



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 5

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Tuesday, February 3, 1998

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

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Lougheed, Hon. Member for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan, presented a petition from 5,351 Albertans regarding the requirement of a licence suspension for 90 days or up to the time of court appearance and disposition, for any person charged with impaired driving.

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, presented a petition from 354 Albertans regarding the freezing of per pupil grants of public money to private schools at \$1,815 per funded student.

Dr. Massey, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Woods, presented a petition from 576 Albertans regarding the ending of payments of public money to private schools from revenues collected by or for the Province of Alberta.

Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, presented a petition from 120 constituents regarding the freezing of per pupil grants of public money to private schools at \$1,815 per funded student.

Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, presented a petition from 66 constituents regarding the reducing of per pupil grants of public money to private schools to \$0.

Reading and Receiving Petitions

On request by Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, the following petition was read and received:

We, the undersigned residents of Alberta, petition the Legislative Assembly to urge the Government of Alberta to limit funding to private schools at the current (1996/97) level of \$1,815 per student.

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, February 4, 1998:

Written Questions: Stand and retain their places.

Motions for Returns: Stand and retain their places.

Mr. Sapers, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40:

Be it resolved that this Assembly recognize the fine work that over 40,000 Albertans will be doing in canvassing the province during the Heart and Stroke Foundation's Heart Month.

Mr. Gibbons, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 40:

Be it resolved that this Assembly recognize and congratulate Crime Stoppers for its success in raising over \$120,000 in a telethon this weekend to support the Crime Stoppers program in Edmonton and Northern Alberta.

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 4 Libraries Amendment Act, 1998 — Ms O'Neill

Bill 6 Dangerous Goods Transportation and Handling Act — Mr. Marz

Bill 12 Alcohol and Drug Abuse Amendment Act, 1998 — Mrs. Burgener

Bill 13 Alberta Personal Property Bill of Rights — Mr. Hierath

Upon recommendation of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

Bill 14 Alberta Science, Research and Technology Authority Act — Hon. Mr. Taylor

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

- Bill 4 Libraries Amendment Act, 1998 — Ms O'Neill
- Bill 6 Dangerous Goods Transportation and Handling Act — Mr. Marz
- Bill 12 Alcohol and Drug Abuse Amendment Act, 1998 — Mrs. Burgener
- Bill 13 Alberta Personal Property Bill of Rights — Mr. Hierath

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Dental Profession Act, cD-9.5, s6(4):

Alberta Dental Association, Annual Report 1996
Sessional Paper 54/98

Hon. Mr. Jonson, Minister of Health, pursuant to the Registered Dietitians Act, cR-10.1, s6(4):

Alberta Registered Dietitians Association (ARDA), Annual Report 1996-97
Sessional Paper 55/98

Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert:

Letter dated January 28, 1998, from Brad Wright, Canadian Federation of Independent Business - Alberta, to Hon. Mr. Lund, Minister of Environmental Protection, expressing concerns regarding changes in the departmental system of sale and registration of hunting and angling licenses
Sessional Paper 56/98

Letter dated January 20, 1998, from Keith Reed, Proprietor, Namao Store, to Hon. Mr. Lund, Minister of Environmental Protection, expressing concerns regarding changes in the departmental system of sale and registration of fishing and hunting licenses
Sessional Paper 57/98

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Community Development:

Letter dated February 3, 1998, from Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Community Development, to John Paquet, Executive Director, Heart and Stroke Foundation of Alberta, offering congratulations on the February Heart Fund Campaign and their strong volunteer canvassers and helpers support
Sessional Paper 58/98

Mr. Bonner, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glengarry:

Cure or Curse: For Profit, Two-tier Health Care, document prepared and distributed by S.A.L.T. (Seniors Action and Liaison Team)

Sessional Paper 59/98

Alberta Growth Summit: Population Trends, prepared by Alberta Treasury, Statistics, highlighting population projection of seniors in Alberta

Sessional Paper 60/98

Hon. Mr. Stelmach, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, pursuant to the Agriculture Financial Services Act, cA-12.5, s14(2):

Agriculture Financial Services Corporation, Annual Report 1996-97

Sessional Paper 61/98

Hon. Mr. Havelock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General:

Letter dated February 3, 1998, from Hon. Mr. Havelock, Minister of Justice and Attorney General, to Mr. Ian Proctor, President, Crime Stoppers Edmonton Association, offering congratulations on the successful annual telethon which raised over \$120,000

Sessional Paper 62/98

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

Letter dated November 26, 1997, from Cliff Wallis, Past-President, Alberta Wilderness Association, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, with attached petition signed by over 1,000 individuals expressing concern about the current Agricultural Lease Review process and the ongoing sale of public lands

Sessional Paper 63/98

Ministerial Statements

Hon. Mr. Woloshyn, Minister of Public Works, Supply and Services, made a statement regarding the Year 2000 challenge and the Government's efforts to ensure that Government departments meet the challenge as they enter the next millennium.

Mr. Zwozdesky, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Mill Creek, commented on the statement.

Members' Statements

Mr. Ducharme, Hon. Member for Bonnyville-Cold Lake, made a statement regarding the inaugural Trans-Canada Snowmobile Trail beginning January 3, 1998 with 16 snowmobilers leaving St. Anthony, Newfoundland, covering 11,000 kilometres before ending February 14, 1998 in Squamish, British Columbia.

Ms Carlson, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, made a statement expressing concern for government policy regarding access to public lands which should utilize an open forum for policy development, and expressing support for the Alberta Forest Conservation Strategy and the Special Places Program which protect natural landscapes.

Mr. Amery, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding Ramadan, the Islamic holy month of fasting and worship which ended Thursday, January 29, 1998 and its meaning for the over 1 billion Muslims throughout the world, including the 65,000 Albertans of the Muslim faith.

Motions Under Standing Order 40

Mr. Sapers, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that this Assembly recognize the fine work that over 40,000 Albertans will be doing in canvassing the province during the Heart and Stroke Foundation's Heart Month.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

Mr. Gibbons, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that this Assembly recognize and congratulate Crime Stoppers for its success in raising over \$120,000 in a telethon this weekend to support the Crime Stoppers program in Edmonton and Northern Alberta.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

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 201 Alberta Patients' Bill of Rights — Mr. Mitchell

A debate followed.

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

Motions Other Than Government Motions

501. Moved by Mr. Mitchell:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly urge the Government to make the Office of the Children's Advocate an Office of the Legislative Assembly completely independent from the Government.

A debate followed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 8(4), the question being put, with Mr. Tannas in the Chair, the motion was defeated. The names being called for were taken as follows:

For the motion: 14

Blakeman	Massey	Sapers
Bonner	Mitchell	Sloan
Carlson	Olsen	Soetaert
Dickson	Pannu	Zwozdesky
Gibbons	Paul	

Against the motion: 43

Amery	Gordon	McClellan
Black	Haley	McFarland
Boutilier	Havelock	O'Neill
Broda	Hierath	Paszkowski
Burgener	Hlady	Pham
Cao	Jacques	Renner
Cardinal	Johnson	Severtson
Coutts	Jonson	Stelmach
Day	Laing	Stevens
Doerksen	Langevin	Strang
Ducharme	Lougheed	Tarchuk
Fischer	Lund	West
Forsyth	Magnus	Woloshyn
Friedel	Marz	Yankowsky
Fritz		

Government Motions

8. Oral notice having been given Monday, February 2, 1998, Hon. Mr. Havelock moved the following motion:

Be it resolved that the following change in membership be made to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts:

Mr. Klapstein to replace Mr. Friedel.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

6. Moved by Hon. Mr. Havelock:

Be it resolved that, when the Assembly adjourns on Thursday, April 9, 1998, at the regular hour of 5:30 p.m., it shall stand adjourned for three sitting days until Monday, April 20, 1998, at 1:30 p.m.

A debate followed.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

7. Moved by Hon. Mr. Havelock:

Be it resolved that, when the Assembly adjourns to recess the current sitting of the Second Session of the 24th Legislature, it shall stand adjourned until a time and date, as determined by the Speaker after consultation with the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

A debate followed.

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 Conflicts of Interest Amendment Act, 1998 — Hon. Mr. Havelock

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:18 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1998 — 8:00 P.M.

Government Bills and Orders

Second Reading

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

Bill 1 Protection of Children Involved in Prostitution Act — Hon. Mr. Klein

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

Bill 2 Conflicts of Interest Amendment Act, 1998 — Hon. Mr. Havelock

A debate followed.

Ms Blakeman moved adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

Consideration of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's Speech

(Day 3)

Moved by Mr. Coutts and seconded by Mr. Cao:

That an humble address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor as follows:

To His Honour Mr. H. A. "Bud" Olson, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Alberta:

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has been pleased to address to us at the opening of the present session.

A debate followed.

Debate adjourned.

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mrs. Black, Deputy Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 10:03 p.m. until Wednesday, February 4, 1998, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Tuesday, February 3, 1998