

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 14

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Tuesday, May 6, 1997

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

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Langevin, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul, presented a petition from 15 constituents regarding the banning of VLT (video lottery terminal) gambling in Alberta.

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, presented a petition from 315 constituents regarding the banning of VLT (video lottery terminal) gambling in Alberta.

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, May 7, 1997:

Written Questions: WQ1, WQ2, WQ3, WQ9, WQ10.

Motions for Returns: MR4, MR5.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 3 Colleges Amendment Act, 1997 — Mr. Langevin

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

Bill 3 Colleges Amendment Act, 1997 — Mr. Langevin

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Day, Provincial Treasurer:

Centennial Food Corporation loan agreement overview details, and a letter, dated October 17, 1994, from Hon. Mr. Paszkowski, previous Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, to Dr. Percy, regarding the confidential nature of commercial agreements

Sessional Paper 191/97

Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Universities Act, cU-5, s52(5):

Inspection of Animals under the Universities Act, Annual Report for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 1996

Sessional Paper 192/97

Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health:

Alberta Cancer Board, Annual Report 1995-96, Building Partnerships for the Future

Sessional Paper 193/97

Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Nursing Profession Act, cN-14.5, s11(2):

Alberta Association of Registered Nurses (AARN), Annual Report 1995-96 Sessional Paper 194/97

Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Labour:

Stakeholder Consultation Process Proposed Amendments to the Licensed Practical Nurses Regulation, dated April 1997

Sessional Paper 195/97

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

Letter, dated April 30, 1997, from Alderman Dale Hodges, Chairman, Finance and Budget Committee, City of Calgary, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, regarding the 1997 taxation equalized assessment

Sessional Paper 196/97

Mr. Gibbons, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, requested to distribute pins depicting the importance of Dutch elm disease to the Members of Executive Council. The Speaker requested that these be made available to all the Members of the Assembly, to which Mr. Gibbons agreed to comply with.

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Conflicts of Interest Act, cC-22-1, s44(1):

Ethics Commissioner, Annual Report 1996-97

Sessional Paper 197/97

Oral Question Period

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

Loan Agreement, as of September 29, 1992, between: Province of Alberta Treasury Branches; North Saskatchewan River Boat Ltd.; Raymond G. Collins, Kenneth Roy Haak, and Anthony Clare Anderson; and 529667 Alberta Ltd.

Sessional Paper 198/97

Appeal judgement issued by the Federal Court of Canada, Trial Division, regarding Scott Steel Ltd. (Plaintiff); the Ship Recorded in the Port of Edmonton under the name "The Alarissa" bearing record no. 420, and commonly known as "The Edmonton Queen" and, North Saskatchewan River Boat Ltd. operating under the name and style "North Saskatchewan Riverboat Co." and the owners and all others interested in the Ship (Defendants); and Province of Alberta Treasury Branches (Intervenor)

Sessional Paper 199/97

During Oral Question Period, Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Labour, tabled the following:

Workers' Compensation Board News Release, dated May 6, 1997, entitled "Injured Worker Satisfaction with WCB Increased According to Survey"

Sessional Paper 200/97

Survey, conducted by Criterion Research Corp. (Edmonton), on behalf of the Workers' Compensation Board

Sessional Paper 201/97

During Oral Question Period, Hon. Mr. Havelock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, tabled the following:

Letter, dated April 17, 1997 from Hon. Mr. Havelock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, to Hon. Mr. Allan Rock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, regarding gang related violence

Sessional Paper 202/97

Members' Statements

Mr. Langevin, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul, made a statement regarding the North American Indigenous Games, to be held August 3-10, 1997, in Victoria, British Columbia.

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, made a statement regarding the legal employment status of part-time workers, and the disproportionate ratio of these workers being women.

Mr. Friedel, Hon. Member for Peace River, made a statement regarding the flood damage in Peace River, and commending the corporate financial assistance offered by way of the Peace River Disaster Fund.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

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

Bill 201 Parenting After Separation Act — Mr. Yankowsky

A debate followed.

Ms Olsen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Norwood, moved that the motion be amended by deleting all the words after the word "that" and substituting the following:

Bill 201, the Parenting After Separation Act, be not now read a Third time but that it be read a Third time this day six months hence.

Debate continued on the amendment.

The question being put, with Hon. Mr. Kowalski in the Chair, the amendment was defeated. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the amendment: 21

Blakeman Leibovici Pannu Broda Lund Pham Carlson MacDonald Sapers Friedel Sloan Massey Gibbons Mitchell Soetaert Gordon Nicol White Zwozdesky Haley Olsen

Against the amendment: 46

Amery Hancock Melchin Black Havelock O'Neill Boutilier Hierath Oberg Burgener Hlady Paszkowski Calahasen Jacques Renner Cao Johnson Severtson Cardinal Jonson Smith Coutts Klapstein Stelmach Day Kryczka Stevens Laing Dickson **Tannas** Ducharme Langevin Tarchuk Dunford Lougheed Thurber Marz Trynchy Fischer West Forsyth McClellan Fritz McFarland Yankowsky

Graham

The question for Third Reading of Bill 201 being immediately put, with Hon. Mr. Kowalski in the Chair, the motion was defeated. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 30

Amery Fritz Marz Boutilier Graham McClellan Burgener Hancock Nicol Calahasen Jacques O'Neill Cao Johnson Paszkowski Cardinal Klapstein Renner Day Kryczka Severtson Dickson Laing Stevens Ducharme Langevin Tarchuk Lougheed Forsyth Yankowsky

Against the motion: 35

Barrett Olsen Havelock Hierath Pannu Black Blakeman Hlady Pham Broda Jonson Sapers Carlson Leibovici Sloan Coutts Lund Smith Dunford MacDonald Soetaert Fischer Massey Thurber Friedel McFarland Trynchy West Gibbons Melchin White Gordon Mitchell Haley Oberg

Motions Other Than Government Motions

502. Moved by Mrs. Gordon:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to install kilometre marker signs along the Highway #2 corridor between Calgary and Edmonton as a means of providing more accurate location descriptions for stranded motorists and response locations for local emergency services.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

503. Moved by Ms Barrett:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to introduce a Medicare Protection Act which enshrines in legislation the five principles of the Canada Health Act, ensures that all medically necessary services continue to be funded solely through public health care insurance and prohibits within Alberta the provision of medically necessary services for which a fee is charged to the patient or to a non-public insurer.

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(2)(c), debate adjourned, Mr. Dickson speaking.

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 certain Bills 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 Bills that had been passed as follows:

- 6 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 1997
- 7 Appropriation (Interim Supply) Act, 1997

To these Bills, 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 these Bills.

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

Government Motions

17. Oral notice having been given Monday, May 5, 1997, Hon. Mr. Hancock on behalf of Hon. Mr. Havelock moved the following motion:

Be it resolved that this House invite Mr. Rick Hansen to the floor of this Chamber to address the Legislative Assembly on Thursday, May 8, 1997, and that this address be the first order of business after Orders of the Day is called. The ordinary business of the Assembly will resume upon the conclusion of Mr. Hansen's address.

Be it further resolved that Mr. Hansen's address become part of the permanent record of the Assembly.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 2 Special Waste Management Corporation Act Repeal Act — Hon. Mr. Lund

A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mrs. Black, Deputy Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., it was agreed at 5:27 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.

TUESDAY, MAY 6, 1997 — 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Days 12 and 13 — 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 Treasury (Subcommittee A), reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

The Committee of Supply has also had under consideration certain resolutions of the Department of Federal and Intergovernmental Affairs (Subcommittee B), 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 Bills were read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

- Bill 4 Meat Inspection Amendment Act, 1997 Hon. Mr. Stelmach
- Bill 9 Election Amendment Act, 1997 Hon. Mr. Havelock

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:29 p.m. until Wednesday, May 7, 1997, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Tuesday, May 6, 1997