dated April 23, 1997, from Mark L. Genuis, Executive Director, NFFRE (National Foundation for Family Research and Education), to Mr. Yankowsky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clairview, regarding Bill 201, Parenting After Separation Act

Sessional Paper 153/97

Letter, dated April 16, 1997, from Michaela Parkin, President, Calgary Youth for Life, to Mr. Yankowsky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clairview, regarding Bill 201, Parenting After Separation Act

Sessional Paper 154/97

Letter, dated April 15, 1997, from Corry Morcos, Western Canada Social Concerns Coordinator, Women Alive, to Mr. Yankowsky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clairview, regarding Bill 201, Parenting After Separation Act

Sessional Paper 155/97

Letter, dated April 16, 1997, from Maureen Lawrence, Executive Director, Family Life Center, to Mr. Yankowsky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clairview, regarding Bill 203 (sic Bill 201, Parenting After Separation Act)

Sessional Paper 156/97

Letter, dated April 16, 1997, from Hermina Dykxhoorn, President, Alberta Federation of Women United For Families, to Mr. Yankowsky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clairview, regarding Bill 201, Parenting After Separation Act

Sessional Paper 157/97

Letter, dated April 15, 1997, from Corry Morcos, Edmonton Chapter President, Alberta Federation of Women United For Families, to Mr. Yankowsky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clairview, regarding Bill 201, Parenting After Separation Act

Sessional Paper 158/97

Letter, dated April 23, 1997, from Ruth Svitich, to Mr. Yankowsky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clairview, regarding Bill 201, Parenting After Separation Act

Sessional Paper 159/97

## **Second Reading**

On the motion that the following Bill be now read a Second time:

Bill 203 Off-highway Vehicle Amendment Act, 1997 — Mr. Coutts

A debate followed.

Ms Haley, Hon. Member for Airdrie-Rocky View, moved the motion be amended by deleting all the words after the word "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 203, Off-highway Vehicle Amendment Act, 1997, be not now read a Second time, but that it be read a Second time this day six months hence.

The question being put, the amendment was agreed to.

## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., it was agreed at 5:11 p.m. that when the Assembly reconvened at 8:00 p.m. they would be in Committee of Supply, and the Speaker left the Chair.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 1997 — 8:00 P.M.

## **Committee of Supply** (Days 6 and 7 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Subcommittees)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair and Mrs. Gordon reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the Department of Municipal Affairs (Subcommittee C), reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

The Committee of Supply has also had under consideration certain resolutions of the Department of Economic Development and Tourism (Subcommittee D), reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

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

## **Government Bills and Orders**

### **Second Reading**

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

Bill 7 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 1997 — Hon. Mr. Day



## **Adjournment**

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:53 p.m. until Thursday, May 1, 1997, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski,  
Speaker

Title: Wednesday, April 30, 1997