

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 19

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Wednesday, May 14, 1997

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

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 11 Registries Statutes Amendment Act, 1997 - Mrs. Laing

Bill 13 Trespass to Premises Act — Hon. Mr. Havelock

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

Bill 11 Registries Statutes Amendment Act, 1997 - Mrs. Laing

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Mental Health Act, cM-13.1, s47:

Mental Health Patient Advocate Office, Annual Report 1996

Sessional Paper 248/97

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Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Physical Therapy Profession Act, cP-7.5, s9(4):

College of Physical Therapists of Alberta, Annual Report 1996-97 Sessional Paper 249/97

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods:

Letter, dated April 18, 1997, from Mrs. Adeline Hirschfeld, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, regarding the closing of beds at the Millwoods Shepherd's Care Centre Sessional Paper 250/97

Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East:

Letter, fax-dated May 8, 1997, from Mr. Barry Ewing, to Dr. Nicol, Hon. Member for Lethbridge-East, regarding the cost of care in the Enhanced Care Unit in Lethbridge

Sessional Paper 251/97

Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands:

Corporate Rule Treaty: A Preliminary Analysis of the Multilateral Agreement on Investments (MAI) Which Seeks to Consolidate Global Corporate Rule, by Tony Clarke, Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives

Sessional Paper 252/97

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly:

Memorandum, dated May 13, 1997, from Ms Forsyth, Hon. Member for Calgary-Fish Creek, to Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, requesting Bill 204, Provincial Court Amendment Act, come up for Committee of the Whole consideration Tuesday, May 20, 1997

Sessional Paper 253/97

Oral Question Period

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

Affidavit of Value Between 731059 Alberta Ltd. (Plaintiff) and Skimmer Oil Separators Ltd. (Defendant), dated April 29, 1997, regarding appraisal report of Skimmer Oil Separators Building as of December 13, 1996, prepared for Cambridge Environmental Systems Inc., by Appraisal and Consulting Services, Royal LePage

Sessional Paper 254/97

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Written Questions

The following Written Question was accepted:

WQ8. Moved by Mr. Zwozdesky:

With respect to the Treasury Department's creation, publication, production, and distribution of the "Alberta Provincial Electoral Division Profile" series of 83 booklets, who initiated this project, what was the total cost for all government departments, how many copies of each booklet were produced, and what was the distribution for those copies?

The following Written Questions were accepted as amended:

WQ6. Moved by Ms Olsen:

How many times between January 1, 1993 to March 31, 1997 has the Government retained outside legal counsel to conduct criminal prosecutions, and how much was paid to each of those lawyers?

Hon. Mr. Havelock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, moved the motion be amended to read:

How many times *from April 1*, 1993 to March 31, 1997 has the Government retained outside legal counsel to conduct criminal prosecutions, and how much was paid *in total to* those lawyers?

WQ7. Moved by Ms Olsen:

How many times between January 1, 1993 to March 31, 1997 has the Government retained outside legal counsel to represent the Government in civil matters before the courts, and how much was paid to each of those lawyers?

Hon. Mr. Havelock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, moved the motion be amended to read:

From April 1, 1993 to March 31, 1997, how many new retainers were entered into by the Department of Justice, to be paid by that Department, for outside legal counsel to represent the Government in civil matters, and how much was paid in total by Alberta Justice to outside counsel for civil matters during that period?

The following Written Questions were ordered to stand:

WQ13, WQ14, WQ15, WQ16, WQ17, WQ18, WQ23, WQ36.

Motions for Returns

The following Motions for Returns were accepted:

MR11. Moved by Mr. Zwozdesky:

Copies of each and every receipt issued by the Queen's Printer recording sales of copies of the "Alberta Provincial Electoral Division Profile" series of 83 booklets, profiling each of the province's new electoral divisions.

MR12. Moved by Mr. Zwozdesky:

Copies of all purchase orders issued and invoices received for the printing of the "Alberta Provincial Electoral Division Profile" series of 83 booklets, profiling each of the province's new electoral divisions.

The following Motions for Returns were ordered to stand:

MR19, MR20, MR21, MR22, MR24, MR25, MR26, MR27, MR28, MR29, MR30, MR31, MR32, MR33, MR34, MR35, MR37, MR38, MR39, MR40, MR41.

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:

Bill 205 Protection from Second-hand Smoke in Public Buildings Act — Ms Fritz

During debate, Ms Fritz, Hon. Member for Calgary-Cross, tabled the following:

Department of Health Business Plan 1997/1998-1999/2000, page 241, highlighting the percent of Albertans who do not smoke

Sessional Paper 255/97

Edmonton Journal article, dated June 1, 1996, page A8, entitled "Students ask province to curb teen smoking"

Sessional Paper 256/97

Action on Smoking and Health (ASH) news release, dated May 31, 1996, entitled "Alberta students give new Health Minister clear mandate to reduce tobacco use among youth"

Sessional Paper 257/97

Student Tobacco Referendum: Provincial Results, World No-Tobacco Day, Friday, May 31, 1996

Sessional Paper 258/97

Debate continued.

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

For the motion: 42

Amery	Hlady	Oberg
Boutilier	Jacques	Pannu
Calahasen	Johnson	Paszkowski
Cao	Klapstein	Paul
Day	Kryczka	Pham
Dickson	Laing	Renner
Doerksen	Leibovici	Sapers
Ducharme	Lougheed	Severtson
Dunford	MacDonald	Shariff
Evans	Marz	Sloan
Forsyth	Massey	Soetaert
Fritz	McClellan	Stevens
Havelock	Melchin	Strang
Herard	O'Neill	Yankowsky
Against the motion: 13		
Broda	Friedel	Langevin
Cardinal	Gordon	McFarland
Clegg	Haley	Stelmach
Coutts	Hancock	Thurber
Fischer		

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

Bill 205 Protection from Second-hand Smoke in Public Buildings Act — Ms Fritz

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., it was agreed at 5:18 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, MAY 14, 1997 — 8:00 P.M.

Committee of Supply (Day 18 — Main Estimates)

(Assembly in Committee)

During debate on the Estimates of the Department of Health, Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, moved the Estimates for the Standing Policy Committee on Health Planning under reference 1.0.16 of the 1997/98 Estimates of the Department of Health be reduced by \$84,000 dollars so that the Operating Expense to be voted on is \$3,957,518,000.

The question being put on the amendment in Committee of Supply, with Mrs. Gordon in the Chair, the motion was defeated. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 9

Dickson	MacDonald	Pannu
Gibbons	Nicol	Sloan
Leibovici	Olsen	Zwozdesky

Against the motion: 34

Amery	Fritz	McClellan
Boutilier	Haley	McFarland
Broda	Hancock	O'Neill
Cao	Havelock	Paszkowski
Cardinal	Hlady	Renner
Coutts	Jacques	Shariff
Day	Johnson	Stelmach
Doerksen	Jonson	Stevens
Dunford	Laing	Strang
Evans	Langevin	Thurber
Fischer	Marz	Yankowsky
Friedel		

And after some further time spent therein, the Acting Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Shariff reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions, 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, 1998, for the Department and purposes indicated:

Transportation and Utilities

\$542,611,000	Operating Expense
\$136,550,000	Capital Investment

The Committee of Supply has also had under consideration certain resolutions (reported from the Designated Supply Subcommittees), 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, 1998, for the Departments and purposes indicated:

Health

\$3,957,602,000	Operating Expense
\$5,138,000	Capital Investment

Justice and Attorney General

\$337,362,000	Operating Expense
\$1,780,000	Capital Investment

Labour

\$32,967,000	Operating Expense
\$383,000	Capital Investment

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

Responses to questions raised on April 24, 1997, Department of Transportation and Utilities, 1997-98 Committee of Supply debate Sessional Paper 259/97

Mr. Speaker, I would also like to table copies of an amendment proposed by Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, during Committee of Supply consideration of the Estimates of the Department of Health:

Amendment to the Estimates of the Department of Health (Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo) — Defeated on division

Sessional Paper 260/97

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

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

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

(Assembly in Committee)

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

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 3 Colleges Amendment Act, 1997 — Mr. Langevin

Progress was reported on the following Bills:

- Bill 1 Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 1997 — Hon. Mr. Klein
- Bill 2 Special Waste Management Corporation Act Repeal Act Hon. Mr. Lund

Mr. Shariff, 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 1 (Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo) — Debate adjourned

Sessional Paper 261/97

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:41 p.m. until Thursday, May 15, 1997, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Wednesday, May 14, 1997

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