

Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 11

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Second Session

Twenty-Fourth Legislature

Thursday, February 12, 1998

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

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Notice having been given:

Bill 3 School Amendment Act, 1998 — Hon. Mr. Mar

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Community Development:

Information bulletin dated February 12, 1998, entitled "Alberta's museums and interpretive centres are free on Family Day"

Sessional Paper 142/98

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

News release dated November 17, 1997, entitled "Transfusion recipients tested for hepatitis C" by Dr. Shaun Peck, Deputy Provincial Health Officer, British Columbia Ministry of Health

Sessional Paper 143/98

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona:

Letter dated February 5, 1998, from Harold C. Love, Professor Emeritus, Department of Rural Economy, University of Alberta Faculty of Agriculture, Forestry, and Home Economics, to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding health care cutbacks with attached Edmonton Journal article dated February 4, 1998, entitled "City emergency wards in crisis"

Sessional Paper 144/98

University of Calgary Gazette article, dated February 9, 1998, entitled "Board raises tuition, pledges bursary support" highlighting the approved tuition fee increase to 24 percent of the University of Calgary's operating costs

Sessional Paper 145/98

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

Alberta Treasury Loans and Guarantees Operations Manual, chapter "Monitoring and Financial Statement Analysis" excerpt section 5.2 (Interim Financial Statement Analysis) and section 5.3 (Annual Financial Statement Analysis), dated May 10, 1994

Sessional Paper 146/98

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar:

Alberta Congress Board (ACB) Experienced Older Worker Conference "Sustaining Our Human Capital" December 1st and 2nd, 1997, Edmonton Inn, Edmonton, Alberta

Sessional Paper 147/98

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

Designated Supply Sub-committee Agreement dated February 12, 1998, between the House Leader of the Government of Alberta and the House Leader of Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition and the House Leader of the Opposition New Democrats

Sessional Paper 148/98

Members' Statements

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, made a statement regarding the Wetaskiwin Royal Canadian Legion production of World War II videos in which Austin Willis and Barry Hill interviewed fifty veterans regarding their wartime experiences.

Mrs. Soetaert, Hon. Member for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert, made a statement regarding struggles experienced by constituents in utilizing health care services to receive medical treatment.

Mr. Magnus, Hon. Member for Calgary-North Hill, made a statement regarding Flag Day, February 15, 1998, in commemoration of the national flag's 33rd anniversary, and the recent addition of provincial and territorial flags to the Legislative Assembly, the first to do so in Canada.

Projected Government Business

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Mr. Sapers, Official Opposition House Leader, asked a question pertaining to the order of Government Business to be brought before the Assembly for the following week.

Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of February 17 to February 19, 1998:

Tuesday, February 17

(4:30) - Government Bills and Orders

Government Motion 16

Leader of the Official Opposition, response to the Budget Address

Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne

Standing Order 19(1)(c) 5:15 p.m. Question put (Day 10)

Government Motion 17

And as per Order Paper

Eve. - Government Bills and Orders

Government Motion 16

Leader of the Official Opposition, response to the Budget Address

Committee of Supply

Supplementary Supply Day 1 of 2

Advanced Education and Career Development, Education, Family and Social Services, Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs, Provincial Treasurer

And as per Order Paper

Wednesday, February 18 Eve. - Government Bills and Orders

Committee of Supply

Supplementary Supply Day 2 of 2

Community Development, Health, Municipal Affairs, Public Works, Supply and Services,

Transportation and Utilities

Revert to Introduction of Bills

Bill 16, Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 1998

And as per Order Paper

Thursday, February 19 Aft. - Government Bills and Orders

Committee of Supply

Executive Council (Designated)

Second Reading

Bill 16, Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act,

1998

And as per Order Paper

Temporary Recess

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, the Assembly recessed at $2.46~\rm p.m.$ until $4.00~\rm p.m.$

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1998 — 4:00 P.M.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

Budget Address

Hon. Mr. Day, Provincial Treasurer, delivered certain Messages from His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor.

The Speaker read the Messages to the Assembly (the Members standing).

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Motions

9. Moved by Hon. Mr. Day:

Be it resolved that the Message of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 1997-98 Supplementary Supply Estimates, and all matters connected therewith, be referred to Committee of Supply.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

10. Moved by Hon. Mr. Day:

Be it resolved that the Assembly do resolve itself into Committee of Supply, when called, to consider supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

11. Moved by Hon. Mr. Day:

Be it resolved that the Message of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 1998-99 Lottery Fund Estimates, and all matters connected therewith, be referred to Committee of Supply.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

12. Moved by Hon. Mr. Havelock:

Be it resolved that pursuant to Standing Order 58(2.1), the number of days that the Committee of Supply will be called to consider the 1998-99 Lottery Fund Estimates shall be one day.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

13. Moved by Hon. Mr. Havelock:

Be it resolved that, pursuant to Standing Order 58(6), the number of days that the Committee of Supply will be called to consider the 1997-98 Supplementary Supply Estimates shall be two days.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

14. Moved by Hon. Mr. Havelock:

Be it resolved that the Assembly resolve itself into Committee of the Whole, when called, to consider certain Bills on the Order Paper.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

15. Moved by Hon. Mr. Day:

Be it resolved that the Message of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the Estimates and business plans and all matters connected therewith, be referred to Committee of Supply.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

Hon. Mr. Day, Provincial Treasurer, then tabled a copy of Budget '98, pursuant to the Government Accountability Act, cG-5.5, s3, s4, s7, s9, s13; the Balanced Budget and Debt Retirement Act, cB-0.5, s7; and the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Act, cA-27.01, s15(2):

Quarterly Budget Report 1997-98, Third Quarter Update, release date February 12, 1998

Sessional Paper 149/98

Budget '98, Agenda for Opportunity

Sessional Paper 150/98

Budget '98, Agenda for Opportunity: Budget Speech

Sessional Paper 151/98

Budget '98, Agenda for Opportunity: News Release, dated February 12, 1998 Sessional Paper 152/98

Budget '98, Agenda for Opportunity: Ministry Highlights News Release, dated February 12, 1998

Sessional Paper 153/98

Government and Lottery Fund Estimates, 1998-99

Sessional Paper 154/98

Supplementary Estimates, 1997-98, General Revenue Fund

Sessional Paper 155/98

Offices of the Legislative Assembly Estimates, 1998-99

Sessional Paper 156/98

Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund: Third Quarter Investment Report 1997-98, Quarter ended December 31, 1997, dated February 1998

Sessional Paper 157/98

16. Moved by Hon. Mr. Day:

Be it resolved that the Assembly approve in general the business plans and fiscal policies of the Government.

A debate followed.

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

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Havelock, Government House Leader, and pursuant to Standing Order 3(4)(a), the Assembly adjourned at 4:38 p.m. until Tuesday, February 17, 1998, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Thursday, February 12, 1998