

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 25

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Tuesday, May 27, 1997

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

Presenting Petitions

Ms Barrett, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Highlands, presented a petition from 292 Albertans regarding the introduction of legislation to prevent the use of replacement workers during strike action.

Mr. Herard, Hon. Member for Calgary-Egmont, presented a petition from 99 Calgary residents regarding the banning of VLT (video lottery terminal) gambling in Alberta.

Notices of Motions

Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following motion:

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Be it resolved that further consideration of any or all of the resolutions, clauses, sections or titles of Bill 1, Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 1997, shall, when called, be the first business of the Committee and shall not be further postponed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 34(2)(a), Hon. Mr. Hancock, Deputy Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following Written Questions and Motions for Returns to be dealt with Wednesday, May 28, 1997:

Written Questions:Stand and retain their places.Motions for Returns:MR25.

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Education, gave oral notice of his intention to introduce the following Bill, Wednesday, May 28, 1997:

Bill 21 School Amendment Act, 1997 — Hon. Mr. Mar

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Family and Social Services:

East Village Community Study: Final Report, written by P. Lynn McDonald and Tracy L. Peressini, for the Sub-committee on Social Concerns, the Task Force on Housing in the Downtown, the City of Calgary, dated January 1992

Sessional Paper 303/97

Calgary Sun article, December 6, 1996, page 27, entitled "Homeless study out today", by Daryl-Lynn Carlson

Sessional Paper 304/97

Summary sheet detailing Alberta's shelters for homeless adults and women's shelters, and 1997-98 budget allocation

Sessional Paper 305/97

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

Letter, dated May 27, 1997, from Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, to Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Labour, regarding four additional amendments intended for Bill 1, Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Amendment Act, 1997

Sessional Paper 306/97

Ms Leibovici, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

Letter, dated February 27, 1997, from Reynolds, Mirth, Richards and Farmer, to members of the Alberta Dental Association, regarding the Canadian Dental Association Code of Ethics and the Dental Profession Regulation, relating to fee issues raised by Alberta Blue Cross, February 20, 1997

Sessional Paper 307/97

Alberta Dental Association summary sheet, entitled "Questions about Managed or Preferred Dental Plans (PPO's), highlighting the dentists' conflict with the Canadian Dental Association's Code of Ethics, which has been adopted by the Alberta Dental Association

Sessional Paper 308/97

Ms Sloan, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Riverview:

Safety, Security and Development of Children: A Response to the Redesign of Children's Services

Sessional Paper 309/97

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

Memorandum, dated May 26, 1997, from Ms Fritz, Hon. Member for Calgary-Cross, to Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, requesting Bill 205, Protection from Second-hand Smoke in Public Buildings Act, come up for Committee of the Whole consideration on Wednesday, May 28, 1997

Sessional Paper 310/97

Oral Question Period

During Oral Question Period, Mrs. Paul, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Castle Downs, tabled the following:

Article entitled, "Getting ready for FOIPPA (Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act)" excerpt from the Provincial Mental Health Advisory Board newsletter Connexion, issue no. 12, dated April 1997, including the news release, dated April 15, 1997, entitled "Bill 1 extends Government's commitment to openness and accountability"

Sessional Paper 311/97

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

Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan premium statement, detailing the relationship to Equifax/Canadian Bonded Credits for an account outstanding, and interest rate charged

Sessional Paper 312/97

Members' Statements

Mr. Marz, Hon. Member for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, made a statement regarding International Museums' Day, Sunday, May 18, 1997, and the vital role of museums in the economy and community.

Mr. Dickson, Hon. Member for Calgary-Buffalo, made a statement regarding Homeless Awareness Week, May 25 to 31, 1997, and events being held in downtown Calgary in support for local community initiatives.

Ms Kryczka, Hon. Member for Calgary-West, made a statement as Chair, Seniors Advisory Council, regarding the 11th annual Seniors Citizens' Week, June 1 to 7, 1997, in recognition of the important role of senior citizens in society.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Public Bills and Orders Other Than Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 204 Provincial Court Amendment Act, 1997 - Ms Forsyth

Second Reading

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

Bill 207 Alberta Health Care Accountability and Entitlement Act - Mr. Mitchell

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(2)(b), debate adjourned, Mr. Yankowsky speaking.

Motions Other Than Government Motions

505. Moved by Mr. Doerksen:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to develop a province-wide plan linking trails and to encourage responsible recreational use of such trails.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

506. Moved by Mrs. Burgener:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to review, in conjunction with stakeholders, the role, function and responsibilities of school guidance and career counsellors at the junior and high school levels to ensure Alberta's students can make informed decisions about entering postsecondary institutions or the workforce.

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(2)(c), debate adjourned, Mrs. Burgener speaking.

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 3 Colleges Amendment Act, 1997 — Mr. Langevin

Bill 12 Mines and Minerals Amendment Act, 1997 - Mr. Boutilier

Second Reading

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

Bill 10 Local Authorities Election Amendment Act, 1997 — Hon. Ms Evans

A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:24 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 27, 1997 - 8:00 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Third Reading

The following Bill was read a Third time and passed:

Bill 14 Appropriation Act, 1997 - Hon. Mr. Day

Second Reading

The following Bills were read a Second time and referred to Committee of the Whole:

Bill 16 Justice Statutes Amendment Act, 1997 — Hon. Mr. Havelock

Bill 18 Natural Resources Conservation Board Amendment Act, 1997 — Ms O'Neill

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

Bill 17 Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, 1997 — Hon. Ms Evans

A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:22 p.m. until Wednesday, May 28, 1997, at 1:30 p.m.

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Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Tuesday, May 27, 1997